

Kentwell 1588



Kentwell Hall, Long Melford, Suffolk

The Home of Re-Creations of Everyday Tudor Life

Dear Teacher,

Kentwell's 2008 Schools' Programme

2008 will see the 30th anniversary of our very first Re-Creation in 1978 (we had then a non Tudor year) and also the 30th Great Annual Tudor Re-Creation, which started the following year. We plan an outstanding Re-Creation in 2008 to celebrate.

30 Years On and still easily the best

Kentwell started Historic Domestic Re-Creations, when there were only battle re-enactments.

We now have many imitators but no equals. Check this out:-

- Can anywhere match Kentwell, one of the finest moated Tudor Houses in England ?
- Has anywhere else a minimum of 100 Participants for any summer Re-Creation visit ?
- Do anyone else's Tudors cover the full age range from babes & toddlers through to 80 year olds and offer as full a range of Activities & Skills ?
- Does anywhere use some 40 acres of Gardens & Grounds ?
- Has anywhere else such an ancient Walled Garden with large Herb Garden & Potager ?
- Is anywhere else (like Kentwell) about a mile from the nearest road or other habitation?
- Has anywhere else an original little altered Tudor Service Building (housing at Kentwell original Dairy, Bakehouse, Brewhouse & Solar) ?
- Has anywhere else a Cottage or Hovel (as at Kentwell) for lesser Tudor sorts ?
- Has anywhere else a whole range of suitable Tudor style ancillary structures for Alchemists, Alehouse, Basketmakers, Forge, Foundry, Pottery, Woolshed etc. ?
- Does anywhere else offer as high standards as Kentwell in terms of authenticity, including dress of the period and Participants speaking in the syntax of the age ?
- Does anywhere else set their activities in a given Historic time frame and respond to the greater events of that time ?

If not, children will enjoy a much lesser experience of Tudor Life than that available at Kentwell.

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In 2008 we shall re-create a pivotal year in the Tudor epoch - the year 1588 when England faced the threat of the Great Armada. The time leading up to its first sighting (in July) was a time of frenzied preparation in Southern England. We shall re-create this momentous time. At Kentwell, children can live the time of Francis Drake & the Armada and feel part of history.

Why Kentwell for my School ?

In the 3.5 hours children spend in the Re-Creation at Kentwell they will see and learn more about Tudor England than they can possibly learn elsewhere. Moreover, a visit is so stimulating that children happily spend so long without a break for food or WCs. Children'll remember a visit to a Kentwell Tudor Re-Creation for ever. Especially one with such a momentous theme.

Kentwell is the best. Probably the best representation of Tudor England in the world. Discerning Teachers recognize this. **Beware of cheap imitations. Check out the Kentwell website: www.kentwell.co.uk**

DVDs Kentwell has made two **DVDs**, one on **Tudor Clothes** and the other on the **Tudor Kitchen and serving food Tudor style**. These can be purchased from Kentwell for school use.

Details for Kentwell 1588 accompany herewith.

Please do not hesitate to call for further information or the best way for your school to visit.

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2008 RE-CREATION DATES

Choose the **Great Annual Re-Creation** in summer or the autumn **Michaelmas Re-Creation**.

THE GREAT ANNUAL RE-CREATION Sunday 15 June to Sunday 6 July 2008

In 2008 it will run between the above dates with weekdays (apart from Friday 4 July) reserved exclusively for pre-booked school parties.

Visit Choices Opt for a **Set Route** or a **Free Route** visit. Both Options should enable parties to savour the atmosphere of the year 1588.

Set Route Days (choose either Household or Hamlet Route when you go round a pre-determined route in one party - best for younger children): **Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays**. Tuesdays and Thursdays we try to keep for Primary School Children who must come in costume (although we hope all schools on all days will do so). Minimum Party size 28; maximum 35 - 40 (depending upon age).

Set Route Prices per child (all plus VAT which most schools or LEA can claim back) determined by the booked entry time (that must be strictly adhered to):

Start* before 9.45a.m	£ 9.65	Start* from 9.45 to 10.30a.m	£11.35
Start* 10.35 to 12.35p.m	£11.95	Start* from 12.40 to 1.30p.m	£10.30
Start* from 1.35 to 2.30p.m	£ 7.80		

Free Route Days (when parties may split into smaller groups and go where they will **anywhere in the whole Re-Creation** - best for those with teachers who have been before): **Wednesday & Fridays** in June & Wednesday 2 July. No minimum or maximum Party size but very large parties will be split into smaller units to stagger entrance to the Re-Creation.

