



Museum in the Park

Stroud District (Cowle) Museum Service

Homes of the Past – KS1/2

Pupils discover how people's everyday lives have changed, through a series of four activities in this day visit.

A tour of the mansion house (now the Museum) looks at the features of this former family home: the stonework, the heating, the stairs, the rooms, the terrace and gardens. This can be led by the 'housemaid' or 'butler' (at extra cost to cover actors' fees). Outside in the 'cottage' it is washday and the pupils must help to clean the carpet, build the fire, sweep the yard - an active learning session! There is also a 'handling' session with original kitchen and household implements, and a Museum discovery trail to complete in the galleries. There is the option to look again at some nursery rhymes, and to see how they show a way of life, now forgotten.

Gallery 2, the education room, is usually the 'base' for the day, but most sessions take place in the Museum main galleries.

The Learning Programmes Officer will consult you over the aims of your visit, and devise sessions accordingly.

For more information, please contact the Learning Programmes Officer on 01453 763394.