



3/07/2020

Dear Parent/ Carer,

BATTLEFIELDS TOUR 2021

I hope this letter finds you and your families safe and well. I am writing to update you on the current situation regarding the Battlefields Trip that your child has paid a deposit for. As I am sure you are aware, there remains some uncertainty about travel abroad and we want to reassure you that we are watching developments carefully and keeping abreast of Local Authority and Government advice and liaising with our tour operator, NST, with whom we have booked the Battlefields Trip. We continue to plan for the trip to go ahead in February 2021 and we will keep you fully informed if anything should alter these plans.

A reminder of the details of the trip are below:

5 days and 4 nights

Departs Friday 12th Feb 2021

Returns Tuesday 16th Feb 2021

The purpose of the trip is to visit the Battlefields of WW1 in France and Belgium and will include Tyne Cot, Essex Farm, In Flanders Fields Museum, Talbot House, Newfoundland Park, Vimy Ridge and Thiepval. As this is the centenary of the end of World War 1 it is an appropriate time to visit these places.

The cost is £475 per pupil based on an uptake of 50 students and includes executive coach travel, insurance, return Channel crossings, all entry fees and full board accommodation at the Hotel Munchenhof, Langemark. This price includes a £25 contingency fee which we hope we will be able to return (I apologise as this was not in the original letter and was an error on my part).

To date, you have paid a deposit of £50 which leaves a balance of £425 to pay.



In light of recent circumstances, we have revised instalments and they must be made on or before the dates specified, via Wisepay:

27/07/2020	£85
27/08/2020	£85
27/09/2020	£85
27/10/2020	£85
27/11/2020	£85

We recognise that personal circumstances may have changed because of the recent pandemic and if you no longer wish your child to take part in the trip it is important that any cancellation is made in writing to Mr Farrer by Friday 10th July (email: mark.farrer@greatsankey.org). Cancellation will mean you lose your deposit as we have already paid that to the tour company to secure the booking.

NST operate the following cancellation charges:

70-29 days before the tour 60% = £285 (Friday 4th December-Thursday 14th January)

28-15 days before the tour 80% = £380 (Friday 15th January - Thursday 28th January)

14 days or less before the tour 100% = £475 (Friday 29th January – day of departure)

If you have any questions about the trip or the revised payment schedule, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Farrer (Head of History)

Mr B Evans (History Dept)