

York Museums Trust

Workshops for

# PRIMARY SCHOOLS

York Art Gallery Yorkshire Museum York Castle Museum

Bringing art, history and science to life



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## TO MAKE A BOOKING

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## Accessibility

Admission is free to wheelchair users and their helpers but please note that some of the upper floors of the York Castle Museum are not accessible to wheelchair users. Each site has disabled access toilets.

## Lunch Rooms

The Yorkshire Museum has a bookable lunch space, 'The Diner-Saurus'. Spaces may be available at the York Castle Museum upon request.

There is no lunch space available at York Art Gallery.

## Parking

Parking information can be found on the City of York Council website:  
[www.york.gov.uk/homepage/20/parking\\_and\\_travel](http://www.york.gov.uk/homepage/20/parking_and_travel)  
Telephone: 01904 551309

## Workshop Prices

Prices depend on the length of the workshop, there is no minimum number of pupils required. Workshops have a *maximum of 30 pupils*.

**1 hour workshop ..... £60**

**1.5 hour workshop ..... £70**

**2 hour workshop ..... £80**

*Actor led sessions – prices vary. Some sessions do vary, check the listings.*

## OUR VENUES

### York Art Gallery

York Art Gallery reopened on the 1st August 2015 following an £8 million refurbishment.

With 60% more display spaces, a new dedicated Art Studio and a brand new school workshop programme this is a perfect venue for complimenting teaching art and history in the classroom and supporting pupils working towards the arts award.

**FREE Downloadable trails and resources for self-led visits are available on the school pages of our website, including:**

#### Art Heroes and Heroines

Available from November 2015

Find out more about some of the special art works on display and the artists who created them.



#### Explore the Art Gallery Worksheet

A worksheet designed for pupils working towards Explore Arts Award, to gather the evidence they need to achieve Part B. Allow thirty minutes to complete.



### Arts Award Discover & Explore

We can support your delivery of Arts Award Discover or Explore. Many of our workshops include a practical art, craft or role play activity which can contribute towards the requirements of:

#### Part A: Participation in a range of arts activities.

Your visit can also contribute towards:

#### Part B: Knowledge (or exploration) of the work of artists (and arts organisations.)

Please let us know when you book if you would like more detailed information.



### York Castle Museum

York Castle Museum is the perfect venue to explore and understand how people have lived over the past 300 years. It is home to the world famous recreated Victorian Street Kirkgate and First World War centenary exhibition *1914: When the World Changed Forever*. There are also Period Rooms, Toy Stories exhibition, a groovy Sixties Gallery and interactive Prison Experience. New for Easter 2016 is *Shaping the Body*, an exhibition exploring body shape and image through the museum's costume collections.

**FREE Downloadable trails and resources for self-led visits are available on the school pages of our website, including:**

- KS1 & KS2 Literacy and Numeracy trails
- KS1 Toys and Homes trails
- KS2 Victorian Childhood and Rich and Poor trails
- KS2 Kirkgate Maths Quiz
- KS3 Prison History trail



Scan the QR code for a preview of the museum

### Yorkshire Museum

The Yorkshire Museum has exciting and vibrant exhibitions on Roman and Medieval York as well as the science of Extinctions. With dedicated learning labs and lunch spaces it is an un-missable venue for a school visit.

**FREE Downloadable trails and resources for self-led visits are available on the school pages of our website, including:**

- Early Years Literacy and Numeracy Animal trail
- KS1 & KS2 Literacy and Numeracy trails
- KS2 Dinosaur Detectives trail
- KS2 Exploring Eboracum Roman trail
- KS2 Star trail
- KS2 Prehistoric Progress trail



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# York Art Gallery

## MUSIC AND MATERIALS

### BELLS AND WHISTLES

EYFS & KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils will discover the sounds different materials make and will handle pottery 'music-makers' from the art gallery collection. They will explore the properties of clay, before and after firing, and make their own clay bell. In the gallery they will explore the relationships between sound, form pattern and colour. They will use drawing and poetic language to express their ideas about sound and materials.

## MASTERY OF TECHNIQUES

### MASTERSTROKES

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Paint like an artist! Pupils will explore the different techniques used by artists in the artworks on display in the Gallery. Employing some of the 'tricks' used by artists, pupils will create their own paintings in the style of the artists whose work they have seen.

