

Year 9 trip to WW1 Battlefields



In November 2017, Year 9 students enjoyed a one-day study visit to the First World War battlefields of the Ypres Salient in Belgium.

Almost 100 pupils went on the trip which was designed to complement and bring to life a fascinating aspect of history being studied in the Autumn Term, as well as providing a vital source of information for the students' First World War projects.

The day included visits to Passchendaele Museum, Tyne Cot Cemetery, Langemark German Cemetery and Ypres with its famous Menin Gate.



The students also laid wreaths and held a short ceremony to remember some men local to Worth who were killed on the Salient at the Battle of Passchendaele in July 1917. One of those remembered was Robert Vigar, from Copthorne, whose grave is at the Buffs Road Cemetery.

There was also an opportunity for the students to visit a traditional Belgium chocolate shop in the town of Ypres.

The day was both humbling and hugely educational for the students.

