



Admission charges

70p per child in a school group. £30 for an hours hands-on/activity workshop plus a small charge for any materials used. A percentage of this fee goes towards our 'Education' funding.

All accompanying adults are free.

We can open outside our normal hours.
Please contact us for further information.

See our teaching materials on line at:

www.shaftesburyheritage.org.uk

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Shaftesbury Abbey Museum (for both museums)

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Welcome to the Education Service at Shaftesbury Abbey and Gold Hill Museums 2010



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Gold Hill Museum & Garden Registered Charity No. 229883
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The Museums

Gold Hill and Shaftesbury Abbey Museums both contain unique collections. They tell the story of the town and local area from prehistoric times to the present day, covering:

- Archaeology
- Saxons and King Alfred
- Medieval life
- Tudor times and the Dissolution
- Rural and Victorian times
- Local history
- 20th century
- Medieval herbs and their uses

Following a successful Heritage Lottery Fund bid, Gold Hill Museum will be closed in 2010 while undergoing major refurbishments, including a new learning centre. However the Abbey Museum will be open to pre-booked schools throughout the year, and all educational activities will be available there.

What we offer

We offer talks, tours and activities designed to develop your pupils' historical investigation and interpretation skills, enhancing their learning in a fun and meaningful way.



We can also visit you in school with our themed outreach boxes for the Roman, Saxon and Medieval, Tudor and Victorian periods.

We welcome enquiries from schools, pre-schools and nursery schools who would like to visit the Abbey Museum or have an outreach visit in school. At the Abbey Museum we can cater for visits of up to 30 children, divided into groups.



For pre-school children and Key Stage One, we offer a session on toys, and another with stories and nursery rhymes, both based on objects in the collections.

Please get in touch if you have other topics in mind, and we can develop a session for you.

The Education Team

The education team consists of Colin Roberts, an experienced primary school teacher and keen local historian, and Claire Ryley, who led the education team at Fishbourne Roman Palace.

Please telephone or email us at Shaftesbury Abbey Museum and we will get Colin or Claire to contact you.