

Our Ref: MSH/nky

20 March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Year 9-Proposed day trip to the World War I Battlefield of Ypres**

As I am sure you are aware this year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWI. To help bring this period of history to life, and to develop our students' understanding of trench warfare and the conditions soldiers experienced living in trenches, we are organising a day trip to the famous battlefields of Ypres, in Belgium. I believe that this is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to gain an in depth understanding of the horrors of World War I and will help them realise the scale of the sacrifice made by soldiers of all nationalities.

The trip is planned to take place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September. On the day of the trip, we will be departing from the school at 5.30am and will be returning to school at approximately 9.30pm. The cost of the trip will be £85. This price includes coach and Euro-tunnel transport, insurance, and a guide, whose knowledge and expertise will be shared with our students, greatly enhancing the educational value of the trip.

**Essential Student Requirements:**

- A valid passport, and a
- EHIC (European Health Insurance Card)

**Methods of Application for EHIC Cards**

- Can be applied for by obtaining a form from the Post Office and then posting to the address on the front of the envelope, or
- By applying on line to [www.nhs.uk/ehic](http://www.nhs.uk/ehic), or by calling the
- EHIC Application by phone 0300 330 1350

Should you wish your son/daughter to attend this valuable trip, please complete and return the attached reply slip accompanied by a £20.00 deposit, payable by cash, cheque or Wisepay to the Main Reception by Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Securing a place on this trip will be on a "first come, first served basis".

We are proud of our excellent record of exemplary behaviour on trips and visits. Students will be representing our Academy and we expect all to behave and act responsibly. If staff have any concerns about your child's conduct, their place on the visit will be reviewed.

Yours faithfully,

Mr M Smith

**Head of Humanities**



**Reply Slip – Please return to Reception by Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

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Student name (please print)..... Form.....

My child will/will not (\*) like to reserve a place on the above named trip on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September.  
\*Delete as appropriate

I enclose the deposit of £20.00 by cheque/cash/Wisepay (delete where appropriate)

I confirm that our child will adhere to the academy's behaviour expectations for trips and visits.

Signed.....

If your son/daughter has any specific physical/learning or other needs please indicate below so that appropriate differentiation can be planned:

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Any medical/other conditions of which the school should be aware:

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Emergency Contact Number:

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Date:.....

*Cheques payable to: The Thomas Alleyne Academy.*

*Name of student and Form to be written on the back please*