



# Educational visits

## Key Stage 3/4+

### 2020-2021

**Salisbury Cathedral Education Department**

Bringing the curriculum to life



For eight hundred years, Salisbury Cathedral has been a significant holy building and a special place for millions of visitors and Christians. At the heart of the Cathedral's life is its worship.

The vast extent of the Cathedral's life, history and art and all its physical resources means that there is a wealth of opportunities for everyone to take part in a range of memorable learning experiences.

With an emphasis on experiential learning and enquiry-based approaches, the children and students will always find themselves challenged. Each session is carefully tailored to ensure that it meets the requirements of the curriculum or the relevant syllabus and is led by an experienced team of teachers and trained volunteers.

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## **Welcome to Salisbury Cathedral's education programme for children aged 11-16 years old**

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Individual craft packs

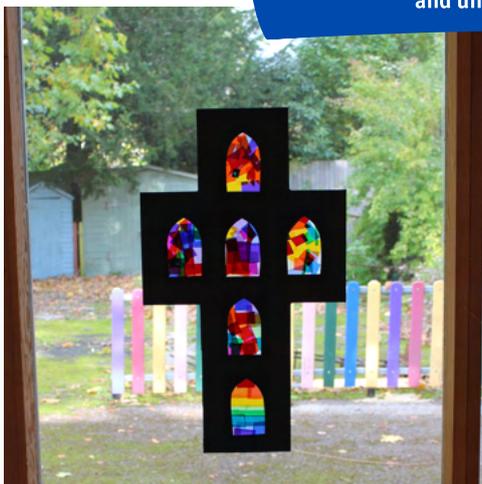


The children have had fun making beautiful stained glass windows and unique clay tiles



Over a 2m distance between leader and children

Workshop: Clay Tiles



Spacing between tables and chairs



\*NEW\* Workshop: In The Hot Seat

With Rev'd Pete Atkinson- Minor Canon for Young People

# Education Workshops at Salisbury Cathedral

All available workshops have been adapted so that we can create a fun yet safe environment.

This includes :

Smaller groups sizes

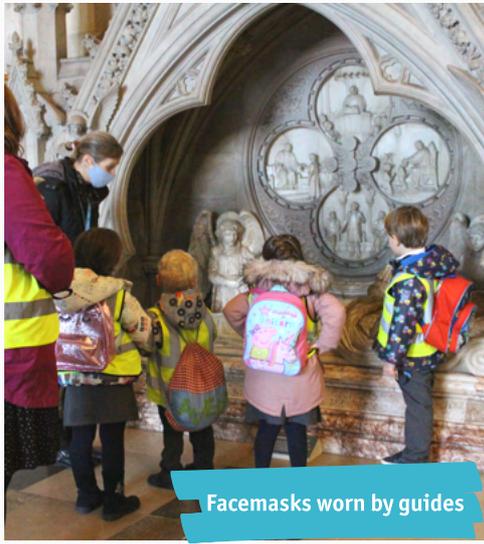
A 2m distance between Cathedral Staff member giving talk and school group

All Cathedral Staff wearing appropriate PPE where necessary

Tables, chairs and resources sanitised between groups

Ensuring all other health and safety procedures are being followed





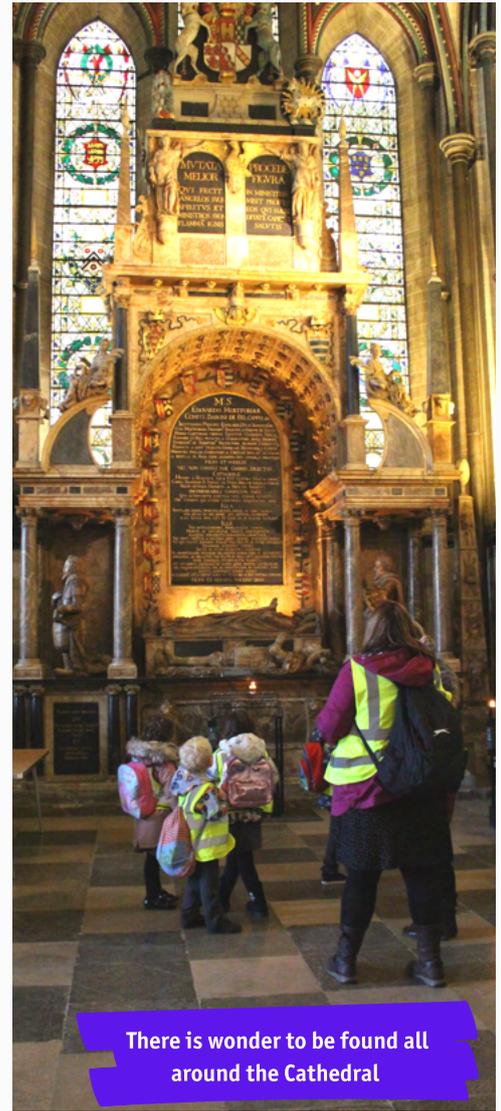
The children loved spotting dragons and admiring the outside of the Cathedral



School staff help children with hand sanitising



Small group sizes and social distancing measure maintained



There is wonder to be found all around the Cathedral

# Education Tours at Salisbury Cathedral

All school visits include a tour around the Cathedral with a specific focus tailored to your day.

