

Learning at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse

Evacuees (Home Front Heroes) programme
Key Stage 2



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An active and engaging day which offers a perfect complement for your study of the Second World War as a key theme of British history or local study. Our Evacuees day uses atmospheric locations and costumed characters to bring the Home Front to life and lets your children empathise with this significant turning point in British history.

Pupils meet a Women's Land Army girl and 'dig for victory' with the heavy horses. They take cover in the air raid shelter and are shown how to use a stirrup pump by the ARP warden. They 'make do and mend' with a worried housewife, find out about rationing in the village shop and help win the war with the Home Guard.

Aims and learning outcomes

KS2 History and English

- Explore life at the height of the Battle of Britain, a significant turning point in British history.
- Understand the Home Front and the local impact of national events.
- Promotes empathy skills and helps children to appreciate how Total War affected everyone.
- Develop listening, speaking and questioning skills through an engaging and accessible event.
- An immersive experience which offers a vast amount of material to promote creative and imaginative writing: subject-specific language, atmospheric settings and developed characters.

Essential information

A day of activities led by museum staff; 10am to 2pm, with a break for lunch.
Maximum group size of 120 pupils.
£6.00 per pupil.

Bookings

Advance booking is essential. For further information or to make a booking, please contact our Bookings Administrator on 01362 860563 or gressenhall.museum@norfolk.gov.uk

