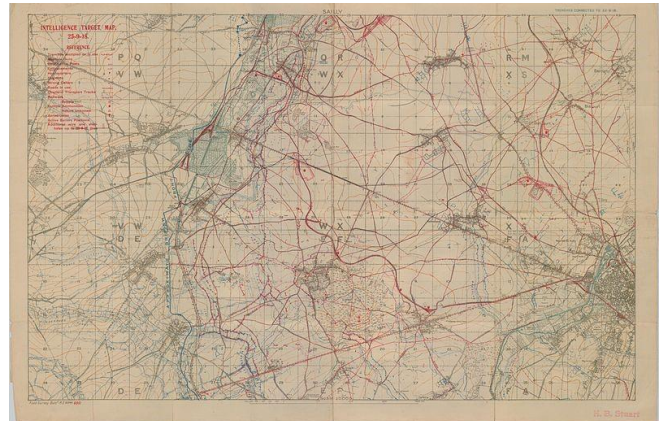




## Using Trench maps to develop understanding of the First World War

Trench maps were developed during the First World War in order to allow troops to identify features of the battlefield, especially the artillery who needed to locate targets. These trench maps are incredibly useful to anyone studying or visiting the battlefields today. Not only do they mark the positions of trench systems but they also use the contemporary names for places which will often appear in diaries, first-hand account or in official war diaries. They help bring sense to a landscape which may no longer bear the scars of war.



### Resource for using maps in the classroom from Carshalton Boys Sports College

The following resources was created by Phil Brittain, Director of Technology Faculty at Carshalton Boys Sports College. It was an activity used as part of a whole school cross-curricular study of the First World War and was used to help students prepare for a forthcoming visit to the battlefields.

Click [here](#) to download the resource

### The National Library of Scotland – British First World War Trench maps

An excellent online archive of Trench maps allowing the user to overlay original trench maps on modern satellite images. A great tool for those preparing or reflecting on a tour of the battlefields.

<http://maps.nls.uk/ww1/trenches/>