



Blake Museum

## **Learning Coordinator Development Plan 2015 -2018**

The Learning Team will continue to deliver quality presentations and stimulating experiences, catering for various learning styles which are auditory, visual and kinaesthetic.

### **Review and Evaluation of 2012- 2014**

Dissemination of information to educational settings was successful and some schools now visit annually.

The Learning Coordinator has taken Museum Learning Boxes and photographs to local Retirement homes to on their 'Memory Days' events to encourage discussions with people suffering from Dementia.

The new Learning Co-ordinator took up the position in Nov 2011.

New resources have been purchased relating to World War 1.

The Garrison are now based at the new Battle of Sedgemoor museum in Westonzoyland and schools are approaching them directly if 'The Battle' is their focus.

Adult groups continue to visit sometimes with a particular interest.

Contact has been made with 2 local Primary Schools to develop links to the new NC.

The Learning team consists of 2 members who are enthusiastic and very supportive of the co-ordinator. Due to age and health constraints these numbers are falling we plan to advertise for new volunteers.

We have organised Summer Holiday activities for the last 2 years and they were greatly enjoyed by those participating, but uptake was poor. We are reviewing their viability.

We have worked with 3 students from local colleges, and pupils on school work experience.

### **2015-2016**

#### **Aims**

- To increase the number of people on the Learning Team.
- To develop visits linking with the new National Curriculum by working with local schools.
- To continue to assist students with their 'own learning' projects, studies and investigations.
- To continue to show around adult groups, these are usually out of hours visits which require extra organisation and liaison with Key Holders.
- All educational settings, adult groups and individuals will be made aware of new displays and exhibitions via e mail, letters, personal contact, the press and the museum web site.
- To continue to take part in 'Memory Day' activities.
- Visits will be organised when requested and will be tailored to suit the aims and objectives of the group.
- The learning co-ordinator will plan the visit with the organiser/teacher.
- Quiz question and answer sheets will be updated to correspond to new displays.
- Information on the. learning resources available, will be reviewed and updated on the museum web site.

## **Objectives**

- To promote and value the unique learning experience of visiting Blake Museum as a local resident, holidaymaker, student or on a personal quest.
- To continue to facilitate groups and individuals of all ages to access the resources, knowledge and research opportunities available at Blake Museum.
- To continue to enable people to learn about the rich history of the local area and the relationship of local history to the country and world.

## **2015- 2018**

In addition to above:

Continue to work with pupils from the Pupil Referral Unit as requested

Continue to work with The Engine Room staff particularly on a Town Trail phone app project as requested.

Continue to review the CRB legislation and alter practice as appropriate.

Continue to invite a local textile group to display their work annually and in 2015 to run a competition based on Museum artefacts.

## **2015 -2018**

To continue aims from above.

To develop activities to relate to new exhibitions or local themes.

To review CRB checks as appropriate

To be responsive to new initiatives as they arise.

To continue to welcome new volunteers to the team, and offer support and training.

## **Responsibility and success criteria**

The Learning Co-ordinator will be responsible for overseeing the delivery of the plan and will delegate as necessary. The Learning Co-ordinator will report to the Curator.

Success will be shown by the number of visits made and the level of engagement of the pupils.

The number of return visits.

Feed back from visitors using the quiz sheets.

Use of the Web site.

Research requests.

Visitor comments.

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