



Horsham Museum School Workshops

School workshops are run by Petra Nelson and Lucy Bear, freelance education officers, who work closely with Horsham Museum to tell, explain and explore fascinating stories. The workshops offer talks and handling sessions with a selection of high historical value items enabling greater interaction between the objects and students.

A visit from the education officer will bring history to life, capturing the children's imagination. Workshops can be cross-curricular and range from those designed for EYFS through to Key Stage 2.

Workshops can be delivered at your school, or at the museum, with content tailored to meet the needs of your school, year group or class. Most workshops are designed for delivery with up to 30 children. Depending on the topic, workshop length and requirements of the school, we would normally anticipate delivering 2-3 workshops in a half day and 3-4 in a full day.

Schools normally cover costs by asking parents for contributions and prices are as follows:

£120 - single workshop

£170 - half day

£290 - full day

If we are travelling to you, there is also an additional 45p/mile travel cost to and from Horsham Museum.

A selection of our most popular workshops are shown below. Please contact us if you require a topic not listed here.

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Toys

This workshop is ideal for Key Stage 1. The toy handling session comprises toys of the late 19th and early 20th century as well as some modern toys which are compared and children learn about change, materials and old and new.



KS1 History:

- Changes within living memory

KS1 Science:

- Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal
 - Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials
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Dinosaurs (Be a Palaeontologist)

Age appropriate workshops for EYFS to KS2. The children learn key concepts by 'being a palaeontologist' and investigating a variety of fossils, digging carefully for 'fossils' in sandboxes and handling real dinosaur bones and fossils.

KS1 Science:

- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals
- Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement

KS2 Science:

- Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock
 - Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
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Stone Age to Iron Age (Be an Archaeologist)

This is a fun hands-on workshop consisting of a range of practical activities and artefact handling opportunities designed to introduce various archaeological concepts and skills and reinforce learning about Stone Age to Iron Age.

KS2 History:

- Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age understand how key events and individuals in design and technology have helped shape the world
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Victorian Schools/Washday/Life in the Past

In these workshops, the emphasis is on Victorian life for children. The parallel is drawn between life at home or school, now and then. The children handle a variety of artefacts from home and school in the past.

KS1 History:

- Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally
- The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements

KS2 History:

- Local history study
 - A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066
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Ancient Egypt

This comprises two sessions. The first covers aspects of Egyptian daily life including fashion, makeup, jewellery and beliefs. The children learn about this fascinating culture by looking at and handling artefacts such as a 5,000 year old make up palette.

In the second session, children have the opportunity to role play an Egyptian mummification. Children are fascinated by the mummy doll and her removable organs!



KS1 History:

- Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally

KS2 History:

- The achievements of the earliest civilizations
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Romans in Britain (Be an Archaeologist)

These sessions offer a look into what the Romans brought to Britain. Not only straight roads but fish paste, wine and pizza! The children take on the role of archaeologists to closely examine a variety of genuine Roman artefacts.

Activities include digging for artefacts in sand, identifying artefacts, examining and classifying Roman pottery and observational drawings of Roman coins.

KS1 History:

- Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally

KS2 History:

- The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain
- Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots