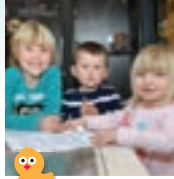




# Events for Kids

York Art Gallery   York Castle Museum   Yorkshire Museum   York Museum Gardens



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### BOOKING INFORMATION

Booking is required for some events, courses and activities. If you have booked onto an activity and cannot attend please contact us as soon as possible.

**To make a booking please contact:**

Telephone:

**01904 697979**

Email:

**groupbookings@ymt.org.uk**

York Museums Trust reserves the right to cancel any events if there are insufficient bookings.



For the latest news from

**York Museums Trust** you can follow our venues on **Twitter** and don't forget to 'Like' us on **Facebook**.

### RATES

For all bookable events, the cost of each event is listed. Please pay when booking – we accept card payments. Unless otherwise stated, events are included in admission charges. Kids Go Free with a paying adult (up to 4 children).

### FACILITIES

York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum have baby changing facilities and disabled access toilets.

York Art Gallery and York Castle Museum both have cafés.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Wheelchair users are eligible for the Access Day Ticket at York Art Gallery, York Castle Museum and the Yorkshire Museum and for the Access YMT Card. One carer will be eligible for free admission with a wheelchair user. Please note that some of the upper floors of York Castle Museum are not currently wheelchair accessible.

# Events for Kids

Events, Activities and Holiday Fun at York Museums Trust

January – April 2016

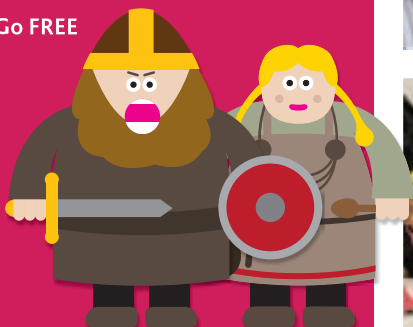
## Welcome!

The children's activities at York Art Gallery, the Yorkshire Museum and York Castle Museum are a fantastic way to keep children entertained over the school holidays and give the younger ones something new to discover.

With family activities exploring the Vikings, Romans and Edwardians, and tea parties, Sixties music and costumes for under 5s, there's plenty for all age groups to enjoy.

All activities link directly to the school syllabus and Early Years Curriculum so children will be learning while they play!

Don't forget, Kids Go FREE and now there's FREE ADMISSION for grown-ups too with a YMT Card!



## YMT Card (see p9 and p18)

### GET UNLIMITED VISITS

for a whole year to

**York Art Gallery**

**Yorkshire Museum**

**York Castle Museum**



# Edwardian Entertainment

## at York Castle Museum

February Half Term, 13 – 21 February 2016

Discover popular Edwardian Entertainment this February half term. Meet Professor Lenskapp for an Edwardian style photograph and enjoy a traditional Punch and Judy show.

### Create at the Castle! Seaside Fun

Every day, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Make your own cardboard model Edwardian beach hut or seaside donkey puppet. Self-led family activity.

### Entertainment Trail

Every day, all day

Follow the trail around the museum to find out about popular entertainment of the past. Enter your trail in the competition to win an Edwardian style toy.

**50p per trail with reward**

### Professor Lenskapp the Photographer!

Every day, 12pm – 4pm

Have your photograph taken in our Edwardian car cut-out and receive a copy of your Edwardian style photo.

**£3 per photo**

### Punch and Judy Shows

Monday 15 – Friday 19 February,  
performances throughout the day,  
11.30am – 3.30pm

That's the way to do it! Be entertained by the popular Edwardian seaside show Punch and Judy.

Activities included in museum admission unless stated otherwise.

Kids Go  
**FREE**  
in 2016\*

February Half Term at York Castle Museum



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# Viking Sagas

at the Yorkshire Museum

February Half Term, 13 – 21 February 2016



This February half term journey into the Viking world. Listen to stories from a Viking giant, learn about their adventures and write your own exciting Viking saga at the Yorkshire Museum.

## Viking Saga Story Books

Available every day,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Create your own Viking saga. Let the roll of a die decide your fate as you create your own exciting journey in a story book with pictures. Take your story home to amuse and entertain the family.

## Storytelling with Odin the Viking

Monday 15, Wednesday 17 and  
Friday 19 February, 12pm, 12.30pm, 1pm  
and 1.30pm

Journey with Odin the giant, on his magical, mythical quests to become a god. Hear uplifting tales of him rising again from Ragnarok to sing of hope in a brighter world.

## Kids Curator's Talk: Myth, Magic and Monsters in the Viking World

16 February, 12.30pm – 1pm

Join our Curator of Archaeology for a family friendly talk and learn about some very special Viking artefacts.