On booking choose to focus on either:

**Portraits** and compare the work of William Etty and Gwen John or

**Landscapes** and compare the work of LS Lowry and Nathaniel Drake.

**PERFECT PARTNER** -

*The Draw Tour or Encountering Lowry.*



## ART THROUGH THE AGES

### IRON AGE ANIMAL ART

KS2 | 1 hour

Pupils will examine genuine museum artefacts to see how Iron Age people copied the images of horses they saw on Greek coins to create their own, stylised versions. Out in the gallery, pupils will look for animals in the displays and then draw one of them in a simple style echoing the art of the Iron Age. Pupils will adapt and emboss their stylised designs onto metallic card, mimicking decorative metalwork.

**PERFECT PARTNER** - *Prehistoric Progress workshop at the Yorkshire Museum.*

### THE GREEK ART OF PHILOSOPHY

KS2 | 1 hour

*"The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance."* Aristotle

This time travelling workshop introduces pupils to Ancient Greek Philosophy and applies critical thinking to Victorian and Modern art to decide: Should Art Be Beautiful? Pupils take part in a democratic process allowing them to understand how Ancient Greek concepts still influence us today. As citizens of Athens, pupils will take on the role of philosophers to consider 'What is beauty?' and 'What is Art?' using the artworks on display and the feelings they inspire to develop their ideas. In groups they will create definitions for art and beauty before debating the question 'Should Art be Beautiful?' The workshop facilitator, in the role of a Greek philosopher, will guide pupils through the process of thinking critically, refining their thoughts and discussing the pros and cons of an argument. Towards the end of the session a democratic vote in the style of the Ancient Greeks - by placing a pebble into an urn - will decide the outcome.

**PERFECT PARTNER** - *The Ancient Greeks workshop at the Yorkshire Museum.*

### ENCOUNTERING LOWRY

KS2 | 30 minutes for up to 15 pupils £60

60 minutes for up to 30 pupils £80

AVAILABLE FROM NOVEMBER 2015

Meet LS Lowry the artist and learn about his life and work, including his painting of Clifford's Tower which was completed in 1953. Lowry will be played by actor Chris Cade and the session will include making Lowry inspired figures from pipe cleaners.

**PERFECT PARTNER** -

*The Draw Tour or Masterstrokes: Landscapes.*



## SENSORY ART

### SENSING THE GARDENS

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Take a tour of York Museum Gardens using all your senses and discover the sounds, smells and textures all around. Pupils will record their tour on a sensory map and then paint a watercolour of their favourite flower or part of the garden. Please come prepared for wet weather.

Photographs of the gardens during different seasons will allow pupils to consider how the gardens change. KS2 groups will also use historic photographs to consider how the gardens have changed over time.

*This workshop can be adapted for SEN groups.*

## GALLERY TOURS

### THE DRAW TOUR

KS1 & KS2 | 45 minutes | £45 | Groups of 30

Pupils will use charcoal, chalks and brushes to take a line for a walk around the gallery. The tour also includes hunting for shapes in the paintings and drawing a 'shape picture'.

### LOOKING AT ART

KS1 & KS2 |

This is a FREE guide to help you get the most out of your own tour of the Gallery. Book in advance to use a class set of swatch card style guides on your visit. Teacher notes are available to download from our website and demonstrate how each activity adapts for KS1 and KS2.



# Yorkshire Museum

## EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

### DINO DIG FS | 1 hour

Children will dig for fossils and identify the fossils they find. There is the chance to handle real dinosaur fossils and discover how fossils are made. Activities include making fossil casts to take home, designing their own camouflaged dinosaur and doing the dinosaur walk!

### ROMAN LIFE FS | 1 hour

Children will discover what life was like in Roman times through handling Roman objects, dressing up as a Roman soldier and doing Roman jobs.

They will take part in activities including being put through their paces in a drill session, making a mosaic and using a quern stone.



### DISCOVERY HAMPERS

Discovery Hampers are available for use with early years groups on the museum galleries. These are free to use but must be booked.

Hampers contain books, puppets, soft or plastic props, magnifying glasses, song sheets and activity ideas. Options are Animals or Dinosaurs and Fossils.





## THE CLASSICAL WORLD

### THE ANCIENT GREEKS

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Pupils have to plan a festival of celebration for their new city state in this interactive workshop. The first decision is to decide which God they want to represent them. They are assisted in this by a proud, retired Greek athlete who helps the children discover more about everyday life in Ancient Greece, through handling genuine museum artefacts. Pupils take part in a circus of hands-on activities including rehearsing a play telling the story of Perseus, practising the long jump for the celebration games, making a peplos and dressing for the festival.

