



15th November 2023

Dear students & parents/carers,

The History Department are once again organising a tour to the First World War battlefields of Belgium and northern France for Y9 and 10 pupils. This will be taking place on the 20 – 24th June 2024. This trip is designed to support the History GCSE syllabus, but also provides a valuable opportunity to reflect on such a significant event in our nations' history. It is therefore of particular relevance to those in year 9 who are seriously considering taking GCSE History.

During the four days the pupils will take a number of excursions in the Ypres and Somme areas to visit museums, preserved trenches, military cemeteries, memorials and battle sites. This will help students to gain an insight into trench warfare and its impact on both medical developments and subsequent political events. We hope to be able to take all pupils who express a wish to go, however if we reach our limit of places then they will be allocated by ballot. As this trip will incorporate visits to sites of a sensitive nature, we reserve the right to refuse a place to any pupil whose behaviour, in our experience, is unacceptable.

The tour will cost £495 per person, which will cover all travel, food and accommodation expenses abroad as well as museum entrances etc. If this poses any difficulty then please do get in touch, as financial assistance towards the trip can sometimes be arranged. Please also feel free to contact us if you have any queries regarding any details about the trip.

Please return the attached form, either physically or electronically before the end of November, so that arrangements can then be finalised.

Yours faithfully

S Coleman & C Dowson
Trip Organisers

I am interested in a place on the 2024 Battlefields' tour:

_____ (name of student)

This has been discussed with and agreed by:

_____ (signature of parent/carer)

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