

## MUSEUM AND OUTREACH WORKSHOPS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS 2022/2023

### WORKSHOPS FOR KS1

Our museum activities are a great way for pupils to learn about 'significant historical events, people and places in their own locality'.

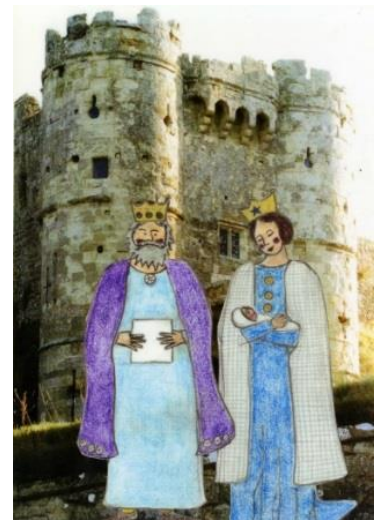


**Toys in the Past (in school)** This hands-on workshop includes demonstrations of original toys such as the zoetrope, jumping jacks and clockwork toys. Students will also play with a wide variety of replica toys, investigating how old toys move and work.

**Life in a Castle, based on Sleeping Beauty (in Carisbrooke Castle Museum or in school):** Learning about the castle as both a home and a fortress, through storytelling, role play, picture hunts and artefact handling. It also includes self-led resources to guide you around the castle before/after the workshop.

**One Thousand Years in A Castle (Carisbrooke Castle Museum or in school):** What are the main features of Carisbrooke Castle and how it has changed over time? How

was the castle defended? Investigate five significant people that lived at Carisbrooke Castle by matching labels to objects and taking an active role in the re-telling of the story of the castle. This can also be adapted for KS2/3.



**Victorian Pop-Up Museum (in school):** Your pupils become curators, handling, researching and displaying a huge range of original Victorian artefacts. As a finale to the session students create a classroom museum and tour the exhibition.



**Homes Then and Now (in school):** A comparison of everyday household items with role-play and a handling session. Items investigated include a hand pumped vacuum cleaner and washday equipment.

This can also be done at **Newport Roman Villa**, comparing the villa with a modern home. There is also a replica Roman kitchen area where students can compare artefacts with things they use today.

## WORKSHOPS FOR KS2 PREHISTORY



**Prehistoric Isle of Wight (in school, the Museum of Island History or Newport Roman Villa):** What was happening on the Isle of Wight during Prehistory? Students will look at the changes in lifestyle and technology from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The workshop includes handling original flint tools, bison and auroch bones from the Island, corn grinding, axe polishing and making a small Bronze Age style pot.

We have the following loans to enhance learning about prehistory: Stone Age Flint Implements Domestic Life in the New Stone Age, IW Neolithic Flint Implements loan Otzi the Iceman (late Neolithic) and Bronze Age Barbie, Bronze Age axes, Iron Age costume models.



## ANCIENT EGYPT

**Mummification and an Explorer's Treasures! (in school):** Looking at how archaeological evidence can tell us about Egyptian burial practices. Pupils can handle an explorer's original artefacts, take part in the mummification process and handle a mummified hand!

## ROMANS AND SAXONS



**What the Romans Did for Us (Newport Roman Villa):** How did life change on the Isle of Wight after the Roman's came to Britain? The investigation will use three basic human needs: food, clothing and shelter to scaffold the pupils' learning. Pupils will also compare the armour of a Roman legionary and a Celtic warrior and discover how bathing and building techniques changed after the Romans came to Britain.

A two-hour workshop with a tour costs £4 per student.

For an additional £1 per pupil we can deliver a **clay making** activity using replica Samian moulds or **write in Latin** using replica wax tablets and ink pens.



**A Roman Excavation (in school, the Museum of Island History or Newport Roman Villa):** Exploring evidence through a simulated archaeological dig and placing the Roman Britons in context. Students handle original Roman finds that are uncovered in the Roman layer and decide if there is enough evidence for a Roman villa on the site. This makes a good villa pre-visit activity. It can also be adapted to focus on any period you are studying.

**Saxons on the Wight Session (in school, Carisbrooke Castle Museum/Guildhall Museum of Island History):** Meet two Saxon Islanders. What can we discover about them from their burials? The main activity is based on excavations at Carisbrooke Castle and Chessel Down. Pupils look at archaeological evidence, recreate the burials with hand crafted replica grave goods and handle the artefacts.



**Roman and Saxon Loans:** We have a very wide range of Roman loans that include original jewellery, oil lamps, bathing items, a hypocaust model, replica clothing and mini - armour. We also have Saxon loans that include pottery with stampers (to re-create your own pot), sets of games, replica coins and jewellery and costume models.

