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Dear Parent,



# World War II Battlefields Trip 2017 (Years 9 & 10)

Each year the History department organises a battlefields visit for junior sets. This year we intend to return to Normandy to investigate the sites of the D Day landings in 1944. The trip should be exciting and informative. There is obviously a particular relevance to those studying (or thinking of studying) History at GCSE but all interested students are welcome.

There is a limited number of places on the trip (last year's expedition was over-subscribed). The visit will take place in the second half of the Summer Term from Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

The itinerary (subject to change) is likely to be as follows:

# Day 1 (Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June):

Travel by coach from College to France. Crossing to be confirmed.

## Day 2 (British Landings):

Visit Arromanches to see the museum and remains of the Mulberry harbour. Follow the coast road skirting Gold, Juno and Sword beaches. Visit Pegasus Bridge then on to the Merville Battery.

### Day 3 (American Landings):

Visit the German gun battery at Longues-sur-mer, then Omaha Beach and the American cemetery. On to the Pointe du Hoc, stormed by the US Rangers, then Utah Beach and its museum. If time permits, a stop will be made at Ste-Mere Eglise and the museum of the 82<sup>nd</sup> and 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Divisions.

### Day 4 (Saturday 17th June):

Itinerary will depend on crossing times which have yet to be finalised. We would hope to visit Honfleur before travelling back to Ellesmere and arriving late evening.

The total cost will be £330. This will cover transport, Channel crossing, full-board accommodation, comprehensive insurance and museum entry fees. The only extras will be meals en-route and drinks with meals.

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If you would like to reserve a place, please fill in the slip below and return it together with an initial non-returnable deposit of £100 (cheques payable to Ellesmere College). The balance will be payable in the Summer Term by 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017, please use the slip below to select payment method, either **Option: A** - cheque for £230 or **Option B** – on-line card payment of £230.

Yours sincerely,	
P. a. Wood.	
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Please reserve a place on the 2017 History trip to Normandy.	
I enclose a cheque for the £100.00 deposit and I will pay the remaining balance of £230 no later than $25^{th}$ April 2017 by :	
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