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Dear Parent/Carer

We are delighted to inform you that the History Department will be running a Year 8 trip to the WW1 Battlefields of Belgium in July 2020.

This was a trip previously offered to Year 9 but changes to the curriculum have brought the study of WW1 into the Year 8 course. This trip is particularly for those students intending to opt for History at GCSE. This is an educational trip which enhances the learning experience of the students and has proven to be a popular and invaluable experience for all those involved in previous trips.

Brief details of the Visit

We will be away for 3 days and 2 nights, leaving at midnight on Thursday 9th July and arriving back on the evening of Sunday 12th July. The journey is by coach and Eurotunnel and the accommodation is on a full board basis at a School Hotel 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 Last Post 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 **£351.00** per pupil and this includes all transport, meals (except on the journey) and excursions. Unfortunately, places are limited 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 registering your interest by **Friday 20th September**. Once your child's place has been confirmed we would ask if you could please pay the deposit of £50 immediately to ensure we can confirm numbers with our travel company. This can be paid via Parentpay or cheque/cash. The remaining balance of the monies will be paid in two instalments of £150.50. Please note that the deposit is non-refundable and once accepted you are committed to the trip and future payments.

All students have access to our extra-curricular activities and reasonable adjustments will be made to ensure each student's full inclusion in this trip.

Yours sincerely

Miss H Smith
History Department

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Ypres 2020

I/We would like my/our son/daughter to take part in the above visit and will pay a deposit of £50 immediately after confirmation of the place.

Name: Form:

Parent/Carer: Date: