

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 9 Ypres Trip - 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Trip Leader: Mr T Constable**

I am organising a Year 9 trip to Ypres, Belgium during the final term of summer this year. This trip is for 4 days, travelling by coach to Ypres, Belgium. We will leave Ashbourne on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 at around 10.00pm, to travel to Dover to catch the ferry to Calais. We will then travel from Calais to Ypres, stopping en route for breakfast and lunch. I have reserved rooms at the Templehoff guesthouse in the centre of Ypres, based on full board accommodation (breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal). We will then have 3 days of activities in Ypres, before returning on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at approximately 11.30pm. We can take a maximum of 45 students and so will operate on a first come, first served basis. Please note that ParentPay may close before the payment deadline as soon as the trip is full.

This trip is specifically linked to the new GCSE topic: The British sector of the Western Front, 1914-18, which all students will be studying in class during the summer term. This trip will be particularly useful for those students who will be taking history at GCSE, as we hope it will give them a better understanding of the context of trench warfare that they can apply to the exams. Our itinerary includes; The In Flanders Field Museum, only a few minutes from our accommodation, Langemark Cemetery, Essex Farm Cemetery, Passchendaele Memorial Museum, witnessing the last post ceremony, Hill 60, Hooge Crater Museum, the Trenches and many more.

The total cost of the trip is **£345** per student, which includes full board accommodation, insurance, transport, activities and museum entries. If you would like your child to take part in the trip, please make a **non-refundable deposit payment of £40 via the ParentPay system\* by 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. Further payments of £76.25 will be required in February, March, April and May. You may pay the outstanding balance at any time up to May. Total payments must be received by 24<sup>th</sup> May at the latest.

Finally, your child will require a valid passport for this trip. Should you require further details, please contact me via the main telephone number above, or by email at [Constable@qegs.email](mailto:Constable@qegs.email)

Yours faithfully

Mr T Constable

**Teacher of History & Trip Leader**