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CHANGES IN BRITAIN FROM THE STONE AGE TO THE IRON AGE

Engaging and practical KS2 discovery days
delivered by the Creswell Crags Learning Team
at the University of Nottingham Museum, Lakeside Arts



Designed to help your students' understanding of the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, a visit to the University of Nottingham Museum is the perfect way to learn about prehistoric Britain.

Your students will have an opportunity to learn what we know about prehistoric Britain and how we know about the changes that took place.

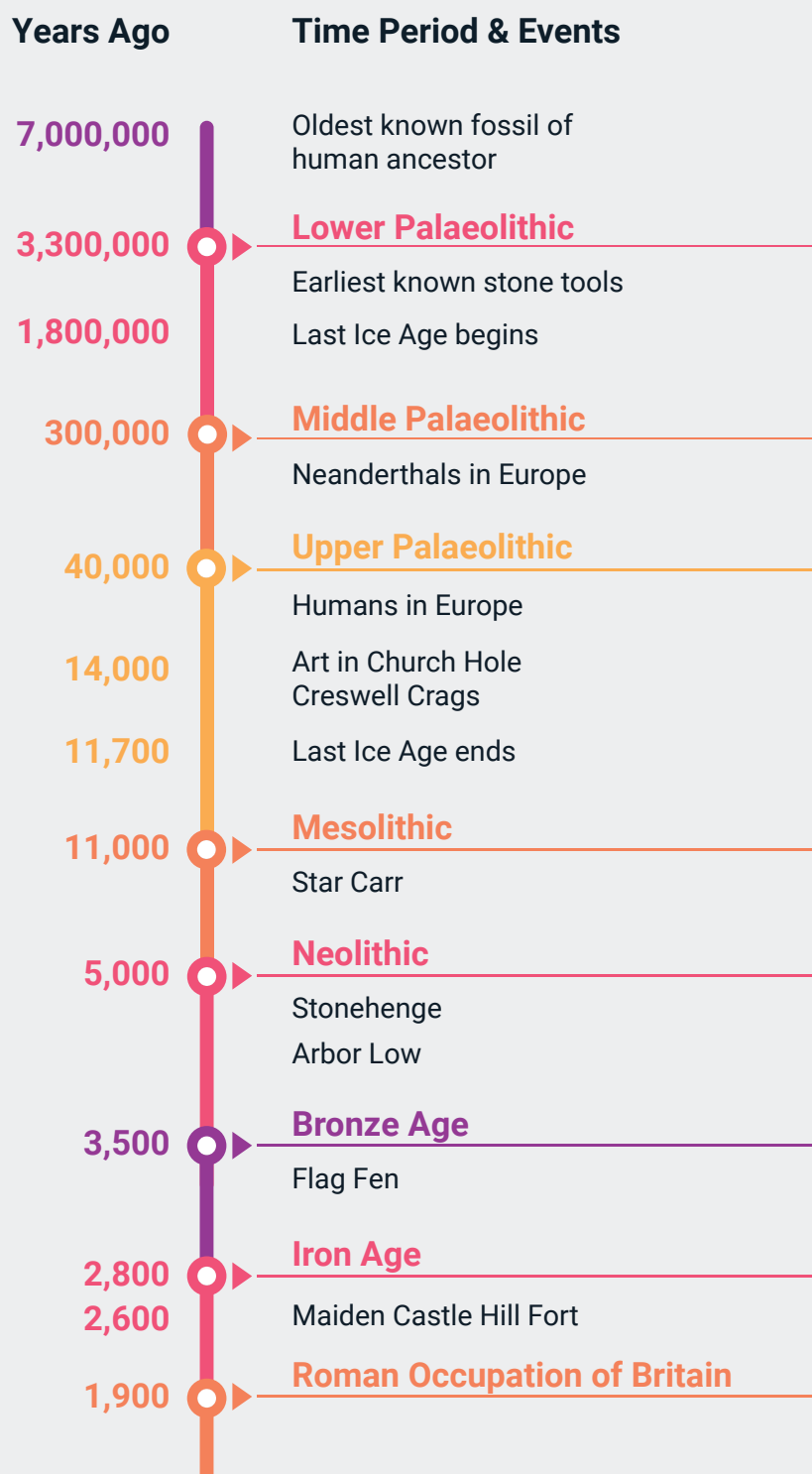
University of Nottingham Museum

Located on University Park Campus, the University of Nottingham Museum is an award-winning museum that holds a collection of regional archaeology covering 250,000 years. The museum contains objects that tell a fascinating story of everyday life over this long period.

Why the Creswell Crags Learning Team?

Creswell Crags, located on the Nottinghamshire-Derbyshire border, is one of the most important prehistoric sites in Britain. Caves within this gorge have sheltered people and animals for over 60,000 years, with bones, fossils, and stone tools all telling the story of those who visited during the last Ice Age.

The Learning Team at this internationally important site have been delivering high quality educational activities to visiting primary school groups for many years. They have now used their vast experience and expertise to create these unique activity packages for children to learn about prehistory through engaging and interactive sessions at the University of Nottingham Museum.



Stone Age to Iron Age Activity Day

Prehistoric Britain was a time from when no records exist, so how do we know about the people who lived here? Our Stone Age to Iron Age activity day explores the archaeology of British prehistory, with children getting a hands-on experience of the objects left behind.

Activities include excavating replica artefacts and working out what they are, having a go at different types of art people did across the three stages of the Stone Age, and travelling through time in an immersive activity in which pupils experience how peoples' lives - and the objects they made - changed from the Stone Age to Iron Age.

Available

Tuesdays

September
to
December

Activity Day Sessions

Exploring Excavation

Learn the skills used by archaeologists to uncover the evidence left behind by our oldest ancestors. Participants will learn what archaeologists look for, take part in their own excavation, and create displays for the artefacts they discover.

Art of the Ancients

Have a go at the art that Stone Age people created thousands of years ago, and see how this changed over time. From Palaeolithic charcoal drawing to Neolithic cup and ring marks, participants will get hands-on with a variety of creative techniques.

Prehistoric Professions

Become a Stone Age farmer, a Bronze Age potter and an Iron Age trader, discovering how people's way of life changed through prehistory. Visit the University of Nottingham Museum to see the real artefacts left behind by the lives of the people who lived here in the past.



Example Timetable

10:00-10:30am

Welcome, orientation & toilets

10:30am-11:30am

Exploring Excavation

11:30am-12:30pm

Art of the Ancients

12:30-1:00pm

Lunch

1:00-2:00pm

Prehistoric Professions

2:00pm-2:15pm

Toilets & depart

Important Information



Location

Sessions are held at the **University of Nottingham Museum**, located on University Park Campus. You will find the museum between the Department of Music and Djanogly Gallery.



Adult Supervision

We recommend bringing **4-6 adults** to accompany the activity day, plus any one-to-ones your group may require. During the activity day, the group may be split into two equally sized "tribes", to create smaller group sizes for the activities. We therefore require a **minimum** of 4 adults (i.e. 2 per tribe), plus any one-to-ones if needed, to enable the supervision and safety of your group.



Cost

The cost for the activity day is **£12 per child**. The maximum class size is 35 children, so if you wish to bring more than this, you will need to book multiple days.



Accessibility

The activities take place indoors, and are fully wheelchair accessible. We are dedicated to making your visit to the University of Nottingham as accessible as possible for all members of your group. We shall call your school around two weeks before your visit to confirm the arrangements indicated on your booking form, including any accommodations needed for any additional requirements. If you have additional needs within your group, including sight/hearing impairments, mobility issues, or SEN, or you know of specific things we can do to make your visit more accessible, please do not hesitate to tell us in advance of your visit, and we shall do our best to accommodate this.



Available Days

Sessions will run on **Tuesdays** only September - December 2026. Please note, the museum is closed to the public on this day. Please contact us to discuss current availability.



