

DUNKIRK & THE FALL OF FRANCE 2-DAY TOUR - SUGGESTED PROGRAMME

Day 1

Depart School
Collect Guides
Outbound crossing

Arrive France

Cassel

The Inter War years; developments in tactics and technology; The Invasion of France 1940; The Blitzkrieg Theory.

Cassel Bunker

The “Phoney War”; Development of static lines of defence; The purpose of the bunker; How was it taken?

Wormhout

The massacre of 2nd Warwickshire. Ethics in warfare; The Geneva Convention and links to modern conflicts.

Defence of the Canal

The real miracle of Dunkirk; The role of Combat Engineers; The use of air power; Communications issues; Accounts of those who held the line.

Bray Dunes

The Beach; Evacuation of the BEF; Victory or Disaster – the British view? What lessons were learned? Final thoughts and summary.

- Depart for accommodation
- Dinner in accommodation
- Briefing for day 2 as required

Day 2

The Eperlecques Bunker

The largest bunker in Northern France, complete with authentic V1 launch ramp and construction site for the V2 rocket.

La Coupole

Former base for launching the V2 rockets against London; Exhibition on the North of France under Nazi occupation



- Depart for Calais
- Inbound crossing
- Arrive UK local time
- Arrive at school approx.