



1st April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Iceland Trip Update

First of all, I would like to thank you for your continued patience at this time of uncertainty, especially in relation to foreign travel. I have spoken to the travel company who are organising our trip to Iceland which is due to depart on Friday 1st May.

The situation is currently as follows:

- The guidance the company have been given is that travel restrictions are in place until 16th April. Theoretically, if the Government were to lift travel restrictions the trip could go ahead. This is based on foreign office guidance
- The company expect to hear soon regarding potential travel restrictions after 16th April. If the travel restrictions are extended, then we can fall into the bracket for cancellation and refund
- We have the option of cancelling now, but that would incur the loss of a substantial amount of money as it would be under the normal cancellation arrangements i.e. if there had not been a pandemic. As of today, the travel restrictions are only up to 16th April
- We have the option of postponement, but clearly, we would need to find mutually convenient dates

Whilst I understand that this is extremely frustrating, we are currently in no position to cancel the trip as we would receive no refund through insurance. If restrictions are extended beyond the point of travel, we will then be in a position to make a decision regarding cancellation or running the trip at a later date. I will update you as soon as we receive any more information.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Louise Birch
Trip Leader