

# Bourne Hall Museum Kids Club

bringing history alive

## Fun activities for kids throughout the year

Our museum club holds various events throughout the holidays and on one Saturday a month during term time.

Join us for activities from cave-painting, flint-knapping to reliving the Battle of Agincourt and discovering Magna Carta.

All activities are undertaken by DBS checked museum personnel and subject matter experts.

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## If your children like history, they will love our club!

Over the next few months we're being invaded by the Romans and setting sail with the Pilgrim Fathers; we're celebrating a Second World War Christmas (with V1 and V2 attacks); and we're getting down and spooky...



# To be a pilgrim

Saturday 21 September, 1pm to 2.30pm

## The 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower

The Mayflower left England with the ship Speedwell on 15 August 1620 carrying pilgrims from England and Holland.

Both ships were twice forced to return to England but the Mayflower finally left Plymouth on 16 September 1620. On 19 November 1620, they spotted land. Their destination was the Virginia Colony but the ship was damaged so were forced to land Cape Cod in November.



The passengers lived on the ship for a few months. They went ashore to build shelters in the day, then returned to the ship at night. About half the people died in the winter. In March 1621, there were enough shelters for everyone to live on land.

Discover why the Pilgrims left their homes and families. Learn what it was like to be a Pilgrim and open up a new world.

# Hitler's vengeance weapons

Saturday 12 October, 1pm to 2.30pm

13 June 1944 was the day the first flying bombs hit London.

A week before, on D-Day, allied armies had invaded German-occupied France. Soon after, Soviet armies launched a massive offensive in Poland.

From the skies over Germany, British and American bombers were able to raid German cities at will. Facing disaster on every side, Germany deployed revenge weapons in a bid to terrorise British civilians and undermine morale.

Known as the 'doodlebugs' or 'buzz bombs' on account of the distinctive sound they made when in flight, 29 of these flying bombs fell in Epsom and Ewell from June to October 1944.

They killed 13 people and injured 251, destroyed 86 properties, seriously damaged a further 200 and inflicted blast damage on 9,000 more.



**Cost £5 per child per session (includes one free adult)!**

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# The Romans are coming!

Saturday 9 November, 1pm to 3pm



The Romans are coming, building that new fangled thing called a road through the area, and changing a way of life forever.

Discover what life was like in Roman Ewell; you can try out some beauty treatments and find out what they ate, how they cooked it and taste some of the results!

If you're fed up with Ewell then join the Roman army and see the Empire – but be sure you want to, because you'll be gone for 25 years!

# A World War 2 Christmas

Saturday 14 December, 1pm to 2.30pm



For many families, the most difficult part of a wartime Christmas was spending the festive season apart from loved ones. Many men were fighting abroad in the armed forces or were being held as prisoners of war. Women might also be away in the services or carrying out war work. Many children spent Christmas away from home as evacuees.

Christmas luxuries were especially hard to come by at a time when even basic foods were scarce and people were forced to find substitutes for key festive ingredients. Gifts were often homemade and practical, and children's toys would be made from recycled materials.

Cards were smaller and printed on flimsy paper but people still did their best to have a good time.

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# CATS CLUB



**Hear some grizzly historic stories and have creative fun making Halloween arts and crafts**

**Thursday 31 October**

Two repeat sessions: 10.30am - noon or 1pm - 2.30pm  
**£8 per child (£1 sibling discount)**



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## Halloween walk on the dark side

One of our popular Bourne Hall Museum walks, open to all ages

Discover the darker side of Ewell's history with a guided tour around its historic heart. Visit graveyards and crime scenes (if you dare)! Hear tales of local folk who won't stay dead, ghostly coach crashes and discover the story of Joan Butts, Ewell's witch.

Are you brave enough to dare to tread where the Resurrection Men once stood whilst you learn about their grisly trade?

Experience for yourself what it was like to be imprisoned in Ewell's 18th century jail - be careful you don't get left behind.

Join us on

- **Wednesday 30 October (suitable for younger children)**  
2pm to 3.30pm
- **Wednesday 30 October** 7.30 to 9pm
- **Thursday 31 October (suitable for younger children)**  
5pm to 6.30pm
- **Thursday 31 October** 7.30pm to 9 pm
- **Friday 1 November** 7.30 to 9pm

**Please meet in the foyer of Bourne Hall**

**Due to their popularity, pre-booking of our walks is recommended**

**Cost £5 per person**

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