

Redbridge Museum Schools Programme



***Very enjoyable and engaging for all children –
still talking about it today!***

Clockhouse Infants School



Welcome to Redbridge Museum's Schools Programme

Redbridge Museum offers a stimulating, exciting and varied programme for schools. We deliver sessions at both Redbridge Museum and Valentines Mansion & Gardens, detailed on the reverse of this booklet.

Redbridge Museum has built up an excellent relationship with local schools over a number of years.

Visit Redbridge Museum with your class to enhance and consolidate your pupils' knowledge, skills and confidence, through peer group learning.

The learning environment of Redbridge Museum allows classmates to investigate displays, consider local objects and information in context. Skills such as historical enquiry, communication and literacy, interpretation and common sense are developed. Sessions are rooted in relevant local experiences, and the subjects we cover are varied and always cross-curricular.

"The younger children age 4+ enjoyed the session so much and pretended to be mammoths on the journey back, and remembered the roads on the historical map!"

Cranbrook College



Education Sessions

Ice Age to Iron Age

KS1 & KS2 History: Local History

Geography: Changing Environment

Children will learn about prehistoric Redbridge and find out why Ilford is one of the most important Ice Age sites in Britain. Children will explore the history of Uphall Iron Age camp in Ilford, take part in a mini-archaeological dig and uncover facts.

Roman Empire in Redbridge

KS1 & 2 History

Your class will focus on Ilford and Wanstead in Roman times. They will learn about daily life in Roman times, and use IT skills to build a Roman villa. In small groups they will take part in a mini-dig and handle real archaeological artefacts.

Local History:

Ilford; Wanstead; Woodford

KS1 & 2 History: Local History

Geography: Changing Environment

Explore the borough's rich history through artefacts, Museum displays and IT. Children will see and touch mammoth remains, find out about a local Iron Age settlement, Roman archaeology and Historic Houses. In small groups the children can take part in a mini-dig, handle real archaeological artefacts and record their findings from Roman or Tudor times.

KS 2 & 3 Geography: Changing

Environment, Place Knowledge

History: Local History

The Museum can teach a Local Geography / History session specific to your school. Before the sessions, teachers will be expected to visit the Museum to choose historic maps, photographs and newspapers. These resources will then be used to help pupils explore changes in their locality over time, alongside a visit to the Museum or field work in Ilford Town Centre.

Victorian Washday

KS1 History: Way Of Life; Science: Materials

KS2 History: Changes In Society

Children will examine period room sets to consider how life was different for a Victorian child, including a classroom at Barnado's Girls' Village Home, a living room and a kitchen. Pupils will investigate Victorian clothing and find out how this would have been laundered on washday. They will engage in role-play whilst comparing modern technology with the past. Alternative handling activities, for younger age groups involve touch and experience of Victorian objects, clothes and replica toys.



WWII: Wartime Childhood

KS2 History: Local History, Way Of Life, Britain since 1930

This session gives your students an opportunity to handle and discuss objects from wartime Redbridge, such as ration books, gas masks and ARP equipment. In the Museum they will study the experiences of a local soldier, air raid warden and an evacuee and even see an unexploded bomb.



WWII: We Were Not Alone - The Commonwealth's Contributions to WWII

KS2 History: Local History, World History PSHE: Diversity

Links with Black History Month

This workshop considers the role of Commonwealth countries in supporting Britain in World War II. We will look at photographic evidence from around the world and discuss the experiences and impact of the war that they show. The Museum visit will focus on what happened in Redbridge during the war.

“The activities reinforced and furthered children’s learning.”

Hartley Primary School

Suitcase Stories

KS2 PSHE: Multiculturalism

History: Way of Life; Geography: World Map

KS3 Citizenship: Diversity

Links with Black History Month

Using the experience of local people pupils will discover the reasons why people moved to London and Redbridge over the last 100 years. Children will think about the changing nature of migration and explore how different cultures such as Jewish, Irish, Caribbean, South Asian, African and Eastern Europeans have settled in Redbridge. The session will use objects, photographs, maps and personal histories from Redbridge Museum’s collections. The session can open up discussions about the wealth of migration stories in your classroom.

Senses

KS1 Science: Materials; Literacy, Describing

Children will investigate how they can use their senses while exploring the Museum. Children will be encouraged to touch, listen, smell and handle objects from the Museum collections.

