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Welcome

to our new 2009/10 Schools Programme's

York Museums Trust's Learning Team is proud to hold the **Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge** for all our venues, which continue to offer inspiring and exciting opportunities for your pupils' learning and personal development.

Our full range of workshops, delivered by a member of our experienced and dedicated team, are linked to the National Curriculum and support cross-curricular working and personal learning and thinking skills.

New for 2009/10 are our special event weeks on Discovering China, Reflections on War, a VE Day street party and the traditions of a Victorian Christmas. We also have a brand new Ceramics workshop at York Art Gallery and a specifically designed workshop for SEN groups based in the Museum Gardens.

If you do have any special requirements for your group please do discuss this with our Learning Coordinator when booking. We will always try to accommodate your needs and adapt sessions where possible.

We look forward to seeing you and your pupils at our award-winning* venues this coming year!



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For more information and booking please contact our Learning Coordinator on 01904 650333

*Providing excellent Learning resources and facilities is at the heart of all that we offer at YMT. In recognition of this, each of our venues has been awarded the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge.



*York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum & Gardens have all been awarded the Sandford Award for Heritage Education. The award recognises quality and excellence in educational services and facilities.



Embed your trip to our museums and gallery by visiting the York Museums Trust pages of www.mylearning.org. Here you will discover a range of 'Learning Journey' resources for teachers and learners specifically designed to support and enhance your visit.





Our Venues



2009/10 is an exciting time for York Art Gallery, seeing the opening of the brand new Gallery of Pots in Summer 2009 and the arrival of the touring exhibition China: Journey to the East, which in partnership with the British Museum has been developed for Primary School pupils. The People, Places and Stories permanent gallery has been specifically chosen with the National Curriculum in mind for school visits and workshops.



Home to the world famous recreated Victorian street, Kirkgate, dozens of exciting and engaging galleries and thousands of everyday historical objects, York Castle Museum is the perfect venue to explore and understand how people have lived over the past 300 years. With exhibitions exploring the Victorians, Houses and Homes, Toys, World War 2, Seaside holidays in the past and the 1960s, school groups can comfortably spend up to a whole day in this fascinating and educational museum.



The history of England up to 1550 can be traced through the museum's amazing archaeology displays. Pupils can discover how the Romans, Vikings and Saxons lived and see items from ordinary people's everyday life as well as treasures owned by the very rich. The museum was built on the site of the medieval St Mary's Abbey and the story of how the monks lived is also told. Yorkshire's oldest working observatory can be found in the Museum Gardens and our workshop offers pupils a unique opportunity to learn about our Universe.



York St Mary's is a beautiful medieval church which is now a contemporary visual art venue. The new installation for 2009 takes inspiration from the Five Sisters window of York Minster and has been created by art critic and artist, Matthew Collings, and his collaborator, mosaicist, Emma Biggs. School groups can visit this fascinating venue free of charge.

York Art Gallery



Special Event Weeks

Reflections on War | KS2 **NEW!**

Available 12 – 23 October 2009

Duration: 2 hours | Group size: 35 pupils max. | Cost: £2 per pupil

Marking the 70th anniversary of the outbreak of the Second World War York Art Gallery, with support from the Imperial War Museum, hosts a community curated exhibition exploring feelings and reminiscences on war, using images from the Gallery's collection. This session stimulates pupils to think about how the Second World War affected those who lived through it by exploring images and objects in the exhibition and from the York Castle Museum collection to inspire and produce artwork and creative writing of their own!

Discovering China | KS1 & 2 **NEW!**

Available 22 May – 23 July 2010

Duration: 2 hours | Group size: 35 pupils max. | Cost: £2 per pupil

In partnership with the British Museum, York Art Gallery is hosting the exhibition, China: Journey to the East. To enhance the learning opportunities from this astounding exhibition we have developed an engaging session that explores Writing and Language, Technology, Play and Performance, Food and Drink and Religious Festivals. Pupils will have the opportunity to handle authentic Chinese objects and have a go at hands-on activities such as calligraphy, shadow puppet making and using chopsticks!



