

KED/SSW

19th April 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Battlefields trip, Friday 25th April 2025 to Sunday 27th April 2025

Following our previous successful trips and as part of the KS3 & KS4 History curriculum, I am delighted to offer your child the opportunity to take part in a three day/two night Battlefields tour of France and Belgium. This tour will enrich students' knowledge of the battles of WW1 whilst emphasising the importance of remembering fallen soldiers in the First World War and beyond. It gives a visual representation of the WW1 Year 8 and GCSE unit, bringing classroom learning to life.

The total cost of the trip will be no more than £350.00. I have tried to ensure that allowances are generous and any fluctuation in cost will be to your benefit.

The price includes:

- Travel to and from France & Belgium by coach and cross channel ferry
- Full board accommodation (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and the use of a coach for the duration of the trip
- A visit to the Passchendaele Memorial Museum
- A visit to Hill 62 Museum and trenches
- A visit to the historic town of Ypres, including a visit to Leonidas Chocolate shop
- Full day visit to the Somme, visiting The Ulster Tower, Newfoundland Memorial Beaumont Hamel, the Thiepval Memorial & the Vimy Ridge Canadian Memorial
- A trip to The Essex Farm Langemark German Cemetery and the Tyne Cot Memorial
- All entry fees

Please note that your child will need a valid passport and GHIC card for this trip and it is the parent/carer's responsibility to check for and make any necessary visa applications prior to travel.

If you are interested in your child attending this trip then please complete this google form: https://forms.gle/eohxdp3mDbtceb8t9 by **Tuesday 30th April 2024.**

You will be notified if your child has been allocated a place on the trip, after which the deposit of £120.00 will be payable via SCOPAY by Monday 3rd June 2024. Please ensure that you tick the consent box. In the light of the current economic climate and before committing to this trip, can all parents please note that once your child's place has been secured, the deposit is **non-refundable** unless the whole trip is cancelled by the school.



There are 44 spaces available. In the event that the trip is oversubscribed, we have the option to run a second trip from Friday 2nd May 2025 to Sunday 4th May 2025. A further google form will be sent to ask for preference of date, however, your requests cannot be guaranteed.

Once the trip is confirmed, a payment schedule will be provided and we anticipate the balance being payable in two further monthly instalments of £115.00 in July 2024 and £115.00 in October 2024.

As your child will be representing Crestwood Community School we expect the highest standards of behaviour from students both in and out of lessons. For this reason, the allocation of trip places is subject to your child having a good behaviour and attendance record. In line with other trips, should your child's ClassCharts record show frequent negative behaviour logs and/or attendance below 95%, their place on the trip will be subject to a review by the Senior Leadership Team. The result of this review may be to withdraw your child's place on the trip or to place targets on improved behaviour and attendance. In this instance a member of the SLT will contact you and the deposit will be refunded.

If you have any queries or questions please contact your child's teacher or myself.

Yours sincerely

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