

SCHOOLS

Teachers looking for “hands-on” learning workshops and resources should contact Hitchin and Letchworth Museums Education Service. Whether you work in nursery, reception, primary or secondary schools we can offer:

NATIONAL CURRICULUM BASED WORKSHOPS • MUSEUM TAUGHT SESSIONS • MUSEUM LOANS - CHOOSE FROM 1200 ITEMS • SPECIAL WORKSHOPS LINKED WITH MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS AND NATIONAL EVENTS • TRAINED AND FRIENDLY STAFF • VALUE FOR MONEY

SOME OF OUR POPULAR MUSEUM WORKSHOPS

These are a few of our workshops, all based on the National Curriculum and QCA Schemes of Work, and developed to encourage a variety of learning styles. Sessions give children an opportunity to handle real museum objects, to try on costumes, complete worksheets, and often include music, role play and a craft based activity.

ROMAN LIVES

QCA History Unit 6a.

**Why have people invaded and settled in Britain in the past?
A Roman case study.**

Learn how archaeologists discover information about the past by taking part in a blanket excavation. Handle real Roman objects to find out how the Romans lived. Use your skills to investigate a Roman home. Find out how people lived in Roman Hertfordshire.

WORLD WAR2 – THE HOME FRONT

QCA History unit 9.

What was it like for children in the Second World War?

Learn how to be prepared for an air raid and evacuation, fill in ID labels and ration books, and discover if you could survive on 2oz. sweets a week.

THE SECRETS OF ANCIENT EGYPT

QCA History Unit 10.

What can we find out about Ancient Egypt from what has survived?

Dress up as an Egyptian, and handle real and replica Egyptian objects. Find out about the beliefs of the Egyptians, learn about the mummification process and make a mummy to take back to school.

2 FEET 4 FEET

QCA Science unit 1A. Ourselves.

Investigate parts of the body, adult and baby animals, growing and changing, how animals move.

Developed with two KS1 teachers this new session gives an exciting hands on introduction to the differences between animals and ourselves. With activities designed to suit all learning styles.

TOYS PAST AND PRESENT

QCA History unit 1.

How are toys different from those in the past?

Investigate how toys have changed using real and replica toys.

VOLUNTEER!

Do you have a few hours a week you would like to spend passing on your skills and knowledge to children?

For oral history we need people who would be able to share memories of the War with children.

We also need volunteers to help out in our teaching sessions and enable each child to get the most out of their visit.

Contact Cas Sanders on 01462 422946 to discuss volunteering.

SCHOOLS LOANS SERVICE

With a collection of over 1200 objects, schools can borrow items on a termly basis.

Subjects include *Natural History, Invaders and Settlers, WW2, Romans, the Egyptians and Victorian life and work.*

Look up our loans catalogue online (www.north-herts.gov.uk then enter museum loans in the search box.)

Loans can be ordered by email or fax only.

ARCHAEOLOGY



YAC ACTIVITIES APRIL - OCTOBER 2009

All activities are free to members and last for two hours. They must be booked in advance. Email keith.matthews@north-herts.gov.uk or telephone (01462) 434896

Saturday 18 April
What can we learn from old buildings? Start at Hitchin Museum at 2 o'clock.

Saturday 23 May
A walk around ancient Baldock. Meet at The Community Centre, Simpsons Drive at 2 o'clock.

Saturday 20 June
What can you learn at Letchworth Museum? A quiz with prizes. 2 o'clock.

Saturday 19 September
What archaeologists can learn from old bits and pieces: finds. Museums Resource Centre, Burymead Road, 2 o'clock.

Saturday 17 October
The Rubbish Game. Letchworth Museum, 2 o'clock.

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Meetings are held at Letchworth Museum at 8.00 pm and are free to members, £2 non-members.

Tuesday 28 April
Keeping up appearances: prehistoric jewellery in Britain and beyond. Ben Roberts from the British Museum.

Thursday 14 May
Annual General Meeting.

