



EVENTS FOR SCHOOLS AT NORWICH CASTLE:

KS2 A Day with the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

Essential information

Maximum group size 120, £5 per student, 10am until 2pm

The event

A metal-detectorist has discovered a brooch in Norfolk that reveals the story of Thurweald, an Anglo-Saxon/Viking warrior-king, and his people. Children will meet the detectorist as well as Anglo-Saxon/Viking characters, and will learn about the story of Thurweald, who has died. It is a time to mourn but also to wonder at Thurweald's life, the things he has done, and the lives he enabled his people to lead. Pupils will reflect on which possessions should be put in Thurweald's grave as we send him on his way to the afterlife.

Examine gallery exhibits with the metal-detectorist to learn about the burial practices and beliefs of the Anglo-Saxons. Travel back in time to meet villagers and handle real and replica objects to gather information about costume, domestic life, religion, craftsmanship, work and trade. Plus hear tales from a storyteller, who will help you re-enact one of the heroic adventures of Thurweald, and create your own piece of Anglo-Saxon/Viking-themed jewellery.

Aims and learning outcomes:

- Understand how primary sources are used to gather evidence about people's lives in the past
- Engage children with museum objects as sources of inspiration, knowledge and exploration
- Expand children's understanding of the origins of Anglo-Saxon and Viking beliefs and customs

How to book:

Advance booking is essential. To book, please call 01603 493636 or email norwichcastle.bookings@norfolk.gov.uk.

