

Iceland 2016 Fieldtrip – 27th March – 31st March

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Link: <http://www.bws-school.org.uk/twitter.html>

Key Information: Iceland 2016

Dates of Travel: 27th March 2016 – 31st March

Departure: Sunday 27th March 2016 **Promptly at 2.15 AM** from BWS – Exeter Street Entrance

Departure Flight: Flight time 07.15 from London Luton to Keflavik International Airport.
Flight No. EZY22295

Please note that Sunday 27th March is the start of daylight saving time. This means the clocks **go forward** leaving a possibility for arriving late!

Return: Thursday 31st March 2016

Return Flight: Flight time 09.45 from Keflavik International to Bristol Airport 13.35. Return to BWS expected **15.30 PM**.
Flight No. EZY6002

Equipment

Please note that the luggage allowance is **20kg maximum**. We are flying with EasyJet so 1 piece of hand luggage may be taken on board, dimensions not to exceed **56 x 45 x 25cm**.

Please remember that as part of this field course we will be hiking atop a glacier, temperatures will be far below freezing and consequently many layers are required. Furthermore strong sturdy footwear is an absolute in order to fit the crampons (which will be provided on the day – students are not expected to buy their own crampons).

Our first stop after landing will be the Blue Lagoon, geothermally heated, outdoor pools so packing a towel and swim wear in your hand luggage is essential to avoid delays.

General Kit-list

- Clothing should be both warm and waterproof, ideally with several layers. Base layers / thermals are recommended.
- Study boots for fieldwork are essential – not wellingtons or trainers.
- Waterproofs – top and bottom, i.e. over trousers and water proof rain coat.
- Fleece or warm jacket (ski equipment ideal but likely to get wet, thick fleece with wind breaker a good alternative).
- Gloves and hat.
- Towel and washing equipment (Towel in hand luggage)
- Swim wear (in hand luggage)
- Sleep wear
- Clothing for 5 days
- Lip salve and sun cream (just in case! We can be up very high).
- Adaptor plugs for electrical equipment (UK to EU 2 x round pin type).
- Clipboard and drawing equipment, pen and pencils.
- Sun glasses (glare can be considerable if it has snowed recently)
- Camera (at own risk)
- Chocolate bars – they are expensive in Iceland!
- Cash in Icelandic Kr to the value of £50-75 – not much opportunity to spend but you might need to get additional food at the airports. Exchange rate approx. 200Kr/£.
- **PASSPORT and EHIC (European Health Insurance Card)**
- A book to read on the plane/coach – a recommended good read would be Island on Fire: The extraordinary story of Laki, the volcano that turned eighteenth-century Europe dark

Emergency Contact Information

In an **emergency** we can be contacted through the hotels on the following numbers;

If calling between 27th March and 12AM on 29th March please call;

- Hotel Selfoss:
 - +354 480 2500

If calling post midday on 29th March or later please call;

- Hotel Cabin: Reykjavik
 - +354 511 6030