

WEST BERKSHIRE MUSEUM

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Exhibitions at West Berkshire Museum for Spring/Summer

Special exhibition: The Way We Were in West Berkshire. A collaborative exhibition with Newbury and Thatcham Past and Present FB group using objects and photos from the museum collection to collect memories and develop conversations about our heritage. **Open. Runs until end of September.**

Special exhibition: Focus on Lambourn. From harrows to horses, 30 objects including paintings which tell the story of this thriving village. **Open. Runs until November.**

Special exhibition: How We Remember. This exhibition focuses on the histories of people of West Berkshire and the memories clinging to ordinary objects from World War I, commemorating the centenary of the war. **Open. Runs until end of June.**

Special exhibition: Hoards. An exhibition bringing together over twelve hoards (buried treasure) from different periods, all found in West Berkshire. **Open. Runs until 2020.**

Lives and Landscapes. Our permanent exhibition tells the story of West Berkshire, from local characters such as Jack of Newbury to events such as the Newbury coat, A34 bypass and Civil War battles. **Open.**

It is free to do a self-led visit of the exhibitions and free activity trails can be provided too. If given enough notice, a trail can be tailor-made for your visit; this service is free. Contact Clare to make a booking etc.

Picture, right: A class from Curridge Primary at West Berkshire Museum in November 2018.

WBM Learning Advisory Panel *change of date*

The next Museum Learning Advisory Panel meeting is **Tuesday 30th April at 4.15pm.** This is an opportunity to meet colleagues, see museum resources and shape the future offer. To come along or to find out more, please contact Clare.

Arts Awards at the museum

At Easter, we are running a self-led **Arts Award Discover**; to take part you need to buy a pack (while stocks last) costing £5 from the museum (which includes free entry to one museum craft day and the certificate on submission of a completed log book). In the summer, we're running a self-led **Arts Award Explore**, the next rung of the Arts Award ladder, and to take part in this you need to purchase a pack costing £25 (which includes free entry to two messy museum days, moderation and certification on successful completion of a log book). **Is your school interesting in promoting this?** If so, there is a short Powerpoint presentation that can be given in assembly etc – please contact Clare.



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Please also contact Clare to request a hardcopy or electronic copy of the WBM Learning & Participation brochure, or with any other Learning and Participation-related questions or enquiries.



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