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Church of England School
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Dear Parent/Carer

First World War Centenary Battlefield Tours Programme

The History Department is pleased to offer **two** students the opportunity to take part in the First World War Centenary Battlefield Tours Programme. This a joint Government initiative between the Department for Education and the Department for Communities and Local Government to deepen their understanding about the First World War and create an enduring legacy. The trip will be led by Equity, a leading school tour provider, and I will be accompanying our students.

The tour will be travelling to the battlefields of the Ypres Salient (Belgium) and the Somme (France) by Eurotunnel during the period Friday 6th March 2015 to Monday 9th March 2015 (dates inclusive). During the trip students will be given the opportunity to visit a range of war memorials, as well as other less well known sites such as the Death Cells at Poperinge and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. This trip will enable students to work with peers from other schools as well as expand their knowledge regarding a key historical event at a particularly poignant time.

There is no cost for the trip. However, there are only two student places available. Students who are interested should submit 200 words explaining why they would like to take part as well as a copy of their full and valid passport and EHC card. This should be handed to Miss Hill no later than 1st December 2014.

If your son/daughter is successful in his/her application to take part in the trip, please note that any personal First World War related stories, schoolwork, audio or audio-visual recording and still images featuring them may appear on the First World War Centenary Battlefields Tours Programme and Equity websites and may possibly be used for publicity purposes on radio, TV, online or in print.

Further details about the trip can be found on the Equity website with a useful questions and answers section for parents/carers.

<http://www.equityschooltravel.co.uk/battlefields-useful-documentation>).

All school rules and policies apply to school trips and students who travel as part of a group represent Bishop Ramsey School. Therefore the highest standards of behaviour and conduct are expected as a matter of course. The school reserves the right to exclude students from a trip if their behaviour does not meet with the standards we expect on a day-to-day basis in school.

Yours faithfully

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