


NORWICH
CATHEDRAL

A Window of Discovery for All Ages



Schools & Family Learning at Norwich Cathedral

Themed Guided Visit Programmes for Secondary Schools,
Academies, Youth Groups and Parishes

KS3 | KS4 | KS5

Welcome

We look forward to welcoming you to the Cathedral very soon...

We are delighted to have a vibrant Schools & Family Learning department at Norwich Cathedral, welcoming Primary and Secondary School visits for a variety of learning opportunities.

Working from the Bowerbank Room, a modern, fit-for-purpose space in The Hostry Visitor & Education Centre, our team of educators see thousands of young people every year.

What other teachers have said...

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“What an excellent learning experience for both adults and children – thank you.”

“Our tour matched our request perfectly.”

“An insightful and fascinating day which really helped immerse them into their learning.”

“I found the booking process to be very efficient.

The classroom was a great base and the leaders were brilliant. Definitely value for money.” ”



School visits

Norwich Cathedral is a popular destination for schools when choosing their educational visits for the year. Our team of teachers and guides bring alive the wonderful history of Norwich Cathedral as an ancient sacred space and its story of faith as well as working with you and your learning objectives to get the most out of your visit for your pupils.

When you book a guided visit programme at the Cathedral we will ask you what your learning outcomes are.

Many of our programmes are cross-curricular, so you will be able to tick lots of boxes! We cover: RE, History, English, Art, Dance/Drama, Science and SMSC.

Book in advance

All visits must be pre-booked in advance.

- Call or email us to ask about availability, prices and to set a date. All our programmes incur a small fee per pupil.
- Once a date has been set you will be sent a booking form.
- You will be sent confirmation and information about where to come on the day, including Risk Assessment advice to help you compile your own risk assessment.
- A timetable, content outline and information about your visit will be sent to you.
- An invoice will be raised and sent to you.

Contact

For more information about Norwich Cathedral's work with schools, including the resources we can offer to teachers, please contact our Head of Schools & Family Learning email headofschools@cathedral.org.uk or telephone **01603 218316**.

For information about what's coming up over the next few months, you may also like to look at the latest newsletter on our website: cathedral.org.uk



Other useful information when planning a visit:

Timings and prices

Our full day visits are normally 10am-2pm and are at a cost of £4.50 per pupil.

Half day visits are either 10am-12noon or 12noon-2pm at a cost of £3.90 per pupil.

Lunches

You may wish to eat your packed lunches here. You can picnic in the cloisters (outside but under cover) or in our classroom if the weather is bad.

Gift bags

You can pre-order souvenir gift bags that contain quality but budget-priced items. Ask us about these.

Lavatories

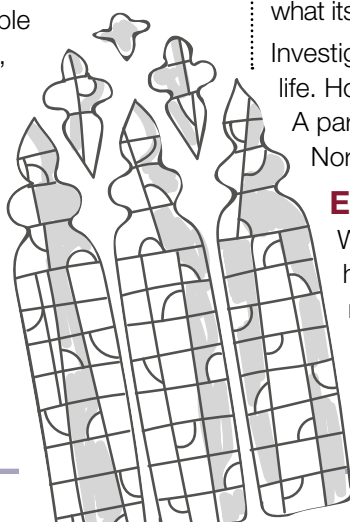
There are some on site but be aware they are open to the public so staff should accompany pupils at all times.

Self-guiding

Even if you just want to use the toilets and grounds you do need to book and there is a charge. Please contact us for availability and information.

Visiting schools in the community

While we recognise that the best possible experience is to come to the Cathedral, we know this is not always easy. We therefore offer many in-school options for members of our team to come out to your school and deliver an educational programme there. We can tailor the day specifically to your needs. Ask us about adapting programmes in this brochure for an in-school visit. Prices for in-school visits are £3.50 per pupil plus mileage.



What's on offer?

A variety of cross-curricular programmes which can be adapted for timings and ages

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Cathedral revealed

This programme forms the basis for many of our visits but can also be booked as a one hour tour.

