



Occupied twice by German troops in the 20th century, this history school trip to Dunkirk brings into focus the themes of Hitler's foreign policy, the origins of WW2, Britain at war and the development of warfare!

The wartime historic town of Dunkirk has many monuments and museums of the Second World War that offer a wealth of insight and knowledge into this turbulent period of history.

Operation Dynamo, that saw the evacuation of 340,000 allied soldiers to England, is one of the most memorial events that happened in this French harbour town. Many of the historical sites served as shooting locations for the blockbuster "Dunkirk" by Christopher Nolan.

CURRICULUM LINKS

Visiting this area allows students to explore life during the Second World War, from invasion to liberation. Your history group will also be able to expand on the theme of the German occupation from 1940 to 1945. You'll also explore the links between science and war by visiting the former V2 rocket base at La Coupole.

KS3

- Challenges for Europe and the wider world, 1901+

GCSE

- Warfare and British Society
- Living under Nazi rule
- Development of Warfare in Britain
- British experience of warfare
- Changing nature of warfare and international conflict

A LEVEL

- The changing nature of warfare
- Developments in British warfare
- Life in wartime Britain



SUGGESTED ITINERARY

The Dunkirk War Museum tells the incredible story of the Battle of Dunkirk and Operation Dynamo in May-June 1940, the largest evacuation effort in military history. The museum houses a rich collection of weapons, uniforms, models, photos and maps of military operations. The guided “Operation Dynamo” tour takes groups to the evacuation beaches, British memorial and cemetery and the maritime hospital.

Day 1	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Depart school for Dover Ferry crossing to Calais	Meet guide for 2-hour Operation Dynamo tour	Evening meal at accommodation
Day 2	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Visit the Battle of Dunkirk Museum	Visit La Couple, a former V2 rocket base and now museum of “Science and War”	Evening meal at accommodation
Day 3	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
	Visit Blockhouse Bunker	Return ferry crossing to Dover	Arrive back at school

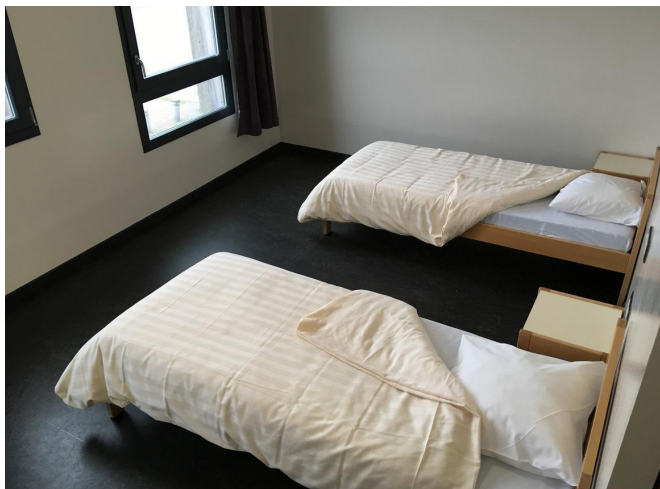
EDUCATIONAL VISIT OPTIONS

- Museum of the Atlantic Wall, Calais



SAMPLE ACCOMMODATION

With purpose-built school group accommodation available in both Dunkirk and Calais, the Dunkirk Operation Dynamo tour is an attractive option for school trip organisers.



L'ESCALE, DUNKIRK

Centrally located close to the beach and the Battle of Dunkirk Museum, this modern centre has eighty-six rooms spread over three floors. Students will stay in multi-bedded rooms and staff in twins. All rooms have a private bathroom, and WiFi is available throughout the building.

Breakfast and evening meals can be taken in the hostel's restaurant. Packed lunches are available on request.

On-site facilities include a TV room, a library, and a lounge. Groups can also request use of one of the three meeting rooms.

CENTRE EUROPEEN DE SEJOUR, CALAIS

A light and modern Youth Hostel conveniently located in Calais.

Pupils are accommodated in twin or triple rooms with one shared bathroom between every 2 rooms. Staff will be accommodated in twin or single rooms.

On-site facilities include a large self-service restaurant, meeting rooms which can be used for group activities, TV room, games room with pool table and table football.



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