Public Spaces

Toilets are shared with the public and the children will be walking through the cafe and Angear gallery. The museum itself should be closed to the public on activity days.

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Numbers

The maximum number for each activity day is 35 children and 4 adults (plus any one-to-one support staff who may attend in addition to the 4 adults). If you wish to bring more than 35 children, please book an additional date(s) and split the group over multiple days.

Booking Process

All bookings are made via our booking form, which is emailed out to schools once a provisional date is agreed with us. The form is completed by the school and returned to us via email. No booking is secure until we have acknowledged receipt of the booking form and emailed the information pack to the booked school.

Schools with a secure booking will be sent an information pack, which includes details of the timetable of the activity day, travel information, risk assessments, the school's agreement with us, and vital health and safety information. By placing a booking, you agree to:

- Carefully read the information we send you, and to forward the information to all members of staff within your school who are involved with the trip, including teachers, teaching assistants and business support staff.
- Submit your own risk assessment for your visit to us at least 2 weeks before your visit. This shall be read by staff at both the University of Nottingham and Creswell Craggs, to ensure that everything is in place for your visit.

PLEASE NOTE: Without written confirmation that you have read the information pack and the submission of your school's risk assessment for the visit, we are unable to deliver your activity day, and the booking shall be cancelled. Schools who make a booking but then fail to submit confirmation of reading and a risk assessment will be charged the cancellation fee subject to our cancellation policy (below).

Payment

Cost of the activity is £12 per child (no VAT). We will issue an electronic invoice before your visit, to the e-mail address you have specified. Payment can be made by cheque to Creswell Heritage Trust or by BACS (details will be on the invoice). Payment is due within 30 days after your visit. For any invoicing queries, please email finance@creswell-craggs.org.uk

Cancellations

Creswell Heritage Trust is an independent charity and we have limited resources; we must ensure that these are used as effectively as possible. As our learning programme is very popular, we appreciate as much advance notice as possible if you need to cancel or reschedule your visit.

Cancellations or requests to reschedule your visit made more than 8 weeks before the date of your booked visit will not be charged. Cancellations or requests to reschedule your visit made within 8 weeks of the date of your booked visit will incur the following charges:

Number of weeks before your booked visit	Percentage of total cost* charged if visit is cancelled or rescheduled
More than 8 weeks	0% (No charge)
6 - 8 weeks	50%
4 - 6 weeks	75%
Less than 4 weeks	100%

* Total cost is based on the number of children due to visit stated on your booking form, at £12 per child (VAT Exempt).

Rescheduling a visit will be classed as a cancellation and will be subjected to the above charges. The rescheduled visit shall then be treated as a new booking and charged at the usual rate per child. Exceptions to this rule may be made at the discretion of Creswell Heritage Trust, in extreme situations which are out of the school's control.

Cancellations and requests to reschedule must be made in writing via email to education@creswell-craggs.org.uk. Once a cancellation or reschedule request has been made, a confirmation of the amount owed, if applicable,

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shall be communicated to the email address used by the school to make the booking/cancellation. In the unlikely event that Creswell Heritage Trust cancels the booking, no charges shall be applied, and a full refund will be issued, if a booking has already been paid.

Responsibility

While the staff at Creswell Craggs shall do everything within their ability to keep visitors safe during their visit, responsibility for the health and safety of the group from a visiting school remains with the adults accompanying the trip, who must always accompany the group.

Managing the behaviour of the children while attending the visit, to ensure that the sessions are not disrupted or made unsafe, is also the responsibility of the accompanying adults from the school. Creswell Craggs staff shall support this behaviour management when appropriate but shall at no point be solely responsible for this during the activity day. Creswell Heritage Trust reserves the right to stop any activity which Creswell Craggs staff feel is unsafe due to child behaviour or lack of adult supervision, with the school having no entitlement to a refund in this situation.

