

Learning at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse

Life in the 1950s programme
Key Stage 1



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This day event uses Gressenhall museum's recreations of historic shops and homes to give children an evocative experience of 1950s Britain. It supports your study of 'life within living memory' and helps children identify similarities and differences between today and the past.

It is 1953 and everyone is preparing for the Queen's Coronation party. There is a lot to do. Children buy ingredients from the Village Shop and help with the cooking and tidying in Cherry Tree Cottage. They play with 1950s toys and visit our 1950s room to see how life has changed.

Aims and learning outcomes

KS1 History

- Understand change within living memory.
- Identify similarities and differences between ways of life in the recent past and today.
- Discover different ways to find about the past: get hands-on with objects and explore historic buildings.
- Explore a significant place in the locality.
- Interaction with costumed characters promotes speaking, questioning and listening skills and broadens historical vocabulary.

Essential information

A day of activities led by museum staff; 10am to 2pm, with a break for lunch.
Maximum group size of 90 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