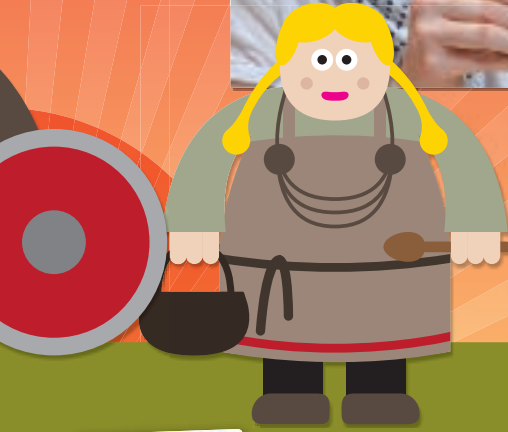


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February Half Term at the Yorkshire Museum



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# Pictures Tell Stories

at York Art Gallery

Kids Go  
**FREE**  
in 2016\*

February Half Term, 13 – 21 February 2016

Discover the stories and characters in the gallery this February half term. All activities are included with admission and everyone is encouraged to take part.



## Story Chair Days

Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 February

Family Fun throughout the day with artist and storyteller Mary Passeri occupying the Story Chair.

## Puppet Making

Monday 15 – Thursday 18 February,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Drop-in activities for all. Create characters from the paintings on display.

## Family Artists: Billions of Buttons

Saturday 20 February,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Meet an artist, be an artist! Bookable artist led family workshops with local potter Karen Thompson.

To book a place please contact  
York Museums Trust on 01904 697979.

Activities included in gallery admission  
unless stated otherwise.

Please note that the Studio at York Art Gallery is only open on select dates – but there's still lots to do in the gallery





# VISIT THREE TOP YORK ATTRACTIONS

York Art Gallery  
Yorkshire Museum  
York Castle Museum



Only £22 for a whole year  
and visit as many times as you like.

Make a great saving, receive 10% discount in all  
YMT shops and cafés, and many more benefits too.

To buy your **YMT Card** visit one of our sites,  
or for more information go to  
[www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk/YMTCard](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk/YMTCard)

## KIDS GO FREE at YMT in 2016\*

There's **FREE ADMISSION**  
to all York Museums Trust  
sites for up to four children  
with a paying adult!

**NEW CHILDREN'S PARTIES**  
at Yorkshire Museum  
or York Castle Museum!

Our exciting **Dinosaur** or **Toys** themed parties include:

- Themed decorations
- Party invitations
- Handle real museum objects and artefacts
- Organised craft activities and party games
- Gift for the Birthday child
- Special outfit for Birthday child plus hats / masks for the guests
- Access to the Museum for the rest of the day

For more information and booking details please visit:  
[www.yorkvenues.org.uk](http://www.yorkvenues.org.uk)

Tel: 01904 687 671  
Email: [yorkvenues@ymt.org.uk](mailto:yorkvenues@ymt.org.uk) York Museums Trust

BOOK YOUR PARTY TODAY!

# Spring Time

## at York Art Gallery

Kids Go  
**FREE**  
in 2016\*

March – April 2016

Bring all the family to the gallery this spring. Be inspired by the displays then get creative in the Studio.

### Family Artists: Telling Tall Tales

Saturday 19 March,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm



Meet an artist, be an artist! Find stories in the artworks and then develop your own illustrations with artist and illustrator Abi Hiskey.

**FREE** To book a place please contact York Museums Trust on 01904 697979

### Open Studios Drop-in

Saturday 16 April and Saturday 23 April,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Drop in to the Studio and make a collage inspired by Mark Hearld during York Open Studios weekends.

### Family Artists: Stories in Clay

Saturday 30 April,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Meet an artist, be an artist! Bookable family workshops. Find stories in the ceramics displays and decorate your own paper plate with artist Ian Kilpatrick.

**FREE** To book a place please contact York Museums Trust on 01904 697979

### Easter Holidays Studio Drop-in: Flowers and Birds

Friday 25 March – Sunday 10 April,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm



Drop in to the Studio to celebrate the coming of Spring with paper and string – make birds inspired by Mark Hearld and flowers to add to our giant herbaceous border.

The activities are **FREE** but for £5 your child can gain a nationally recognised qualification: Discover Arts Award (p11).



Complete your  
**Discover Arts Award**  
with us this Easter!

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Activities included in gallery admission unless stated otherwise.