#### **PERFECT PARTNER -**

*The Art of Philosophy workshop at York Art Gallery.*

### THE EGYPTIAN WAY OF DEATH

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

The group meet a Victorian Egyptologist who is investigating the mysterious tomb of Kemmet. To discover the lost statue of Anubis pupils must work through a series of challenges including the mummification and embalming process in using our specially constructed mummy, wrapping a mummy and making their own amulet. Pupils also handle genuine Egyptian artefacts to explore Egyptian beliefs about death and the afterlife. If they can decipher the final hieroglyphic message of Kemmet and apply their knowledge of the Egyptian Way of Death they may discover where the statue is hidden.





## PREHISTORY

### PREHISTORIC PROGRESS

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

This workshop covers how we know and find out about the past before written history. Pupils can handle prehistoric objects from the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age and discuss what life was like in each period and identify some of the key developments. There are hands on activities to take part in for pupils to explore some aspects of every day life including; building a stone age shelter and dressing for a ritual, making and decorating a bronze age pygmy cup and creating a colourful iron age coin.

#### PERFECT PARTNER -

*Iron Age Animal Art workshop  
at York Art Gallery.*

## ROMANS

### THE REAL ROMANS

KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils will meet a well to-do Roman citizen and find out about their life in Eboracum (Roman York) and what possessions they owned. Pupils will handle real artefacts from the collection. Then the pupils dress as Romans and take on the work of slaves; including using a quern stone, designing a mosaic and writing Roman numerals.

### EXPLORING EBORACUM

KS2 | 1 hour 30 mins

Pupils meet the Censor for Eboracum, who needs their help to complete his records and correctly identify the citizens from the slaves. Pupils dress as Romans and then through handling real artefacts and taking part in hands on activities the pupils investigate the lives of six characters who lived in Roman York. The activities include using a quern stone, creating Roman hairstyles, building a Roman arch, trying on replica Roman armour. The session brings to life how both the rich and poor lived and involves pupils in teamwork and problem solving.

#### PERFECT PARTNER -

*A Legionary's Life workshop or Romans Tours.*

### A LEGIONARY'S LIFE

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Pupils discover what it was like being a soldier in the Roman army and living in the Fortress of Eboracum (Roman York). Pupils will explore Roman military artefacts and learn about soldier's equipment, armour, battle formations and weapons before being put through their paces in a drill session.

FOR £25 ADD

### FIRE AWAY! 45 minutes

In groups pupils design and build their own model catapult to discover who has the most fire power! This is a special session that can be added onto Legionary's Life.

#### PERFECT PARTNER -

*Exploring Eboracum workshop or Romans Tours.*



## ANGLO SAXONS

### LIFE IN ANGLO SAXON YORK

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Pupils will meet Oshere the Thane or his wife Aelle, and decide if they are willing to be Oath Helpers for Eadgar, accused of stealing bread made for the Thane's feast. The session explores life in Anglo Saxon York in the 11th century. Pupils can handle museum artefacts and take part in activities to find out about home life, manufacture, artistry and religion in Eoforwic. Activities include braiding, taking part in a 'feast', dressing up and practising intricate engravings.

**PERFECT PARTNER -**

*The Struggle for York workshop.*

## VIKINGS

### VIKING VOYAGES

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour

Pupils are prompted to imagine that they have travelled back 1000 years in time to experience Viking life first hand. Costumes and Viking names help to set the scene of a Viking village in Denmark whose inhabitants have to vote on whether or not to set sail in a longboat for a new life, and decide what to take. The class act out a saga of a perilous voyage to Jorvik and on 'arrival' make some leather belts to sell.

**PERFECT PARTNER -**

*The Struggle for York workshop.*

### JORVIK LIFE

KS2 | 1 hour 30 mins

Who were the Vikings? When did they come to York and how did they live? In this workshop, the class are introduced to a family of six characters and explore everyday life in Jorvik, from food and clothes to playing and working. Hand's on activities include grinding grain on a quern, playing trip trap troll, weaving and writing; children will also handle genuine objects.

**PERFECT PARTNER -**

*The Struggle for York workshop.*



## INVADERS

### THE STRUGGLE FOR YORK

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

This session explores Anglo Saxon and Viking invaders and settlers. Pupils will discover the story of the Anglo Saxon and Viking struggle for England and how rule in York changed between 410 AD (when the Romans left) and 1066 AD. Pupils will handle museum artefacts which demonstrate why York was an important target for Viking raiders and take part in practical activities to reinforce the chronology of the period, including participating in a costumed timeline. The session also includes the stories of Kings and Rulers such as Athelstan, first King of England and Eric Bloodaxe.

**PERFECT PARTNER -**

*Anglo Saxon Life or Jorvik Life workshop.*

## TUDORS

### PRINCE & PAUPERS; LIFE IN TUDOR YORK

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

Explore the life of Brother Thomas, former soldier and monk during the time of Henry VIII. He is now struggling to survive in the lanes of Tudor York and needs the help of your group of beggars to help him find three important objects which he can take to the new Queen Elizabeth. These objects will help him gain back his lost lands and wealth.

Handle objects from merchants, traders, knights and monks to find out more about the life of people in Tudor York. Learn about illuminated manuscripts and dining etiquette in Tudor times.





## SCIENCE

### EVOLUTION: LIFE OF CHARLES DARWIN

**KS2** | 1 hour | £90 | Actor led session

Meet Charles Darwin and sail with him across the Southern Seas, a journey that opens his mind and challenges his perceptions of the natural world. Share his discoveries of how species adapt to suit their ever changing environment. Handle objects (from the Yorkshire Museum's collection) and help Darwin apply his theories of evolution.

### TELESCOPES

**KS2** | 1 hour 30 minutes | £90

This session complements a tour of the Observatory and explores what stars are and how they have been used throughout history; as navigation and as a source of superstition and stories. Pupils will look at Victorian telescopes and explore how telescopes work. All pupils will have chance to make their own to take home.

**Available to book in December and January.**

### OBSERVATORY TOURS

20 minutes | £20 | Groups of 15

Housed in the Observatory that nestles in the Museum Gardens, children have the opportunity to get up close to the working telescope made in 1850 to understand how it works and moves. This session is for small groups, which allows better access to the telescope and also includes a fun and informative video. For a class, the other half can do a Star trail inside the museum, which will be sent out with the booking information.

### COSMODOME

**KS1 & KS2** | 30 minutes | £40 | Groups of 30

Take a trip through space inside our inflatable Cosmodome and learn more about the planets and their moons which make up our solar system. After this the class can see what to look for in the winter night sky and also how to find it!

**Available to book in December and January.**

## SPECIAL SPACE DAYS IN DECEMBER & JANUARY

£150 FOR THE DAY

Book the Telescopes workshop, Cosmodome session and the Observatory tours for a full space day for your class!

Includes Star trails and a special dressing up box.



### DINOSAUR DESIGNS

**KS1 | 1 hour**

Pupils wear white coats and become scientists to discover what fossils are and what we know about the dinosaurs by studying them. They will handle fossils and dinosaur bones – and there is chance to see and hold fossilised dino poo! Pupils will make their own fossil casts and try to identify the mystery dinosaur.

**Perfect Partner - Dinosaurs Tour.**

### DINOSAUR DETECTIVES

**KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes**

The museum needs help to identify a box of mystery dinosaur fossil bones. Pupils become assistant curators in this interactive investigation; handling dinosaur fossils and taking part in five mini investigations to uncover clues to the identity of the mystery dinosaur. The investigations will use problem solving and maths skills.

**Perfect Partner - Dinosaurs Tour.**

## WORKING SCIENTIFICALLY

### FORENSIC SCIENCE: WHO WERE YOU?

**KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes**

A skeleton has been found in the Museum Gardens. The pupils become forensic scientists and investigate the evidence to find out who that person was: a Roman child, a Viking warrior or a Medieval monk?

The groups will undertake a number of scientific and archaeological investigations to determine the gender, age and means of death of the skeleton. Look out for the Red Herrings too!

Pupils have the chance to handle real artefacts and examine real human remains.

### SLIME!

**KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes**

This is a fun but practical investigation on states of matter, which involves making slime! In groups they will design and carry out their own experiment investigating viscosity and the flow rate of slime. Pupils will discover which animals rely on slime for their survival and why, with examples from the museum spirit collections; including gastropods, newts and the 'doctor fish'.



## YORKSHIRE MUSEUM TOURS

We now also offer tours and object handling for school groups based around the following themes:

- **KS1 and KS2 Dinosaurs**
- **KS2 Romans**

Tours and object handling sessions are for a maximum of 15 pupils at a time; so when one half of your class is on a tour, the rest can use one of our self-led resources linked in with the theme (which we will provide for you). Groups can then swap over so that each child will have completed both activities.

**Tours are 30 minutes and cost £30.  
Add an optional 15 minute object handling session for £15.**

If you book two tours and object handling sessions for a class of 30 we can offer a **SPECIAL RATE OF £70.**

# York Castle

## EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION ST

### NURSERY RHYME TIME

**FS | 1 hour**

Come along to York Castle Museum for some Nursery Rhyme fun. This active workshop encourages pupils to recognise and have fun with traditional rhymes. They will make a 'hickory-dickory dock' clock to take home, use role play and props, discover objects from our collection and match them with the rhyme, sequence familiar nursery rhymes and lots more.

**York Castle Museum**





# Museum

Workshops are for a maximum of 30 pupils.  
National Curriculum links can be found on the schools pages of our website.

## AGE

### KNIGHTS AT THE CASTLE

FS | 1 hour

In this hands-on workshop discover what life was like in York Castle hundreds of years ago and handle some real medieval objects. Activities include trying on a replica helmet, feeling the weight of chain mail, smelling the smells of the castle and making a cardboard helmet and shield to take home.

### BILL IN A CHINA SHOP

FS | 1 hour

Join Bill, a friendly Bull who loves to collect china, and his friends in a story of broken rules and broken teacups! In this workshop based on the story by Katie McAllaster Weaver pupils can decorate their own paper plate, set a tea table, make a playdough 'china' cup, piece the jigsaw plates together and learn how to package china carefully in our china shop.

### BURGLAR BILL

FS | 1 hour

Using the story of Burglar Bill by Janet and Alan Ahlberg as inspiration, this workshop offers a variety of activities for young children. They will use a feely bag to discover objects from the story, make their own Burglar Bill or Betty mask to take home, learn how to care for a baby and try a couple of matching activities.

\*\*There is also the option for groups booking this workshop to borrow an activity to use after the workshop on Kirkgate, our Victorian street, where children are encouraged to spot the items that Bill stole and find the shops where they belong.



## CHRISTMAS AT THE CASTLE

This December means Christmas at York Castle Museum so book a festive workshop to get into the spirit of the season!

### VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

FS & KS1 | 1 hour

Listen to the rhyme of 'The Night before Christmas', make coconut ice, traditional decorations and go window shopping on Kirkgate, our Victorian street, in this festive workshop celebrating a Victorian Christmas.

### VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

KS2 | 1 hour

Be like Ebenezer at the end of A Christmas Carol and rejoice in a Victorian Christmas. Pupils will make sugar mice, create a magical Christmas card and go window shopping for presents on Kirkgate, our Victorian street.

## CONTINUITY AND CHANGE

### YORK PRISON THROUGH TIME

KS2 | 1 hour 30 minutes

In this cross-curricular workshop, combining art and history, pupils are encouraged to examine the evidence and investigate how the museum building has changed over time, using old photographs and plans of York Castle and York Prison. They will look at what remains of the 15th century castle and the 18th century prison area and make their own drawings to record their findings.

**Perfect Partner** - *Crime and Punishment workshop.*

### THE SHOPS AND STREETS OF YORK

KS2 | 1 hour

Kirkgate, our Victorian Street, houses reproductions of many shops that could have been found in York in Victorian times. Using replica and original objects, maps, census returns and other written evidence, pupils will find out more about some of the shops and the people who would have used them.

\*\* This workshop also comes with a map of present day York along with details of where the shops studied could have been found in order to form a comparison of the areas then and now. This is a self-led task that can be carried out after the workshop.

**Perfect Partner** - *Victorian Life Tour.*

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## HIDDEN YORK

KS2 | 2 hours

This walking tour takes pupils around York spotting signs, remains and details often overlooked, giving a rounded view of how York has changed through the centuries. The workshop ends at York Castle Museum with an object handling session of everyday items exploring the themes of continuity and change through time.

**Perfect Partner** - *Time Detectives Tour.*

## MEDICINE IN VICTORIAN ENGLAND

KS2 | 1 hour

In this cross-curricular science and history workshop, pupils will visit the pharmacy in Kirkgate, our Victorian Street, where they will have the opportunity to find out about just how different medicine and health was 150 years ago. Activities include trying their hand at pill rolling, medicine mixing and diagnosing diseases rife at the time, before deciding on the best treatment (all in a safe way!). This workshop is a great starting point for looking at changes in social history.

**Perfect Partner** - *Victorian Life Tour.*



## FAMOUS PEOPLE

### SUFFRAGETTES!

KS1 | 1 hour

Discover more about what it meant to be a Suffragette and the significant contribution that Emily Davison made towards women's rights, before donning time-travelling costumes and going on a Suffragette march on Victorian Street, Kirkgate.

### FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils meet a nurse or soldier who is trying to recruit new nurses on Kirkgate. They recount the story of their friend Florence Nightingale, the improvements she made in Scutari and why she is known as the 'Lady of the Lamp.' There is chance to see and handle real artefacts from the Crimean War and discover more about improvements in Victorian medicine and hygiene in hands on activities.







## BRITISH HISTORY BEYOND 1066

### QUEEN VICTORIA'S EMPIRE

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour

Discover inventions from across Queen Victoria's Empire in this workshop focusing on the 1851 Great Exhibition. Activities include using traditional techniques to create images, investigating mystery objects and exploring technology on the Victorian Street, Kirkgate. KS2 pupils will also have the opportunity to examine Victorian coins and their monetary system.

**Perfect Partner** -

*Medicine in Victorian England workshop.*

### VICTORIAN CLASSROOM

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour

Pupils will discover what it felt like to go to school in Victorian times and might be glad to get back to your classroom after an hour with our Victorian school teacher! During the lesson, which is set in our Victorian schoolroom, pupils will use the abacus and try some simple mental arithmetic, practise their handwriting, apply their reading skills and take part in drill helping them to feel fully immersed in Victorian childhood.

**Perfect Partner** - *Troubled Times workshop for KS2 and Victorians Tour for KS1.*

### TROUBLED TIMES IN VICTORIAN YORK

KS2 | 1 hour | £100 per session | Actor led session

Our Victorian street, Kirkgate, is always full of characters, but none as colourful as Joseph Beedham – street trader and loveable rogue. Pupils take a tour of Kirkgate with Joseph, but when he is arrested for theft, they become his judge and jury and help to decide his fate. Will Joseph be found guilty or innocent?

**Perfect Partner** - *Victorian Classroom workshop.*



# 1914 - 1918 THE FIRST WORLD WAR

## CHILD OF THE GREAT WAR

KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils explore what life was like for a child (Walter) living through the First World War and investigate some of the roles played by members of his family in supporting the war effort. Real artefacts will illustrate the stories of ordinary people who lived through an extraordinary time and pupils will have chance for handling objects. Hands on activities include bandaging, shell filling and sending semaphore messages. Pupils will also go away with their own poppy seeds to plant at school.

## TOTAL WAR

KS2 | 1 hour 30 mins

Pupils will discover how and why the First World War started and what life was like as a Tommy in the trenches at the front, as well as what was happening back home, through accounts such as newspapers and letters. Supporting hands on group activities will cover the importance of the advances in technology and communication, the vital role of women on the home front and what life was like for children. Real artefacts, including weapons, will illustrate the stories of ordinary people who lived through an extraordinary time and pupils will have a chance to handle objects.

**Perfect Partner** - *Electricity workshop.*

## ELECTRICITY

KS2 | 1 hour

After a brief tour of museum displays noting the change in use of electricity through our recent past, pupils will look at its role in the First World War before making their own Morse Code machine to take back to school. This workshop provides a great cross-curricular approach to the subject.

**Perfect Partner** - *Total War workshop.*

## 'ONE MAN'S WAR'

KS1 & KS2 | 1 hour | £100 per session

**Actor led session**

Meet Great War veteran Lieutenant Frank Wood (actor, Chris Cade) and play a part in his story. Be recruited into his regiment: the East Riding of Yorkshire Yeomanry and set sail for Alexandria. Help him relive his experiences of the Middle Eastern Theatre of War, including defending the Suez Canal, fighting the Battles of Gaza and being part of the last great cavalry charge in Britain's military history! But first, be trained and prepared for the desert. Learn to follow orders and forget home comforts as you look to take on the Turks as part of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force. Lawrence of Arabia, camaraderie and patriotism inspire you to keep going despite intense heat, disease and heavy casualties...

**Perfect Partner** -

*The Great War Tour and Handling Session.*



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## CRIME AND PUNISHMENT AT YORK PRISON

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KS2 | 1 hour

Pupils explore the real cells of York Prison and discover what a grim place it was to live in through discovering the story of real felon Simon Hargreaves imprisoned here, during this character led session. Pupils can handle original artefacts used in the prison over its last hundred years, look at prison diets throughout history and even carry out a prisoner's daily exercise. This workshop is a great starting point for studying crime and punishment through time.

**Perfect Partner** - *York Prison Through Time.*

### LITERACY: DICK TURPIN

KS2 | 1 hour 30 mins

Pupils explore the life of the infamous highwayman Dick Turpin, and discover what life was like in prison during the eighteenth century. There is chance to visit the original cells in the Prison Experience, including the cell where Turpin was actually held. Handling real prison artefacts help bring the story to life. Varied accounts of Dick Turpin's character are examined and pupils encouraged to think about how stories can influence our view of history. Was Turpin a hero or a villain? Pupils will use a writing frame to plan and begin writing their version of Turpin's tale.

**Perfect Partner** - *Behind Bars Tour.*



**York Castle Museum**





## CHANGES WITHIN LIVING MEMORY

### TOYS THROUGH TIME

FS & KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils take a peek into our old toy chest to discover toys from the past. Through hands-on exploration they are encouraged to discuss the similarities and differences between toys, how they work, and the materials from which they are made.

### WASH DAY

FS & KS1 | 1 hour

Using original posers, dolly pegs and tubs, pupils are set to work for a taste of Victorian domestic life helping Dolly White with the weekly wash. They also have the opportunity to distinguish wash day objects from the past and present and decide what Dolly's mystery objects were used for.

**Perfect Partner** - *Homes Tour.*

### BREAD AND BUTTER

FS & KS1 | 1 hour 30 minutes

*Available Spring and Summer terms.*

It's time to make breakfast in this practical session in the restored Mill. Children will handle butter making equipment from the past before making their own butter using a replica butter churn, with chance to eat it with bread in fine weather (or take it home to enjoy later!). Other activities include grinding wheat, taking rubbings with wax crayons, investigating old butter making equipment, storytelling with 'The King's Breakfast' by AA Milne and exploring how the Mill works to produce flour to make bread.

### THE SWINGING SIXTIES

KS1 | 1 hour

Pupils will find out how life has changed since the 1960s by playing with toys, dancing, dressing up, sketching objects from home life and even looking at the excitement over space travel all on our Sixties Gallery. An excellent addition to a study on changes within living memory!

**NEW  
FOR KS1**



## SIGNIFICANT HISTORICAL PLACES

### CASTLE LIFE

KS1 | 1 hour

York Castle Museum is built on the site of one of York's medieval Castles and the original curtain wall can still be seen. Pupils can discover what homes were like for people living in the middle ages in this interactive workshop. Different aspects of life in a medieval castle are explored; the home, the defensive fortress and the religious space. Pupils can try on medieval-style armour as well as handle original objects from the Museum's collections such as pottery, arrow heads, coins and stained glass. For brave pupils there is a chance to try and identify various castle smells!

## MUSEUM TOURS

We now also offer tours and object handling for school groups based around the following themes:

- **KS1 Homes**
- **KS1 Victorians**
- **KS2 Victorian Life**
- **KS2 The Great War**
- **KS1 and KS2 Time Detectives**
- **KS2 Behind Bars - Dick Turpin and life as a Debtor**

Tours and object handling sessions are for a maximum of 15 pupils at a time; so when one half of your class is on a tour, the rest can use one of our self-led resources linked in with the theme (which we will provide for you). Groups can then swap over so that each child will have completed both activities.

**Tours are 30 minutes and cost £30.**

**Add an optional 15 minute object handling session for £15.**

If you book two tours and object handling sessions for a class of 30 we can offer a **special rate of £70.**

### COSTUME BOXES

Class sets of period costume for children (and for accompanying adults) can be hired for the day **FOR ONLY £10!** KS2 only: **VICTORIANS - FIRST WORLD WAR (soldiers)**

Please book in advance on 01904 697 979.

## HOW TO BOOK

Call the Bookings Line on **01904 697 979**  
or email us at [groupbookings@ymt.org.uk](mailto:groupbookings@ymt.org.uk)  
Please have the following information ready:

- **Name of workshop**
- **Preferred date and time of visit**
- **School contact details**
- **Number and ages of students**
- **Number of adults**

Please have the correct ratio of children / adults

### Nursery & Reception:

one adult per four children

### Key Stage 1 & 2:

one adult per six children

## Booking Confirmation

All quotes, booking confirmations and workshop paperwork will now be sent by email. Please provide a suitable email address.

## Risk Assessments

Risk Assessments for each workshop are sent out with the Teachers Pack and can also be downloaded from our website. Teachers are offered a free site visit in advance to plan their own Risk Assessments. Guidance is included in the Planning Your Visit guide.

## Cancellations

We require a minimum of 48 hours notice for cancellation of sessions for payment to be refunded. We reserve the right to cancel workshops in the event of excessive lateness.



You will find our 'Learning Journey' resources, designed to support your visit, on the York Museums Trust pages at [www.mylearning.org](http://www.mylearning.org)



All our sites have 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 in recognition of our high quality educational services and facilities.

## PRICES & OPENING HOURS

### York Art Gallery

#### Opening times:

Daily 9.30am – 5pm

Saturday 10.00am – 8.00pm

Sunday 12.00pm – 4.00pm

#### Admission:

School adult £5.00

School child £3.00

### York Castle Museum

#### Opening times:

Daily 9.30am – 5pm

(10am, Fridays in term time)

#### Admission:

School adult £7.00

School child £4.50

### Yorkshire Museum

#### Opening times:

Daily 10am – 5pm

#### Admission:

School adult £5.50

School child £4.00

## Joint Tickets\*

Joint tickets give great value if you are planning to visit two or more of our venues within the same academic year!

### York Castle Museum and York Art Gallery

School adult £9.00

School child £5.50

### Yorkshire Museum and York Art Gallery

School adult £8.00

School child £5.00

### Yorkshire Museum and York Castle Museum

School adult £9.50

School child £6.50

### Yorkshire Museum, York Castle Museum and York Art Gallery

School adult £12.50

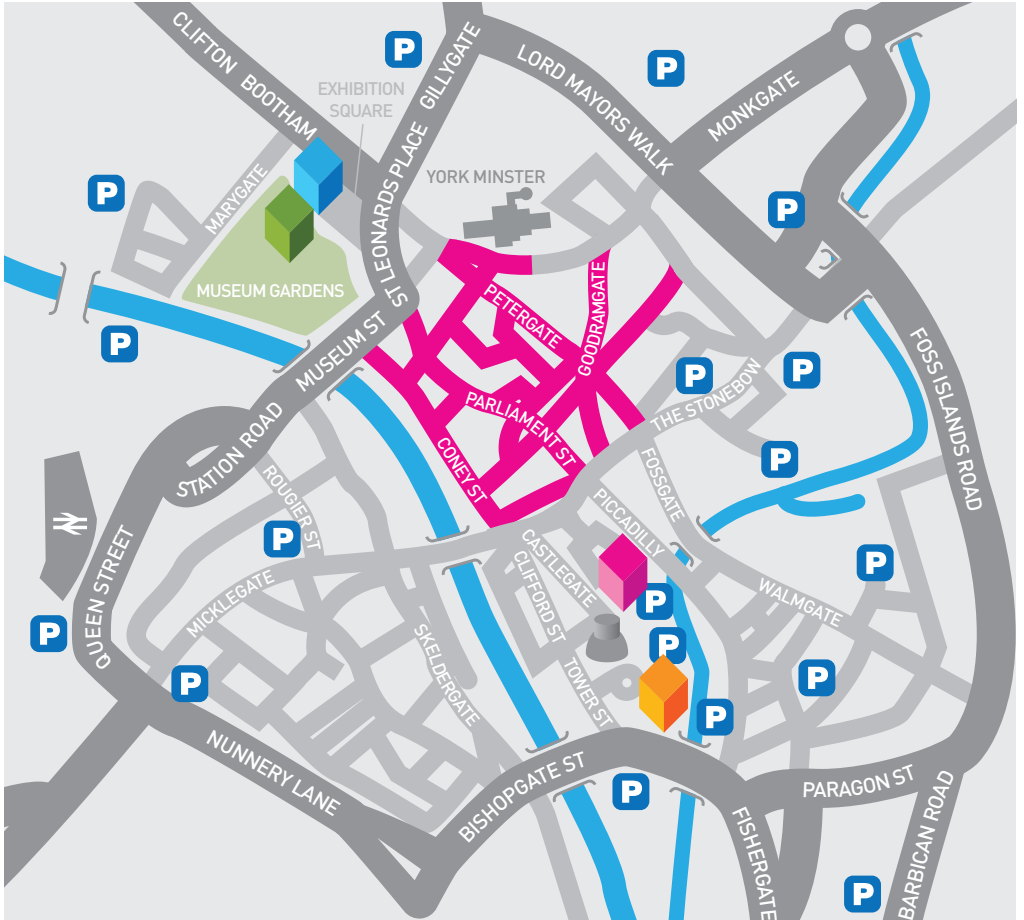
School child £8.00

York Schools have free entry to both the Yorkshire Museum and York Castle Museum. Please note group rates don't apply for parties of less than ten.

\*To be used within one academic year



# HOW TO FIND US



## Yorkshire Art Gallery

Exhibition Square,  
York YO1 7EW

### Opening times:

Daily: 10.00am – 5pm  
Sat: 10.00am – 8.00pm  
Sun: 12.00pm – 4.00pm

## Yorkshire Museum

Museum Gardens  
York YO1 7FR

### Opening times:

Daily: 10.00am – 5pm

## York Castle Museum

The Eye of York  
York YO1 9RY

### Opening times:

Daily: 9.30am – 5pm  
(10am, Fridays in term time)

## York Museums Trust

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