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# Blackfriars Bulletin

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## FIRST WORLD WAR CENTENARY BATTLEFIELD TOURS PROGRAMME

A national education programme led by UCL Institute of Education

Two staff and two pupils were offered the opportunity to visit historic sites including battlefields, memorials, cemeteries and museums, and to participate in remembrance ceremonies alongside other schools from across the county. Katie and Ciaran from Royal Doulton represented Blackfriars alongside Mrs Emmens and Mrs Davies who both agreed that: 'The organisation of the trip was impeccable with every minute accounted for the engaging & thought-provoking activities for both teacher & students alike.' The students had a range of foci:

How did the First World War affect ordinary people?

Was the Battle of the Somme in 1916 really a disaster for the British Army?

Is remembrance more or less important 100 years on?

At the last place of Remembrance, Katie read out the poem she had been working on throughout the visit.

*My eyes are blue,  
My heart is red,  
Who are you ? They are laying me to bed  
I cannot see them, their beauty divine  
I guess I'll sleep then  
May death become mine.*

Ciaran and Katie were a credit to the school and will be leading an assembly all about the trip on the next few weeks.

### Safeguarding Contact Information

#### Staffordshire

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0800 1313 126  
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Referral Team :  
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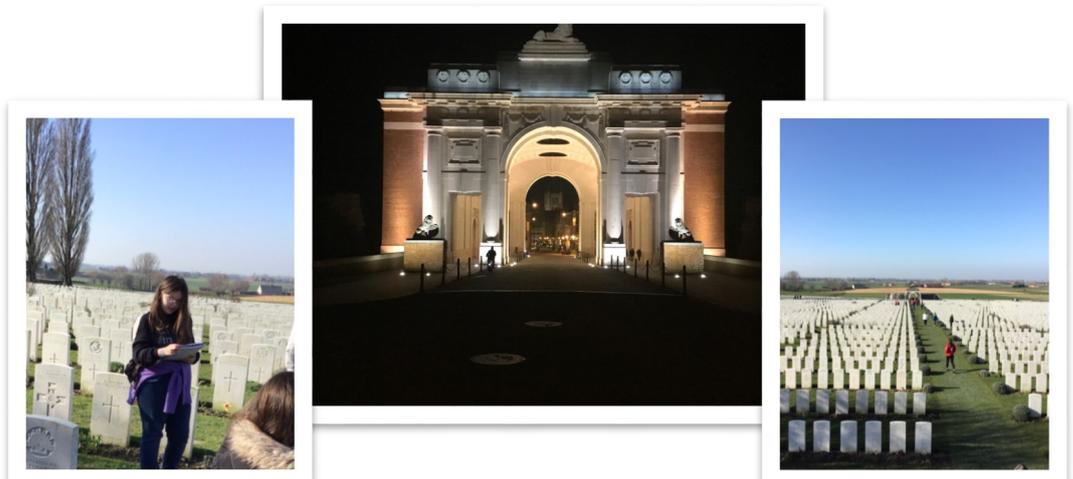
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## Scholar of the week:

Armaan, Dan, Lauren and Milli or representing the Questioning pathway in a meeting with Mrs Parr. They were extremely powerful advocates arguing for more time to take part in physical activity.

## PSHE

Last Friday was our PSHE day and the theme was the environment and sustainability. Students had the opportunity to survey the school and grounds to look at ways in which we can improve our environment – Wedgwood have committed to taking all of our waste plastic bottles to the re-cycling bank every week. Dudson and Clarice O'Cliff went fishing for plastic in the oceans in the 4D room, in art, several classes recycled plastic making fantastic art displays that involved a lot of paint going in a lot of places!! We were lucky enough to have a Jamie Oliver trained chef in to join us from Aspens, our catering company. Cale worked with Gladstone, Portmeirion and Royal Doulton to use up all your fridge leftovers by making fantastic pizzas – see the results below:

Josh in Portmeirion was inspired by our PSHE day about the environment and sustainability and would like all parents and carers to feel about the issues as passionately as he does. In his longest and best piece of writing so far, he explains why we all need to care:



### Red Nose Day 2019

Please come in odd clothes and odd socks (£1 donation).

There will be a CAKE SALE, any cake donations would be greatly appreciated.

I have been contacted by a student at Staffs university to ask for some help in completing her dissertation. She said 'Hello everyone, I am writing to see if you can help me? I'm in my final year at university and I am completing my final project investigating SEND. Just wondering if, as parents/carers of children that have a diagnosis you can complete a quick survey. There is an anonymous survey link below and if you could help share it to help me get responses for my research.. Many thanks, Sarah Shield

[http://staffordshire.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_8kxeR8rS9YnhPSZ](http://staffordshire.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8kxeR8rS9YnhPSZ)

Friday 29 March – INSET school closed to pupils

Half term – Monday 15 April to Friday 26 April