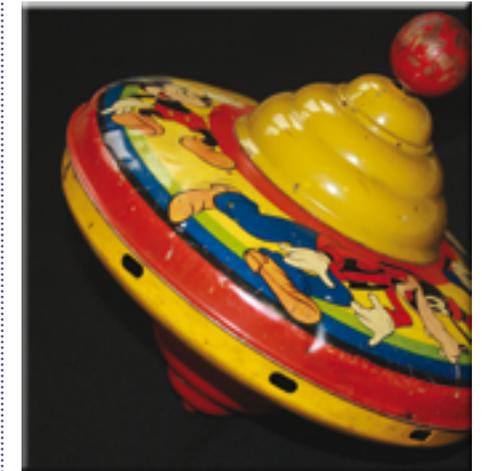


Toys Through the Ages

KS1 History: Old and New

Science: Materials; Literacy: Describing

Here the children will investigate and handle toys from Victorian times to the present day. They will examine and play with a number of moving toys, and discuss their materials, design and function. In small groups they will follow a toy trail in the Museum.



Multicultural Toys

KS1 History: Old and New

PSHE: Contrasting Localities

Science: Materials

KS2 History: Cultural Diversity

Links with Black History Month

In this session the children investigate and handle a variety of toys from this country and countries around the world. Children have the opportunity to learn a new game and take part in some imaginative play with Indian puppets.

Your Museum Education Service



Key Stage 3 and Above

The collections of Redbridge Museum and Redbridge Heritage Centre give you access to a depth of detail across the curriculum:

- Local History
- Local Geography
- World War II and other historical periods
- Citizenship & Identity
- Art & Design

Resources include objects for handling, photographs, maps dating from 1863, censuses from 1841 – 1911, local newspapers on microfilm and oral histories. Combined with the Museum's permanent displays all these resources can facilitate discussion and hands-on learning.

Please contact the Museum Education Service to discuss your particular interests and to plan a session tailored for your group.

Teacher-led visits

Bring your groups to Redbridge Museum for a self-led visit. Please book in advance.

Outreach

Whilst sessions at Redbridge Museum or Valentines Mansion take priority, the Education Officer is willing to visit your classroom with a limited selection of objects for a handling session. The current cost of this is £30.00 per class.

Out of the Box

The Museum has an object collection that could be used to enhance your teaching. We welcome your requests and enquiries for one-off sessions and projects.



INSET and Research

Tailor-made INSET sessions can be arranged for you and your colleagues at Redbridge Museum and Redbridge Heritage Centre.

You can also use materials from past Museum exhibitions for your research.

More information about Redbridge Museum's Education Service is available online at:

www.redbridge.gov.uk/museum



“Good resources set locally, within walking distance.”

Al-Noor Muslim Primary School

Museum Shop

Pre-ordered 'Goody Bags' with pocket money gifts are available for £2 - £3 per bag. Groups visiting the shop will need to factor in extra time. Please order at time of booking.

Bookings

Dates: Sessions take place
Tuesday - Friday

Times: 10.00 or 10.30 – 12.00
or 1.30 – 3.00

Cost: Free

To book: **020 8708 2317**
redbridge.museum@visionrcl.org.uk

Please call or email us with the following information:

- Preferred dates (at least 6 weeks notice)
- Size of group including a minimum of 4 adult helpers
- Contact details – name, telephone number and email
- Any access, language or learning needs that we should be aware of
- If you would like to visit the shop or order 'Goody Bags'
- Coach hire (charges apply)

Cancellations

Cancellations should be made at least 48 hours in advance, otherwise an administration fee of £20 will be charged.

How To Find Us

Redbridge Museum is situated close to 14 bus routes serving the borough and is a short walk from Ilford High Rd.

Bus 25, 86, 123, 128, 145, 147, 150, 167, 169, 179, 364, 366, 462, W19

Alternatively, we can arrange transport for Redbridge schools at a special reduced price of £150 per class for a return journey.

Lunch Facilities

Lunch facilities are not available in the Museum. Rooms are available for hire in the Central Library subject to availability. Hiring a room for lunch could enable the class to also visit the Children's Library, Valentines Park, Valentines Mansion or the local area. Contact Redbridge Halls Lettings on **020 8708 2858**

Contact Us

For bookings or enquiries contact redbridge.museum@visionrcl.org.uk

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