

Dear Parents/ Guardians

Re Battlefields trip 7-9th July 2026

This is just a quick update on some actions that need to be taken please.

Passports

Please can you check that your child's passport is in date and has a minimum six months left on it AFTER our return date of the 9th July. This is a very quiet time of year for the passport office, so if any passports need updating, then I suggest that it is done now.

E/GHIC cards

It is essential that your child has an E/GHIC card. This allows for free healthcare, if needed, while in the EU. If you do not have one already, you will need to apply on behalf of your child as you need a National Insurance number. You initially apply for one, then you can add on family members. This is completely free of charge.

<https://overseas-healthcare.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/get-healthcare-cover-travelling-abroad/start>

Important information form

Thank you if you have already filled this in. Please complete using the link below.

<https://forms.gle/csXba1gW3rYijVoZ6>

You may have also heard on the news about the introduction of a new visa requirement for entering the EU. This is not expected to be introduced before our trip and please be aware that there are several online scams which are charging people for a non-existent visa. If the situation does change, we will inform you, but our tour company is not expecting it to at this time.

Another communication will be sent out nearer the trip regarding final details and kit list. Any other questions, please contact me on wyoung@bestacademies.org.uk

Thanks

Ms Young