Responsibility

We recommend bringing 4-6 adults to accompany the activity day, plus any one-to-ones your group may require. During the activity day, the group may be split into two equally sized "tribes", to create smaller group sizes for the activities. We therefore require a minimum of 4 adults (i.e. 2 per tribe), plus any one-to-ones if needed, to enable the supervision and safety of your group.

If fewer than 4 adults accompany the visit, we may not be able to deliver all activities as planned due to our health & safety and safeguarding policies. No refund or deduction in cost of the day shall be given in this event, so please ensure that you provide enough adults to supervise your group

Getting to Us



By Coach

Coaches are welcome to drop off and pick up directly outside the entrance to the University of Nottingham Museum, on East Drive. The maximum stay for coaches in this location is limited to 20 minutes.

If coach drivers wish to stay on site for the duration of the day, we advise them to find off-site parking as the University Park campus doesn't have coach parking.



By Tram

The University of Nottingham tram stop is located at the bottom of East Drive, around two minutes walk from the University of Nottingham Museum. Please see www.thetram.net/ for details of the Nottingham tram network.

How to Book

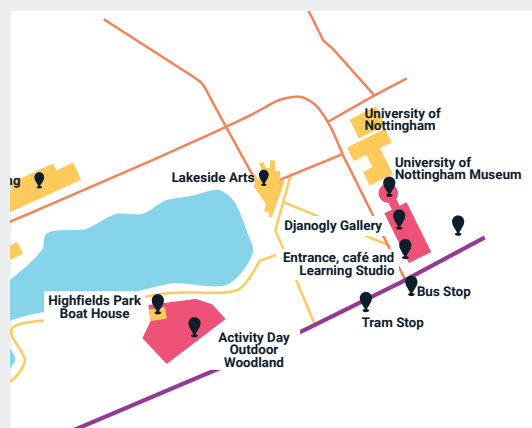
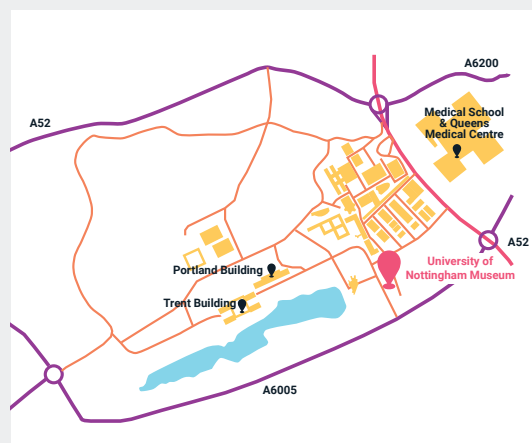
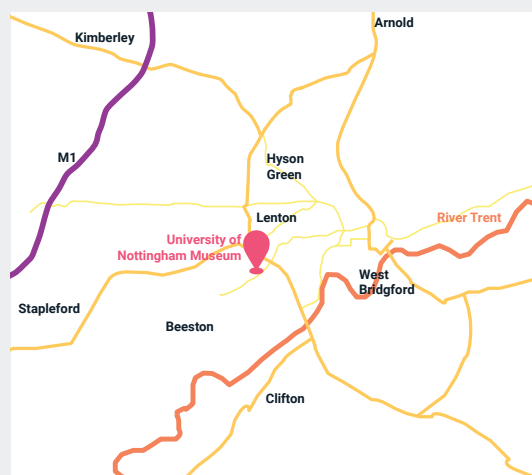
Please email education@creswell-crags.org.uk or call us on 01909 720378 to discuss availability and potential dates for your visit.

Once we have identified a convenient date, we shall send you a booking form to complete; the submission of this form shall secure your booking, and we shall then send you all the information you need for your visit, such as the risk assessments and timetable.

Please note that we require each school visiting the University of Nottingham Museum to submit their own risk assessment at least 2 weeks in advance of their visit, and also confirm in writing that they have read the information we have sent out concerning the activity day.

If you have any queries, please contact our Finance and Bookings Liason Officer on 01909 720378 or email education@creswell-crags.org.uk.

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