

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



Late June/early July or late September each year

Re-Creations of Everyday 16th Century Life



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

– a teacher



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.

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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Tudor Kentwell



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The Home of Re-Creations of Everyday Tudor Life

Dear School

Kentwell's 2010 Schools' Programme

Please pass this letter to the appropriate teacher. This tells you about **Kentwell's Tudor Re-Creations** and **introduces its new WWII Re-Creation**. It also has details of other visits apart from Re-Creations.

Priority Booking at Discounted Rates

This mailing gives schools an opportunity to book early and enjoy **Early Bird School Rates for the 2010 Great Annual Re-Creation** and also to have a better chance of obtaining the date and time of their choice. If your school has already booked for the 2010 Re-Creation, this document provides the information about what you have booked !

Early Bird Rates

These appear in the accompanying Tariff sheet and are available now (and for those who have booked already) and for those booking and paying deposit(s) prior to end December 2009.

Why Your School should visit a Re-Creation of Everyday Tudor Life (either the Great Annual in June/July or the Michaelmas at the end of September)

Kentwell re-creates a living, active *Tudor community* in and around one of the finest moated Tudor Mansions to have survived; not just a few people dressed in Tudor costumes. A Re-Creation shows the thriving community of a 16th C Manor peopled by folk of all ages from babes to the aged, wearing their own clothes, talking Tudor and all carrying on a daily routine as if still in the 16th Century. No pretence or acting here. Everyone actually does what they appear to be doing. **Prof Lisa Jardine's broadcast emphasized the uniqueness of a Kentwell Re-Creation highlighting this community aspect.**

In the 3 hours or so children spend in the Re-Creation at Kentwell they will see and learn more about life in Tudor England than they can possibly learn anywhere else.

NB Kentwell Re-Creations are alone recommended as a resource in the Government's advice about differences between the lives of rich and poor people in Tudor times [Unit 8].

There really is no comparable alternative.

Is it all just about History ?

Certainly not. Kentwell Re-Creations are an exercise in *Social History* enabling comparisons between then and now to be made. Yet it also illustrates so much more. Think of *science* illustrated by the Camera Obscura (which will tell pupils in a few minutes more about light and the operation of the eye than hours in the classroom); or the processes in making butter, bread and ale or distilling essences from plants in the Stillroom, of the energy stored and released in the longbow, of the working of metal in the forge or foundry, of the processes potters use in glazing and firing, of the Alchemists' experiments (some real, some spurious), of the strength developed in wool in spinning, weaving and felting, etc. All illustrated by folk actually using the processes as they were once used.

Think of how folk counted, measured temperature and time and knew when things (of any sort) were ready. There's so much science to be observed and mined in one visit than can ever be accomplished elsewhere. That's not all. There's *Religion, Music and Dance* of all types, *Drama* (showing the very origins of modern drama), *Food & Nutrition* in so many different forms, but above all *Social History* of how people lived and reacted to each other.

Cost

The cost of a visit to a Kentwell Re-Creation is remarkably little considering what it buys: numerous Kentwell Tudors portraying all aspects of Tudor Life in one of England's finest Tudor settings. Elsewhere you may see a handful of Tudors or even have someone in Tudor

costume visit your school. But nowhere else can you see the rich fabric of Tudor life on such a scale in such a stunning Tudor setting. Think less on *price* and more on *value*.

The one School Trip of a Lifetime

A visit to a Kentwell re-creation stays with children for ever. We know. Adults frequently tell us about their visit. Each year several who visited as children return to get married here. Is there another school trip that can have such a lasting impact? Bear in mind that with over half a million children having visited a Kentwell Re-Creation over the last 30 years or so, there are few East Anglians under 30 who were not of that number. Don't let your school's children miss out on this unique experience.

Henry VIII

If there is one Tudor of whom nearly all schoolchildren will have heard it is Henry VIII. In 2010 we shall be re-creating a Henrican year.

Details for the 2010 Tudor Re-Creations accompany herewith. Please do not hesitate to call for further information or the best way for your school to visit. BOOK NOW to enjoy the greatest discounts

NEW NEW NEW RE-CREATION OF DAILY WWII LIFE NEW NEW NEW

This year for the first time Kentwell offers schools the opportunity of visiting Kentwell in its WWII mode. Kentwell was requisitioned during WWII to be an enormous Transit Camp for army units between posting. This Camp was run by a small contingent moved in to take over the House and displace the family. We shall have a few service personnel but mostly civilians who will show the impact of war upon everyone's daily life.

We hope to illustrate many aspect of WWII Daily Life under the extra burden of being requisitioned: Rationing, Black-out, Shortages, the Home Guard, the Civil Defence Services, Evacuees, Land Girls, Air Raid Sirens & Shelters as well as the dress, songs and concerns of the age.

This Re-Creation will be open to schools on one day only, Friday 1st October 2010. Don't miss it.

GUIDED SCHOOL TOURS

Kentwell is not only about its Re-Creations. Schools can book a Guided School Tour in the Autumn (October to December) or Spring (second half of Spring Term). This usually concentrates upon Tudor Life but can cover any aspect the teacher wishes. Tours usually last from 10.00am (or 10.30am) to about 2.30pm (with a break for lunch).