## MEDIEVAL TO STUART TIMES

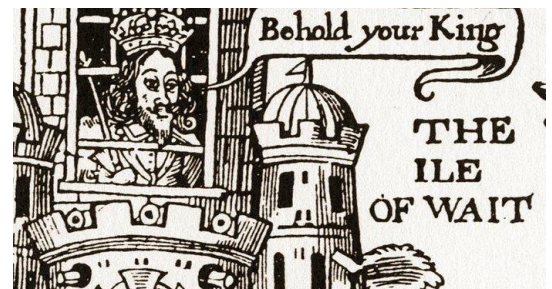
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to the castle Also includes self-led resources to guide you around the castle before/after the workshop.

**Tudor Times at Carisbrooke Castle including links to Shakespeare (Carisbrooke Castle Museum):** Exploring the Tudor remains of Sir George Carey's (Elizabeth I's cousin) mansion, Tudor items in the museum artefacts and clothing of the rich. The workshop can also focus on George Carey's role as Shakespeare's patron and how the castle would have appeared in Shakespearean times.

**I'm a King get me out of here! (in school or in Carisbrooke Castle Museum):** Meet Mistress Wheeler the Kings' laundry maid. The workshop includes devising escape plans for Charles I, handling replica civil war armour, exploring the issues of the Civil War and finding out the real story behind the king's fascinating time at Carisbrooke Castle.



## VICTORIANS (all ages)

**Victorian Pop-Up Museum (in school):** Your pupils become curators, handling, researching and displaying a huge range of original Victorian artefacts. As a finale to the session students create a classroom museum and tour the exhibition. We can also run this activity for other time periods.

They will also learn about the mourning customs of the Victorians using Queen Victoria as an example.



## **WORLD WAR I and II**

### **WW1 and the Isle of Wight (in school or at Carisbrooke Castle Museum):**

Students will learn about what was happening on the Isle of Wight during WW1, by looking at the artefacts and archives of four Island people. The workshop will look at the impact WW1 had on people and what happened on the Island on Armistice Day. The workshop will culminate on the creation of a classroom museum using the artefacts and the knowledge gained during the session.



### **Evacuee Living History Week (June 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023):**

What was happening on the Isle of Wight at the beginning of World War II? Students can experience being evacuated by steam train from the Isle of Wight Steam Railway and experience a World War II era lesson interrupted by an air raid siren. They will also learn about rationing by weighing out weekly rations and mixing powdered eggs. The half-day session will cost £12 per student which includes the train ride. Groups are welcome to stay all day as there are plenty of things to see and do at the Isle of Wight Steam Railway.

**On the Home Front (in school):** This hour and a half session looks at how the war affected schooling and family life on the Island.

Activities include air-raid practice, stirrup pump drill, playing with replica WWII toys and the investigation of many genuine World War II artefacts.

## **FREE SUPPORT AND ADVICE**

We are very happy to offer advice on how the Isle of Wight Heritage Service can best support your school. We have a wide variety of free resources that relate to the Island's heritage and offer free lesson preparation and pre-visit planning.

## **COST OF WORKSHOPS (SCHOOL)**

There is a charge of £95 per class (max 32 students) for all workshops that take place in school. Half days (morning or afternoon) costs £165 and a whole day in school costs £210. We are happy to adapt workshops to suit your needs.

## **RISK ASSESSMENTS**

All workshops will be risk assessed according to the latest government guidelines. At the time of booking it would be helpful to have a short phone call to go over the risk assessment and the requirements of your students.

## **VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS AND VIDEO TOURS**

Many of the workshops have associated pre/post visit activities. Most museum workshops can also be done in school. Some are available as a virtual workshop with live Q and A. We also have video tours of Newport Roman Villa and the Museum of Island History available with live Q and A options. Please contact me for more details.

## **COST OF WORKSHOPS (CARISBROOKE CASTLE MUSEUM)**

We can deliver workshops in the museum all year round and provide you with self-led activities to guide you around the castle site when the site is open to the public. Workshops cost £4 per pupil.

All visits will require an education permit from English Heritage in order to gain free entry into the castle. Schools that do not require any input from the HES and would like a self-led visit at Carisbrooke Castle can still do so FREE of charge when the castle is open as part of English Heritage's free education visits offer. English Heritage also offers its own Discovery Visits at the castle. See their website for more information.

## **COST OF WORKSHOPS (MUSEUM OF ISLAND HISTORY)**

A workshop in the museum and a self-led tour costs £4 per student. There are pre/post visit activities available to support visits.

## **WORKSHOPS ON BELHALF OF OTHER MUSEUMS**

The HES also delivers workshops at **Dimbola Lodge** and the **Classic Boat Museum**. Please contact me for more information.

## **LOANS**

We have hundreds of loan boxes that cover all periods of history. Loans can be delivered to and collected for the cost of £45 for up-to eight loan boxes. They are usually loaned out for three weeks, but this can be extended if they are not booked by another school.

Our loans catalogue can be e-mailed on request. Please get in touch if you would like more information or advice.



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