

KNIGHTS, FEASTS AND GARDEROBES



Site: Dover Castle

Subjects: History

- 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.
- 10.30:** Step into medieval Dover in your expert-led Discovery Visit workshop (suitable for KS1-3). You will be greeted at the Education Centre by Lady Eleanor de Montfort, who will take you on a guided tour of the medieval keep, giving you the chance to learn what life was like for the lords and ladies of the castle. You will be given lessons on courtly language and behaviour and have the chance to find out more about what life was like at Dover Castle. **(70 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:** This is your chance to explore the Great Tower and immerse yourselves in the royal court of King Henry II. You will experience the vibrant colour and opulence of the King's bed chamber, as well as having the chance to sit in his throne! Climb to the top of the Great Tower to see the views across the White Cliffs and to France, and make sure you tick off our 'Top Things to See' list, found in our Teacher's Kit. Link below. **(60 minutes)**
- 13.30:** Descend into the winding medieval tunnels, burrowed beneath the castle during and after the Siege of 1216 to protect the most vulnerable side of the castle from attack. **(30 minutes)**
- 14.00:** Now you can investigate another area of Dover Castle. Visiting the Saxon Church or the Roman Lighthouse will help to tell the story of Dover Castle before the Norman Conquest (allow 10 minutes for each). Download our Teacher's Kit from the website or the link below, to help you choose which parts of the 80 acre site you want to see.
- 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

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SECRET CODES AND CIPHERS



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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:** 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. **(45 minutes)**
- 11.00:** 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. **(90 minutes)**
- 12.30:** 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)**
- 13.00:** 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)**
- 13.20:** 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. **(40 minutes)**
- 14.00:** Walk the battlements to view the anti-aircraft gun placements and explore the extensive grounds. **(30 minutes)**
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