

# ‘Hands-on History’ Children of the Past

Journey back in time and experience a typical day in the life of a child at the Schoolroom, Leeds Industrial Museum at Armley Mills.



Half or full day interactive role play workshops  
for KS1 and KS2 pupils



The half or full day sessions provide pupils with an immersive Living History experience as pupils discover what life was really like for children in the past through a choice of 2 workshop sessions. *The Schoolroom can accommodate up to 35 children per visit.*

### **Half Day Offer from the Historical Schoolroom (offered by Artemis)**

1. **Schoolroom (1880s)** Children learn the 3 R's in a typical Leeds school in 1887 under the watchful eye of Miss North, the school Ma'am.
2. **Calling Leeds Evacuees (1940s/WW2)** Children meet Mrs Green, their wartime teacher and discover how Leeds school children prepared to become evacuees.
3. **"Together We Win" (1915 /WW1)** Be involved in living history at a Yorkshire classroom during 1916. Help the war effort by making flags for flag day, filling sandbags, and writing letters to troops using dip pens and ink, all within your normal and regimented school day. Just be sure to watch out for the examination by the School nurse and that Zeppelin raid!

### **These practical half day sessions provide:**

- An understanding and knowledge of a particular historical period with emphasis on the local history of Leeds.
- A multi-sensory and hands-on experience with pupils in costume and in role interacting with period artefacts.
- A rich stimulus for speaking, listening and writing.

### **The school needs to provide:**

- A completed booking form.
- Relevant numbers of teachers and support staff for a school visit.
- Children assigned with a name appropriate to the time period (resources provided).
- A class register of children's 'new' names.
- Children and adults in appropriate costume (pinafores and waistcoats or gasmasks and evacuation labels are provided).

### **Full Day Offer**

Schools can extend their visit to a full day by booking an additional workshop session, designed to give an enhanced experience of being a child in the 1880s or 1940s. Choose between:

1. **Mill Children/Victorian Cottages** - experiencing life on the factory floor learning first-hand how the woollen mills shaped the city of Leeds, or life at home for rich and poor in the cottages. These sessions are run by the museum.
2. **The Home Front (1940s)** - sampling life on the Home Front as children discover what they need in a Morrison shelter, how to tackle the weekly chores and the effects of rationing. Session run by Artemis.

### **Cost:**

Half Day: The Schoolroom half day sessions are a centrally funded service, available for all Leeds Local Authority schools to access at no charge for one session for single entry schools and two sessions for double entry schools.

There is a charge of £100 for non-Local Authority schools and Academies, plus a £1 per pupil museum entrance fee. Accompanying adults are free.

Full Day: The cost for these additional sessions is from £60 per school

**This offer is available throughout the school year, Tuesday – Friday**



# Booking Form

'Hands-on History'  
Children of the Past

School			
School Address			
Telephone			
Lead Teacher			
Role			
Email			
Year Group:	Size of Class	No. Girls	No. Boys
Which curriculum area/topic does this visit support?			
Do any of your pupils have any specific needs?			
Do you have any special requests? (e.g. A particular role-play, teacher participation)			
Please indicate your preferred choice of dates:			
<b>Option:</b> Please indicate choice of workshop	Schoolroom (1880s)	Calling Leeds Evacuees! (1940s)	
<b>Option:</b> Please indicate choice of workshop	Together We Win (WW1)	The Mill Children/ The Home Front (1940s) chargeable for all.	

I understand there will be a school contribution of :

- **Leeds LA schools:** Leeds LA schools up to two sessions in the Schoolroom NO CHARGE. Optional afternoon sessions in Mill Children, Victorian Cottages and Homefront from £60 to £100.
- **Academies and Schools outside of Leeds LA :** Non LA Leeds schools. £100 PER HALFDAY WORKSHOP. From £160 to £200 per full day. PLUS a £1 museum entrance fee per child.

Signed (Head Teacher): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To secure a place please return this completed form to:  
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