



# Forest Gate Community School

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RE: JG/SS

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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: One day history trip to Belgium on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

I am pleased to inform you that the History department is organising a one day trip to Ypres to visit the battlefields of the First World War on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The trip is being offered to Year 8 pupils who have valid EU passports.

This is a valuable opportunity for your child to witness and experience the living conditions in the trenches and reflect on the destructive power of the First World War, which they have been studying in History lessons this term. The trip also includes visits to a war museum, memorial park and cemeteries for British and German soldiers.

The trip will be accompanied by members of FGCS staff and is limited to 48 places for students. In order to secure a place, a non-refundable payment of £55.00 is required by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018. This visit is being offered on a first come, first served basis. Parents must complete the consent form fully and make the non-refundable payment to secure their child's place.

Travel will begin from Forest Gate Community School at 4:30am and your child will return to school at approximately 9:30pm on the same day. More details will be provided at a parent meeting in mid-January 2019, once your child has booked their place. Pupils will travel by coach and the Eurotunnel.

All interested students will be requested to show that they have relevant documents to travel within the European Union e.g. valid passport, visa, etc. This must be a valid EU passport, which we will need to see and take a photocopy of.

Please can you confirm your approval for your child to attend this trip by visiting the following link <https://goo.gl/forms/yL6vU2Ro0rFLvH2x2> and completing the consent form by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018. The payment of £55.00 should be made via your child's sQuid account, please click on the 'Belgium History Trip 2019' offer.

Yours sincerely

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