Workshop	Reflections on War	Discovering China
Key Stage	KS2	KS1/2
Duration	2 hours	2 hours
National Curriculum Links	History: QCA Unit 17 What are we remembering on Remembrance Day? History: QCA Unit 9 What was it like for children in the Second World War?	Citizenship: QCA Unit 5 Living in a Diverse World Art & Design QCA Unit 9 Visiting a Gallery or Museum



Workshop	Pictures Tell Stories	Telling Stories	Heads and Tales	A Sense of Place
Key Stage	Early Years/KS1	KS1	KS1/KS2	KS1/KS2
Duration	1 hour	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins
National Curriculum Links	EYFS principles: Creative Development – Being creative: responding to experiences, expressing & communicating ideas	Art & Design: QCA Unit 2A Picture This! National Literacy Strategy: Aspects of Narrative	Art & Design: QCA Unit 1A Self Portrait	Art & Design: QCA Unit 6C A Sense of Place

EARLY YEARS WORKSHOPS

ALL SESSIONS ARE £2.00 PER PUPIL

Suitable for pre-school to Year One pupils

Pictures Tell Stories

1 hour

The children explore the **narrative paintings** in the gallery and draw characters from the artworks before listening to a story about the painting *Not Sold Yet*. Children then engage in **role-play** activities related to the story followed by having a go at a range of **drawing activities** in The Studio.

PRIMARY SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

ALL SESSIONS ARE £2.00 PER PUPIL

Telling Stories | KS1

1 hour 30 mins

Pupils must use their questioning skills if they are to unravel the stories in our **narrative paintings**. Following a story they then participate in practical Studio activities, including: drawing, creating different story endings and producing their own acrostic poem.

Heads and Tales | KS1

1 hour 30 mins

Pupils investigate our **portraits**, considering the 'head' of the sitter and the 'tale' the artist is telling. They learn about pose, expression and setting before exploring these ideas further in a series of practical art activities using a range of materials.

A Sense of Place | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Pupils examine paintings depicting seascape, rural and urban **landscapes** to identify the 'tricks' that artists use to create **depth and space**. Using sensory boxes to help them imagine what the different places are like, the pupils make a sketch in the gallery which they develop further into a colour drawing in The Studio.

If Buildings Could Speak | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Using old photographs, plans and architectural drawings of York Art Gallery, this session encourages children to examine a historic building and investigate how that building has changed over time. Pupils also consider the design of the building, exploring how shape, pattern and materials have been used. Finally, the children make their own drawings and rubbings to record their findings.

Story Writing | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Pupils use the art on display in the gallery to stimulate creative writing through word-games and discussion. In small groups, they develop their thoughts into storyboards which they later share with the whole group in a session of storytelling, celebrating their ideas.

Hands on Ceramics | KS2 **NEW!**

1 hour 30 mins

Highlighting the Gallery's new Gallery of Pots, this session uses real objects from the ceramics handling collection to explore different construction and decoration techniques. Following a tour of the latest Gallery of Pots exhibition pupils will get hands-on with clay, making a pinch pot.

The session is designed to complement the QCA unit 'Containers' but will enhance any art or design unit dealing with different materials or surface decoration.

Sensing the Gardens | KS2

NEW! For SEN groups

Developed in partnership with
Applefields School, York – 1 hour 30 mins

Explore the sounds, textures, sights and smells of the Museum Gardens on a tour designed to meet the needs of your particular group. Pupils will have opportunities to match mystery leaves to plants; play music on the Abbey ruins; hug a tree and make a giant bark rubbing; collect leaves and feathers; take photographs or record sounds; catch a shadow and spot pigeons and squirrels. Wet weather sensory activities can be offered in the Art Gallery and pupils can weave dream-catchers from natural objects. A great, accessible way to explore the natural environment. With additional support if needed, please discuss when booking the session.



