



The Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum

FREE - school workshops

Learning Officer

The Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum's Learning Officer is David Smith, formerly Head Teacher at Fintry Primary School, Stirling and an experienced classroom teacher.

David was runner-up to Head Teacher of the Year in the Scottish Education Awards . He worked for 10 Years as BBC UK Education Officer. His school won national awards for its work directly within African Schools.

We can tailor topics to suit your needs.

We can bring hands-on genuine historical resources into the classroom! Choose from the topics here or invite David to come and chat about how he can help you in other ways.

If your school is in the Stirling Council area and you choose to **COME TO US**, you can have up to 50% of your bus cost refunded. Enquiry by email to David needed first.

FREE GUIDED TOURS

Our experienced Guides can work with one class in a range of topics:

*Wallace + Bruce,
World War 2, Victorians,
The Jacobites,
Grandparents' Days.*

*Bus subsidy also available,
on enquiry to David*

Over 16,000
child/adult
learning
experiences
in the last
year.



created to suit your level.
An overview of the war.
Life in the Stirling area during World War 1.

World War 2

Bring a **Scary Teacher** into your room! It is day one of World War 2 and a new teacher is starting. For 45 minutes your children will be back in the strict regime of rote learning, gas masks, writing with pen and ink and learning about when the belt ruled.



Terrifying but revealing. You can photograph their reactions throughout. Then the class interview the teacher. **ADD ON** a visit to The Stirling Smith where guides will take your class in groups through rationing, make-do-and-mend and life on the home front. Transport subsidy available.

Victorians

Skilled Museum guides tell it like it was in Victorian times. Working and family life. Travel subsidy available. Classroom visit also possible with hands-on artefacts.

Famous Scots

The truth about James Watt, Logie Baird, James Chalmers, Robert Stevenson, Sir James Young Simpson, Elsie Inglis and Kirkpatrick Macmillan and many more. Facts and quizzes. **Great as an upper school assembly session.**

Homes in the past

Trained Museum guides travel back in time with your children into life before the microwave and TV. Often best suited to Early Years.

Robert Burns Times

Lots of possibilities! Whole school assemblies with haggis coaching and Tam O Shanter extracts. Or a trip back in your classroom.

How to book:

All booking enquiries first by email please!
David@smithartgalleryandmuseum.co.uk

Jacobites

Have Museum guides take your class back to the life and times of Bonnie Prince Charlie. Learn the secret of the Great Key of Stirling. An extremely rewarding topic for P5-7 stages.

SCOTS Language

Helps meet the new requirements to study and use Scots in the school. Use of Scots words and dialects. Making more of your Scots poems. An hour of fun and new learning. Jings! Help ma Boab! Whit a stramash! Heids doon!

Grandparents Days

A step back in time to the 1950s and 1960s. Playground games. What happened in school? Shopping, Clothes. Homes. With artefacts, pictures, stories and rhymes.

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What schools are saying!

Teacher: "The delivery had the children transfixed. I have told other teacher friends to book it!"

Teacher: "Full of facts and fascinating information. Spot on for my age group!"

Pupil: "I never knew that I could like history so much! That was brilliant! Thank you."

Pupil: "We all enjoyed the different things in the museum that we have never seen before. I loved dressing up!"

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Wars of Independence

Why did so much happen in the Stirling area? What was life like then? Handling of battle replicas and some genuine artefacts that are not normally available to the public. Featuring WALLACE and BRUCE!



Our River and Bridges

Can be a really interesting one-off lesson. The river FORTH. How it began. How it made our communities. What it looks like from the air. Bridging a river.

Behind the scenes in a museum

Going down a storm at whole school assemblies. (The best assembly we've ever had" said several teachers in a large school.) Learn about how museums work and travel back in a race through time from 7,000 years ago to 1980. With some big impact precious artefacts. Holds 5-11 year olds alike.

The Art of Debate

A classroom workshop on debating skills. Fun and informative and challenging. One of the most popular bookings. A 2 hour session with one or two classes. Best at P6 or 7. Topics on health, drugs and life choices.

Africa today

For assemblies or classes of all ages. Using real stories and experiences to look at an African village today and where it is going. With costume, fair trade, powerful images, film suited to all ages.

The Celts and Picts

A study of how our ancestors looked and lived. Their stories, their beliefs. Girls were more valued than boys!

The Romans

A classroom visit to add to your topic. A look at Roman Life and what they gave to us. Handle real Roman artefacts.



The Vikings

Who were they really? Where did the Vikings come from? Did they ever reach Stirling?
Secrets of the Vikings' real lives revealed.

Tour of OLD STIRLING

Have David take your class on a story-filled WALKING tour of old Stirling starting in Victorian times and working back into the medieval days. Suitable for all stages.

With lots of surprises and facts. Every school who has done this has been thrilled and fascinated.

We work in Partnership with **Tapsalteerie Theatre Scotland**

See separate leaflet EMAILED to schools for the FULL list of educational plays and productions in schools.

NURSERY:

Stories, songs, movement, music.

SCOTS for TOTS with The Gruffalo In Scots
GROWING - with The Enormous Turnip,
AUTUMN – The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark
WINTER – Polar Bear and The Snow Cloud
CHANGE, EARLY MAN, SEASIDE, DINOSAURS,
EMOTIONS, CHRISTMAS

SCHOOLS - PLAY IN A DAY:

Tam o' Shanter; The Night Before Christmas,
The Horrible History of Bannockburn

YOUR COMMUNITY STORY

Have your whole school study your Community for a term and round it all off with a remarkable play written for you. Older children will perform the play for the school, parents and community to tell the 2000 year story of your area.

Directing, costume, effects all provided.

Now done in 10 local schools!

CONTACT: **Tapsalteerie1@gmail.com**
for planning and prices.

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