

6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear parent/carer,

I would like to offer all Y11 students the opportunity to participate in a World War One Virtual Reality Experience. On the **25<sup>th</sup> September 2017** we will be running workshops for students that will allow them to visualise the trenches of the Western Front. We will have 30 headsets that will be provided for each one hour session; each pupil will have access to the phone, headset and headphones, so they are totally immersed in the experience. This is all co-ordinated and delivered by a WW1 guide/historical interpreter, who will further bring the topic to life with kit, equipment and object handling boxes. For those studying GCSE History, this will be tailored for the Edexcel British sector of the Western Front; injuries, treatment and the trenches where you will follow the chain of evacuation and learn about the RAMC, whilst also handling kit and equipment, which includes a Thomas splint.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £8.50 towards the costs of this workshop. There is no obligation to contribute and students will not be treated any differently but please be aware that if there are insufficient contributions to cover costs the workshop will not take place. If your son/daughter is eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant, please contact Mr Overton for details regarding a possible subsidy. Cheques and cash will no longer be accepted in the school office. All payments will need to be made online at [www.ParentPay.com](http://www.ParentPay.com) through your activated account.

Once you have logged into ParentPay please indicate if your child has any special needs that we need to be aware of. If you do not have access to the internet, you will need to contact the school to request a barcoded letter and pay at local stores where you see the PayPoint logo'.

I would also like to invite parents to participate in a session after school to experience the virtual reality. This will be available from 3.30-4.30 on 25<sup>th</sup> September.

I would appreciate expression of interest and payment by **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September.** If we do not receive sufficient interest by this point then the workshop will be cancelled and any monies refunded.

Yours sincerely,

Miss L Sollars  
Head of Humanities