The D-Day & Beyond and Their Past Your Future Projects

'I have no doubt, given my experiences on our trip, that the most valuable thing educators can do is to take - after careful preparation - students to the sites. It takes learning out of the humdrum of the classroom into the real world and provides an unforgettable experience which really does change the way we think about the world today.' Teacher, Lancing College, West Sussex, Commemorative Visit to Germany and Poland, February 2006

The Imperial War Museum, supported by the Big Lottery Fund, is offering UK secondary schools the chance to win once-in-a-lifetime all-expenses paid overseas visits as part of the *Their Past Your Future* (TPYF) learning programme. Winning groups of 24 students and 4 accompanying teachers will travel alongside Imperial War Museum staff to a variety of destinations around the world, exploring the impact of conflict on people and places, and themes such as commemoration, human rights, national identity and commonwealth.

The first prize in the series will be a visit to France and Canada in October 2007. For further competition entry details about this and future trips go to http://www.tpyf.com/server/show/nav.00n00r

This new programme of teaching activities and resources follows on from the innovative and award-winning first phase of the TPYF programme, which was organised by the museum as part of the national commemorations to mark the 60th anniversary of the end of the Second World War in 2005. With a strong focus on Citizenship and History, but also with cross-curricular resources, the programme promotes learning activities between young people and veterans and eyewitnesses of conflict, teacher CPD and the effective use of ICT and elearning through the project website, <u>www.theirpast-yourfutureorg.uk</u>

Give your pupils a learning experience they will never forget and join the hundreds of young people who have already benefited from involvement in *Their Past Your Future*, furthering your own professional development in the process.

'You had a really good time but then you knew it wasn't just about that; you learnt so much and you came back enlightened. Everyone came back glowing.' Student, Cheney School, Oxford, Commemorative Visit to Thailand and Japan, August 2005