



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing because your child had a place booked on our February 2021 French and Belgium experience and WWI battlefields trip.

Given the uncertainty due to Covid, we have followed guidance from DFE and our provider to defer our trip. We have taken advice from the relevant agencies and agreed the best dates for us to travel are early morning 2nd July 2021, returning early hours of the morning on 8th July 2021.

The new date to have full balances paid is April 30th 2021. Any monies paid thus far will be automatically transferred to the new dates with no additional costs, and an identical itinerary offered.

The government have protected the School excursion industry by issuing strict guidelines that providers do not have to reimburse travellers if the option of deferral is possible. Whilst Covid has proved unpredictable, we are being assured that after Easter much of the population will have been vaccinated and the risk of travel will be no greater than any ordinary school trip. The safety of staff and students remains paramount.

I would like to take this opportunity to re-iterate that the cost of the trip is non-refundable, as agreed when booking.

Students who had previously booked a place but had let me know they were not travelling due to Covid concerns are welcome to travel on the new dates, with any monies already paid transferred.

Rest assured that in the event the trip is cancelled in its entirety, all parents will be refunded in full, this is the only scenario in which monies will be returned.

If you have any questions or queries, then please get in touch via email.
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I will contact you all again in the early part of 2021.

Have a wonderful Christmas, and here's to a much nicer 2021.

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