Free Route Prices per child (all plus VAT) determined by booked entry time (that must be adhered to):

Start* before 10.00a.m	£11.35	Start* 10.00 to 11.30a.m	£12.95
Start* 11.35 to 12.30p.m	£12.40	Start* 12.35 to 2.00p.m	£10.90
Start* after 2.00p.m	£ 8.00		

Your School may be entitled to a discount for a Great Annual Re-Creation Booking

Size - either 51 or more children from one school, less 5% or 101 or more less 10%. To qualify these numbers must ultimately be paid for.

Repeat Schools - Schools that brought a school party to a Re-Creation in 2006 or 2007, less 10%

Mondays & Wednesday 4 July Visits - less 10% *Discounts may be added together to a maximum of 25%*

Adults 1 supervisor per 10 children FREE. Extra Adults count as two children towards minimum/maximum numbers but above minimum numbers must be paid for at £14.95 each.

MICHAELMAS RE-CREATION Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 September 2008

Smaller than the Great Annual Re-Creation but combines something of each of the Main Re-Creation's two Set Routes. It is proving very popular & books up early.

One Set Route Option only.

Prices (per child and subject to VAT - which schools or LEA should be able to claim back)

Start* before 10.00a.m	£ 9.85	Start* 10.00 to 1.00p.m	£11.15
Start* after 1.00p.m	£ 9.85		

Discounts for Michaelmas:- **Size** - 51 or more from one school, less 5%; 101 or more, less 10%

Adults 1 free supervisor for every 10 children. Extra Adults count as above or cost £11.95

APPLICABLE TO ALL BOOKINGS

Deposits £75.00 for **each** Set Route Party or for **every** 30 children on a Free Route Day secures your booking(s).

***Check In Time NB** The booked time for all visits is the time the party enters the Re-Creation. Each party **must** check-in at the Estate Office at least 20 minutes before their booked Entry time.

OUR CHARGING SYSTEM

Schools make a provisional booking by telephone. We subsequently send out a Confirmation Form. Completion of the form, estimating number of children, and the return of deposit(s) secures booked slot(s). In about May, we ask you to confirm final children numbers. We invoice on these numbers or, failing any confirmation, for the original estimate. On the day you may bring and pay for extras but there are no refunds for shortages.

GENERALLY

If you have any queries or want further explanations please do not hesitate to call us.

We look forward to receiving your booking.

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Bring your schoolchildren
to spend a day in the 16th century



KENTWELL HALL & GARDENS



Late June/early July or late September each year

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Enjoy a magical day in the 16th at a Kentwell Re-Creation

Great Annual Re-Creation of Tudor Everyday Life - late June/early July

Enter via Kentwell's famous Time Tunnel and be stimulated, educated and excited by the sights, smells and sounds of Tudor England.

Schools have a choice of three routes. Whichever route you choose, the Kentwell philosophy is to show children a little of many different aspects of 16th Century life. Opt for a Set Route (better for younger children and new teachers/schools) and then choose one of two options - Household or Hamlet; or opt for a Free Route (better for older children and teachers/schools that have been before tho' each group Teacher/Supervisor on the day must select where to take the group).

Whichever Route you choose you must select an entry time (to which you must adhere strictly). Your party will then spend over 3 hours without a break in Tudor England.

"One visit to a Kentwell Re-Creation is worth a year in the classroom"

— a teacher

Household Route concentrates upon the House & Garden, the Family and those who serve them - what children may see...

Gatekeepers
Military
Stillroom, Herbs & Potion
Great Kitchen & Cooks
Bedchamber & Housekeepers
Great Chamber & Stewards
Great Hall & Gentry
Minstrels Gallery & Musicians
Parlour & Gentry Family
Dairy & Dairymaids
Bakehouse & Bakers
Brewhouse & Brewers

Needlewomen
Camera Obscura
Pedlars
Market
Sotlers
Gardeners
Limners
Alchemists
Basketmaking
Stocks
Fish in Moat
Players

Hamlet Route concentrates upon the Cottage & Farm and Craftsmen & Workers on the Manor - what children may see...

Gatekeepers
Players
Woodmen
Pottery & Potters
Animal Herds
Cottage Folk
Alehouse
Coppice & Pole Lathe Turners
Hovel Dwellers
Merchant Hall & Merchants
Cart Lodge & Wrights
Wool Hall & Woolworkers
Archers & Archery Crafts
Forge & Smiths
Horses & Ostlers
Dyers
Pedlars
Sotlers
Washerwomen
Chandlers
Mummers
Builders
Gentry Pavilion
Market

Free Route – The children may visit anywhere on each of the above two Set Routes

The Michaelmas Re-Creation of Tudor Everyday Life - late September

Similar to the Great Annual Re-Creation but on a smaller scale (tho' no Time Tunnel) Also just one Set Route which combines elements from the two Set Routes above.

If your school can afford only one trip this year, make sure your children are lucky enough to experience the biggest and best at Kentwell

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