



NATIONAL  
MARITIME MUSEUM  
GREENWICH

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2018/2019

**National Maritime Museum  
Early Years and  
Primary Schools**



## National Maritime Museum

Visit the world's largest maritime museum to discover epic stories of Britain's relationship with the sea and the world beyond. Be amongst the first to venture into our four new galleries opening in autumn 2018: 'Polar Worlds', 'Pacific Encounters', 'Tudor and Stuart Seafarers', and 'Sea Things'.

Discover the delights of the Museum including the 'Great Map', two dedicated children's galleries, plus hundreds of objects to behold. The Museum is your extended classroom for you to explore!

### Early years and primary schools at the National Maritime Museum

Our early years and primary school programmes support pupils to use the Museum and collections to build visual literacy, critical thinking, historical enquiry and language skills. We invite pupils to use their imagination and activate their curiosity to ask questions, create stories, play and take a really close look at the things around us.

Choose from an exciting range of cross-curricular facilitated sessions and build a rich learning experience by adding a visit to one of our children's galleries or the 'Great Map', plus one of our exciting gallery trails.

Brimming with adventure, the National Maritime Museum is the perfect learning environment for your pupils to undertake a voyage of discovery.



## My First Visit: Monster Hunt

<b>Key stage:</b>	EYFS
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Understanding the world, Communication and language, Literacy
<b>Session times:</b>	Thursdays 10.15   11.00   12.20   13.05
<b>Capacity:</b>	15 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£30 per session, free for Greenwich schools

- Pupils will:**
- explore Museum objects using songs and role-play
  - use imagination to travel across different landscapes from the big blue ocean to a tall rocky cliff
  - develop communication skills

Embark on an epic monster hunt and follow the clues to find the monster hidden in the depths of the Museum. This multi-sensory session has been inspired by Michael Rosen's classic story *We're going on a bear hunt*.

## We are Explorers

<b>Key stage:</b>	EYFS and KS1
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Literacy, Geography, History
<b>Session times:</b>	Wednesdays 10.15   11.15   12.30
<b>Capacity:</b>	15 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£30 per session, free for Greenwich schools

- Pupils will:**
- handle Museum objects to piece together the clues
  - use imagination and enquiry skills
  - develop literacy skills to tell the rest of Professor C. Breeze's story

Professor C. Breeze has gone missing and all that remains is a bag of artefacts. The National Maritime Museum needs you to use your exploration skills and imagination to work out what has happened to the professor.



## Pirate Day

Ahoy me hearties! Jump aboard the pirate ship as we set sail on a full day of swashbuckling adventures.

For the full pirate experience, we encourage all pirates to come dressed in appropriate swashbuckling attire.

<b>Key stage:</b>	KS1
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Literacy, Geography, History
<b>Session times:</b>	Fridays 10.30–14.00
<b>Capacity:</b>	30 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

- Pupils will:**
- meet a female pirate who will teach them everything they need to know to be a proper pirate
  - develop enquiry skills as they go on a treasure hunt around the Museum
  - use play and independent learning skills as they work on deck in our 'AHOY! Children's Gallery'

## My First Visit: The Captain's Treasure

<b>Key stage:</b>	EYFS
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Understanding the world, Communication and language, Literacy
<b>Session times:</b>	Thursdays 10.15   11.00   12.20   13.05
<b>Capacity:</b>	15 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£30 per session, free for Greenwich schools

- Pupils will:**
- activate their senses by exploring treasure through smell, touch, sound and sight
  - use enquiry and curiosity to navigate their voyage through the Museum
  - develop communication skills

Rummage through the treasure chest of Captain Francis Drake to discover what kind of precious things sailors and pirates collected in the past, before setting off across the stormy seas on your own exciting voyage.

## The World for Breakfast

**Key stage:** KS1  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History, Maths  
**Session times:** Thursdays 10.15 | 11.30 | 13.00  
**Capacity:** 30 children per session  
**Session price:** £60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

Journey around the world to discover where your breakfast comes from.

**Pupils will:**

- use investigation skills to examine maps, pictures and objects
- activate their senses to explore natural products up-close
- learn about other parts of the world and find out about world-wide trade



## Meet the Vikings: Raiders, invaders, traders

**Key stage:** KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History  
**Session times:** Mondays and Thursdays 10.15 | 11.30 | 13.00  
**Capacity:** 30 children per session  
**Session price:** £60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

### Updated for 2018/2019

Dig up the past to examine Viking graves, vessels and artefacts, and step into the shoes of a Viking to discover how their sea-faring talents took them far and wide across the globe.

**Pupils will:**

- investigate what made the Vikings unique as raiders, invaders and traders
- handle replica artefacts and clothing to step into the shoes of a Viking
- develop enquiry, reasoning and communication skills

## Archive Adventures: Polar Explorers

**Key stage:** KS2  
**Curriculum links:** History, Literacy  
**Session times:** Wednesdays 10.15 | 11.15 | 12.30 | 13.00  
**Capacity:** 15 children per session  
**Session price:** £30 per session, FREE for Greenwich schools

### Updated for 2018/2019

Set off on an epic adventure with Tom Crean into the Museum's brand new 'Polar Worlds' gallery to discover how he survived 3 expeditions to Antarctica with famous explorers Scott and Shackleton.

