



Key Stage 2 Workshops

Hall Tour

Discover why and how Doddington Hall was built, with Annie, our house maid, and what impact it had on the local area. This workshop allows pupils to develop an understanding of the Hall in relation to modern day homes as well as comparing different historical periods. Pupils are encouraged to ask and respond to questions and the tour acts as an introduction to the subject of significant people and places in their own locality.

Nature Trail

This workshop provides pupils with an opportunity to enjoy a walk in the countryside whilst observing plants, trees, flowers, insects, birds and animals along the nature trail. It will highlight the seasonal variations along the nature trail and make pupils aware of the Countryside Code and to follow the code during the walk. It will encourage children to make more detailed observations of some special things encountered on the walk, such as fungus, insects, blossom, feathers, and birdsong as well as providing pupils with relevant historical information regarding the Doddington estate, which is revealed by features of the trail.

Tapestries

A wonderful chance for pupils to extend their chronological knowledge beyond 1066 and the to understand changes in social history by comparing the workmanship of the 16th Century and the 21st Century. Whilst learning about the preservation and care of historic objects and how and why they were used and made, this workshops also gives pupils an opportunity to observe and handle primary and secondary source materials associated with the conservation project and take part in a practical weaving activity.

Meet the Herbs

This workshop offers a wonderful chance to explore the Herb Garden providing a great scope for sensory learning, in particular, smelling feeling and identifying the variety of herbs growing in it. Pupils will be able to develop an understanding of the various uses of herbs and an awareness of the scent of different herbs. To finish off the sessions pupils will have the opportunity to make an item using herbs.

Hands on Past

Learn all about old artefacts at Doddington and what they would have been used for by having the opportunity to observe and handle historical objects. Pupils will be encouraged to gain an understanding of events and items beyond living memory, allowing them to develop an awareness of why and how household items have developed.

Kitchen Garden Tour

This tour introduces pupils to the history of Doddington Hall's restored Kitchen Garden and enables pupils to understand how a Kitchen Garden is designed. By taking a walk around the Garden, pupils are able to compare how the garden is used today compared to past times and enables them to explore the idea of healthy eating and the importance of vegetables as part of a healthy diet. Pupils will also be able to observe the vegetables and fruit growing and there is an opportunity to interpret the map of the garden whilst taking part in a vegetable based treasure hunt activity.