



Dear Parents,

In case your child was unable to attend our student information briefing, please find attached the information pack that has been distributed to those going on the History department's Battlefield trip.

Please note the updated timings for arriving at and departing school. This is due to the travel company having informed us that the departure time for our ferry to Calais has changed. As a result, students will now need to arrive on-site at **5:30** to ensure we leave on time.

Times

Depart on Friday 21st October

05:30 Assemble at The Emmbrook School

06:00 Depart for Dover

09:55 Ferry for Calais

Return on Sunday 23rd October

18:50 Ferry for Dover

21:30 Arrive back at The Emmbrook School

Meals

While meals are provided on the trip, students are advised to bring a packed lunch for Friday, as the first meal will be dinner served at the hostel in the evening.

Address in Ypres

Youth hostel Munchenhof
Markt 43,
Langemark 8920,
Belgique/Belgium
+32 (0)57/48 83 13

Phone number for emergencies

07425 700485





Items to take

- **PASSPORT**
- Wellies / Boots in a separate plastic bag
- Money – mix of Euros and Sterling – enough for snacks, souvenirs, chocolates!
- Weather appropriate clothes
- Sensible shoes
- Water bottle
- Towel

Itinerary

Friday

In Flanders Fields Museum
Tyne Cot Cemetery
Langemark Cemetery

Saturday

Full day on the Somme
Thiepval
Lochnagar Crater
Newfoundland Park
Vimy Ridge
Return to Ypres for the Last Post Ceremony

Sunday

Essex Farm
Sanctuary Wood Museum
Ypres Town

General Guidelines:

- Mobiles etc. can be taken but are the responsibility of the student
- We are visiting military memorials – thousands of soldiers lost their lives at these sites. Therefore there will be no shouting or running around the memorials.
- Please reinforce the need to behave appropriately in the hotel – remember levels of noise and socialise in communal area only.
- Only souvenirs of an appropriate nature – NO FIREWORKS, KNIVES, LASER PENS.





We hope you and your child are looking forward to this trip as much as we are!

Please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr Matthews ahead of Friday if you have any concerns or questions.

Kind regards,

James Harrison

