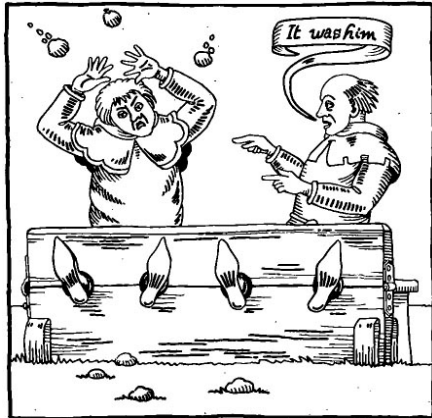


# What's on for schools at Great Yarmouth Museums



## ***Tolhouse Museum Re-opens***

The Tolhouse museum has now re-opened following an extensive re-display programme. The new displays chart the changing use of the building over time and explore the history of Crime and Punishment from the medieval period up to the present day.

## ***Tower Curing Works Museum Update***

Work is now well under way to create the display concepts for the new museum that is due to open during summer 2004. Housed in a former fish curing works in the South Denes the museum will house displays covering all aspects of great Yarmouth's rich and varied history. To accommodate this exciting new development the Maritime Museum will close to the public for the last time on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2002. Schools will still be able to book to see the WWII and Fishing displays until Easter 2003 when they will be removed for packing ready for transfer to the new museum. We are currently exploring ways of supporting schools studying these topics during the closure period and will inform you as soon as arrangements have been finalised.

## ***Meet the Ancestors***

This year Great Yarmouth museums are offering new sessions to schools during which the children can meet a cast of carefully researched historical characters played by our custodian interpreter team. Meet Robert Blake the Butler, William Shuckford the Jailor, and Billy "Bumble" Baxter the Fisherman and find out about the working lives of Great Yarmouth people in the past. These sessions can be booked individually or in combination as required.

*There is an extra charge of 50p per pupil for each of these sessions.*

**See what else we can offer:** Guided tours and hands on sessions with original artefacts are available at the Elizabethan House and Maritime Museum. Popular themes include: *Tudor & Victorian Domestic Life, Toys & Games, Washdays, Great Yarmouth at War, and the Fishing Industry.*

**Charges:** The admission charge for school groups is £1.00 per child at the Elizabethan House and Tolhouse and 70p per child at the Maritime Museum. Accompanying adults are free. Schools with 25% of their students receiving free school meals will be admitted FREE OF CHARGE. Please bring cheques payable to Norfolk County Council on the day of your visit.

## Special Events at the Elizabethan House Museum

### October 16-17 Victorian Servants Training Days

Another chance to get into role and experience life below stairs in a Victorian household. The children will help Cook and the Butler with the household chores as they try to secure a place in Mrs Palmer's prestigious training academy for domestic staff. A half-day visit with directed activities designed to support KS2 *Victorian Britain*.

### December 12-13 A Tudor Christmas Celebration

Join us for festive fun Tudor style. Help with the Christmas preparations as you explore the lives of the rich and poor in Tudor England. Learn a Tudor dance, prepare gifts for your friends, and help a local pauper to gain a beggars license. A half-day visit with directed activities designed to support KS2 *Britain & the wider world in Tudor times*.

### February 11-12 Fairy Tale House

Come and join a cast of characters from children's fiction to investigate how people lived in their homes in the past. Meet old Mother Hubbard and friends and help Postman Pete to find his missing magic sack. A half-day visit with hands on activities designed to support KS1 *Homes Long Ago*.

### May 21-22 Seaside Holidays

Find out about seaside holidays in the past. Handle objects and costumes, see photographs and memorabilia from the museum archives and take part in art and story-telling activities with a seaside theme. This event is designed to support KS1 *Seaside Holidays in the Past*.

### June 24-25 Tudor Traders

What new countries did Tudor merchants help to discover? What exotic goods did they bring back from the new world? What was life like for sailor's on board Tudor ships and how did Tudor captains navigate their way across the world? Explore these questions and more through hands on activities in our Tudor merchant's house. Designed to support KS2 *Britain & the wider world in Tudor times*.

**Special Event Charges:** There is an additional charge of £1.00 per pupil to cover the costs of staging our special events. This is in addition to the normal admission charges for our museums. Please see overleaf for admission charges.

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