Please note that the Studio at York Art Gallery is only open on select dates – but there's still lots to do in the gallery

# Discover Arts Award

at York Museums Trust

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25 March – 10 April 2016

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**Complete your Discover Arts Award with us this Easter!  
For 5 – 9 year olds (although any child can take part in our activities).**



Take part in the art and craft activities being held at the **Yorkshire Museum, York Castle Museum** and **York Art Gallery** this Easter, complete your Discover record sheet and earn a Discover Arts Award certificate from Trinity College London.

York **Art Gallery**

York **Castle Museum**

Yorkshire **Museum**

**£5 per child**

includes certificate and a small reward!

To find out more about Arts Award visit:  
[www.artsaward.org.uk](http://www.artsaward.org.uk)

# Spring Mosaics

at the Yorkshire Museum

Easter Holiday, 25 March – 10 April 2016

Spring into mosaics this half term. Taking inspiration from the Roman Four Season's mosaic, look at the different techniques to make your very own mosaic that will go on display at the Yorkshire Museum.

## Spring into Mosaics

Friday 25 March – Sunday 10 April,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Explore the new season and create a paper mosaic tile inspired by spring and the museum's Roman Four Seasons mosaic.

## Kids Curator's Talk: Animals in Prehistoric Yorkshire

Tuesday 29 March, 12.30pm – 1pm

Join us for a family-friendly talk to learn about some surprising animals that used to roam the Yorkshire landscape.

## Mosaic Madness

Friday 25 March – Monday 28 March,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Join artist Kirstie Briggs Bateman to help create a modern version of the Four Seasons mosaic! This is a drop-in activity to contribute to a community artwork which will go on display in the museum.

## Animal Trail

Every day, 10am – 5pm

Take part in our animal-themed trail around the museum and gardens and then claim a small prize.

**50p per trail  
with reward**



Activities included in museum admission  
unless stated otherwise.

Kids Go  
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Easter at the Yorkshire Museum



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**Discover Arts Award**  
with us this Easter!  
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# Victorian Easter

at York Castle Museum

Easter Holiday, 25 March – 10 April 2016



Take inspiration from Victorian Easter cards to design your own Easter card. Join in with the Easter hunt at Raindale Mill and have an egg and spoon race.

## Create at the Castle! Victorian Easter cards

Every day, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Take inspiration from Victorian Easter cards to create your own card for Easter. Self-led family activity.

## Easter Hunt

Friday 25 – Monday 28 March, 12pm – 4pm

Explore the Raindale Mill area at York Castle Museum and find all the Easter clues to lead you to a little Easter treat.

## Egg and Spoon Race

Every day, all day

Have a go at our Egg and Spoon obstacle course in the exercise yard! Self-led family activity.

## Easter Trail

Every day, all day

Easter Trail around the museum with a prize draw competition – a special chocolate egg for the winner.

**50p per trail with reward**



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Easter at York Castle Museum



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# Museum Monkeys

EVENTS FOR THE UNDER 5s

Sessions are **FREE** and run in term time only.

Museum admission applies, **FREE** with a valid **YMT Card**.

## Museum Baby (under two years old)

**Fridays, 10am – 11am**

Special baby sessions linked to exhibitions, including storytelling, songs and sensory activities for babies and their carers. Sessions are a mixture of free flow and adult led activities which all relate to the Early Years curriculum. A perfect introduction to museums!

### York Castle Museum

#### **Shops** 15 January

Play with the toy till, put the shopping in the bag and listen to the shop story.

#### **Seaside** 22 January

Play with Punch and Judy, knock the sand castle down and listen to the sea side story.

#### **Costume** 29 January

Try on the costumes and hats, play in the wash basket of clothes and listen to the hats story.

#### **Traditional Tea Party** 5 February

Play with the tea party food, hide under the table cloths and listen to the tea party story.

#### **1960s** 12 February

Listen to 60s music and play with the psychedelic fabrics.

### Yorkshire Museum

#### **Egyptians** 26 February

Play with the mummy toys and knock down the pyramid.

#### **Gardens** 4 March

Find the minibeasts in the leaves, play with the garden animal toys and listen to the garden story.

#### **Greeks** 11 March

Listen to the story of Medusa and find Medusa's eye in the ball pool.

#### **Medieval** 18 March

Look through the stained glass windows, play with the feast food and listen to the story of the knight.

## HOW TO BOOK

Please note: If you are unable to attend please cancel your booking to allow others to participate.

Please book sessions using our Eventbrite page, follow this link: [www.tinyurl.com/MuseumMonkeys](http://www.tinyurl.com/MuseumMonkeys)

Bookings for sessions in **JANUARY and FEBRUARY** opens **4 January**.

Bookings for sessions in **FEBRUARY/MARCH and APRIL** opens **8 February**.