If Buildings Could Speak	Story Writing	Hands on Ceramics	Sensing Gardens (For SEN Groups)
KS1/KS2	KS2	KS2	KS2
1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins
Art & Design: QCA Unit 2C Can Buildings Speak?	Art & Design: QCA Unit 3A Portraying Relationships National Literacy Strategy: Aspects of Narrative	Art & Design: QCA Unit 5B Containers	Science: QCA Unit 1A Ourselves Science: QCA Unit 2B Plants and Animals in the Local Environment

Staff Training Opportunities

We can host your INSET training days



Half Day Sessions

£5.00 per head

- Use of the Studio education room for 3.5 hours
- Gallery Tour
- Practical workshop session

Full Day Sessions

£10.00 per head

- Use of the Studio education room from 10am to 5pm
- Gallery Tour
- Two practical workshop sessions
- Suggested extension/self-led tasks to build on your practical workshop choices

For practical workshops choose from:

- a session based on our Primary or Secondary School programme;
- **Creative Sketchbooks** – getting the most out of sketchbooks on trips out of school
- **Art for non-art Specialists** – tricks for enhancing your approach to practical art sessions
- **Literacy in the Gallery** – art and art history as a springboard for literacy

York Castle Museum



Special Event Weeks

The Spirit of Christmas Past: Unwrapping the Victorian Christmas | KS2

Available 30 November – 4 December 2009

Duration: 2 hours | Group size: 35 pupils max. | Cost: £100 per session

'tis the season to join our Victorian characters as they each prepare for the yuletide festivities! Pupils will explore how Christmas was celebrated by people of different Victorian classes whilst shopping for suitable presents in Kirkgate, our Victorian Street, cooking traditional mince pies in our Kitchen, making authentic decorations for the home and singing some traditional Christmas carols.

Happy Days are Here Again: a V.E. DAY street party | KS2

Available 4 – 7 May 2010

Duration: All day (10.00am – 2.00pm) | Group size: 55 – 60 pupils max. | Cost: £4.50 per pupil

Celebrate the 65th anniversary of V.E. Day at York Castle Museum. We are offering a limited number of whole-day sessions that enable pupils to explore what life was like for children during World War 2 and experience how people celebrated when the war ended in Europe. After helping our 1940s housewife make-do and mend, undergoing training with our ARP warden and receiving a lesson from our period school teacher, pupils will enjoy a street party with classmates, listening to music from the period, playing traditional games and tasting food that they helped prepare from available rations.

“It was the best of times. It was the worst of times...”

Everyday life in Victorian York | KS2

Available 7 – 11 June 2010

Duration: 2 hours | Group size: 35 pupils max. | Cost: £100 per session

Pupils experience opposite ends of Victorian society as they take a Grand Tour through the museum. To get an appreciation of the opportunities and limitations of the 19th century class-system, all pupils will try their hand at doing the laundry, receive a short, sharp lesson in the Victorian schoolroom, explore the shops in Kirkgate with the banker and help make butter to be taken back to school.

Workshop	The Spirit of Christmas Past: Unwrapping the Victorian Christmas	Happy Days are Here Again: a V.E. DAY street party	It was the best of times. It was the worst of times: Everyday life in Victorian York
Key Stage	KS2	KS2	KS2
Duration	2 hours	All day	2 hours
National Curriculum Links	History: OCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?	History OCA Unit 9 'What was it like for children in the Second World War?'	History: OCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?



