

# SECRET CODES AND CIPHERS



Site: Dover Castle

Subjects: History, Mathematics

- 10.00:** Arrive at Dover Castle. Coach parking is available close to the entrance of the site. You will be greeted at Constable's Gate (a special entrance for groups) by a member of English Heritage staff who will give you information about the site.
- 10.15:** Underground Hospital tour: experience the sights, sounds and smells of an authentic underground hospital and follow the dramatic journey of a wounded WWII pilot, fighting for his life as he is rushed through to the operating theatre. **(30 minutes)**
- 10.45:** Discover Operation Dynamo, the greatest rescue of all time, which was masterminded in Dover's secret wartime tunnels. See, hear and feel the danger as special effects, projections and real film footage bring the events and people from the Dunkirk evacuation of May 1940 to life. **(60 minutes)**
- 12.00:** Time for a bite to eat in our sheltered lunch rooms, located in the Keep Yard in the medieval area of the site. **(30 minutes)**
- 12.30:** Step into the Wartime tunnels for your expert-led Discovery Visit workshop (suitable for KS2-3). The top secret HQ at Dover Castle played an important role in WWII, in the planning of 'Operation Dynamo', the evacuation of Dunkirk in 1940. Find out more about the work carried out inside the Secret Wartime Tunnels by breaking codes and helping to complete a secret mission. **(70 minutes)**
- 13.40:** Delve deeper into the history of the tunnels, from Napoleonic times right up to the Cold War in the Secret Wartime Tunnels exhibition, with artefacts, interactive elements, real life stories, images and original wartime film footage. **(20 minutes)**
- 14.00:** Visit the recreated WWI Fire Command Post to learn more about Dover during the First World War and see the only working British 3 Inch Gun in the world. **(45 minutes)**
- 14.45:** Pop into our shop before you leave to purchase a souvenir of your visit.

View our Teacher's Kit (KS1-KS4+) at: [www.english-heritage.org.uk/dovercastleschools](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/dovercastleschools)

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