



Peterborough Museum
& Art Gallery

Archaeology

KS2 School Session: History

Archaeology asks the big questions about life and society in the past. It uses objects to discover how people lived in the past and can often challenge pre existing historical evidence. Learn about the process of archaeology with a mock excavation, fieldwalking and sieving, and handle Bronze Age objects.

Learning Objectives:

- Gain an understanding of the archaeological process and what takes place before excavation
- Understand the different methods archaeologists use to understand the past
- Use evidence they have found to draw conclusions about the past

National Curriculum Links

- Changes in Britain from Stone Age to Iron Age
- Using evidence, understand process of change, change and continuity, make historically valid questions, selecting relevant historical information, using a range of sources
- Listen and respond to peers, ask relevant questions to extend knowledge, articulate and justify answers, give well structured explanations, collaborate in conversations, consider and evaluate other viewpoints, exploring ideas through spoken language

Activity 1: Fieldwalking

Find out one of the first steps archaeologists take before digging to discover what could lie underground

Activity 2: Excavation

Excavate a trench and handle archaeologist's tools to discover what you can find out about the past through objects. Layers go from Victorian to Prehistory.

Activity 3: Sieving

See what archaeologists could have left behind by sieving through the soil for small finds. Learn what these small finds tell us about our site.

Activity 4: Bronze Age Handling

Handle replica Bronze Age artefacts based on objects found at Must Farm. Work out what they could be and demonstrate them for the class to guess...

Key Information:

Duration: Full day, 10am-12.30pm

Cost: £250 per class+VAT

Max Group Size: 30

Max no of classes: 2

Min Staff-Student Ratio: 1:10

Booking Process & Questions:

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We are always happy to adapt to your needs

When the activities and date are agreed, a booking form and risk assessment are emailed to you.

To confirm the visit we ask that you complete the booking form and email it back to us

Pre/post visit resources:

Must Farm Bronze Age resource available on our [website](#). An archaeological report sheet will be sent back to school as a follow up activity.

