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Dear Parent,

3rd April 2020

## Cancellation of Trips/Visits

I am writing to inform you we have made the difficult decision to cancel the Battlefields Study Tour Trip that was due to take place from the 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020 to 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

We appreciate this visit is a number of months away and the current restrictions on travel may well change in the coming months. Nonetheless, there are so many variables which may have an impact on this, for example, the coronavirus pandemic resulting in changes to the financial situation of a family or even the stability of the hotel or travel companies moving forward. As a result, we have concluded that cancellation is a sensible course of action. In addition, we feel it would be unfair to continue to request payments for upcoming visits at a time when parents are prioritising money for basic essentials when these trips may well be cancelled eventually by the providers.

In the meantime, we are working with the travel company and the school insurers to claim as much money back from that which parents have already paid towards the visit. We will work really hard to do this but we ask parents to be patient in the current climate. We hope you appreciate that many schools are taking these similar, responsible measures with both travel companies and insurers experiencing a high volume of claims.

We understand that your child will be disappointed and we will do all we can to ensure that there will be other (if not the same) opportunities to come. Educational visits add value and enrichment to our school curriculum and are an enjoyable aspect of a student's journey through school. We will continue to plan school visits for the 2020-21 academic year, which we aim to offer to parents at the start of the school year.

Yours sincerely

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**Head of School**



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