Discover a city steeped in history

Schools Programme

Primary

Tower Museum
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Union Hall Place
Derry-Londonderry
Northern Ireland
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We are committed to preserving our local heritage and making it accessible to all, especially our younger citizens. We have developed a number of exciting programmes that complement and bring to life both the Northern Ireland Revised Curriculum and the Republic of Ireland Curriculum.

**Tower Museum**

The Tower Museum houses two permanent exhibitions, an interactive Discovery Zone, alongside a dedicated Education Room and computer suite:

**The Story of Derry** chronicles the history of the city, from its earliest formation through to the present day.

**An Armada Shipwreck - La Trinidad Valencera** tells the story of the Spanish Armada, focusing on the discovery and recovery of La Trinidad Valencera at Kinnegoe Bay, County Donegal by the City of Derry Sub-Aqua Club.

**Curriculum Links**

Each of our programmes makes full use of the core key skills and offer opportunities for connected learning.

Themed worksheets are available for both permanent exhibitions and are designed to encourage students to observe, analyse, record and discover the answers to questions as they explore the exhibit.
Key Stage 2

An Armada Shipwreck - La Trinidad Valencera

Package 1
Tour of An Armada Shipwreck - La Trinidad Valencera exhibition, with dedicated worksheet.

Package 2
Package 1 with additional facilitated workshop; this can be a mix of interactive computer games, or an object handling session.

- Language and literacy
- The World Around Us
- Mathematics and numeracy

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Tour of the Story of Derry exhibition section on pre-Christian Derry and our Columban heritage with dedicated worksheet.

The Plantation and Siege

Package 1
Tour of the Story of Derry exhibition with dedicated worksheet looking at the key events of the 17th century.

Package 2
A guided tour with additional workshop using the ‘Our Present Past’ computer based interactive, or ‘Remembering 400 Years – Plantation of Ulster’ object handling workshop.

- Language and literacy
- The World Around Us
Emigration and Industrialisation

Tour of the Story of Derry exhibition with dedicated worksheet, exploring how these factors changed the landscape of the city and the lives of its people.

- Language and literacy
- The World Around Us

World War One

Package 1
Tour of the Story of Derry exhibition with dedicated worksheet looking at the Great War in a local and wider historical context.

Package 2
Package 1 with additional facilitated workshop using a short film presentation, object handling collection and quizzes.

- Language and literacy
- The World Around Us

World War Two and Post-War

Package 1
Tour of the Story of Derry exhibition with dedicated worksheet looking at the role of the city and life on the Home Front.

Package 2
Package 1 with additional facilitated workshop using handling objects, a short film presentation and oral history accounts.

- Language and literacy
- The World Around Us
Good Relations

Our Good Relations/Citizenship programme is designed to promote better cross community relationships and respect for other traditions in Northern Ireland.

Package 1
Guided tour of either the Story of Derry or the ‘An Armada Shipwreck – La Trinidad Valencera’ exhibitions with a dedicated worksheet.

Package 2
A tour of the exhibition and workshop using both ‘Thinking Outside the Box’ handling session, and ‘Our Present Past’ computer workshop.

* Language and Literacy
* The World Around Us
* Personal Development and Mutual Understanding

Outreach

We can provide outreach sessions to schools on a limited basis. Please contact us for more details.

Loan Box Service

We can offer a number of themed loan boxes to schools which are a mix of real and replica objects with learning materials.

There is a small charge of £5.00 for borrowing these resources and schools may have the box for a maximum of two weeks. The boxes must be collected and returned to the Tower Museum.

Themes are as follows:
* Armada - a collection of items about life on board La Trinidad Valencera
* Plantation – a mix of replica items and costumes looking at life in early 17th century Ulster
* World War 1 – a mix of items dealing with the Great War in a local and wider context
* World War 2 – a mix of items looking at role of city and life on the Home Front
How to Book

All school visits and special interest groups should be pre booked with the Tower Museum education staff. Our workshops are facilitated by members of our education team and all our educational packages can be tailored to meet the specific needs of your group.

Tel: 028 7137 2411  Email: museum.education@derrycity.gov.uk

Access

Lifts are available to all levels within the Tower Museum and each of our exhibitions is fully wheelchair accessible.

Supervision

Please be aware that other visitors may be using the museum while your group is visiting. Adult supervisors must stay with their group at all times and are responsible for student’s behaviour.

Teacher Inset

We welcome requests to use the Tower Museum for teacher training. Please contact us for further information.

Cost

£1.50 per pupil: workshops cost an additional 50p per pupil. Teachers and supervisory staff are admitted free of charge.

Opening Times:

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