FARM VISITS

The Kentwell Farm has a range of farm animals in a working farm environment which is run on traditional, non-intensive lines. Kentwell is a real farm not a Zoo or Farm Park. Ideal for introducing children to farm animals. It is difficult for us country folk to realise that many children do not know the comparative sizes of sheep, pigs, goats, cattle & horses. Best in the second half of the Spring Term when the animals are in and young are being born.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Phillips



Kentwell Re-Creations

2010 Programme & Tariffs

TUDOR Choose the **Great Annual Re-Creation** in summer or the **Michaelmas** in autumn.
New WWII Re-Creation in October

THE GREAT ANNUAL RE-CREATION Sunday 20 June to Sunday 11 July 2010

Weekdays between the above dates (apart from Friday 9 July) are 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 a full range of everyday Tudor Life.

Set Route Days (proceed round a predetermined route in one party - best for younger children. Choose either Household or Hamlet Route): **Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays.** Mondays 10% cheaper; Tuesdays and Thursdays we try to keep for Primary School Children coming in costume (although we encourage all schools on all days to do so). Party size minimum 28; maximum 35 - 40 (depending upon age of children & Route).

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

	Early Bird Rate	Standard		Early Bird Rate	Standard
Start* before 9.45	£10.90	£11.75	Start* from 9.45 to 10.30	£12.80	£13.85
Start* from 10.35 to 12.35	£13.50	£14.60	Start* from 12.40 to 1.30	£11.30	£12.20
Start* from 1.35 to 14.30	£ 9.00	£ 9.70			

Free Route Days (when parties may split into smaller *supervised* groups and go where they will **anywhere in the whole Re-Creation** - best for those with teachers who have been before): **Wednesday & Fridays** until Friday 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):

	Early Bird Rate	Standard		Early Bird Rate	Standard
Start* before 10.00	£12.80	£13.85	Start* from 10.00 to 11.30	£14.65	£15.85
Start* from 11.35 to 12.30	£13.95	£15.10	Start* from 12.35 to 13.30	£12.35	£13.35
Start* after 13.30	£ 9.30	£10.05			

Discounts 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 the numbers actually paid for.

Repeat Schools - Schools that brought a school party to a Re-Creation in 2008 or 2009, less 10%

Monday 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 27 & Tuesday 28 September 2010

Smaller than the Great Annual Re-Creation but combines something of each of the Main Re-Creation's two Set Routes. It is very popular & books up early. **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	£ 11.15	Start* 10.00 to 1.00p.m	£12.55
Start* after 1.00p.m	£ 11.15		

Discounts for Michaelmas:- *Size* and *Repeat Visits* as above but no discount for Monday

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

APPLICABLE TO ALL TUDOR RE-CREATION BOOKINGS

Deposits £125.00 for **each** Set Route Party or for **every** 30 children on a Free Route Day. The payment of this secures your booking(s).

***Check In Time** NB The booked time for all visits is **the time the party books to enter the Re-creation** not the time the party arrives at Kentwell. Each party **must** check-in at the Estate Office at least 20 minutes before their booked Entry time.

WWII RE-CREATION Friday 1st October 2010

Very different from a Tudor Re-Creation with visits expected to last about 2.5 hours following the equivalent of a **Set Route Option**.

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

Start* before 10.00a.m	£ 10.15	Start* 10.00 to 1.00p.m	£11.55
Start* after 1.00p.m	£ 10.15		

Discounts for WWII:- *Size* and *Repeat Visits* as above

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

Party size Minimum 28; maximum 35

Deposit £100 for each Party

GUIDED SCHOOL TOURS & FARM VISITS

Guided School Tours

Usually with a Tudor theme but can cover any aspects the Teacher may want us to concentrate upon. Best in autumn and second half of Spring Term. Usually start at 10.00am to 10.30am and finish about 2.30pm (with a break for lunch). We can do double and triple classes at one time.

Charges Ex Vat

School Tour.....£8.20

School Tour + Farm Visit.....£9.75

School Tour + Gardens / Sketching.....£9.50

Extra Adults.....£11.75 **Deposit £50 per party due on booking**

(Supervising adults: 1 free for every 10 children)

Farm Visits

Kentwell's traditionally run, non-intensive Farm is an excellent way to introduce children to animal husbandry (Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Goats, Donkeys, Heavy Horses, Fowl). Best in second half of Spring Term when animals are in for winter and young are born. Usually begin at 10.00am or 10.30am and finish at lunch time. (Gardens or Sketching addition can continue until about 2.30pm).

Charges Ex Vat

School Farm Tour.....£7.60

School Farm Tour + Gardens / Sketching.....£8.85

Extra Adults.....£10.50 **Deposit £50 per party due on booking**

(Supervising adults: 1 free for every 10 children)

THE BOOKING SYSTEM

Telephone to check availability & make a provisional booking. We then send out a Confirmation Form. Completion of the form, estimating number of children, and the return of deposit(s) secures booked slot(s). Later, we ask schools to confirm *final numbers* of children. Later still we invoice based on *final numbers* or, failing any confirmation, for the originally estimated number of children. Schools may bring (& pay) for extra children/adults (within the recommended party size) but there are no refunds for children paid for who do not attend.

GENERALLY

If you have any queries or want further explanations please do not hesitate to call the Kentwell Office. We look forward to seeing you!

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