

THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL A SPECIALIST SPORTS COLLEGE

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Dear Parent/Carer

HISTORY TRIP YPRES AND THE SOMME 5-7 JULY 2018

We are planning a trip for Year 9 History students to Ypres and The Somme. The trip will run from **5-7 July 2018.**

This trip is designed to support students' learning for their Year 9 History course, enabling them to experience the places and get a real sense of the significance of the events they have studied. This will also enhance and supplement their education in terms of their moral, cultural and social development.

The price of the proposed tour is **£280.** Please note that this price is based on **60 students** attending and could increase by as much as **20%** if fewer students apply for a place. In the event that this number is exceeded, places will be allocated to those students with the highest attitude to learning scores. We are required to strictly monitor our numbers and gender split in order that we do not incur supplementary costs with regard to under occupancy of rooms.

The cost of the trip will include:

- Coach journey for the duration of the trip
- Eurotunnel crossing
- 2 nights full board hostel accommodation
- Entrance to In Flanders Field Museum
- Entrance to Memorial Museum Passchendaele
- Guild of Battlefields tour guide for the duration of the trip

In addition, we will be visiting the following sites free of charge:

- The Menin Gate for the Last Post Ceremony
- Langemark Cemetery
- Tyne Cot Cemetery
- Thiepval Memorial

The school will make a booking with the tour operator on behalf of those students wishing to go on the trip. It is understood that all conditions of the booking are accepted and one such condition is that **deposits are non-refundable** once your son/daughter's place has been confirmed and deposits have been forwarded to the tour operator.



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If you would like your child to be considered for a place on this trip please complete and return the attached parental consent form, payment agreement and contract to the Trips Payment Box and the holding deposit of £50 paid directly to: <u>www.parentpay.com</u> by Friday, 14 July 2017. Parents who do not have access to www.parentpay.com should contact Mrs G Newall at <u>gnewall@buckinghamschool.org</u>.

Any application without the parental consent form, payment agreement, contract and deposit will not be considered. All unsuccessful applicants will have their deposits returned via www.parentpay.com.

Please note that a copy of your child's passport, valid for the dates of travel, must be with Miss Buck by Friday, 9 February 2018.

Below is the payment schedule and should you have any questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>rbuck@buckinghamschool.org</u>.

Payment due by:

14 th July 2017	Immediate	£50	Deposit to secure a place
1 st Sept 2017		£50	
1 st Oct 2017		£50	
1 st Nov 2017		£50	
1 st Dec 2017		£80	Final Balance

Yours faithfully

Miss R Buck Subject Leader – History & Trip Leader



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Please complete and return this slip with the deposit via online payment (<u>www.parentpay.com</u>) and, parental consent form and Parent Agreement/Contract to Reprographics by **Friday**, **14 July 2017**.

I would like my son/daughter _____

Form: ______ to be included in the History Trip on 5-7 July 2018.

- 1. I understand that the **£50** initial payment is to secure a place on the trip and is non-refundable once the place has been confirmed to me.
- 2. I agree to keep to the payments schedule.
- 3. I agree that I will abide by the tour operator's Terms and Conditions available on their website.

Please use the email address below to keep me informed on any trip updates, meetings and further information.

Name of Parent/Carer: _____

Signed by person with legal responsibility for student:

Email: _____

Dated: _____

