

# History, Geography and Modern Studies

Workshops / Events /  
Sessions for Teachers

*Check out what's new!*



On 8 July 2016, ten new galleries will open at the National Museum of Scotland, dedicated to innovation and creativity in Decorative Art, Design, Fashion, Science and Technology.

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Science and technology, the natural world, art and design, world cultures and Scottish history – we cover it all at our four national museums across Scotland.



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## Celts Exhibition Visit

S1–S6

**National Museum of Scotland**

14 Mar–25 Sep 2016

Discover the story of the different groups who have used or been given the name 'Celts' through the extraordinary art objects they made and used. Objects range from the Hunterston Brooch to the torcs found at Blairdrummond and tell us more about some of the people who lived in Scotland in the past.

10:15/11:45/13:15 90 mins in exhibition

£3 per pupil – 1 adult free with every 5 pupils

Max. 30 pupils per timeslot

## Scotland and Britain 1830–1939: Emigration

S3–S6 National Qualification & Higher History

**National Museum of Scotland**  
and **National Museum of Rural Life**

Available throughout the year

Use real and replica artefacts to find out what objects can tell us about why people left Scotland. Pupils will use a range of primary and secondary sources to answer a discussion question, working in groups.

Pupils will:

- Discuss the nature of evidence and the difference between primary and secondary sources.
- Work in small groups to investigate objects, pictures and written sources and discuss what evidence can reveal about the past.
- Handle and analyse sources relating to Scottish emigration to Canada through the 1800-1900s.
- Answer a 'To what extent' question using a range of sources and feed back their findings to the class.

75 mins

£70 per class

Max. 33 pupils

## Volcanoes: Investigating Montserrat

S1–S3

**National Museum of Scotland**

Available throughout the year

Pupils will be presented with a real-life natural disaster from Montserrat and will work in groups, using scientific evidence, to make decisions about how to survive. Each group will take on roles such as scientists, politicians and members of the public. Classes will also handle specimens such as lava bombs, meteorites, obsidian and pumice and discover more about the careers available in this field.

75 mins

£70 per class

Max. 33 pupils



You can also access free resources at [www.nms.ac.uk/schools](http://www.nms.ac.uk/schools)

## Ghosts of War

S1-S6

National War Museum

Mon 7 – Wed 9 Nov 2016

Explore the museum's powerful exhibits, share in an Act of Remembrance, and develop a knowledge and understanding of the world by writing poems of war and peace with the Scottish Poetry Library.

Pupils will:

- Record personal responses to a range of primary sources including objects, photographs and gallery visits.
- Take part in an Act of Remembrance at the National War Memorial.
- With the help of professional poets, create their own poems of war and peace.

4 hours

£70 per class

Max. 25 pupils



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## Trench Warfare

S1-S6

National War Museum

Mon 19 – Friday 23 Sep &  
Mon 10 – Fri 14 Oct 2016

Use real and replica artefacts to find out what objects can tell us about life in the First World War trenches. Pupils will use a range of primary and secondary sources as well as visit the museum's exhibits.

Pupils will:

- Discuss the nature of evidence and the difference between primary and secondary sources.
- Investigate first-hand accounts of wartime experiences, including letters, photographs and objects to discuss what evidence can reveal about the past.

2.5 hours, including gallery visit

£70 per class

Max. 33 pupils divided into two groups



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## First World War Aviation

S1-S4

National Museum of Flight

Available throughout the year

Visit the National Museum of Flight with your pupils to discover more about how a farmer's field in East Lothian became an important First World War Airfield. The museum has just opened new Military and Civil Hangars. Each aircraft is accompanied by a touchscreen which will allow your pupils to access original film and photographs of the aircraft as well as interviews with people who designed, built and flew them. During this session, explore the use of aircraft during the First World War through photographs and our specially-assembled object handling collection.

75 mins

£70 per workshop

Max. 30 pupils

*The schools education programme at the National Museum of Flight has been developed with support from the Heritage Lottery Fund.*



## Career-Long Professional Development

We run regular training sessions for teachers on a variety of topics, including private views of special exhibitions. To see our latest topics visit [www.nms.ac.uk/schools](http://www.nms.ac.uk/schools) and click on the 'Teachers' section.

## Teachers' Orientation Days

National Museum of Scotland

Sat 1 Oct 2016, Sat 4 Feb, Sat 29 Apr 2017

10:00-14:00

A hands-on networking session to assist with planning your visit, completing risk assessments, and finding your way around the museum.

## Visit when you want

### General Visits – FREE

Book a free self-led visit to any of our four museums for all class sizes. We can provide access to a cloakroom and lunchroom. Trail sheets and teachers' packs are available.

### Object Handling Boxes – FREE

A range of object handling boxes to use across our museums free of charge on topics such as *Scotland's Rocks and Fossils* and *Amazing Animals*. Boxes must be booked in advance.

### Curriculum Days for S1–S3 pupils – cost dependent on activities

Bring your whole year group for a day of activities at the National Museum of Scotland. We can offer a mixture of workshops, trail sheets and self-led activities on a range of topics.

## Self-Led Trail Sheets

Free!

S1–S4

National Museum of Scotland

Available throughout the year

We have a range of trail sheets which secondary school classes can use to discover objects in the museum. To see the full range visit [www.nms.ac.uk/trails](http://www.nms.ac.uk/trails)

Includes:

- *A Matter of Life & Death*: discover how attitudes and practices towards death have changed in Scotland from pre-history to 1900s. Includes Burke and Hare, First World War, and Mary Queen of Scots. Suitable for S1–S3 pupils.
- *Braw Scots*: discover ten Scottish figures in the museum, then nominate your own top Scot! Suitable for S1–S4

## Adult Talks Programme

Free!

Teachers & S5–S6 pupils

National Museum of Scotland

Available throughout the year

We now offer free tickets for teachers and senior pupils to our adult talks programme at the National Museum of Scotland. Tickets must be booked in advance and all pupil tickets must be reserved by their teacher. Senior pupils over age 16 may attend unaccompanied.

For details of the latest ticket offers for teachers visit [www.nms.ac.uk/schools](http://www.nms.ac.uk/schools) and select the 'Teachers' tab.



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## My World of Work Live! at the National Museum of Scotland

Free!

*My World of Work Live!* inspires young people's interest in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) careers.

For primary 7 to S3 pupils, its interactive activities are hands-on and engaging, empowering young people to make informed decisions about their future. Museum objects are used to spark discussion on the wealth of opportunity STEM careers offer, and challenge young people to see where STEM subjects could take them.

Before and after their visit, pupils can go to [myworldofwork.co.uk](http://myworldofwork.co.uk) to find information and tools to help them explore a range of careers across a variety of industries. You'll also find support resources to help pupils make the most of their visit and continue learning back in the classroom. You can also use self-led STEM trail sheets during your visit, which will guide your pupils round the museum galleries and encourage them to think about their skills and the jobs available to them now, and in the future.

More information online  
[www.nms.ac.uk/mywow](http://www.nms.ac.uk/mywow)



Bookings open 17 August [www.nms.ac.uk/schoolbooking](http://www.nms.ac.uk/schoolbooking)