# Is your child a Museum Baby or an Early Years Explorer?



## Early Years Explorers (two – five years old)

Thursdays, 10am – 11am

Activities for children aged two to five years old which include songs, stories, games and craft activities. Sessions are based on familiar preschool play areas, which are enhanced to help children learn about the museums' collections and exhibitions through play. Sessions are a mixture of free flow and adult led activities which all relate to the Early Years curriculum.

**NEW – EARLY YEARS EXPLORERS AT YORK ART GALLERY!**

### York Art Gallery

**See** 14 January

Look through the coloured glass, and look in the mirror to draw a self-portrait.

**Hear** 21 January

Make a shaker and play the 'Guess the Sounds' game.

**Touch** 28 January

Make a feely collage, guess what is in the mystery bags and make a den with various texture materials.

**Smell** 4 February

Make a smelly picture and play the 'Guess the Smells' activity.

**Taste** 11 February

Explore the food sensory play area and investigate the taste of the food colour groups.

### York Castle Museum

**Shops** 25 February

Find shopping list items in Kirkgate, make a dolly peg toy and listen to the story about shopping on Kirkgate.

**Seaside** 3 March

Build a sand castle, make a moving donkey ride picture and play with Punch and Judy.

**Costume** 10 March

Dress as a Victorian, try on some hats and make a dress the dolly picture.

**Traditional Tea Party** 17 March

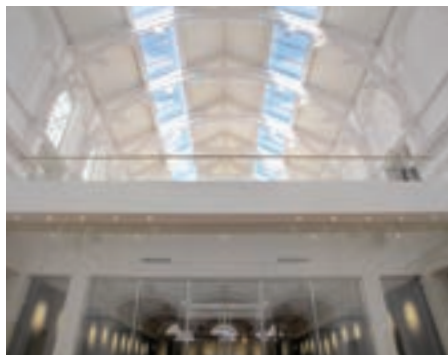
Have a tea party, decorate paper plates and listen to the story of *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*.

**1960s** 24 March

Listen to 60s music, make a psychedelic picture and 1960s dress up area.



# Visitor Information



## York Art Gallery

Exhibition Square, York YO1 7EW

### Open Daily:

Mon – Fri: 10am – 5pm

Sat: 10am – 6pm

Sun: 11am – 4pm

### ADMISSION

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>YMT Card Holder</b> .....                    | <b>FREE</b>                     |
| <b>Adult</b> (with 10% Gift Aid Donation) ..... | £7.50                           |
| <b>Adult</b> (without donation) .....           | £6.81                           |
| <b>Child</b> (16 and under)* .....              | <b>FREE</b> with a paying adult |
| <b>Access Day Ticket**</b> .....                | £4.00                           |

Find out more:

[www.yorkartgallery.org.uk](http://www.yorkartgallery.org.uk)



## York Castle Museum

Castle Area, Eye of York, York YO1 9RY

### Open Daily:

9.30am – 5pm

### ADMISSION

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>YMT Card Holder</b> .....                    | <b>FREE</b>                     |
| <b>Adult</b> (with 10% Gift Aid Donation) ..... | £10.00                          |
| <b>Adult</b> (without donation) .....           | £9.09                           |
| <b>Child</b> (16 and under)* .....              | <b>FREE</b> with a paying adult |
| <b>Access Day Ticket**</b> .....                | £5.00                           |

Find out more:

[www.yorkcastlemuseum.org.uk](http://www.yorkcastlemuseum.org.uk)

## YMT Card

12 months unlimited access to **York Art Gallery**, **York Castle Museum** and the **Yorkshire Museum**.

**YMT Card:** £22 / £20 with Direct Debit  
with a YorkCard: £11 / £10 with Direct Debit

**Access YMT Card:** £11 / £10 with Direct Debit \*\*  
with a YorkCard: **FREE** subject to availability







## Yorkshire Museum

York Museum Gardens, York YO1 7FR

### Open Daily:

10am – 5pm

### ADMISSION

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>YMT Card Holder</b> .....                    | <b>FREE</b>                     |
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Find out more:

[www.yorkshiremuseum.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiremuseum.org.uk)

Telephone **York Museums Trust:**

# 01904 687687



\* Offer does not apply to organised groups. Maximum 4 children per adult. Additional children will be charged at £4 per child.

\*\* Access Tickets: available to 17-24 year olds and those on most forms of benefit. Terms and conditions apply, for more information see [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk).



## York Museum Gardens

York Museum Gardens, York YO1 7FR

### Open Daily:

Summer: 7.30am - 8pm

Winter: 7.30am – 6pm

### FREE ADMISSION

Find out more:

[www.yorkmuseumgardens.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumgardens.org.uk)