NORTON COMMUNITY ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP

All meetings are held at Norton Bowls Club Pavilion (behind The Three Horseshoes) and begin at 7.15 pm. Free to residents of Letchworth Garden City. To join, please visit the website at <http://www.nortoncommarch.com> or telephone Ken Bird on 07901977494

Thursday 16 April
The human settlement of Britain. Keith Fitzpatrick-Matthews.

Thursday 21 May
Finds processing workshop.

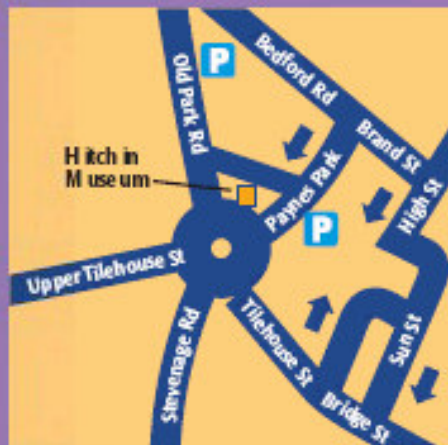
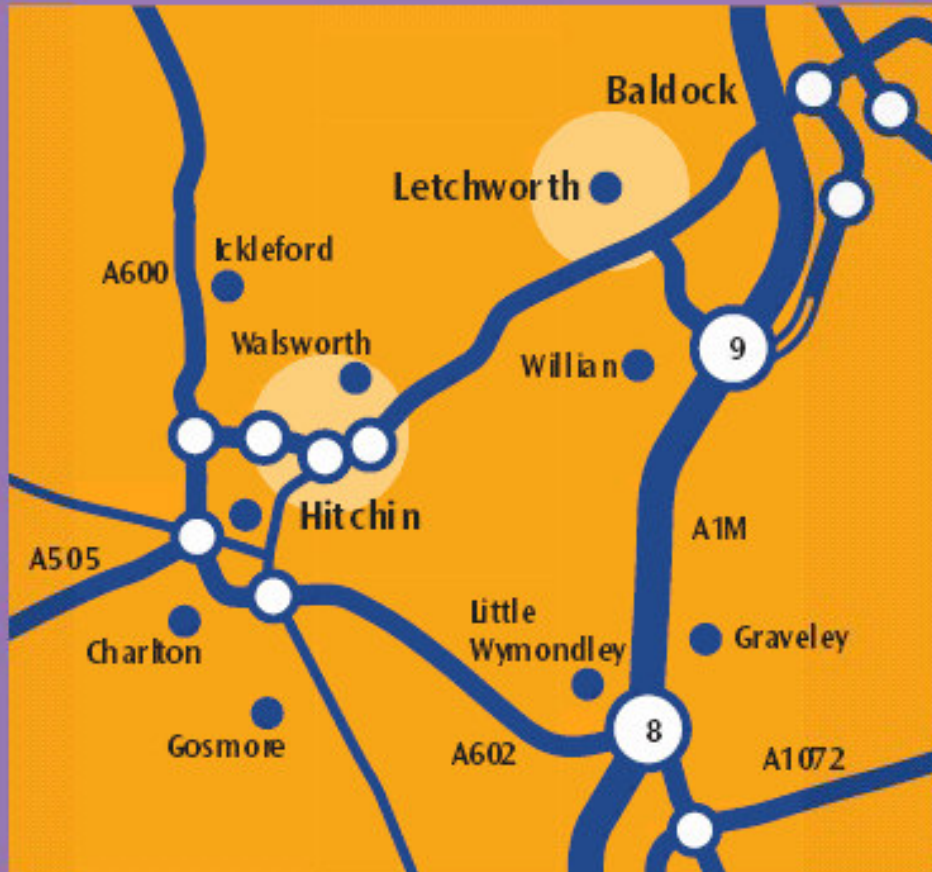
Thursday 4 June
Hadham ware pottery. Chris Lydamore, Harlow Museum.

Thursday 16 July
Techniques of practical archaeology. Keith Fitzpatrick-Matthews.

The summer excavation will run from Wednesday 5 August to Sunday 30 August.



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