



Whitby explorer

YHA Whitby

**Key Stage 2, 3
History**

From £40.00

2 days (1 night) full board



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Package description

Pupils are faced with a range of challenges aimed at developing team skills, including cooperation, organisation and debate. Pupils will take part in an archaeological dig, become newspaper reporters, experience the variety of cultures that have influenced Whitby through the ages, build a Viking Longship, consider the food we eat versus that of the Victorians and create a school coat of arms out of stained glass.

An ideal chance to gain the personal, social and health benefits of the residential experience and still keep up with the demands of the National Curriculum.

Three, four and five-day programmes are also available.

Activities

The following activities are available:

- Dig through history!
- The Whitby Reporter
- Invaders & Settlers
- Make like a Viking
- A Victorian Childhood
- Mayor of Whitby
- Stained glass workshop
- What's in on the menu?
- Explore the shore
- Off the shelf activities to fit in with your schedule are available at an additional cost – please enquire

Price

From £40.00

Price includes:

- Full board accommodation
- Activities and materials
- 1 free leader place for every 10 paying participants
- Free planning visit

Available:

- YHA Group Membership on application

Activities

Module 1

Dig through history

Duration: ½ day

'Dig Through History' allows pupils to take part in an excavation of the site using a bespoke, outdoor sandpit. Artefacts from pre-history, Viking and the Victorian periods are hidden within the pit for the pupils to discover using realistic tools and methodologies.

They record and catalogue their findings, plotting them on a group chart, detailing position within the pit and the depth at which they were found. The artefacts are then analyzed and explored for possible age, usage and materials, and to discover what they can tell us about that particular period in history. Teachers will have prompt sheets explaining the different periods in relation to the development of Whitby and to the house.

The group then analyses the positions and depths the artefacts were found and are prompted to think what this tells us.

Module 2

The Whitby Reporter

Duration: ½ day

A fantastic opportunity to become a historical news reporter on an exciting discovery trail throughout Abbey House. Discover the secrets of the building and use the knowledge gained to write a newspaper report, complete with artwork and eye - witness reports.

Requirements: Teachers will be required to divide children into small groups and accompany them throughout the activity.

Module 3

Invaders and settlers

Duration: 1 hour – ideal for an evening

Bring the past to life as pupils take a trip through human history from Normans to the modern day. Children will gain an understanding of the people and cultures that have lived and worked on Whitby's historic headland. A great opportunity for role play with costumes and props. Requirements: Teachers will be required to divide children into small groups and accompany them throughout the task.

Module 4

Make like a Viking

Duration: ½ day

The Viking's were brilliant ship builders: for centuries the sight of a square sail and dragon – headed prow struck terror into the Europeans. This is an activity that tests the ship building skills of pupils as they construct a Viking longboat. Children will gain an understanding of materials and techniques, the historical importance of the dragon ships and have a chance to develop their own stories through imaginative play. Requirements: Teachers will be required to

divide children into two groups and accompany them throughout the task. This will be required to accompany children throughout the task. This will involve the children working outside and so wet weather clothing may be required.

Module 5

A Victorian childhood

Duration: 1 hour – ideal for an evening

If you were a child from a poor family in the Victorian era you worked and worked and worked... Prepare for an entertaining and thought provoking time as the children explore the lives of the servants of Abbey House. A fantastic role play activity with costume and props. Requirements: teachers will be required to accompany the children throughout the task.

Module 6

Stained glass workshop

Duration: ½ day

The colour and light effects created by stained glass can have a transforming effect on any environment. The children use the stained glass panels of Abbey House as inspiration to create their own design on acrylic panels and project them onto the walls of the activity room. This is an indoor, hands on creative activity. Requirements: Teachers will be required to divide the children into groups and accompany them throughout the task.

Module 7

What's on the menu?

Duration: 1 hour – ideal for an evening

A multi-sensory activity that explores the distance modern day food travels from source to plate and compares it to a Victorian bag of shopping. How much of our food is grown locally and how much has travelled hundreds and even thousands of miles? The session includes baking Victorian oatcakes and a smell test with herbs from Abbey House's garden. Requirements: Teachers will be required to divide the children into groups and accompany them throughout the activity. Please inform YHA of any food intolerances.

Module 8

The Mayor of Whitby

Duration: ½ day

A fantastic opportunity to explore the streets and yards of Whitby. This discovery trail is a great way of inspiring children to observe and engage with the modern and historical aspects of the town. Requirements: teachers will be required to supervise and accompany the children on the trail. Wet/cold weather clothing or sunhats & sun block may be required.

Module 9

Explore the shore

Duration: ½ day

Everything on a beach tells a story and interpreting this story can be even more exciting than the discovery. A great beachcombing session to develop interpretation and understanding of the seashore. (And building sandcastles) Dependant on tide times and weather conditions. Requirements: teachers need to supervise children and ensure appropriate hot/cold weather clothing and footwear.

Useful information

Meals

We are passionate about the meals we produce and that's why all our food is prepared using **fresh, seasonal ingredients, sourced locally** where available, prepared and cooked to order. We offer **flexible meal times** to fit in with your itinerary and with prior notice, we are happy to cater for any special dietary requests.

Financial Support

YHA helps to fund places for disadvantaged children, so they can join their friends or classmates on a residential visit with YHA.

Our short application process makes applying for funding assistance easy. Applications are considered on the basis of the number of children in the group who are entitled to free school meals, or in a family that receives income support and/or housing benefit. Funding is subject to availability.

For more information or to download an application form visit www.yha-breaks4kids.org.uk or call 01629 592 696.

Booking Information

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