

Norfolk Rural Life Museum

Gressenhall

Roots of Norfolk at Gressenhall – What's on for your school?

If you are looking for a really worthwhile educational visit the **Norfolk Rural Life Museum** may provide the solution. We offer a safe site in beautiful unspoilt Norfolk countryside. Collections of rural and Norfolk life are housed in workhouse buildings dating back to



1777. There is a traditional farm worked by heavy horses with rare breeds of farm animals.

The new workhouse experience is a moving insight into the world of the workhouse and the people who lived there. Step back to the 1930s in Cherry Tree Cottage, our village shop, post office, seed merchants and forge.

Organising a school visit to Gressenhall

- visits can be organised to support what you have been doing in the classroom – or simply enjoy the museum!
- we can offer additional sessions to enhance a visit – enjoy traditional story-telling, a chance to handle real museum objects or Victorian school lessons.
- take part in one of our special events for schools (details overleaf)



Gressenhall supports teachers by offering a programme that is carefully designed to meet curriculum requirements in imaginative, inspiring and relevant ways:

History

Key Stage 1	Homes, Food and Farming
Key Stage 2	Victorian Britain, Britain since 1930
Key Stage 3	Britain 1750-1900
Key Stage 4	Coursework topics
A level	Poverty and the State, c.1830s-1939

Literacy All Key Stages

Listening, writing, discussing, stimulus for drama and creative writing

Charges

★ £2.35 (including VAT) per pupil, teachers and helpers free



There are extra charges for special events (see overleaf)

Bookings and Further Information

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Location

Gressenhall is on the B1146, 3 miles north-west of Dereham. 30 minutes' drive from Norwich and 40 minutes from Cromer, King's Lynn and Thetford

See overleaf for details of our special events

Special Events for Schools 2002

Spring on the Farm

April 15th – 18th / 10.30 – 12am or 12.30 – 2pm Directed activities aimed mainly at

- Nursery, Reception and KS1:
- 🗰 potato planting
- ★ meet our old-time shepherd

old-fashioned cooking and spring cleaning
 This gives the option of visiting the farm with baby
 animals and the museum in the other half day.
 Please note there is an essential briefing session for
 teachers on Thursday 11th April at 4.15pm
 Extra charge £2 per pupil

Victorian Activity Days

April 22nd – 25th / 10am – 2pm

Aimed mainly at KS2 to support Victorian Britain. Children are invited to come in costume to take part in activities including:

- ★ cooking in Victorian times
- 🔆 Victorian school lesson
- * life for the poor and the workhouse
- ★ life for the rich dress and etiquette
- ★ traditional farm work (with our heavy horses)
 Extra charge £3 per pupil

Living things in their Environment

May 20th – 23rd / 10am – 2pm

Aimed at supporting KS2 science unit Living things in their Environment. Directed activities including:

- 🔆 looking at different habitats
- ★ exploring food chains
- role of micro-organisms in bread and compost making

Extra charge £3 per pupil

Digging for Victory

June 24th - 27th / 10am - 2pm

Directed activities to support KS2 Britain since 1930. Children are invited to come as evacuees to experience life during the Second World War:

- help dig for victory!
- 🔆 make do and mend
- ★ cooking with rationed food
- civilian life in wartime watch out for spivs and spies!

Extra charge £3 per pupil



NORFOLK Museums & Archaeology Service

Victorian Hiring Fair

September 24th – 27th / 10am – 2pm

Directed activities to support KS2 Victorian Britain. Children are invited to come in costume and take part in activities including:

- 🗰 harvesting in Victorian times
- traditional farm work (with our heavy horses)
- 🔆 cooking in Victorian times
- * life of a Victorian shepherd

Extra charge £3 per pupil

Living Long Ago

October 14th – 17th / 10.30 – 12am or 12.30 – 2pm Half day of directed activities aimed at Reception and KS1 to support topics such as Homes, Food and Farming:

- ★ handling original objects
- * traditional story-telling
- * old-fashioned cooking
- ★ shopping in the past

This will give the option of visiting the farm and museum in the other half day.

Please note there is an essential briefing session for teachers involved in this event on **Wednesday 9th October at 4.15pm**

Extra charge £2 per pupil

Victorian Activity Days

November 5th – 7th / 10am – 2pm

Aimed mainly at KS2 to support Victorian Britain. Children are invited to come in costume to take part in activities including:

- * cooking in Victorian times
- ★ Victorian school lesson
- \star life for the poor and the workhouse
- \star life for the rich dress and etiquette
- traditional farm work (with our heavy horses)

Extra charge £3 per pupil

Workhouse Live!

November 26th – 28th / 10 – 12.30am, 1.30 – 4pm

A Living History event aimed at sixth forms,

undergraduates and other adult groups.

The event supports the A level unit Poverty and the State 1830s-1939 and other studies of the Victorians, especially their attitude to the poor.

- ★ join the Board of Guardians in a tour of the workhouse
- * meet some of the inmates
- ★ put the master and matron in the hot seat

This will give the option of seeing the new museum displays during the other half day.

Extra charge £3 per participant