

School Workshops at Summerlee Museum

Summerlee Museum of Industrial Life
Heritage Way, Coatbridge, ML5 1QD
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FREE ENTRY

Summerlee museum is a four- star visitor attraction. Facilities include bus parking, disabled access, sweetie shop, gift shop, mine tours, exhibition hall, play area, picnic tables and more. We have a wide range of curriculum for excellence-based workshops for primary secondary and ASN pupils. All our workshops are flexible and can be adapted to suit the needs of your class.

To book a workshop please complete the booking form and email to museums@northlan.gov.uk OR call 01236 638 461

Early Years Workshops –Maximum of 15 pupils per workshop.

WASH DAY Early Level / Pre-5s £30 / 45 mins

With soap suds and washing boards, scrubbing and cleaning, learn about traditional wash days. Complete with clothes, washing rhymes, a story and some soapy water play. SOC 0-01a

WEE ENGINEERS Early Level / Pre-5s £30 / 45 mins

Meet Gibby, Summerlee's steam engine, and find out what makes Gibby go! Explore the museum's Exhibition Hall to find more engines and enjoy hands on activities and a story. SCN 0-07a

NATURE DETECTIVES Early Level / Pre-5s £30 / 45 mins

(Seasonal: September / October / May / June)

Discover the plants and creatures that live in Summerlee. Investigate their habitat in this sensory filled workshop. Suitable outdoor clothing required for pupils and teachers. SCN 0-01a

PRIMARY SCHOOL WORKSHOPS –Max 33 pupils per workshop

WHEN GRAN WAS A GIRL Early / First Level P1-3 / £50 / 90 mins

What did Gran do when she was a girl? Find out about life in the 1950s and 1960s and join in some of the fun. There will be object handling, investigation of life in the past compared with today, and even some 1950s dancing in costume. SOC 1-04a

WORLD WAR II - THE HOME FRONT Second Level P6-7 / £53 / 90 mins

Explore what life was like for people at home during WWII. Pupils will be challenged to go on a mission, then, by cracking a code they will discover and discuss the contents of four suitcases which contain real objects on the theme of make-do-and-mend, rationing, shelters and evacuation. SOC 2-03a Our World War II loan boxes are also available to borrow.

THE VICTORIANS Early / First / Second Level P1-7 / £53 / 90 mins

What impact did the Industrial Revolution have on Lanarkshire? Using photos, objects and documents from the Victorian period pupils will investigate the coal and iron industries and learn about everyday Victorian life at home, work and school. Content may vary depending on the age of the class. SOC 2-03a

THE SWINGING 60S First / Second Level P3-6 / £53 / 90 mins

Visit our 1960s house and groove around in 1960s gear whilst discovering more about what life was like in Scotland then. There will be music, dance, TV, shopping, and a whole lot more. SOC 2-03a

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COLOUR AND SHAPES IN ART Early / First Level P1-3 / £53 / 90 mins

Pupils will explore the way colours and shapes make them feel by investigating and discussing the museum's objects, paintings and architecture. They will draw, cut out, paint and express different emotions through shape and colour. EXA 1-07a

PORTRAITS IN ART First / Second Level P3-7 / £53 / 90 mins

Investigate the different ways people are shown in portraits, through both paintings and sculpture. Each pupil will create drawings and a three dimensional clay sculpture to take home. EXA 0-05a

MY LOCAL AREA (COATBRIDGE) Early / First Level P1-4 / £53 / 90 mins

Investigate the history of Coatbridge from the coal-fields to the Cistercian monks right up to the present day. Lots of object investigation, discussion and group working with maps. SOC 1-02a / SOC 2-02a

TARTAN AND TWEED Early / First / Second Level P1-7 / £53 / 90 mins

Where does wool come from? How is it woven into cloth? Find out the story of tartan and tweed. Pupils will also have hands-on experience carding, spinning and weaving. Each pupil will take home a small woven item. TCH 1-11a / TCH 2-11a

BACK TO THE FUTURE: 1980S WORKSHOP First / Second Level P3-7 / £53 / 90 mins

This workshop will look at some of the key moments in the 1980s both locally and internationally. Using objects, fashion, music and film to explore what life was like 30 years ago and a chance to play with some iconic 1980s toys, board games and computers. SOC 2-03a x

NATURE DETECTIVES First Level P1-5 / £53 / 90 mins

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FROM COAL TO CLIMATE CHANGE Second Level P5-7 / £53 / 90 mins

Pupils will use the example of Lanarkshire in the Industrial Revolution to learn about fossil fuels and the causes of climate change before exploring renewable energy alternatives through hands-on experimentation. SCN 2-04a SCN 2-04b

HOW THE VULCAN FLOATS First/Second Level P3-7 / £53 / 90 mins

The Vulcan at Summerlee was the first all-iron boat ever built, and at the time many doubted a boat made from iron could float. Pupils can visit the Vulcan and explore materials and buoyancy through practical experiment, to learn why the Vulcan floats. SCN 2-08b

SECONDARY SCHOOL VISITS

If you are studying history, then why not book a trip to Summerlee Museum of Scottish Industrial Life, Coatbridge. We have all the key elements for a fully immersive learning visit.

CHANGING LANARKSHIRE 1790-1900 Third / Fourth level S1-4 / £53/ 90 mins

Few places illustrate the changes brought by the Industrial Revolution better than Lanarkshire. Pupils will explore the impact of industrialisation on the county as it changed from a rural area of small villages and towns to the heartland of industrial Scotland. Pupils will use a selection of museum objects and archival sources to understand the living and working conditions of the miners and iron workers. Supports National 4 and 5 History unit Changing Britain 1790 -1900 but suitable for all secondary pupils. SOC 3-05b / SOC 4-05b

LANARKSHIRE'S GREAT WAR Third / Fourth level S1-4 / £53 / 90 mins

The First World War had a significant impact on everyone in Lanarkshire, whether they fought abroad or stayed at home. In this workshop pupils will use museum objects and archive materials to understand how the First World War impacted life in Lanarkshire. Pupils will research primary sources to discover how people in Lanarkshire were affected by the war, in their home and work life, to develop an understanding of the lasting social changes brought by the war. SOC 3-06b / SOC 4-06b

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