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Dear Families,

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Year 9 Battlefields Trip - Ypres/Somme

Thank you for your patience as we have liaised with the travel company to finalise the departure time for the Battlefields Trip. I can now confirm that we will meet at **04:15** in **Sandringham Crescent** on **Friday 3**rd **November.**

The presentation from the information evening was uploaded to the school website prior to half term; please do let me know if you have been unable to find it and I can send a copy to you directly.

To reiterate the key points, students should bring with them:

- Warm layers of clothes; there can be very cold winds and we will be outside for extended periods of time. You are <u>not</u> required to wear uniform.
- Waterproof coat and sturdy shoes; some of the locations can be muddy and, if
 it is raining, we will still continue outside.
- Towels and toiletries; these are not provided by the hostel.
- Food and snacks; most meals are provided but please bring any snacks that
 you many want. Please do not bring chewing gum or any food that contains nuts.
 We recommend that students bring a packed breakfast for Friday morning and
 food for Saturday evening in case any delays on the road mean that we do not
 have time for an extended stop at the Eurotunnel terminal.
- **Spending money**; students may bring a small amount of money to purchase gifts from the chocolate shop in Ypres. This must be in Euros as there is nowhere to change money on the trip.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any additional queries.

Yours sincerely,

Alice Constable
Director of Learning: History & Politics















