

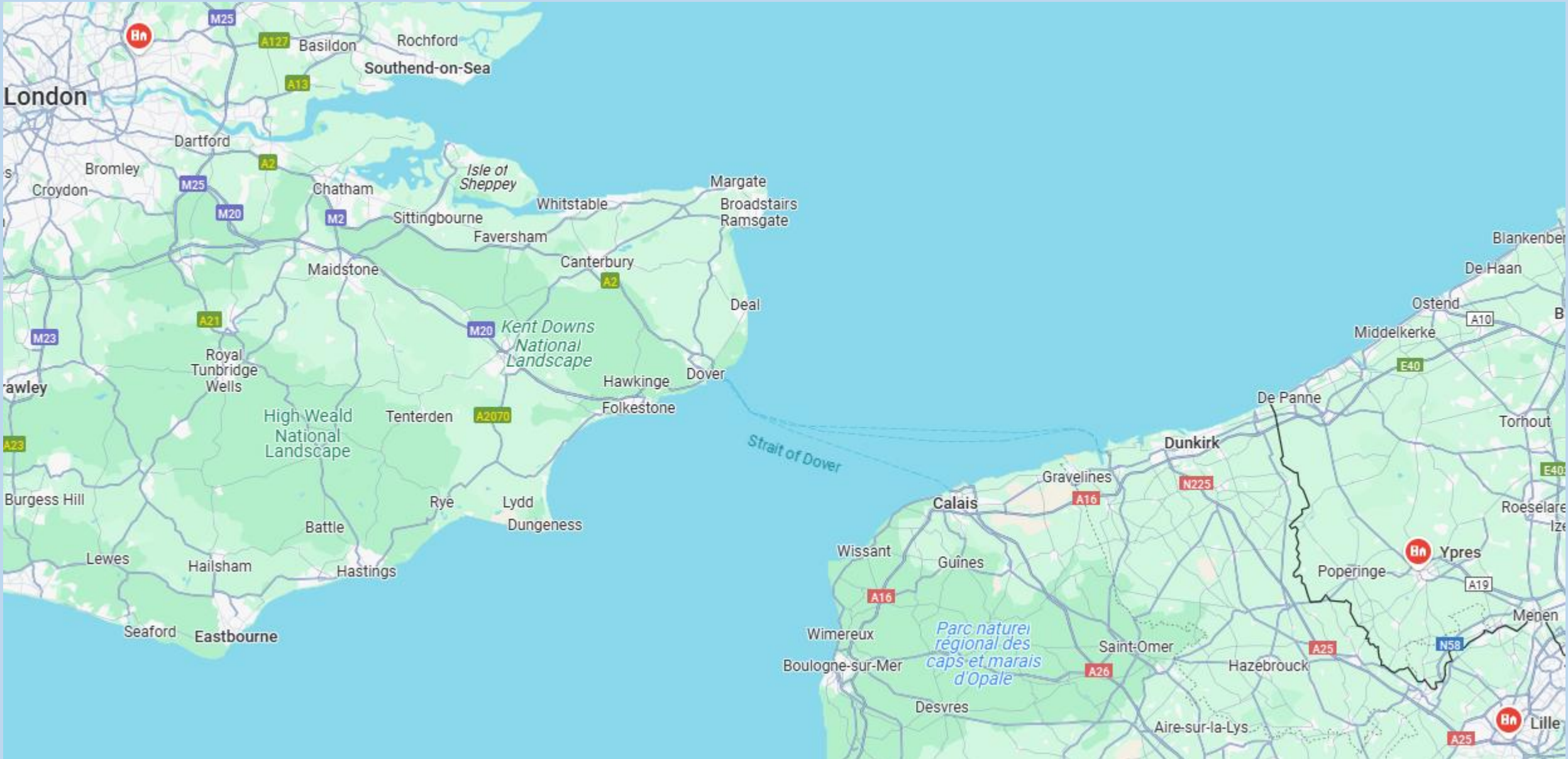
Year 5

Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th March 2027

Visit to France and Belgium



Map of our journey



About the Travel and Coach Company

- Halsbury Travel are an award-winning travel company specialising in school trips that we used before
- On-board Vamoos tracking app, allowing parents to follow the journey via their mobile device or the internet
- Luxury 60 seater coach from Grange Travel
- On-board toilet
- On-board television
- Experienced drivers who have undertaken this tour with many schools for many years

Itinerary – Outbound

(Tue 23rd March)

