

Secondary
School
Programme
2015–16



National
Museums
Scotland



What's on offer?

Expand your students' horizons and enrich classroom teaching with the help of our incredible collections and engaging programmes.

- **Free admission to our museums for pre-booked school groups**
- **Workshops allowing students to engage with issues reflected by our collections**
- **Tailor-made curriculum theme days for S1 and S2 whole-year groups.**

For more information and to see subject-specific workshop listings visit www.nms.ac.uk/schools

Interdisciplinary Learning

We offer:

- **General Visits FREE**

You can book a free self-led visit to any of our four museums, with access to a cloakroom, lunchroom, and an introduction to the museum by our learning team. Trail sheets and teachers' packs are available. You can also book one of our handling boxes to use during your visit.

- **Object Handling Boxes FREE**

A range of object handling boxes are available across our museums on topics such as Vikings, Scotland's Rocks and Fossils, Victorians, Scotland's Birds and Mammals and many more.

- **Curriculum Days for S1–S3 pupils**

Cost dependant on activities

Bring your whole year group to the National Museum of Scotland to take part in workshops, trail sheets and self-led activities on a range of topics.

To book, complete our online booking form at www.nms.ac.uk/schoolbooking or for more information email schools@nms.ac.uk or call:

National Museum of Scotland 0131 247 4041

National Museum of Flight 0131 247 4238

National Museum of Rural Life 0131 247 4377

National War Museum 0131 247 4041



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Highlights during 2015-16

You can find some highlights from our programme below. To see details of all of our secondary schools workshops and events, visit www.nms.ac.uk/schools

Exhibitions

Our exhibitions offer pupils a chance to discover more about a specialist subject. Meet the pioneers who shaped the way we take photos today in *Photography: A Victorian Sensation* (19 Jun–22 Nov 2015) or discover the objects that shaped Europe's early history in *Celts* (Mar–Sep 2016).

History

- **Ghosts of War: Armistice Day Poetry (S1–S6)**
National War Museum, £70
Pupils share in an Act of Remembrance, and write their own poems of war and peace with the Scottish Poetry Library.
- **Great War 1914-1918 (S1–S4)**
National Museum of Flight, £70
Explore the use of aircraft through our object handling collection and hear personal stories of those involved.
- **Hands-on History: Trench Warfare (S1–S6)**
National War Museum, £70
Get to grips with trench warfare using our First World War object handling collection and first-hand accounts of wartime experiences.
- **Scotland and Britain 1830-1939: Emigration (S3–S6)**, National Museum of Scotland, £70
Use artefacts to discover why people left Scotland. Pupils will work in groups to answer a source comparison question.

Science

Take part in our new Get Energised programme:

- **Physics National Qualifications Challenge Days (S3–S4)** FREE
Pupils compete against other schools, meet industry experts, and take part in hands-on STEM challenges on renewable energy.
- **Renewable Energy Investigation Days (S1–S2)** FREE
Discover more about Scotland's landscape, weather, innovation and engineering through hands-on STEM activities.



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Art & Design

- **Fashion Photography (S5–S6)**
National Museum of Scotland, £10 per pupil
Working with professional photographers, pupils create images and prepare them for exhibition. Final images are displayed in the museum.
- **Jewellery Handling Box (S5–S6)**
National Museum of Scotland, FREE
A new resource developed by artists, photographers and pupils, including contemporary jewellery pieces and related activities.
- **Art in our Museums** FREE
Visit any of our museums free of charge to sketch, draw or photograph our collections.



Transforming our museums

In June 2016, ten new galleries will open at the National Museum of Scotland showcasing the museum's collections of science and technology, decorative art, design and fashion. To make way for this exciting transformation, some of the museum's galleries, including *Ancient Egypt*, *Looking East* and *Connect*, have been closed for redevelopment. However, there is still plenty to do for all ages.

We are also restoring two nationally important Second World War hangars at the National Museum of Flight. Opening in 2016, our newly restored hangars will tell the stories of military and civil aviation throughout the 20th and 21st centuries.

Both projects are funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. For more information visit www.nms.ac.uk