**Pupils will:**

- handle Museum archives and artefacts to discover how and why explorers went to the freezing polar regions
- meet an actor character who will take them on an immersive journey into Antarctica
- develop imagination and historical enquiry skills

## Titanic: Frozen in time

**Key stage:** KS1 and KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Literacy, History, Maths  
**Session times:** Mondays 10.30-14.00  
**Capacity:** 30 children per session  
**Session price:** £60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

### New for 2018/2019

All aboard the RMS *Titanic*! Spend an action-packed day as a passenger or crew member aboard the world's most famous ship before it sinks to the depths of the Atlantic Ocean.

**Pupils will:**

- investigate real objects and archives from the *Titanic*
- immerse themselves as a real character from the ship and meet historical actor characters along the way
- develop their imagination and literacy skills

## Great British Tales, Great British Values

<b>Key stage:</b>	KS2
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Literacy, History, British Values
<b>Session times:</b>	Wednesdays 10.15   12.30
<b>Capacity:</b>	30 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

### New for 2018/2019

Jump back in time to discover characters from Britain's maritime past including Admiral Lord Nelson, Olaudah Equiano and Grace Darling, and question what values you think these people showed through their life's work.

#### Pupils will:

- develop their reading and fact-finding skills
- create their own non-fiction piece of writing to further develop back in the classroom
- consider how different figures in Britain's history have used their values, and reflect on what values are important to them in today's world

## Explorer Day

<b>Key stage:</b>	KS2
<b>Curriculum links:</b>	Geography, History
<b>Session times:</b>	Fridays 10.15-14.00
<b>Capacity:</b>	30 children per session
<b>Session price:</b>	£60 per session, free for Greenwich schools

### New for 2018/2019

Launch into a voyage of discovery through the Museum's brand new galleries to discover how and why people have explored the corners of the earth throughout history.

#### Pupils will:

- gather the tools, skills and qualities they need to become explorers during this full-day expedition
- find out about different historical and contemporary explorers from around the world, and draw their own comparisons
- interact with Museum artefacts, read maps and develop their investigation skills



## Cross-site visits with The Cutty Sark

### A Sailor Went to Sea

**Key stage:** KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History  
**Session times:** 10.00–13.00 | 10.15–13.15 | 11.15–14.30  
**Capacity:** 30 children per session  
**Session price:** £140 per session

Visit both the National Maritime Museum and the famous ship *Cutty Sark* in one day to inspire creative stories set at sea.

### Ships, Maps and Trade: the Great Tea Race

**Key stage:** KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History  
**Session times:** 10.00–13.00 | 10.15–13.15  
**Capacity:** 30 children per session  
**Session price:** £140 per session

Visit both the National Maritime Museum and the famous tea clipper *Cutty Sark* to explore maps and discover how journeys and trade connect the world.

#### Pupils will:

- step into the shoes of a sailor on board the *Cutty Sark*
- examine props, clues and a handwritten letter to discover the life of a young apprentice
- apply curiosity and independent learning skills to explore the National Maritime Museum

#### Pupils will:

- discover the journey of tea by examining maps and historic images
- step into the shoes of merchant sailors to find out what life was like on board the *Cutty Sark*
- navigate their own journeys using the National Maritime Museum's Great Map

## Make a day of it!

If you wish to plan a full day visit, we have a number of self-directed offers at the National Maritime Museum. Travel around the world on our 'Great Map' with our interactive iPads, visit our children's galleries 'AHOY!' or 'All Hands', or select a trail to help you explore the Museum. Please book in advance.

### The Great Map

**Key stage:** KS1, KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History  
**Session price:** Free

Travel around the world on the Museum's giant map. Request our digital tablets to access the Greatest Explorer app to help children discover distant lands and understand their global connections.

### AHOY! Children's Gallery

**Key stage:** EYFS, KS1  
**Curriculum links:** Maths, Literacy, Understanding the world  
**Session price:** Free

This gallery encourages learning through play and exploration, enabling children to find out about ships and the sea in a stimulating, fun-filled way. So jump aboard and fire up your imaginations with the chance to:

- stoke the boiler of a steamship
- dress up as a passenger on a 1920s cruise liner
- buy and sell fish in the fish market
- fire a cannon in a sea battle
- plot your course in the captain's cabin
- catch seaside creatures in the rock pools
- steer an icebreaker through the polar ice



### All Hands Children's Gallery

**Key stage:** KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History  
**Session price:** Free

Key stage 2 school groups booking a visit to the Museum can choose a free session in the 'All Hands Children's Gallery' for an exciting day of activities.

Guided by a friendly Visitor Assistant, discover first-hand where sailors slept, what they ate, and the many dangerous and skilled jobs they did as they sailed around the world. Fire the cannon, steer the ship, hoist the sail and navigate the seven seas – and don't forget to look out for rats and weevils!

### Trails

**Key stage:** EYFS, KS1, KS2  
**Curriculum links:** Geography, History, Literacy  
**Session price:** Free

You can download gallery trails from our website, or request a free gallery trail to accompany your visit which will be issued to your pupils on arrival at the Museum. Choose from a wide range of different trails including:

- Treasure Ahoy! (EYFS/KS1)
- Highlights (EYFS/KS1)
- Find a Favourite (KS2)
- Nelson's Ship in a Bottle (KS2)
- Story Ship (KS2)
- British Empire (KS3)



## Book your visit

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## Online resources

We have a range of learning resources available online to support pre and post-visit activities to the National Maritime Museum.

Visit [rmg.co.uk/schools](http://rmg.co.uk/schools).

## Teachers

We provide free CPD training sessions for teachers which we can deliver at the National Maritime Museum or at your school. We can also host your teacher event free of charge at either the Queen's House or the National Maritime Museum. Contact [learning@rmg.co.uk](mailto:learning@rmg.co.uk) for more information.