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15 November 2013

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of the year 9 History course each year the History Department takes a group students to the WWI Battlefields of Belgium. This is a popular and educational trip which enhances the learning experience of the students taking the course and has proven to be an invaluable experience for all those involved.

We are delighted to inform you that the History Department will be running the trip again in October 2014.

Brief details of the Visit

We will be away for 3 days and 2 nights, leaving on the 17 October and arriving back on the 19 October 2014. The journey is by coach and ferry and the accommodation is on a full board basis at a Youth Hostel in Ypres, Belgium.

The days will be spent visiting the First World War Battlefield surrounding Ypres. We visit areas of distinct historical importance that will enhance the knowledge of the students thus helping with their study of the First World War. We visit the Menin Gate and take part in the nightly memorial ceremony. We visit the preserved trenches of Sanctuary Wood and also pay a visit to the impressive British and Commonwealth Tyne Cot Cemetery. We compare this to the atmospheric German cemetery of Langemark drawing on the knowledge of the students to explain why they are so different and helping the students to look at the war from different perspectives, not just the British.

The cost of the trip is approximately **£270** per pupil and this includes all transport, meals (except on the journey out) and excursions. Unfortunately, places are limited (the hostel only has capacity for 46 students) and therefore names will be picked out of a hat at random. If your child is not fortunate enough to get a place your deposit will be returned and his/her name placed on a waiting list.

If you wish your son/daughter to be involved in this trip then please return the slip below together with a cheque (made payable to Fulford School Fund) for £30 as a non-refundable deposit to the School Office by Monday 9 December. After this date cheques cannot be accepted as we need time for them to clear before sending the deposit to the travel company. The remaining balance of the monies will be paid in 2 instalments. Please note that the deposit is non-refundable and once accepted you are committed to the trip and future payments.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Jenner
History Department

Ypres 2014

I/We would like my/our son/daughter to take part in the above visit and enclose a non-refundable deposit of £30.

Name: Reg:

Parent/Carer: Date: