

Maidstone Museum Compact Learning Programme from April 2021 Inspiring Learning; Updated schools programme from April 2021.

#### May 14<sup>th</sup> 2021 Update

We have continued to monitor the changes and restrictions imposed by Covid-19. We have adapted our schools offer so we are able to continue to provide schools access to our resources, by revamping our most popular workshops to become Covid-19 safe sessions. We are not currently able to offer our full programme. See below for our current offers.

Workshop activities that involve handling have be changed so that the objects are shown at the front of the class instead of being passed around, with laminated pictures of the objects being passed round in their place. Laminates will be cleaned between each class use. Our Loans Boxes are available for 5/6 week loans, with 1/2 weeks between to allow boxes and objects to be quarantined, cleaned and repaired if necessary. Dates for these are fixed with collection on a Saturday. (see separate catalogue)

Virtual sessions offered via Microsoft Teams.

Sessions last between 30 min – 1 hour.

Each virtual session has a practical element that will need basic materials such as paper and pencils. Information about this will be included in your booking. We will beam into your classroom to be shown on a single whiteboard screen with the children sitting either on the carpet or at desks. We will be asking questions and getting them to interact with us so being able to see them is important.

<u>Sessions are available Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10am, 11am, 1pm or 2pm.</u> https://museum.maidstone.gov.uk/learn/schools/virtual-learning/ Please complete the Virtual Session Booking form which can be found on the above webpage.

## Ancient Egyptians – Mummification (KS2)

Learn about the process of mummification and the beliefs of the Ancient Egyptians. Sequence the process and match photographs of our artefacts to the process. Some images will be shown on screen and others will be emailed to the school ahead of the workshop to be printed for use during the session. Minimal resources will be needed. *NB if a related loans box has* 



been booked for the same time we will adapt session to refer to some of the objects in the box if required.







Maidstone Museum Compact Learning Programme from April 2021 Toys through Time (EYFS/KS1)

Learn about the toys we have on display in the museum, with focus on materials and comparing to modern versions. This includes a short pre recorded film of the Toys in the gallery.

# Dinosaurs (EYFS/KS1)

Identify different fossils, learn how they are made and what we can discover about dinosaurs by studying their bones. Dinosaur impressions included and encouraged!! Practice those dino roars!

# Prehistory – Stone Age (KS2)

Learn about the life of stone age people, the tools they used to hunt and gather to survive. Some images will be shown on screen and other will be emailed to the school ahead of the session to be printed for use in the session.

# Ancient Egyptians – Hieroglyphics (KS2)

This session is based on objects in our Ancient Lives Gallery which will be seen in a short film included in the session. Learn about who, how and when hieroglyphics were first translated and how it helped historians understand reasons and uses of different objects. Includes a hieroglyphic writing activity.

# **Ancient Greeks**

Learn about the people who used different objects and their beliefs. Learn about key features of the gods, and virtually sort objects according to their links to the gods. There is some standing and moving activity in this workshop.

Outreach – workshops will still last approx. 1 hour.

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Learn how fossils are formed using actions, look closely at fossils and dinosaur bones and become a palaeontologist to record what you find. The practical elements of this workshop involve laminated images of the specimens we will show.

#### **Art Detectives**

Investigate some of the Museums art collection looking closely at artworks for details, and unpicking what the artist was trying to share. Artworks will be shown via PPT and laminated versions used for close up work.

#### Loans Boxes

Loans boxes are available for set periods of time – being collected and returned by you on set dates. This will allow us to quarantine them for 72 hours and clean the objects between loans. Please see the separate Loans Box Catalogue for what is included and dates for loans to be collected.

#### Boxes available;

Ancient Egyptians – 3 boxes Greeks Romans Anglo Saxons – 2 boxes Fossils Stone Age – 2 boxes Inspiring Writing/Observational Art – 3 boxes Dinosaurs – 3 cased dinosaurs (one loan) Toys through time Mayans





















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Minibeasts WW2 Evacuee Victorian Ancient Sumer Benin Natural History – cased stuffed animals/skeletons Please see the separate Loans Box Catalogue for what is included and dates.

Collection is from Maidstone Museum, St Faiths St, Maidstone ME14 1LH

#### Visits into the Museum – workshops will still last approx. 1 hour.

We are able book school visits into visit the museum from **June 21st onwards** as most restrictions should have been lifted by this point. We will initially be offering this for a single class on a <u>Wednesday, Thursday or Friday</u> for a limited choice of workshops to enable us to monitor safety, and as some distancing and a one way route may still be in place.

We are hoping this set up will only be temporary, with us being able to accommodate more classes per day from September.

#### Visit Plan;

10am Arrive - main entrance

10.10 - 11.10 workshop

11.15 – 12.15 self led tour of museum (following guidelines in place)

12.30 leave museum (lunch back in school)

Unfortunately we can't accommodate lunches in the museum at present.

We are offering visits to the museum from June 21<sup>st</sup> on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

A ratio of 1:6 for KS2 and 1:5 for KS1/EYFS is requested due to the nature of the building (lots of stairs and galleries) If you've not been before please come for a pre visit.

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#### Costs;

Virtual Sessions; introductory cost of £60 per class (discount available if multi classes in same session)

### Outreach;.

- 1 Class for 1 Workshop £150
- 2 Classes for 1 Workshop each £235
- 3 Classes for 1 Workshop each £320
- 4 Classes for 1 Workshop each £400

Prices are for schools within a 25 mile radius of the Museum. Beyond this there is an additional charge of £20.

### Loans Boxes;

£50 per box per half term (see catalogue for set dates)

## Visits INTO the Museum

£90 per class per workshop

# Contact Roz or Vicky via the below email with questions, or to book

Email; museumeducation@maidstone.gov.uk

Address for Loan Box collections; St Faith's Street, Maidstone ME14 1LH

Direct website link for Loans Boxes info; <u>https://museum.maidstone.gov.uk/learn/loans-boxes/</u>

Free resources; linked to different objects in the Museum's collection; https://museum.maidstone.gov.uk/learn/learning-with-spike-at-home/