Workshop	Nursery Rhyme Time	Toys Through Time	I Spy: Moving Picture Toys	We're all going on a... 1950s Seaside Holiday	The Victorian Schoolroom
Key Stage	Early Years/KS1	KS1	KS1	KS1 (Summer term only)	KS2
Duration	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour
National Curriculum Links	EYFS Principles: Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication, Language & Literacy; Knowledge and Understanding of the World; Creative Development	History: QCA Unit 1 How are our toys different from those in the past?	D&T: QCA Unit 1A Moving Pictures History: QCA Unit 1 How are our toys different from those in the past?	History: QCA Unit 3 What were seaside holidays like in the past?	History: QCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?

EARLY YEARS WORKSHOPS

ALL SESSIONS ARE £2.00 PER PUPIL

Suitable for pre-school to Year One pupils

Nursery Rhyme Time

1 hour

Come along to the Castle for nursery rhyme fun. This active workshop encourages children to recognise and have fun with traditional rhymes. Children will make a hickory-dickory-dock clock to take home, use role play and props, look at items from the collection and match them to the nursery rhyme, sequence familiar rhymes and lots more.

PRIMARY SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

ALL SESSIONS ARE £2.00 PER PUPIL

Toys Through Time | KS1

1 hour

Help us to explore our old toy-chest and uncover toys through time. Through hands-on exploration and discussion, pupils investigate the appearance, similarities & differences, materials and forces that power our toys.

I Spy: Moving Picture Toys | KS1

1 hour

Seeing is believing when pupils explore a range of wonderfully mesmerizing old and new moving picture toys. They then take a trip to our Victorian toy shop and use a Victorian penny to buy the materials they need to make their own to take back to school.

We're all going on a...

1950s Seaside Holiday! | KS2

Summer term only – 1 hour 30 mins

Come and find out how grandma and grandad spent their childhood summers in our fun, 1950s Seaside session! Children watch archive footage of families on holiday in the 1950s before preparing for our journey to the seaside through drama activities. They will learn songs from the period, before playing some traditional beach-front games. All in all, a grand day out!

The Victorian Schoolroom | KS2

1 hour

Pupils will be glad to get back to your classroom after an hour with our Victorian school teacher! After a cleanliness inspection of their hands pupils will experience the latest in 19th century teaching, including some mental arithmetic and a poem recital. Oh, and not forgetting drill, of course! "Sit-up straight or we will get the back-straighteners out!"

Spotless! – A Victorian Wash Day | KS2

1 hour

Dolly White is about to start her weekly wash and is keen to employ extra helping hands! Using the latest in Victorian laundry appliances, a posser and a dolly tub, children are soon set to work, for a taste of Victorian domestic life. As they move around the activities, pupils are also challenged to answer our "pong" questions and identify Dolly's Mystery Objects!

Troubled Times... in Victorian York | KS2

1 hour

Our Victorian Street, Kirkgate, is always full of characters, but none are quite like Joseph Beedham, street-trader and loveable rogue. But when, at the end of a tour of Kirkgate, Joseph is arrested for theft, it is the pupils who must become his jury and help to decide his fate!

For Richer or Poorer: Everyday

Life in Victorian Times | KS2

1 hour

Mr and Mrs White are simple, hard-working folk. Join one of them as they explore our Victorian Parlour and Moorland Cottage period rooms, comparing and contrasting the everyday differences of the wealthy and poor in Victoria's Britain. Through artefact handling, sorting activities, observation and discussion with our character, pupils discover how social class governed all aspects of life in the Victorian period.

Guess Who in World War 2:

A Missing Person's Case | KS2

1 hour

Pupils must become detectives to reveal the owners of 4 discarded suitcases in our World War 2 Lost Property Office. Through investigations of the contents and additional clues, pupils focus their analytical skills to identify, not only which of our characters each case belongs to, but also why they may have been in such a rush they forgot it!

The Swinging Sixties | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Swing on down to the Castle Museum and explore the decade when the cars and the skirts were mini! Pupils visit our SIXTIES exhibition and are plunged into the vibrant sights and sounds of 1960s Britain; they will try on costume, listen to music, furnish some dolls' houses and even 'launch' a space rocket! This session uses real artefacts and archive footage to set the decade in its post war context, giving pupils an appreciation of how radically different the 60s were from the preceding decades.

