

All sessions are also available as an outreach visit by the Education Officer to your school. Access to the internet and PowerPoint are required for Key Stage 2 sessions and above.

The Benefits of Museum Learning

History is brought to life through real objects. Working with original sources gives students a tangible link to the past which fires the imagination and makes learning vivid and memorable. This helps students to understand the impact of the First World War on real people. Our material is all relevant to the local area, yet illustrative of global conflict.

The Soldiers of Oxfordshire schools programme focuses on the project Oxfordshire Remembers 1914-18 (Part One), which brings together personal stories, new research and rare source material from the First World War.

Please go to www.soho.org.uk for further support material

Opening times

Tuesday to Saturday 10am-5pm; Sunday 2-5pm.
The Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum is behind The Oxfordshire Museum:

Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum
Park Street, Woodstock
Oxfordshire OX20 1SN

Booking information

- To book, please contact the Education Officer on **01993 810210** or email education@sofo.org.uk
- Cost of education visit to the Museum - £2 per student and accompanying adults.
- Dedicated education space for bags, coats and eating lunch.
- We are fully accessible and welcome students with special needs. Please discuss your needs when booking.
- Cost of outreach visit - 35 per hour for Education Officer's time; no charge for mileage up to 40 miles round trip from Woodstock.

Getting here

- **By road** - via A44 Oxford to Evesham. Please use postcode OX20 1SN for your sat-nav.
- **By bus** - S3 from Oxford city centre. 242 from Witney. For bus time tables see www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk
- **By train** - nearest station is at Long Hanborough, four miles away.
- Coach turning space at the Park Street entrance to Blenheim Palace in Woodstock.
- Disabled parking is located directly outside The Oxfordshire Museum.
- FREE public car park a short walk away in Hensington Road and limited on-street parking in Park Street.

EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Oxfordshire Remembers

1914-18 (Part One)

At the new Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock



Taught session for Key Stage 3



The First World War – a new kind of conflict

Length of session – 2 hours
Maximum number of students – 30

Session outline

Using *locally relevant* sources, this session explores four themes of the First World War:

- **Total War** – understanding how the war affected everyone, regardless of gender, age or background.
- **Global Conflict** – looking at the geographical extent of the war, through the experiences of Oxfordshire soldiers.
- **A soldier's perspective** – surviving the trenches and coping with new technology in war.
- **Contemporary attitudes** – examining patriotism, pacifism and commemoration.

Students will

- Investigate each theme by analysing objects, photographs, quotations and other sources in the Museum
- Experience a recreated trench, typical of the Western Front in 1915 (available from November 2014)
- Handle and discuss real objects from the First World War
- Present their findings to their peer group

Learning Outcomes

- Increasing knowledge and understanding of the First World War
- Engaging with the past and reflecting on its significance
- Developing questioning skills

Taught session for Key Stage 2



The First World War – a new kind of conflict

Length of session – 1 ½ hours
Maximum number of students – 30

Session outline

Using *locally relevant* sources and dressing up material, this session explores four themes of the First World War:

- **Home Front** – understanding how the First World War changed the lives of people in Britain, especially women and children.
- **All over the world** – looking at the different countries where Oxfordshire soldiers fought and the different nationalities they met.
- **A soldier's perspective** – surviving the trenches and coping with new ways of fighting.
- **Remembrance** – understanding why and how the First World War is commemorated.

Pupils will

- Investigate each theme by analysing objects, photographs, quotations and other sources in the Museum
- Take turns in dressing up
- Experience a recreated trench, typical of the Western Front in 1915 (available from November 2014)
- Handle and discuss real objects from the First World War
- Discuss their finding as a group

Learning Outcomes

- Improving knowledge and understanding of the First World War
- Engaging with the past and understanding individuals' experiences
- Developing skills in questioning, listening and speaking

Taught session for Key Stage 1



Exploring the First World War

Length of session – 1 hour
Maximum number of students – 30

Session outline

Using dressing up clothes, objects used by local people in the First World War and a special trail, this session helps younger children understand aspects of the First World War:

- Being a soldier or ambulance driver away from home
- How people, including children, supported the war
- Why we still commemorate the war today

Pupils will

- Investigate objects with a trail for younger children
- Take turns in dressing up
- Handle and discuss real objects from the First World War
- Make a commemorative card

Learning Outcomes

- Developing knowledge and understanding of the First World War
- Engaging with the past and understanding individuals' experiences
- Following a trail and thinking about the meaning of objects
- Developing skills in questioning, listening and speaking
- Creating and making a piece of artwork

The First World War – a new kind of conflict is adaptable for Key Stage 4 and Post-16 as a guided tour and discussion with object handling.