

YORK

Make the most of your school's visit to York Minster



A visit to York Minster is a great experience for anybody, and especially for a child. But the impact is greatly increased by skilled interpreters of the building and its contents, and the Centre for School Visits provides just what you need.

This section will show you the many resources we offer for young people of all ages. Unlike most attractions, York Minster is a living place of worship. In our multi-cultural society, it provides a place not only to learn about the past, but to understand what the Christian religion means today.

This is one of the most amazing buildings in the world, and we want to share it with you.

Keith Jones, Dean of York

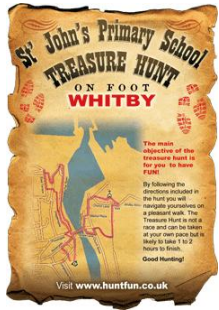
Advance Booking Essential



York Minster is an active place of worship. This means that at certain times the Minster can be closed for special services.

For Additional information, including opening times please contact the venue direct -

<http://www.yorkminster.org/learning/school-visits/centre-for-school-visits1/>



York Treasure Hunt

Our fantastic town and city treasure hunts are a great fun way to get your classes out and about and exploring in their own town or when visiting somewhere new, and without even realising, they will be learning so much along the way. We have 200+ treasure hunts in towns and cities around the UK and overseas which will guide you past historical buildings, statues and monuments encouraging problem solving, team work, navigation skills and much more.

You don't need any prior knowledge of the area as all clues are solved by observation and the educational school treasure hunt packs contain all the necessary elements you need to have a great day out including maps, clues and answer sheet.

We would recommend a hunt will take a minimum of two hours to complete depending on the size of groups and ages of the children.

We encourage teachers/adults to stop at the point where the clues are solved and study the information, discussing it further with the children, looking out for further points of interest along the route which can be discussed also.

Parts of the National Curriculum are covered in the hunts including elements of Geography, History, and English at Key Stages 1 and 2. The hunts are also in line with the Learning outside the Classroom Manifesto.

For Additional information, including opening times please contact the venue direct -

<http://www.huntfun.co.uk/SchoolOutings/home.php>



Education at JORVIK

A school visit to JORVIK offers the authentic Viking encounter for your pupils, as well as being a valuable cross-curricular learning experience.

Your pupils can also dig a little deeper at DIG, becoming archaeological detectives, participating in archaeologically-themed activities and handling real artifacts!

Please visit www.digyork.co.uk for further details.

Length of Visit

School parties should allow one hour for a visit to JORVIK and 90 minutes for a visit to DIG. We request that groups arrive on time; owing to high demand, late-comers may be asked to join the queue.

Lunch Facilities

DIG has space for up to 35 people to eat a packed lunch, free of charge. Visitors to DIG can also eat lunch in the outdoor Sensory Garden. Please note that pre-booking is essential. To book a half-hour lunch slot (between 11.00 and 14.00) please request a time when booking your visit to JORVIK or DIG.

For Additional information, including opening times please contact the venue direct -

<http://www.jorvik-viking-centre.co.uk/educate1.htm>



York Dungeons

School Parties

Put aside the textbooks, bring the past to life and give your class a history lesson to remember with a visit to the Dungeons! With a wealth of experience providing the very best in school visits, our teams of live actors blend carefully researched historical fact with outstanding special effects to provide your class with an exciting, educational and unforgettable journey into the depths of history that is, above all, seriously scary fun!

FREE Teacher Familiarisation Visits

We offer free planning visits to teachers that have booked a school visit to the Dungeons so you can familiarise yourself with the attraction and facilities before your visit. To arrange your visit, please contact the Dungeon that you have booked with.

Curriculum Linked Resource Packs

New - Dungeons Resource Pack. Take history's horrible bits back to your classroom and allow your pupils to build on their new found knowledge and enthusiasm. Our FREE resources combine the Dungeons' usual dose of interactive fun and gore with national curriculum topics of study, allowing you to make the most of your visit to the Dungeon.

To book your school visit or for further information, contact your chosen Dungeon using the details below...



<http://www.thedungeons.com/en/york-dungeon/index.html>

The Forbidden Corner

The Strangest Place in the World



Tupgill Park The Forbidden Corner is situated in Tupgill Park and is well worth a visit in its own right. See the Red Deer in our Deer Park, visit the fascinating Fish Temple, enjoy our Herb Garden.

Our History The brainchild of Mr C.R. Armstrong O.B.E, the Forbidden Corner was originally built as a private folly but due to public demand was subsequently opened to the public. The result is a unique labyrinth of Tunnels, Chambers, Follies and surprises created in a four acre garden in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales.

Schools & Educational Visits Opening times are Monday – Friday 12 noon until 6 pm. The educational rate is £5.00 each for children, teachers and helpers and is only available during term time. Outside term time the prices are £8.00 for Adults and £7.00 for children. Children must always be supervised with a ratio of one adult to a maximum of six children In order to save you time on your visit you may arrive at 11.30am on the park in order to have picnics etc and go in to the gardens at 12 noon.

FAQ's

What age range does The Forbidden Corner suit?

The Forbidden Corner is suitable for all age ranges, from children to adults.

How long does a visit usually last?

A visit to The forbidden Corner usually takes about 2 hours but people normally will spend a lot longer, you may go in and out of the gardens as many times as you like, but visitors must vacate the gardens before closing at 6pm

Do you have a picnic area and is it seated or grass areas?

We do have a picnic area, which has both seated and grass areas

Do you have toilet facilities and are they disabled accessible?

We have toilet facilities adjacent to the car and coach parking bays, which are disabled accessible, also at the café entrance.

For Additional information, including opening times please contact the venue direct -

<http://www.theforbiddencorner.co.uk/index.html>



Thanks to the generous support from the Heritage Lottery Fund and assistance from the North Yorkshire Business and Education Partnership (NYBEP) schools studying the National Curriculum to Key Stage 2 and 3 have access to a Castle Howard Education Resource Pack.

Key Stage 2 - This Education Resource Pack offers a series of topics and activities for History classes within schools, aimed to fit curriculum requirements, and some units of QCA for Key Stage 2. These activities are structured around suggestions for pre-visits, visit, and post-visit pupil activities.

Key Stage 3 - This Education Resource Pack offers a series of topics and activities for History classes within schools, aimed to fit curriculum requirements for Key Stage 3. These activities are structured around a suggested tour that highlights evidence for discussion on the theme of continuity and change at Castle Howard. Alongside this overview tour are a number of activity options, using examples of primary source material, which focus on particular aspects of continuity and change at Castle Howard.

Planning a visit?

Then teacher familiarisation visits are available at your convenience.
During term-time our Lakeside Cafe can be used as a picnic area.



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<http://www.castlehoward.co.uk/metadot/index.pl?id=0&isa=Category&op=show>