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Welcome to the latest Educational Visits digital magazine bringing you news and updates on what is happening for schools and families in your region up to and including the Summer holidays.

We hope that this magazine gives you and your family some inspiration of exciting things to do and places to visit nearby.

Remember to check ahead for any booking information to avoid disappointment. Please feel free to tell friends and colleagues about this publication so that they too are aware of exactly what is happening in your area. We hope you have a wonderful time this Summer.

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Emoji is a word that originally meant "pictograph" or "icon" and World Emoji Day is a fun way to start a serious conversation with your students about communication. Emojis are the new shorthand, crossing language barriers and have become a useful tool to be able to send abbreviated messages making communications fun and alive.

The history of emojis in their current form can be traced back to the 1990s when Japanese mobile phone operator DoCoMo put a heart inscription on a cheap pager which was an instance success with teenagers. When they introduced an updated pager, they omitted the heart inscription which led to a huge outcry from their customers, many left and joined another pager company who had adopted the heart inscription. In 1999, DoCoMo realised that they were onto something and employed a team to develop 176 pixilated characters to describe the weather, feelings and general day to day images and objects.

By 2007 the Unicode Consortium, a Silicon Valley non-profit organisation, began to standardize emojis so that they would appear the same on all platforms, regardless of what type of phone, computer or website was being used. By 2011, Apple introduced them onto their iPhones and today, 30 years on from their early beginnings, a staggering 5 billion emojis are sent every day on Facebook alone.

Whether you love or hate emojis in professional communications, there's no doubt they're becoming more common in the workplace too and as George Orwell once said, "Never use a long word where a short one will do."



Discover an array of museums and places to visits, together with the latest information on our website www.educationalvisitsuk.com.

Updated throughout the year with blogs, educational workshops as well as events and new listings, the www.educationalvisitsuk.com website brings together everything to make planning your next educational adventure effortless. We have combined the website with School Trips UK, our sister site, that offers bespoke school trips, this will make it easier for you to choose whether you want to book and organise your school trip yourself or decide to use our services and let us take the strain of organising and planning your next adventure!

Listings for over 200 attractions and accommodation from all over England and Wales that we think are perfect for school trips or education groups. You will also find more information about each attraction including the key stages/ages catered for and subjects as well as the facilities they have including accessibility.

Direct links to each advertiser's website for ease of booking or making an enquiry.

TripAdvisor ratings for each attraction so you can see what other teachers think before you book.

An active events page which lets you know special events and exhibitions that are going on – check back regularly so as not to miss a thing!

A compelling blog, written by our team with contributions from our advertisers ensures that our articles have the latest news to continually inspire you throughout the year.

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Life Science Centre

Learning with Lightyear

Let your students be inspired by the science behind Lightyear through space-themed activities.*

- Explore the amazing Space Zone
- Experience out-of-this-world live shows
- Be wowed by an astronaut's view of Earth

Times Square, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4EP

*Lightyear activities running until end of September 2022. Subject to availability.

Book your visit by calling (0191) 243 8223

Kids Days Out Events

Below is a list of great days out over the coming weeks for Summer events listed by county. Always check before making a special journey in case anything changes.



History Walk

Until 24 September **Durham Cathedral** Durham DH1 3FH

https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/whats-on

School Visits

Until October Raby Castle Staindrop, Co. Durham, DL2 3AH

https://www.raby.co.uk/raby-castle/

Crafternoons

10 and 12 June Ushaw: Historic House, Chapels and Gardens Durham, DH7 9RH https://www.ushaw.org/

Horses at Beamish Museum

11-12 June Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish, County Durham DH9 0RG https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/

Family Astronomy

11, 18 and 25 June Grassholme Observatory West Pasture, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0PW

https://www.grassholmeobservatory.com/

Zog and the Flying Doctors

17-19 June Gala Theatre Millenium Place, DH1 1WA https://galadurham.co.uk/whats-on/

The Secret Garden

25 June Gala Theatre Millenium Place, DH1 1WA https://galadurham.co.uk/whats-on/



Crank it Up! at Beamish Museum

Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish, County Durham DH9 0RG https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/

Family Astronomy

9 and 23 July Grassholme Observatory West Pasture, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0PW https://www.grassholmeobservatory.com/

Meccano Weekend at Beamish Museum

Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish, County Durham DH9 0RG https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/

Buses at Beamish Museum

16-17 July Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish, County Durham DH9 0RG https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/

Summer of Fun at Beamish Museum

22 July - 31 August Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Beamish, County Durham DH9 0RG https://www.beamish.org.uk/whats-on/

Family Astronomy

6, 13 and 27 August Grassholme Observatory West Pasture, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 OPW https://www.grassholmeobservatory.com/

