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Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse Schools Programme: Sandford Award Winner 2012

Dear Colleague,

I am very pleased to be able to tell you that Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse has received the prestigious Sandford Award for excellence in heritage education.

It is marvellous to have an independent assessment of our schools learning programme and I would like to share some of the judge's comments with you.

'Gressenhall Workhouse and Farm offers an active and fun schools learning programme for all ages. The hands on sessions engage and inspire school groups.'

'The programme ... stimulates enquiry and discussion and, through involvement with the characters, encourages the viewpoint that there is always more than one way of interpreting a situation. History is not a list of dates, it is a story of people and how they lived their lives. The day made the children engage with the story ... in a way that no textbook could.'

`It is clear that it is teachers who are key to the development of the programmes.'

I am pleased to enclose our 2012-13 award-winning schools programme. Please contact our bookings officer on 01362 869251 or email <u>gressenhall.museum@norfolk.gov.uk</u> for more information.

I look forward to hearing from you. Yours sincerely,

J. Riman











Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse Schools event Programme September 2012 to July 2013

KS1/Reception

Once Upon A Time

Who has hidden the precious objects from the Museum of Fairytales? Can you help the curator find them all? Meet the Wicked Witch and make wands and potions in the woods. Create crowns fit for a King, quest with Jack to the Giant's castle and help poor Cinders keep her cottage clean. An active day promoting communication and literacy skills.

2013: July 2, 3, 4

£3.50 per child

Homes Long Ago

Discover what it was like to live in Norfolk one hundred years ago with our costumed characters. The Vicar is coming to tea. Can you help to make everything spick and span? Lend a hand with the cooking and make the tea in Cherry Tree Cottage, scrub and mangle your way through old-fashioned washing in the Washhouse and find out about life in the Farmhouse through an active object handling session.

2012: October 9, 10, 11

2013: March 5, 6, 7 April 16, 17, 18 May 8, 9 June 11, 12, 13

£3.50 per child

Spring on the Farm

Experience Victorian life on the farm. Meet the shepherd, hear about his busy Spring and the lambs he looks after. Help the farmer's wife with the spring cleaning and get the washing done in the washhouse. A half-day of led activities plus time to see the baby animals on the farm.

2013: March 19, 20, 21, 22

The Three Little Pigs

Huff and puff your way through the story of the three little pigs. Make your own messy pig puppet, explore the Brick House and have a go at keeping it clean and tidy. Find out where animals live on the farm and build your own home of sticks or straw to keep the pigs safe and warm.

2013: May 21, 22, 23

£3.50 per child

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Three Billy Goats Gruff

Work together to explore the story of the Billy Goats Gruff through sound and movement. Build a trippety-trap bridge and create an ugly troll. Explore the natural surroundings of the farm and meet our very own goats!

2013: June 18, 19, 20

£3.50 per child

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- 1. Book for a special school event (see above)
- 2. Come on a teacher-led visit
- 3. Enhance your teacher-led visit with an additional activity or activities: object handling, Victorian cooking, old fashioned washing or food and farming
- 4. Work with us to develop a programme which fits your learning needs

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KS2

Victorian Activity Day

Can you solve the mystery of the stolen silver candlesticks? Meet our costumed characters and step back in time for a day of discovery. Work in the fields with the heavy horses, take a Victorian school lesson, find out what life was like in the workhouse and lend a hand in a Victorian kitchen and washhouse. To enter into the spirit of Victorian life we invite you to come in costume.

- 2012: September 18, 19, 20 October 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25 November 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15
- 2013: March 12, 13, 14 April 23, 24, 25, 30 May 1, 2 July 9, 10, 11

£4.50 per child

Evacuees (Home Front Heroes)

Join our costumed characters and discover the Home Front during WWII. Meet a Women's Land Army girl and 'Dig for Victory' with the heavy horses. Take cover in the air raid shelter and let the ARP warden show you how to use a stirrup pump. 'Make do and Mend' with a worried housewife, find out about rationing in the Village Shop and help win the war with the Home Guard. To enter into the spirit of the Home Front, we invite you to come in costume.

2012: September 25, 26, 27 October 2, 3, 4

2013: May 14, 15, 16 June 4, 5, 6 £4.50 per child

Victorian Christmas

Find out about Victorian Christmas for rich and poor. Join our costumed characters to make candy canes, decorations and toys for poor children. Perform a festive Victorian melodrama - but don't forget that there is still lots to be done in the workhouse. Who *is* the mystery benefactor who keeps leaving gifts? To enter into the spirit of a Victorian Christmas we invite you to come in costume.

2012: December 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19

£4.50 per child

Victorian Whodunnit?

Find out about life in Victorian England through our dramatic Whodunnit. Meet costumed characters, both rich and poor, and engage in active learning sessions in our Victorian schoolroom, cottage kitchen, workhouse and laundry. Can you help discover who has committed the terrible crime? This day encourages communication skills and is perfect as the basis for literacy work. To enter into the spirit of Victorian life we invite you to come in costume.

2012: November 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

2013: February 12, 13, 14, 26, 27, 28

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