



Schools Loans Service

Summer and Autumn 2011

Book Now for Exciting New Resources

Birmingham Museums and Art Gallery's Schools Loans Service is both well-established and expanding. The Service offers over 300 inspiring resources for hands-on learning in the classroom, carefully designed to meet Curriculum needs. Boxes include an exciting range of real and replica artefacts or costumes along with detailed information packs. Themes include Ancient Greece and Egypt, Roman, Tudor and Victorian Britain, WW1, WW2, Faith Boxes, Design and Natural History.

Our aim is to ensure that pupils have the opportunity to engage with artefacts in a way that will stimulate, support, and enrich their learning.

Supporting the Curriculum

Our loans boxes are developed to meet National Curriculum requirements in both academic and holistic progress. They cover a wide range of assessment criteria at KS1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 for many different subjects, including Art, History, Science and Citizenship. Our boxes have also proved to be an ideal way to develop Cross-Curricular learning within the school environment and to support Every Child Matters and the development of personal learning and thinking skills. Using a museum loan is a perfect way to make learning real and tangible to the student.

The Loans Service endeavours to be flexible and friendly towards all teachers. A full range of information about all of our resources, along with a detailed catalogue, can be viewed online to simplify bookings.



“A Fantastic Resource. The children were disappointed to hear that they were being returned. I can't wait to see what else you have! Thank you.”

Access to Resources and Services

Access to the Schools Loans Service can be made either through a subscription to the service or by booking boxes on an individual basis. We offer a reasonably-priced delivery service which operates up to 20 miles from the loans store. Birmingham-based annual delivery and collection is only £70 per school and half-termly delivery and collection is £20.

For full details of charging visit the website schoolsliasion.org.uk or contact the Loans Development Officer.



FREE Loans Boxes!

If you book your loans boxes now, we can offer your first loans box free of charge. Just quote code SLSFREE on your booking form. Please note: only one free loans box per school. Offer available for all bookings made before 17th October 2011.

Taught Sessions

The Loans Development Officer can deliver sessions in your school, or at the Museum Collections Centre designed to introduce the box to pupils and establish best practice.

“The Loans are a fantastic resource to bring the subject alive.”



Free INSET

We provide free INSET sessions at Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery. These sessions cover using loans boxes and also provide :

- An introductory tour of the BM&AG Learning Zone
- Descriptions and demonstrations of our History sessions
- Ideas for pre and post-visit activities
- An introduction to the resources and information about how to access them
- Hints and tips for using artefacts in the classroom
- An opportunity to handle historical artefacts

Free INSET will be taking place on the following dates:

Tuesday 5th July 2011 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 13th September 2011 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 8th November 2011 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 17th January 2012 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 28th February 2012 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 24th April 2012 4.30 - 6.00pm
Tuesday 19th June 2012 4.30 - 6.00pm

To book your place, please email the Loans Development Officer: amy.burrill@birmingham.gov.uk

Making a Booking

To book a loan, school or general INSET or taught session, please telephone the Loans Development Officer on 0121 464 1517 for more information. Alternatively email amy.burrill@birmingham.gov.uk or visit the schools liaison website: schoolsliasion.org.uk

Birmingham Museums and Art Gallery also runs a programme of taught sessions across all of our sites. For more details of our services please visit schoolsliasion.org.uk

“An excellent service! First-time user - would definitely use again. Thank you.”