Let's Create Summer School

8-12 August **Bowes Museum** Newgate, Barnard Castle DL12 8NP https://www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk/Whats-On/Events

The Tortoise and the Hare

9 August Gala Theatre

Millenium Place, DH1 1WA

https://galadurham.co.uk/whats-on/

Horrible Histories

10-11 August Gala Theatre

Millenium Place, DH1 1WA

https://galadurham.co.uk/whats-on/

NORTHUMBERLAND

Beside the Seaside Exhibition

(150 Years of Northumbrian Beach Holidays) Until 30 August Bailiffgate Museum & Gallery 14 Bailiffgate, Alnwick, Northumberland NE66 1LX https://bailiffgatemuseum.co.uk/

Young Explorers

Every Saturday, 5-7pm Kielder Observatory

Kielder Observatory, Black Fell, Off Shilling Pot, Kielder, Northumberland.

kielderobservatory.org/our-events

Space Kid Event

5:30pm-7:30pm **Kielder Observatory** Kielder Observatory, Black Fell, Off Shilling Pot, Kielder, Northumberland

Selected dates throughout the summer holidays from

kielderobservatory.org/our-events

Mini Museum Activity Trollies

Wednesday-Sundays Woodhorn Museum

QEII Country Park, Ashington NE63 9YF

https://museumsnorthumberland.org.uk/hexham-old-gaol/

Marley the Miniature Pony

Bamburgh Castle Bamburgh, Northumberland, NE69 7DF

https://www.bamburghcastle.com/whats-on/

The Secret Garden

2 July

Ford and Etal Estates Cornhill-on-Tweed, TD12 4TJ

https://www.ford-and-etal.co.uk/events/

Acle Saxon Re-enactment

9-10 July Bamburgh Castle Bamburgh, Northumberland, NE69 7DF https://www.bamburghcastle.com/whats-on/

Birds of Prey Display

16-20 July Alnwick Castle Alnwick NE66 1NQ https://www.alnwickcastle.com/

The Tales of Peter Rabbit and Benjamin Bunny

24 July

Outdoor Theatre Bamburgh Castle

Bamburgh, Northumberland, NE69 7DF

https://www.bamburghcastle.com/whats-on/

Kids Comedy Workshop and Family Friendly Show

The Alnwick Gardens

Greenwell Road Alnwick, Northumberland NE66 1HB

https://www.alnwickgarden.com/

Jesting with Zooted

30 July - 3 August Alnwick Castle Alnwick NE66 1NQ

https://www.alnwickcastle.com/

Acle Saxon Re-enactment

6-7 August Bamburgh Castle

Bamburgh, Northumberland, NE69 7DF

https://www.bamburghcastle.com/whats-on/

Medieval Alchemist

13-17 August Alnwick Castle Alnwick NE66 1NQ https://www.alnwickcastle.com/

The Tales of Peter Rabbit and Benjamin Bunny

14 August Outdoor Theatre

Bamburgh Castle Bamburgh, Northumberland, NE69 7DF

https://www.bamburghcastle.com/whats-on/

TEESSIDE

Rapunzel

17 July Middlesbrough Town Hall

Albert Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 2QJ

www.middlesbroughtownhall.co.uk

Awful Auntie by David Walliams

11 August

Middlesbrough Town Hall Albert Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 2QJ www.middlesbroughtownhall.co.uk

TYNE AND WEAR

Medieval Newcastle Tours

Weekends in August and September Newcastle Castle The Black Gate, Castle garth, Newcastle NE1 1RQ

https://www.newcastlecastle.co.uk/whats-on

Aardman Studios Workshops

14 August Seven Stories

30 Lime Street, Ouseburn Valley, Newcastle NE1 2PQ https://www.sevenstories.org.uk/whats-on?page=1



With over 25 years of experience in the travel industry, our school trips team can help organise your ideal trip. We are proud of our trips and know that whatever the destination we can deliver bespoke packages that will inspire students of all ages.

After we have received your initial enquiry, you will work with one team member from the start to the completion of your trip. Throughout the process your agent will keep you in the loop to ensure you are happy with things every step of the way.

All trips are created to your requirements and can be arranged around specific topics that are relevant to your class. We can include workshops, talks, company visits or other relevant activities to your requirement. Everything for your trip is organised for you by us and personally sourced, from local restaurants to evening activities such as theatre shows or ghost walks.

Before you depart on your trip you will be provided with detailed itineraries, all your booking information, travel maps and walking guides where appropriate and if needed 24-hour emergency contact details.

Check out the sample itineraries on our website for ideas and inspiration. These itineraries are just an illustration of the kind of trip we can organise, whatever you have in mind get in touch to discuss how we can help you plan the perfect school trip.

www.educationalvisitsuk.com/school-trips-and-travel-experiences/

If you have ideas but are not sure how to bring them all together, get in touch and see how we can help make your perfect school trip come to life.

