



On a school History trip to Ypres and the Somme your students will explore the WW1 Battlefields and the Western Front, develop their understanding of the destructive power, waste and futility of war and experience what life was like in the trenches for the soldiers.

Students will be provided with the opportunity to visit interactive museums, explore preserved trench systems, handle authentic equipment and weaponry and to reflect by participating in the Last Post Ceremony.

By combining a trip to Ypres with a visit to the Somme, students can enhance their understanding of what was the worst day in the history of the British Army, the 1916 Battle of the Somme.

CURRICULUM LINKS

A school trip to the Western Front brings the subject to life and provides a memorable and unique learning experience for students studying WW1 History, Medicine through Time, WW1 Poetry and International Relations.

KS3

- Challenges for Europe and the wider world, 1901+

GCSE

- Developments in British warfare
- Conflict and tension: WW1
- The Western Front
- Life in wartime Britain

A LEVEL

- The changing nature of warfare
- Life in the trenches
- Developments in British warfare
- Life in wartime Britain
- Challenges of German nationalism
- Germany: democracy and dictatorship



SUGGESTED ITINERARY

Visit the British Dugout experience and the reconstructed German trench system at the Passchendaele Museum, lay a Poppy wreath at the Last Post Ceremony, compare and contrast the Commonwealth cemetery at Tyne Cot with the German cemetery at Langemark and follow the Circuit of Remembrance in the Somme. Day trip itineraries as well as 2 and 3 day tours are also available.

Day 1	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Depart school for Dover Ferry crossing to Calais	Arrive Ypres, visit Passchendaele Museum and Tyne Cot Cemetery	Evening meal at hotel
Day 2	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Drive to the Somme to visit the 1916 Somme Museum	Visit Thiepval Memorial to the Missing, Lochnagar Crater and Newfoundland Memorial Park	Return to hotel for evening meal and Ten Pin Bowling
Day 3	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Visit In Flanders Fields Museum	Visit Essex Farm Dressing Station, Langemark German Cemetery, Leonidas Chocolate Shop	Evening meal Attend the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate
Day 4	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Depart hotel and return to Calais for ferry crossing	Arrive back at school	

EDUCATIONAL VISIT OPTIONS

- Lijssehoek Military Cemetery
- Talbot House Museum
- Hooge Crater Museum



SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION

With purpose-built school group accommodation available in both Ypres and Albert, the WW1 History tour is an attractive option for school trip organisers.



HOTEL MUNCHENHOF

Located in Langemark near the German Cemetery, the Hotel Munchenhof offers 2 separate blocks with school groups enjoying exclusive use of one block.

All bedrooms have private bathrooms with students in multi-bedded rooms and teachers accommodated in single or twin rooms. Breakfast and evening meals are provided in the on-site restaurant with the option of booking packed lunches.

Facilities on site include a football field, basketball court, table tennis and pool table.

POPPIES HOTEL

Located in Albert, the Poppies Hotel has three floors with each school group enjoying sole occupancy of each floor.

All bedrooms have private bathrooms with students in multi-bedded rooms and teachers accommodated in single or twin rooms. Breakfast is served in the on-site breakfast room with evening meals in a nearby restaurant and the option of booking packed lunches.

Facilities on site include a teachers lounge, TV room, games room with pool table, table tennis, table football.



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