



From 1857 to 1928, the museum building was the Peterborough Infirmary, the first hospital for the city. Step back to 1901 and experience Victorian life and medicine in rare original spaces.

#### Learning Objectives:

- To learn about the changes in medical practice (an aspect of social history) and the international medical practice achievements of certain individuals: Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Edith Cavell, Joseph Lister, Alfred C Taylor.
- To learn about a significant historical site in their own locality.
- To show an understanding of aspects of Victorian life and be able to note change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance.
- To understand how past knowledge of medicinal herbs has been useful in developing modern drugs.
- To understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources.
- To participate in discussions, role-play, improvisations and debates.
- To consider and evaluate different viewpoints, attending to and building on the contributions of others.
- To show an understanding that good practices can contribute to good health.
- To develop an understanding of a significant place in the local area

#### Activity 1: Meet the Doctor in the Victorian Operating Theatre

In this session the Doctor will explain and demonstrate how Victorian illnesses and ailments were treated in this impressive new light, clean and airy operating theatre.

#### Activity 2: Make Medicines

Discover how plants were used to treat symptoms and mix a few remedies yourself in the original Victorian Kitchen with the Apothecary.

#### Activity 3: Meet Nurse Reynolds

Nurse Reynolds was a training nurse in 1901 here at Peterborough Infirmary. Go down to the cellars (Priestgate Vaults) and discover more about her life.