- * Pick-up from Gordon Primary: 05:30 (Arrival time of coach)
- * Departure time: 05:45
- * Transfer to: Dover
- * Arrival at Dover: 07:45
- * Crossing from Dover: 09:45
- * Crossing arrival: Calais 12:15 France time (11:15 UK time)
- * Company: P&O Ferries

The P&O Ferry crossings

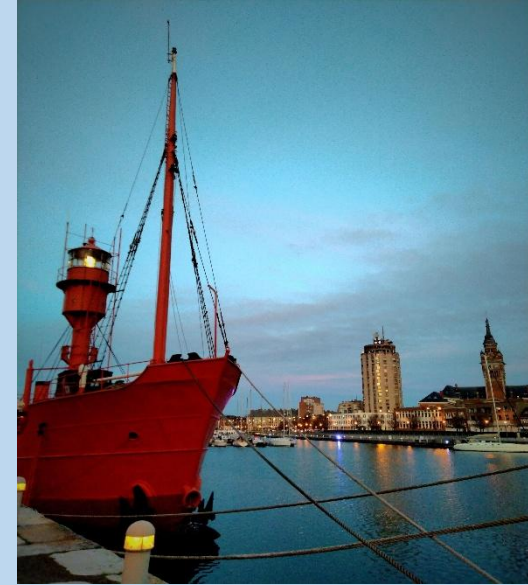
We will leave the coach inside the parking bay and go upstairs to the upper decks to admire the views of the English Channel.

These are our children from a previous adventure to France.



What will we do in northern France?

We will get to see at the Opal Coast on Day 1



- The Year 5 key text *Rooftoppers* is set in northern France
- We will explore the world famous Opal Coast where we will have our lunch on Day 1
- The children will have the opportunity to play on the sea sand

Tyne Cot Cemetery Belgium



Our children will have a quick visit to this World War I site.
Tens of thousands of soldiers from Britain and the
Commonwealth are buried here.

Ypres, Belgium



PRIVATE GORDON MUNRO

LONDON REGIMENT (PRINCE OF WALES' OWN
CIVIL SERVICE RIFLES)

Son of John and Mary Ann Elizabeth Munro, of
13, Bedford Rd., Ilford, Essex.



Our Clementswood Federation has a strong link with this area – for over a century.

Food and drinks

- Please pack a breakfast and lunch for Day 1. Something like sandwiches or wraps – with things your child likes to eat.
- And plenty of snacks for the 2 days. Things like small packets of crisps or biscuits or pretzels. A mixture of sweet and savoury snacks. Avoid anything messy – like yogurt or chocolate that melts easily.
- We will have an evening meal at the hotel and breakfast the following morning. This will give our children the opportunity to try some of the local foods of this world famous region.
- The hotel will provide us with a separate packed lunch for Day 2.

Ypres Lodge



- Multi bedded rooms for 5 or 6 pupils with the use of bunk beds
- All rooms are en-suite with a shower and toilet
- Note that towels are not provided but all bedding is provided

Itinerary – Inbound

(Wed 24th March)

- * Leave hotel and explore Ypres town center
- * Travel to a traditional chocolate factory in France
- * Arrive at Calais: 15:15
- * Crossing departure: 17:15
- * Crossing arrival: Dover 17:45 (UK time)
- * Company: P&O Ferries
- * Arrive back at school: 19:45

Other Information

- We will be collecting passports and GHIC/EHIC cards on the Friday before the trip
- We will keep the passports during the trip (your child will not have their passport with them when we travel)
- You can collect your child's passport on the day after we return from the trip
- Non – uniform (comfortable shoes and wear layers of clothing)
- Additional costs / spending money – not more than €20 please (just in case they want to buy any souvenirs). We recommend a pre-paid card like the GoHenry card
- 2 Packed lunches (for Day 1 breakfast and lunch) and snacks for 2 days
- Just 1 bottle of water (we will provide the rest)
- School on Thursday 25th March – your child can come in at 11am

What do you need to do?

- Sign the consent form and give this to your current Year 4 teacher – both schools will be taking children on a first-come basis (and then keeping a reserve list)
- Pay the £30 deposit before Friday 3rd July 2026
- Check your child's passport (it needs 6 months after the trip). So the expiry date should be AFTER 25th September 2027 (You can sort this out before the trip.)
- You might want to apply for the FREE GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card) that lets you get necessary state healthcare in the European Economic Area, and some other countries, on the same basis as a resident of that country. Apply via the NHS website. It's FREE!

Thank you for your attention and your support.

We will send you the info pack in September:

- for the payment plan (£32 per month from the end of September 2026 to the end of January 2027) – you can choose to pay before this date if you want
- dates for bringing in your child's passport for the office to photocopy

Do you have any questions?