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Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre is set in a 36 acre site set in the South Downs National Park.

Dedicated to the industrial heritage of the South East, exhibits include a narrow-gauge railway and bus service (both provide free nostalgic travel around the site), Connected Earth Telecommunications Hall, Milne Electricity Hall, Printing Workshop and much more.

The Museum is also home to traditional craftspeople, such as the blacksmith and potter.

## Education Trips

The wide range of exhibits at the Museum reflects the changes that have taken place in everyday life from the Industrial Revolution onwards. The collections, which include historic buildings and transport machines, have a particular emphasis on History, Science, Technology and Engineering.

The Museum site is unique. With over 40 buildings situated within a chalk quarry ecosystem it offers students a rich and varied environment to explore. Many of the exhibits have a strong 'hands on' element or are 'live' enabling visitors to experience themes, concepts and technologies first hand.

We understand that all groups and learners are different and take care to adapt our service to meet your needs. Amberley is popular with a wide range of students including those with special needs, home educator groups, out of school learners, early years groups and family centres. Please contact the Education Coordinator who will be happy to discuss any special requirements you may have.

## Visiting Us

To make a booking, contact the education department on 01798 831370 option 3 or [caroline.jeffery@amberleymuseum.co.uk](mailto:caroline.jeffery@amberleymuseum.co.uk). We will send you an Education Enquiry Form to fill out and return to us.

We are open Wednesday – Sunday inclusive West Sussex term time from 10am to 5pm.

We welcome 'pre-visits' from teachers and educators who wish to view the site before making a booking, or for those who have booked and are carrying out a risk assessment.

We can provide sheltered lunch spaces for schools; just let us know when booking. Our gift shop is well stocked for children but does have limited space. Therefore, please let us know when booking if you would like to visit the shop and we will assign you timed slots. Also our print shop welcomes all school children but timed slots will be issued if you want to visit the print shop.

We hope to see you and your school at the Museum soon!





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## Workshops

Amberley Museum is able to offer a wide variety of workshops. They are a great way to focus your visit and make the Museum more accessible to young learners. Your pupils get hands-on experience of cross circular activities. It is important to create a balance between structured learning time and time to look around the Museum. Most schools find one talk or workshop is sufficient. As there is so much to discover, you may prefer to plan a teacher led visit.

## Journeys

Take a train ride to the top of the site and then as you walk down to the bus station have a look at photos of the buses going back in years. Arrive in the 1920s to be greeted by our bus driver and take a trip on our historic bus.

**KS1 45-60mins English (Speaking and Listening) History, Design. £30. (Max. 30 students)**

## Ingenious Inventions

Discover some of our most amazing inventions with our Ingenious Inventions Trail. Get hands-on and explore The Electricity Hall and Connected Earth exhibitions. What could you invent?

**KS1/2 45-60 mins English (Speaking, listening and reading) Science, Maths, Design. £30 (Max . 30 students)**

## Bicycle Detectives

An interactive session looking at bikes and how they work followed by a teacher led exercise looking at the bicycles in our exhibition hall.

**KS1/2 20 mins Science, History, DT, Art £20 (max 15 students)**

## Candle to Bulb

Experience the magic of electricity from its discovery to the present day.

**45 mins KS1/2 Science, History, English, Design £30 (max 30 students)**





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## Communications

Discover the history of communication in this interactive workshop with the chance to make calls and operate a switchboard. Group of 30 students will split into 3 small groups within Connected Earth.

**KS2 45-60 mins Science, History, Design £30 (Max. 30 students)**

## Chalk to Lime

Discover the history of the Museum, how chalk was made into lime in this interactive workshop.

**30 mins KS2/3 History, English, Science £20 (Max. 15 students)**

## Chalk, Walk and Talk

A guided tour around the Museum looking at the process of Chalk to Lime in the days of the Chalk Pit, looking at the history.

**60 mins KS1 + History, English, Geography £30 (Max. 30 students)**

## Bricks and Bonds

Trail challenge examining Museum building and discovering the variety of bricks and bonds that can be found at Amberley. Learn how to build your own wall!

**30 mins KS1/2/3 History, Maths, Design £20 (Max. 30 students)**

## WW2 Experience

Have a whirlwind experience of what happened in people's lives while the war was happening. This experience includes an evacuee train journey to the top part of our site. We recommend if possible for the class to come dressed for the occasion.

**75 mins – 2 hours KS1/2 History, Maths, English and Design £40 (max 30 students)**



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All talks and workshops are subject to availability. Please give us at least 4 weeks' notice if you require a workshop. Workshops are led by the Education Team made up of the Education Officer, Education Assistant and dedicated education volunteers.

## Pre-Order School Packs



**Pencil, sharpener and postcard £1.80**

Please place your order 1 month in advance of your visit. All items of stationery will come in a variety of colours. You can collect your packs on the day of your visit. For additional information please contact the Education officer "on [caroline.jeffery@amberleymuseum.co.uk](mailto:caroline.jeffery@amberleymuseum.co.uk) or ring the office on 01798 831370.