



*John Wesley*  
The Museum of Methodism  
& John Wesley's House

## Radical Islington



Learning Programme

Key Stage 2 & 3

# About the Programme

Our site consists of John Wesley's House, The Museum of Methodism and Wesley's Chapel. This versatility means we can offer a unique and exciting education programme for your students to experience.

During a visit your group will have workshops led by our Education Team in the House, Chapel and Museum, exploring the roots of Methodist heritage to understand how and why John Wesley wanted to change the world around him for the better and went on to set up the first free dispensary in London, campaigned against slavery and actively sought to do good.

Outlines for each part of the visit are listed below:

## **John Wesley's House (40 mins)**

Using hands-on activities students will explore:

- The 18<sup>th</sup> century kitchen
- The local Georgian community
- How did John Wesley live?
- John Wesley and his work helping others

## **Wesley's Chapel (40 mins)**

Using hands-on activities students will explore:

- Change and continuity in relation to the Chapel itself and Methodism in society
- Methodism and the Abolition movement

## **Museum of Methodism (40 mins)**

Through interactive trails and object handling students will learn more about:

- Who was John Wesley?
- The beginning of Methodism
- John Wesley's views on slavery

# Curriculum Links

## History

### KS 2

- Local history study
- A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 ie changes in an aspect of social history
- Devising historically valid questions

### KS 3

- Local history study
- The development of Church, state and society in Britain 1509-1745
- Ideas, political power, industry and empire: Britain, 1745-1901
- Gain historical perspective by placing their growing knowledge into different contexts

## Citizenship

### KS 2

- Preparing to play an active role as citizens

## Booking a visit

Please contact the Learning & Community Engagement Officer to arrange a date to visit. We can accept bookings for schools on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

To experience all three activities, sessions can take up to 3.5 hours (eg 10.30am – 2pm), including a lunch break. However, this will vary depending on your group size and the activities they want to take part in. Once a date had been arranged, you will be sent a booking form to complete and return to the Learning & Community Engagement Officer. A timetable for the visit will be sent once the booking form has been returned.

If you require a preliminary visit, please contact the Learning and Community Engagement Officer to arrange a time.

## Please note...

### General Points

Please be aware that the Chapel is a place of worship and should be respected.

Please also be aware that the site will be open to other visitors and the general public.

As the graveyard is outside pupils are advised to dress appropriately for outdoor weather if visiting Wesley's grave.

### Access

Wesley's Chapel and Museum of Methodism are suitable for wheelchairs and disabled access, however, Wesley's House is not as the rooms are only accessible via numerous stairs.

Please see the virtual tour of the house here: <http://www.wesleyschapel.org.uk/vhouse.htm>.

Currently we have no resources for children who are visually or audibly impaired.

### Arrival

Please aim to arrive at your booked time. If you are running late please contact the Learning & Community Engagement Officer as soon as possible to let them know. If you are late, we will adapt the content of the sessions accordingly.

### Fee

We currently do not charge for our Learning Programmes but donations are welcome.

### Lunch Space

If you wish to book a room for lunch, please let us know when you make your booking. Toilets are available to the right of the Chapel and outside the Museum.

### Behaviour

The discipline of the group is the responsibility of the teachers and helpers from the visiting school. Staff and volunteers retain the right to terminate a visit if they do not feel supported. No alcohol or drugs may be brought or consumed on the site. Smoking is not permitted indoors.

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## The Site

- ① Street
- ② Main Gate
- ③ Courtyard
- ④ Chapel Doorway
- ⑤ Vestibule
- ⑥ Chapel
- ⑦ Museum
- ⑧ Tomb
- ⑨ Foundry Chapel
- ⑩ Toilets
- ⑪ Wesley's House

