

KS1

Key Stage 1 Offer

- Victorian Workhouse Days
- People who help us Day
- 'Ello, 'ello, 'ello Outreach

2019

AWARD-WINNING LEARNING



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Come to Ripon Museums for a high-quality learning experience which stimulates pupils to ask perceptive questions, think critically, weigh evidence and develop judgement. We are lucky to have three museums in our group, all important Victorian institutions - a Workhouse, a Prison and Police Station and a Courthouse, all in their original buildings. Our workshops make the most of this atmospheric environment with dramatic role-play and hands-on activities:

“..In all the trips I have been on, this has to be one of the very best.....the role-plays were absolutely fantastic!” South Otterington Primary

Curriculum links : History - thinking critically, weighing evidence, develop judgement. Changes within living memory, aspects of change in national life. Significant people and places in own locality. Conditions of living - rich and poor. Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. Citizenship.



Our price per pupil is £10 per day. Teachers and adult helpers are free. We can provide indoor space for lunch and a risk assessment for all visits. Pre-visiting is encouraged. For further information or to make a booking, please contact:

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Victorian Workhouse Days

Thanks to a Heritage Lottery Fund grant, we were able to buy the Main Block of the Workhouse which we opened to the public in July 2017. This has enabled us to open a larger classroom and be able to split groups into boys and girls, as they would have been, for some of the day.

Victorian Workhouse Day

Morning: After a stern introduction from Matron the group is split into boys and girls. The boys go into the schoolroom for a lesson while the girls learn rag-rugging. At the end of the lesson the girls have their turn in the schoolroom with our school teacher while the boys go about one of their traditional jobs, planting seeds in pots and scaring birds in the garden with a rattle.

Afternoon: The group is split into three groups for a carousel of activities reflecting aspects of the workhouse: hands-on chores, baking and laundry.

Workhouse Child & Rich Child (Rich and Poor)

After Matron's stern introduction, pupils are split into boys and girls (see morning above) for the workhouse emphasis on education and work.

Afternoon: Play was allowed in the Workhouse too, especially later in the 19th century when there was a roundabout installed in the Boys' House yard. The afternoon is all about play. Victorian times were when the idea of childhood as a protected time of education and enjoyment took root - for the rich!

Sessions (half an hour each):

Victorian Toys - Materials toys are made from, girls' toys and boys' toys, rich and poor toys, skill developing toys, indoor and outdoor toys,

Victorian Games - More siblings to play with, more outdoors games, we play some favourite old singing games and ring-based games e.g. Oranges and Lemons.

Punch & Judy - Pre TV and screen-based entertainment with our Punch & Judy theatre.

"Highly, highly recommend!"

Brackenfield School



People who help us

Understanding the World

Morning - Prison & Police Museum

Call the police!

Our new session extends understanding of the role of policemen and woman in an interactive and enjoyable way which links to the curriculum. We bring uniforms and artefacts from our collection which together with our hands-on activities build a picture of what policemen and women wear and what they do in the community.

'Ello, 'ello, 'ello

Two of our staff are dressed as police: one is dressed as a Peeler, a very early police officer, one is dressed as a modern police officer. We ask the class to spot differences and then ask them which piece of equipment goes with which policeman. We find out what the police do and how to contact them.

Mini crime scene: Who do we call? What would the Police do?

Finger printing - how and why?

Mug shots: why the police take them. Mug shot game.

Afternoon - Workhouse Museum

Teacher

Victorian Schoolroom - who helps us learn?
Writing with chalkboards, singing hymns,
doing simple sums. Stories of
workhouse children who
found a good job because they
could read, write and do sums.

Call the Nurse!

The Workhouse infirmary looked after poor people in
Ripon, not just the Workhouse inmates - lots of
babies were born here. Visit the Workhouse
medical room and wash baby and put
her in a cot. Learn how to
bandage with our nurse.



Outreach

We can come to your school for outreach sessions such as:

1. Call the Police!

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2. Felting and Workhouse Rag-rugging

Find out about the Victorian world of recycling with our Victorian textiles outreach. How families would cut up old material to make into rugs. Have a go at making a square of rag-rug. Yorkshire was the centre of textiles in Victorian times, have a go at making the world's oldest fabric, felt, using the wet-felting technique.

3. Victorian Toys & Games

These session focus on developing understanding through play.

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