LONDON, PARIS, THE WESTERN FRONT, ROME, POMPEII & HERCULANEUM

All Saints College Bathurst Tour

September 2013
ITINERARY OVERVIEW

– Fly Sydney-London

• London – 3 nights
  – High speed train to Lille (France)

• Ypres (Belgium) – 1 night

• Paris – 3 nights
  – Fly Paris-Naples

• Vico Equense (Bay of Naples) – 2 nights

• Rome – 3 nights
  – Fly Rome-Sydney
PURPOSE OF THE TRIP

• Motivate students to go beyond the basics in their study of history and enjoy their HSC courses
• Visit and investigate important sites which are central to the HSC Ancient History core topic ‘Cities of Vesuvius’
• Visit and investigate significant sites in the Western Front campaigns 1916-18 – an important component of the HSC Modern History syllabus
• Provide an enjoyable cultural and group experience in four outstanding European countries
LONDON – 3 DAYS

• Panoramic tour and ride on London Eye
• Visit Imperial War Museum, the Cabinet War Rooms and the Churchill Museum
• Explore the Tower of London and the British Museum
LONDON HOTELS

• Royal National
  – Large hotel, simply furnished, close to British Museum in Bloomsbury

• Holiday Inn Express
  – Simple, reliable chain of hotels
  – Located in Victoria, Southwark and the City
WESTERN FRONT – 2 DAYS

• Tour Flanders battlefields
• Participate in Menin Gate ceremony
• Visit Somme Valley battlefields and memorials, including AIF memorial at Villers-Brettoneux
The Western Front 1914-18
YPRES HOTEL

• Best Western Flanders Lodge – 3 star hotel on outskirts of town.
• Specially designed student wing
• 5-10km from major sites in area
• Used by Academy Travel since 2006
• www.bestwestern.be/Flanderslodge
PARIS – 3 DAYS

- Visit Napoleon’s tomb and Les Invalides army museum
- Ascend the Eiffel Tower
- Visit Chateau at Versailles
PARIS HOTELS

- Campanile, Bastille – 2 star hotel located in the city centre near the Bastille. Quiet street. Used by Academy Travel since 2006.
- Ibis Hotel Bastille – newly opened 2 star hotel, also in Bastille area
- Both reliable chain of clean, basic hotels
- Excellent transport connections to major sites
BAY OF NAPLES – 2 DAYS

• Full day at Pompeii
• Visit Herculaneum
• Visit Naples Archaeological Museum
Pompeii
Vico Equense has great views, is close to Pompeii and Herculaneum and has just four hotels

- Hotel Aequa – 3-star hotel in quiet seafront town of Vico Equense. Hotel has swimming pool.
- Hotel Mary – 3-star hotel on cliff edge overlooking Bay
- Both used by Academy Travel since 2005
- www.hotelaequa.com OR www.hotelmaryvico.com
ROME
ROME – 3 DAYS

• Tour sites of Rome that are significant to the HSC Ancient History syllabus – Forum, Colosseum, Circus Maximus

• Visit the Vatican Museums and St Peter’s basilica, heart of Catholic Europe

• Visit fine medieval, Renaissance and baroque churches, squares and fountains
SOME ROME HOTELS

• Villa Maria – Very comfortable religious house
  – Quiet, safe neighbourhood
  – Walk to Trastevere district

• Domus Nova Bethlehem
  – Recently opened, very clean with large rooms
  – Very central location – 10 minute walk to forum, 15 minutes to Trevi fountain etc.
  – www.domusnovabethlehem.it

• Casa Santa Francesca Romana
  – Religious house with 37 rooms in medieval Trastevere
  – Located in 14th century palace
  – www.sfromana.it
PRACTICAL INFORMATION

• Tour cost: $6,350 all inclusive
• Travel period: September 18 – October 2, 2013
• Minimum group size required: 20
• Deposits due by: January 2013
• Final payments due by: late July 2013
WHAT IS INCLUDED?

- Services of Australian professional tour escort from arrival in Rome to departure in Paris
- Services of selected and qualified local guides at all major sites
- Economy class air travel Sydney-London and Rome-Sydney with Emirates or Thai Airways
- Economy class air travel Paris-Naples with a European Budget airline (e.g. EasyJet)
- All departure taxes and fuel surcharges current at April 2012
- 12 nights’ accommodation in London, Ypres, Paris, Vico Equense and Rome in two and three-star hotels on triple/quad share basis for students and twin share basis for adults.
- All breakfasts in hotels
- All dinners in hotel or local restaurants (including soft drinks, wine for adults not included)
- All land travel by private coach
- Entrance fees to all sites listed on the itinerary
- All tipping
WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

• Travel to and from Sydney Airport
• Travel insurance. Group policy costs approx. $145 per person, not including ‘pre-existing’ conditions or additional travel.
• Lunches/snacks – allow about $A15 per day.
• Laundry, phone calls, snacks other personal expenses – allow about $250 for these incidentals.
QUESTIONS?