



# Saint Joseph's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Current Year 8, 9 & 10 Pupils: Trip to Ypres, Belgium – Fri 10 Feb 2023 to Sun 12 Feb 2023**

We are pleased to be able to offer the pupils in years current 8, 9 & 10 an exciting opportunity to take part in a residential trip to Ypres in Belgium. The main focus of this visit is to improve pupils' knowledge and understanding of events surrounding the First World War, whilst also developing their cultural knowledge.

The pupils will be staying in The Peace Village Hotel, Ypres. A place specifically designed for use by school groups. We are proposing a rich variety of activities for this trip, including visits to the following:

- Visit to In Flanders Fields Museum
- Visit to Sanctuary Wood Hill 62 Museum
- Visit to Croonaert Wood
- Visit to Menin Gate & the Last Post Ceremony
- Visit to Tyne Cot British Cemetery
- Visit to Langemark Cemetery
- Visit to Thiepval Memorial & Visitor Centre
- Visit to Newfoundland Park
- An opportunity to carry out search for fallen/missing soldiers relevant to our group

The cost of the trip is £325.00 per pupil. This includes accommodation, meals on a full board basis, insurance, coach and ferry travel and entry to all the activities.

If you would like your child to attend, we require a non-refundable deposit of **£75.00** by **Monday 28 February, please pay via The School Gateway**. The balance to be paid in defined instalments, this will be detailed when you receive confirmation of a place. The trip is limited to 40 places and secured on a 'first come first served' basis. **Your child will require their own passport, valid until at least three months beyond our visit and a valid EHIC or GHIC.**

Whilst on a trip, we are all ambassadors of our school and high standards of behaviour are expected. If your child's behaviour at school prior to this trip suggests that they will be unable to conform to these requirements, then we will review their suitability to take part on the trip.

There will be a briefing for parents/carers and pupils prior to the trip. In the meantime, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Ms P Shuttleworth  
History Teacher