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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am pleased to extend an invitation for your child to participate in an exceptional Year 8 'Ormiston Academy Tour of Ypres' residential experience, scheduled from **Wednesday 1st July to Friday 3**rd **July.** This trip offers an opportunity for your child to immerse themselves in the terrain and surroundings of World War One, alongside using the local language. Part of our trip will also include a trip to Menin Gate to listen to the last post and pay our respects.

The itinerary includes a fascinating three days and two nights filled with visits to WWI Battlefields, cemeteries and museums to extend the learning experience from both History and French.

We request a contribution of £355 to cover the expenses of this trip, which includes accommodation, full board meals, activities and transport via coach and ferry. To secure your child's place, an initial non-refundable deposit of £100 is required by **Monday 3rd November 2025.** A second payment of £150 is due by **Friday 6 March 2026**, followed by a final payment of £105 by **Friday 24th April 2026**. Please note that all payments are non-refundable, and it is essential that all contributions are made to ensure the trip proceeds. Once a place is secured you are liable for the full cost of the trip. We understand that financial constraints may arise; therefore, if you wish for your child to attend but require assistance with the costs, please reach out to Mrs. Logan at <u>nlogan@ormistonsudbury.co.uk</u>. All inquiries will be handled with confidentiality. Elements of this trip can be subsidised for students eligible for Free School Meals or pupil premium funding.

As the trip date approaches, you will receive a letter detailing the items your child will need to bring. Additionally, we will organize an 'information evening' for both you and your child to attend. Your child will need to have their own passport with (current regulations) at least 3 months between the date of the trip and the passport expiry date, but these rules are subject to change and will need to be monitored.

Should you wish for your child to participate in this wonderful opportunity, the booking form will go live on Ipayment on Monday 1st September 2025. <u>You will need your child's passport number and expiry date to book a</u> <u>place</u>. Please complete the forms and paid the deposit online through your IPayment account by Monday 3rd November 2025. You will appreciate this activity will not be able to take place if sufficient funds and interest are not forthcoming.

Making the deposit payment is straightforward if you have already registered for our Cashless Catering/Online epayments system. If you have not registered yet, please reach out to Mrs. N Logan at nlogan@ormistonsudbury.co.uk to obtain the registration details. To make a payment, simply log in to https://www.ipayimpact.co.uk using your Username and Password. From the Home Page, select Accounts, choose your child's name, and click the Details button next to the Fund Name 'Year 8 Ypres Trip 2026 - Deposit.' Please make sure you complete the forms, then proceed to the basket to complete your payment.

It is important to note that if your child's behaviour is deemed unacceptable by the Academy at any point leading up to the trip, which may raise serious concerns about their conduct away from the school, we reserve the right to exclude them from the trip without any refund. I trust that all parents recognise the significance of trust, behaviour, and safety in these situations.

If you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please feel free to contact me at 01787 375131 or via email at afranklin@ormistonsudbury.co.uk

Yours sincerely Mrs A Franklin Trip Leader and Head of Humanities Faculty













