



18th October 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

YEAR 10 VISIT TO THE WORLD WAR ONE BATTLEFIELDS IN FRANCE

Your child has the opportunity to attend the Year 10 residential trip to the World War One Battlefields in Northern France and Belgium. This is an exciting opportunity for Year 10 to develop their understanding of World War One, explore French culture, and use the French language. It will help them to develop their understanding of a key topic in History, which directly relates to their GCSE studies where they have explored the impact of World War One on shell shocked soldiers and will be looking at how World War One contributed to the rise of the Nazis.

Venue:	Le Chateau d'Ebblinghem, World War One Battlefields, France
Date(s):	31 st May 2019 – 3 rd June 2019
Time:	Leaving at <u>4am</u> on the 31 st May 2019.
Travel arrangements:	Students will travel by private coach from Cardinal Pole to Dover, on the ferry to France and then by private coach in France and Belgium.
Cost:	£295
Meals:	All meals except a packed lunch on the first day.

What will the trip include:

- All transport and meals for the duration of the trip, with the exception of lunch of the first day.
- Visit to the Bouloungerie Escoeuilles, for a hands-on croissant baking experience.
- Visit to the Flanders Field for their excellent exhibition on World War One trenches.
- Entrance to Sanctuary Wood Museum where the students can actually get into trenches and experience them for themselves.
- Entrance to Parc Asterix, where students will have a whole day exploring one of the best theme parks in France.
- Visit the Tyne Cot British Cemetery to see the scale of the war.
- Visit Menin Gate to experience the Last Post ceremony that takes place every day.
- Trip to the local market to practice their French haggling skills.

Accommodation:

Students will be staying at Le Chateau d'Ebblinghem, which is a centre specifically built for educational groups set in a rural location just 8km east of St Omer on the Opal Coast in northern France. It is purpose built and the students will be the only group there for the duration.

Price:

The trip costs £295 per student. This price includes all meals for the duration of the trip with the exception of a packed lunch on the first day of travel. It also includes a generous and significant contribution by the Governors to the price of the trip as recognition of how important this learning experience is. This does mean that they will not be able to assist further in the cost of the trip.

Paying the deposit is a commitment to pay for the whole price. The deposit is non-refundable.



Payments:

Deposit: To sign up for the trip go to Parentpay online and complete the online trip form and pay the £100 deposit by 31st October 2018. Cash will not be accepted for the trip. If you require assistance to use Parentpay please contact the Finance Department.

Places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Payment Two: £100 : due Monday 26th November 2018

Payment Three: £95 : due Thursday 31st January 2019

Passports

Students will need to have an in date passport for travel. Please record the details of their current passport online on Parentpay. Students will need to bring their passports into reception to be photocopied as soon as they are accepted on the trip.

Medical/Dietary Needs

Please indicate on Parentpay if your child has any medical or dietary needs so that we can accommodate this.

Allocation

Places are allocated on a first come, first serve basis. To avoid disappointment please fill in the form as soon as possible on Parentpay and pay the £100 deposit. The school reserves the right to remove students from the trip in advance if a student's behaviour does not meet the school's expectations.

Yours faithfully

A. Holmes

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