



BORDEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Borden Grammar School
Avenue of Remembrance
Sittingbourne
ME10 4DB

27 November 2024

To: Parents/Guardian of Year 9 Students

Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 9 History Trip to the Battlefields of the First World War

I am pleased to inform you that a trip has been arranged for Year 9 students to visit the French Battlefields of the Somme.

The day trip will depart at approximately 05:00am Friday, 27 June 2025 returning at approximately 22:30pm. In the past this has been a highly successful excursion and we do hope that many boys will take part again this year. The work studied contributes to modules studied both in year 9 and GCSE with an extensive itinerary (see attached) surrounding the battlefields of the Somme during World War One, which students always find very interesting. We will travel with Anglia Tours, who are a company with huge experience in running school visits to the battlefields.

The cost for each student will be £154.00 (This may change depending on numbers, but parents will be notified of any changes, if necessary, before bookings are confirmed.) This price includes all travel costs, travel insurance, entry fees and includes a main meal for lunch although breakfast and any food for the evening will need to be provided separately. To apply for a place, students must return the consent form along with a non-returnable deposit of £30.00 by Friday, 20 December. The final instalment of £124 will need to be paid by Monday, 24 March and instalments can be made monthly between December and March). All payments in the event of oversubscription of the trip places will be allocated by ballot and deposits will be returned for those who have not been allocated a place. **Students will need their own valid passports and EHIC cards** (EHIC cards can be obtained free of charge at www.ehic.org.uk)

The cost for this trip will be £154.00 per student. Whilst this contribution is always voluntary, the necessary funding will need to be raised for the trip to take place. However, we realise that some parents may be unable to afford this contribution and this time. The school may be able to offer financial support on a case-by-case basis, particularly if you are in receipt of free school meals. Please write to the Headteacher in confidence, stating the reason and specifying the support required.

Headteacher: Mr A Tomlin MA NPQH

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All payments for this trip should be made by Scopay. If you cannot access the system please contact finance@bordengrammar.kent.sch.uk and this will be emailed out. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at awhite@bordengrammar.kent.sch.uk.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A White', written in a cursive style.

Mr A White
Head of History

Year 9 Battlefields Trip

Please return this slip to Borden Grammar School Finance Office by **Friday, 20 December 2024**

Name of Visit: **Year 9 Battlefields Trip**

Date of Visit: **Friday, 27 June 2025**

Please tick each box that applies below

Name of Pupil: _____ **Form:** _____

Please tick all boxes that apply

- I have read the information about the proposed trip on the Friday, 27 June and wish my son to take part in the visit.
- I have made an online payment of £30.00 via Scopay.
- My son is entitled to a Free School Meal and I would like a canteen packed lunch provided (day trips)
- I attach, for the organiser, details of any ailments, allergy, condition or diet of which you may need to be aware in relation to the visit.
- My son has/does not have* a medical care plan at the school with additional information that needs to be acted upon as necessary **please delete as appropriate*
- I authorise the leaders of the trip to act on my behalf in an emergency and to sign on my behalf any consent forms required by medical authorities if they know it would not be advisable to wait for my signature.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Tel No: _____