

## Learning at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse

Victorian Whodunnit programme  
Key Stage 2



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This dramatic and engaging event broadens children's knowledge and understanding of life in Victorian Norfolk and provides material for a local study or study of a theme of social history. The day encourages communication, enquiry and thinking skills and is a perfect basis for literacy work.

One of the workhouse inmates has been murdered. Children are asked to help discover who has committed the terrible crime? They meet costumed characters, both rich and poor and take part in active learning sessions. They make drop scones in the cottage kitchen, have a Victorian lesson in the schoolroom, help with the washing in the laundry and find out about life in the workhouse.

### Aims and learning outcomes

#### KS2 History and English

- British History beyond 1066: the perfect basis for a study of changing life for Children or the Poor.
- Provides a vast amount of material for an in-depth Local Study of life in Victorian Norfolk.
- Learn from important sources of evidence: handle objects and explore historic buildings.
- Promote enquiry and thinking skills and encourage speculation and hypothesising by active participation in a dramatic story line.
- Develop listening, speaking and questioning skills.
- An immersive experience which promotes creative and imaginative writing: subject-specific language, atmospheric settings and developed characters.

### Essential information

A day of activities led by museum staff; 10am to 2pm, with a break for lunch.  
Maximum group size of 120 pupils.  
£6.00 per pupil.

### Bookings

Advance booking is essential. For further information or to make a booking, please contact our Bookings Administrator on 01362 860563 or [gressenhall.museum@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:gressenhall.museum@norfolk.gov.uk)