Spotless! - A Victorian Wash Day	Troubled Times... in Victorian York	For Richer or Poorer:	Guess Who in World War 2	The Swinging Sixties
KS2	KS2	KS2	KS2	KS2
1 hour	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour 30 mins
History: QCA Unit 2 What were homes like a long time ago? History: QCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?	History: QCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain? History: QCA Unit 18 What was it like to live here in the past? Citizenship: QCA Unit 8 How do rules and laws affect me?	History: QCA Unit 2 What were homes like a long time ago? History: QCA Unit 11 What was it like for children living in Victorian Britain?	History: QCA Unit 9 What was it like for children in the Second World War?	History: QCA Unit 13 How has life in Britain changed since 1948? Citizenship: QCA Unit 1 Taking Part – developing skills of communication and participation (Section 10 Years 5 & 6 working together - making decisions)



Workshop	Worlds Apart: Exploring the Earth and Beyond	Digging the Romans	Fire Away! – Feeling the Force of Roman Catapults	Digging the Vikings
Key Stage	KS2	KS1/KS2	KS2	KS1/KS2
Duration	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins	1 hour 30 mins
National Curriculum Links	Science: OCA Units 3F Light and Shadows 5E Earth, Sun and Moon	History: OCA Unit 6A Why have people invaded and settled in Britain in the past? A Roman Case Study	Science: OCA Units 2E Forces and Movement 4E Friction 6E Forces in Action	History: OCA Unit 6C Why have people invaded and settled in Britain in the past? A Viking Case Study

Yorkshire Museum and Gardens

The sessions listed below are available between 1 September and 31 October 2009.

ALL SESSIONS ARE £2.00 PER PUPIL

Science

Worlds Apart: Exploring the Earth and Beyond | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

York Observatory is Yorkshire's oldest working observatory with an amazing Victorian telescope which is still in use today. Pupils have chance to explore the observatory before taking part in hands on activities to find out about our planet, our solar system and beyond.

History

Digging the Romans | KS1 & KS2

1 hour 30 mins

An exciting session where pupils unearth what life was like for the citizens and slaves of Eboracum (Roman York) by exploring the Roman galleries and themed handling boxes. Pupils then take on the role of archaeologists to examine how the evidence is pieced together to reveal how our ancestors lived.

Fire Away! – Feeling the Force of Roman Catapults | KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Pupils learn how Roman engineers used science and technology to conquer the Empire. Then it's time to put on the lab coats and become Roman scientists to design and build a catapult, considering forces, structures and materials to achieve the ultimate firing power!

Digging the Vikings | KS1 & KS2

1 hour 30 mins

Jorvik was an important Viking settlement. In this interactive session pupils become archaeologists to handle and discover how genuine objects from the museum collection can tell us about everyday life for Vikings settlers in York 1,000 years ago.

Prince & The Paupers: A journey through rich and poor life in Tudor York | KS2

2 hours

Thomas Prince, former soldier and monk in the time of old King Henry, has struggled to survive the past 25 years in the squalid lanes of Tudor York. His only hope now rests with you and your group of young street-urchins. You must piece together Thomas' life-story and delve into his hoard of objects and memorabilia in search of the evidence needed to grant an audience with the young Queen Elizabeth and restore him to his former status.



Prince & The Paupers: A journey through rich and poor life in Tudor York

KS2

2 hours

History: QCA Unit 8 What were the differences between the lives of rich and poor people in Tudor times?

Closed for Refurbishment November 2009 – August 2010

The Yorkshire Museum closes its doors on 1 November 2009 to undergo a comprehensive refurbishment of all the galleries.

The Museum will reopen on Yorkshire Day, 1 August 2010, with the exhibitions:

- Eboracum: Face to Face with the Romans
- Medieval York: The Power and the Glory
- Extinct: A Way of Life

Alongside the new galleries will be a new learning programme for schools and a whole floor dedicated to learning.

