

12<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
IW/SR

Dear Parent/Carer

**Battlefields Visit 2018 – 28<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 Payment Schedule**

I am pleased to be able to tell you that the response to the 2018 Battlefields Visit has been very encouraging with 35 pupils having put their names forward. I have passed on all of the names to the school office and they have set up ParentPay for you to pay the deposit of £65.00. This has to be forwarded to Reay's Coaches – the travel company and is non- returnable. Some parents have already paid this deposit. Please let me know directly as soon as possible if you have any problems in this respect.

Having paid the deposit of £65.00 a balance of £400.00 is left. I have split the remaining balance into 4 equal payments of £100.00. Payments are due on the following dates:-

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018	£100.00
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018	£100.00
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2018	£100.00
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2018	£100.00

I have to make regular payments to Reays Coaches as the time proceeds, so it is very important that payments are made on time. Please let me know if you have any difficulties.

I have to forward the total balance to Reays Coaches on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018 so that they can purchase our ferry tickets and pay for our accommodation. They will not confirm any travel details until this has been done. It is therefore very important that all payments have been made by the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Should there be any issues regarding payments and making deadlines please get in touch with the school as soon as possible.

Please be aware, that once the balance has been to Reay's Coaches refunds can only be made through the medical insurance.

Closer to the departure date, a parent/pupil briefing will be arranged one evening after school to pass on all relevant information. This usually happens late September, or early October.

Planning the visit is spread over many months and I will begin booking the itinerary in March 2018 as soon as museums open after the winter. It would be very useful to know if you would like your son/daughter to visit a family war grave or memorial so that I can build it into the itinerary. Relevant information can be accessed through the Commonwealth War Graves Commission website. If you encounter any problems finding

out information please let me know because I also have access to the database, Soldiers Died in the Great War.

Please fill in the slip below if you would like your son/daughter to visit a particular war grave or memorial on the Western Front and I will do my best to make this possible.

**Please note that there is also a change of date for the visit. It will now take place from Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2018.** This is just one week earlier because the Hotel Munchenhof is already booked for the previous date. No doubt this reflects the significance of the 2018 anniversary.

If you require further information or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours faithfully

**Miss I Wilde**  
**Principal Teacher of History**

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PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ASAP IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IS RELEVANT TO YOU.

Details of a relative who died in the First World War – please give as much detail as you can so that soldiers with the same name or initials can be eliminated from the search.

SURNAME \_\_\_\_\_ First Names or Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Village where soldier lived immediately prior to or during the war \_\_\_\_\_

RANK – if known \_\_\_\_\_ REGIMENT – if known \_\_\_\_\_

Year Died – if Known \_\_\_\_\_

Any other details which you think might help \_\_\_\_\_

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German or the war graves of other nationalities may also be visited if you can give me similar details

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