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Virtual Learning



Coming Zoom to a classroom near you

Online learning and virtual workshops are a great way for schools to access flexible, personalised learning experiences, especially if they are unable physically visit. Here is a list of some of the country's finest museums and attractions offering ways of learning that can mean reduced costs for schools and repeated access to course materials.

Aerospace Bristol – have a vast array of fun and educational activities & resources to enjoy at home or in the classroom. From making Gliders to learning about the science behind rockets, this is the site to visit. Our particular favourite is making your own Airshow! https://aerospacebristol.org/at-home-with-aerospace-bristol

Barnsley Museums – enjoy a 360 degree tour of the fabulous Experience Barnsley and Can-non Hall Museums. https://www.barnsley-museums.com/digital/virtual-exhibitions

Beamish – The Living Museum – bring classroom learning to life through remote and onsite, immersive experiences for KS1-5. https://www.beamish.org.uk/learning/learning-activities/

Cornish Seal Sanctuary – offer Virtual Workshops tailored to individual Key Stage groups and designed to teach students about environmental issues, habitats and species in a fun way.

https://sealsanctuary.sealifetrust.org/en/visiting-us/virtual-workshops/

Jewish Museum – offer award-winning workshops through distance learning. Workshops are based on a guided exploration experience of the unique collection of authentic objects enabling students to have awareness of what it means to be Jewish in Britain today.

https://jewishmuseum.org.uk/virtual-classrooms/

Leeds Museums and Galleries – providing online Exhibitions including the Open Minds Exhibition, Podcasts and a vast array of online learning resources and online activities for kids.

https://museumsandgalleries.leeds.gov.uk/virtual-visit/

Life Science Centre – the #LifeGoesONline programme is full of educational activities and fun demonstrations to try at home including Birthday themed challenges, scavenger hunts and science at home fun.

https://www.life.org.uk/life-goes-online

Malton Museum – deliver amazing outreach Roman Legacy sessions at schools and provide the ever popular Museum in a box resource to help you create your own class/school museum.

https://www.maltonmuseum.co.uk/school-groups/

National Coal Mining Museum for England – can provide 1 hour live workshops for schools including Meet a Miner, Victorian Miner and Rocks and Fossils virtual sessions.

https://www.ncm.org.uk/learning-hub/

National History Museum – free until July, the Natural History Museum can be brought into the classroom with live virtual workshops and streamed shows. Workshops run for 45-60 minutes and are particularly suited to KS2 pupils. Topics currently include volcanoes, earthquakes and virtual evolution.

https://www.nhm.ac.uk/schools/virtual-workshops.html

National Memorial Arboretum – give access to a multitude of materials available for free to use from home. Also have fantastic online KS2 and KS3 Activity Worksheets. Subjects available include 'Women at work in World War 1' and 'Children in the second world war'.

https://www.thenma.org.uk/visit-us/plan-your-visit/visiting-for-learning-and-training/learning-from-home

Observatory Science Centre and Planetarium – the award winning outside the classroom provider, has with everything from wordsearches to the fantastic Night Sky Objects and Seen from Space sections.

https://www.the-observatory.org/science-at-home

Scarborough Museums - take virtual tours of Scarborough Art Gallery and the Rotunda Museums.

https://www.scarboroughmuseumstrust.com/arts-award-at-home/

Royal Armouries Museum – have a plethora of Learning resources and offer a bookable live digital outreach service for schools that are unable to visit.

https://royalarmouries.org/learning/?where=LearningResources

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre – the Education team have workshops, storytelling sessions, CPD and projects that can be delivered for schools online. Full length productions can also be streamed.

https://www.shakespearesglobe.com/learn/

Stratford Butterfly Farm – providing downloadable resources to help support learning from home/within schools on the Lifecycle of a Butterfly/Ancient Maya Rainforest Civilisation.

 $\underline{https://www.butterflyfarm.co.uk/attraction/schools-and-groups}$

Thackray Museum of Medicine – offer fully interactive and engaging virtual workshops to bring excitement and fun to the classroom through the wonders of technology. Available from early years through to Sixth Form and College.

https://thackraymuseum.co.uk/learn/

Tower of London – have a large selection of resources to use in the classroom covering topics like the Tower itself, Walter Raleigh, Elizabeth I, the Stuarts, the Tudors and many more.

https://www.hrp.org.uk/schools/learning-resources/

Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium – are now bringing Science to the Classroom with the Ultimate STEM School Takeout. The focus is certainly on learning through fun with workshops and demonstrations designed to spark curiosity in STEM. From Stargazing Guides to Curiosity Challenges, there is something for kids of all ages.

https://www.winchestersciencecentre.org/