A journey of learning and exploration around the Cathedral that offers an overview of our Norman history (including design and architecture) through to the present day.

Find out about our religious roots too through our Benedictine, monastic tradition. Students will also look at Christian worship today and how objects, furnishings and art are used for prayer and worship today.

To expand your visit into a full day 10am-2pm or a half day (10am-12noon or 12noon-2pm) you may wish to include the following:

History

Normans and Monasticism: Dig deeper into the history of Norwich as we ask why the Normans built such a grand, colourful and beautifully designed Cathedral, and what its impact was on the locality.

Investigate worship and the importance of the monastic life. How did it impact on the lives of rich and poor?

A particular focus on the Benedictine Monastery at Norwich Cathedral is possible as part of this visit.

Edith Cavell and Julian of Norwich:

We also have the opportunity to look at local history and the key figure of Edith Cavell who is remembered at Norwich Cathedral and/or a link visit with the Julian Shrine on Rouen Road to explore the history of Julian of Norwich and her contribution to religious history and literature.

Religious Education

Christian worship: Students will investigate key elements of worship, prayer and expressions of belief such as: Baptism, Eucharist, Trinity, symbolism.

There are opportunities to explore aspects of your RE curriculum and engage with our clergy team here on key questions. Plus look at differences between different Christian denominations, e.g. Anglican and Roman Catholic views on the Eucharist.

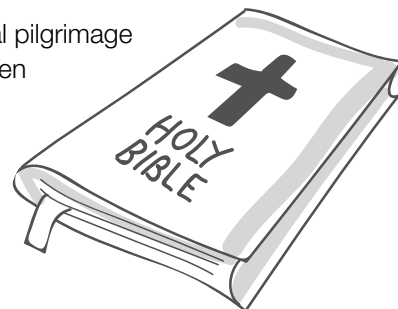
Philosophy and Ethics: You can include a Panel Discussion with faith leaders' views of big questions as part of this visit.

Mosque/Synagogue and Cathedral: Compare and contrast the Cathedral as a place of Christian worship with the East Anglian Bangladeshi Mosque on Rose Lane where our Muslim partners will lead a visit and answer

questions. Back at the Cathedral, there will be follow-up activities. Synagogue and Cathedral visits are also available to visit Norwich Synagogue on Earlham Road in the morning and the Cathedral in the afternoon.

Pilgrimage: Looking at a key practice of many world faiths, students will have the opportunity to compare and contrast faith practices and beliefs. An opportunity to explore pilgrimage as a Christian practice from medieval times to the present day.

You can also add a physical pilgrimage to the Julian Shrine on Rouen Road to learn about Julian of Norwich or using our Labyrinth. This provides an excellent focus for pupil wellbeing.



Cross-curricular visits

The Cathedral is a multi-functional space where many aspects of life come together and therefore provides many learning opportunities, including:

Art: The whole Cathedral is an artistic and architectural expression. See examples of stained-glass, sculpture, painting and architecture as inspiration for art projects. Come and use the Cathedral for drawing, photography or other practical art workshops. You can also visit our exhibition space where professional and amateur artists exhibit a variety of work on many themes all year. You can also ask us about a visit to our Broderers' Guild who work with textiles and embroidery in the Cathedral.

Music: We have a professional music department who are always happy to share knowledge and experience with

school pupils – learn more about the organ, the choir and take part in practical, musical workshops.

English: Visit our historic library and see examples of ancient texts and printing techniques. Learn study skills about using a reference library and researching topics independently.

You might also like to add a poetry or drama workshop as part of your visit.

Travel and tourism: An opportunity to investigate the Cathedral as a place of worship – but also as a tourist attraction, conference centre, restaurant and commercial space. Meet the staff, see the shop and facilities available and debate whether religion, commercialism and tourism can really go together.




For more information

To discover more about events and activities for children, families and schools at Norwich Cathedral, visit our website: cathedral.org.uk

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