Outreach Sessions

Duration: 1 hours

Group size: 35 pupils max. (Up to 4 classes per day)

Cost: £80 per session plus travel expenses

From 1 November 2009 until the end of the academic year, eligible schools* will be able to book our temporary Outreach Sessions for Key Stage 2 pupils which use our fantastic collections and resources and are based on the brand new exhibitions.

*within a 45 minute radius of the museum.

Exploring Eboracum | KS2

1 hour

An interactive session where pupils discover how the slaves and the free citizens of Roman York lived. There are opportunities to handle real Roman artefacts and for role play.

Journey to Jorvik | KS2

1 hour

An exploration of Viking life through object handling. Pupils take on the roles of the villagers in Viking Age Denmark and embark on a longboat voyage to Jorvik (Viking York) for a new life.

Amazing Adaptations | KS2

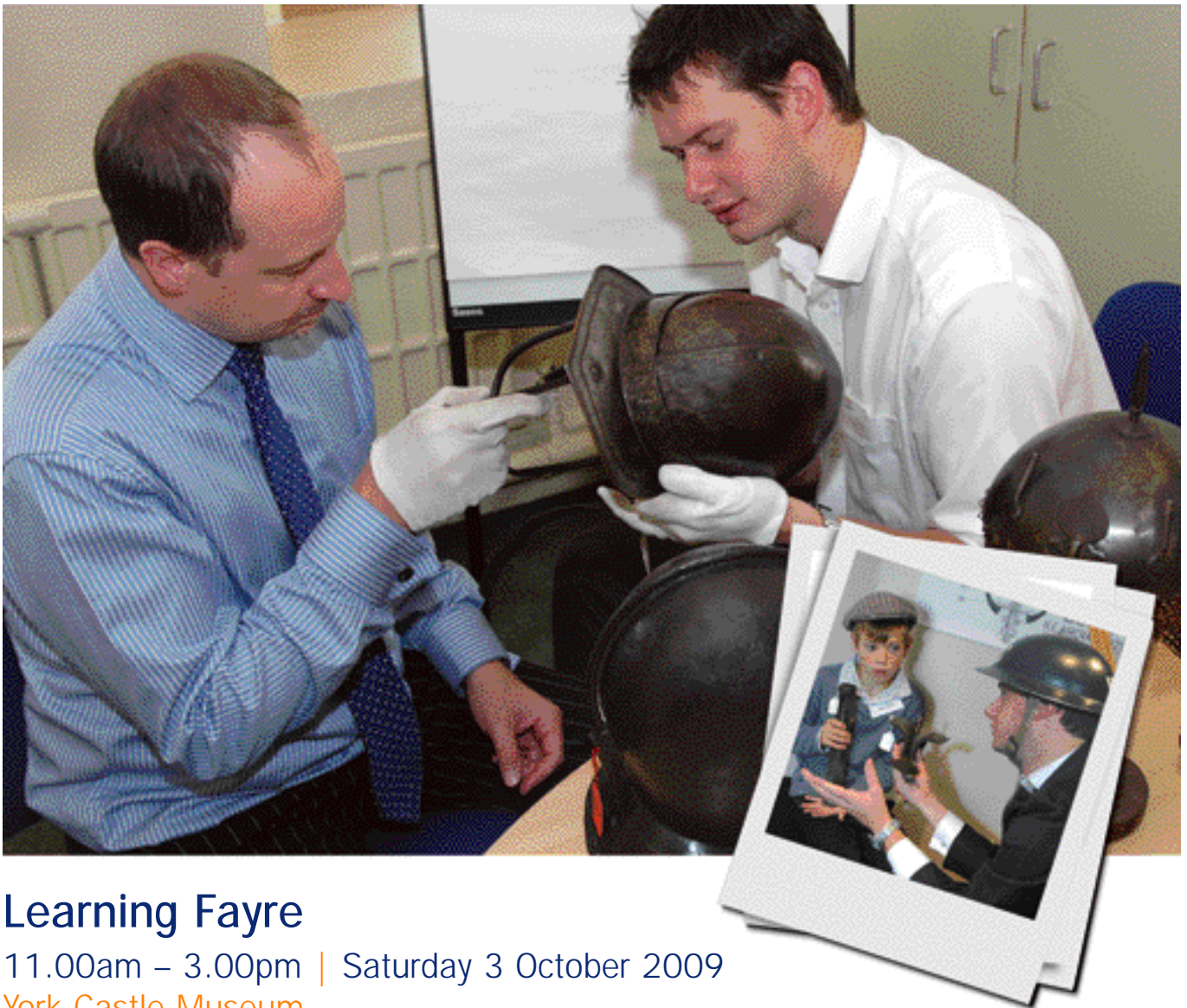
1 hour

Pupils investigate adaptations by examining specimens from the museums collection and then design their own super species.



Workshop	Exploring Eboracum	Journey to Jorvik	Amazing Adaptations
Key Stage	KS2	KS2	KS2
Duration	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour
National Curriculum Links	History: QCA Unit 6A History: QCA Unit 18 Citizenship: QCA Unit 1	History: QCA Unit 6C History: QCA Unit 18 Citizenship: QCA Unit 1	Science: QCA Unit 3A Science : QCA Unit 4B Science: QCA Unit 6A

Events for Teachers



Learning Fayre

11.00am – 3.00pm | Saturday 3 October 2009

York Castle Museum

Free Entry to Teachers and up to 4 family members. Register with Learning Coordinator in advance.

A unique opportunity is available this October for teachers and their families to have a taster of what the learning team have on offer for primary schools at our very first Learning Fayre. The Fayre takes place on Saturday 3 October at York Castle Museum. Activities will take place throughout the museum covering all subjects from York Castle Museum, Yorkshire Museum and York Art Gallery. Entry is free to teachers and up to four family members.

Registration is essential. Please contact our Learning Coordinator on 01904 650333.

Teachers' Preview Evening – the new Yorkshire Museum

6.30pm – 8.00pm | Wednesday 30 June 2010

Yorkshire Museum

The Yorkshire Museum will reopen its doors on Sunday 1 August 2010, following a full refurbishment. The new galleries and resources offer a brand new range of opportunities for Primary School groups for innovative and inspiring learning outside the classroom. The refurbishment includes the whole of the upper floor being dedicated to Learning, with two brand new learning labs. This is a chance for teachers to see the new exhibitions before the museum is open to the public, as well as find out what the museum has to offer for schools and discover our new programme of school workshops.

Registration is essential. Please contact our Learning Coordinator on 01904 650333.

For more information on the refurbishment visit www.yorkshiremuseum.org.uk

Planning Your Visit

A 'Planning Your Visit' guide is sent out to all booked groups with the confirmation letter detailing all the information needed to make your trip a successful one. If you do have any particular queries our Learning Coordinator is available to assist on 01904 650333.

We recommend that group organisers make a preliminary visit to discuss the trip with the learning team. Groups with special needs are welcome and we will endeavour to assist with planning your visit. Admission is free to wheelchair users and their helpers but please note that the upper floors of the York Castle Museum are not accessible to wheelchair users.

Each site has disabled access toilets and a shop with affordable souvenirs for all ages. The Museum Gardens and York Castle Museum grounds are ideal for picnics but lunch spaces may be available on request.

Please make every effort to arrive in good time for your booked sessions. We reserve the right to cancel sessions in the event of excessive lateness.

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Opening times:

10am – 5pm daily

Yorkshire Museum & Gardens

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Opening times:

9.30am – 5pm daily

(10am, Fridays in term time)

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