In order to make sure that this can continue to happen safely:

There can be no more than one school per session

All tours are split into groups of no more than 5 children and 1 supervising adult from the school

All guides, staff and children over 11years old are required to wear a face mask

There are regular hand sanitising stations placed around the Cathedral

All other health and safety procedures are followed





## What can you discover at Salisbury Cathedral?

Choose from our fantastic range of tours and workshops to create the day you would like.

A full day experience includes your choice of a tour plus any two workshops.

If you would like a shorter visit then we offer a choice of tour plus one of our workshops.

We are also happy to tailor the day to suit your specific requirements.

An example of a typical day:

**10.00**

Arrival and Welcome

**10.15**

Tour: Magna Carta and its Legacy

(in groups of no more than 5 pupils and 1 supervising adult)

**11.20**

Workshop: Gargoyles

(Cathedral/Stephenson Hall)

**12.00 Lunch break**

Outside on the Cathedral lawns or at Stephenson Hall

**12.45**

Workshop: Medieval Murder Mystery

(Stephenson Hall)

**13.45**

Reflection and farewell

Please note that education tower tours can be arranged subject to availability and will have additional charges. Library Tours are currently unavailable.

"Salisbury is one of the highlights of our school calendar... Where else can you provoke King John, climb the highest spire in England, make clay gargoyles, see the oldest working clock in the world, tour a beautiful late-Gothic Cathedral and marvel at the best surviving copy of the Magna Carta?"

Year 7, October 2019

# Tour Information

KS3 & KS4+



## **Tours with a History focus:**

Local History: The Cathedral That Moved  
(KS3)

Medieval Realms

Medieval History and Reformation

Symbolism and Architecture

## **Tours with a Religious Education focus:**

Christian Signs and Symbols

Exploring Salisbury Cathedral: A Place of Worship

## **Other tours\*:**

Library Tour

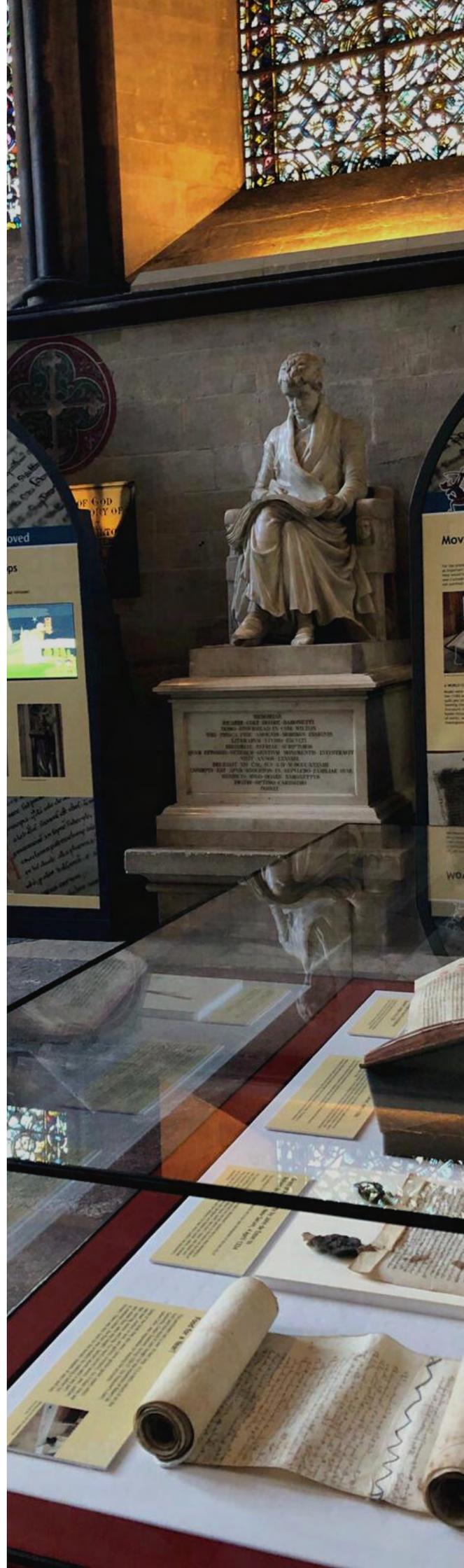
Tower Tour

Art Tour

\*There are certain restrictions and extra charges for these tours

"Fantastic guides- the children were engaged throughout."

Year 8, October 2019





# Workshops

## 2020-2021

From building towers to becoming a crime scene detective we have an activity for you!

Choose from our specially designed workshops, which are planned to support the National Curriculum, to help children become fully immersed in your chosen learning objective.



## Master builders challenge

Which building techniques help the tower and spire to stand?

Pupils face the challenge of building their own spire using given limited materials. Will their spires withstand the ultimate test of strength?

## Gargoyles

What is the meaning and purpose of a gargoyle?

After studying the West Front stone carvings pupils create their own clay gargoyles to take back to school.

## Medieval scribes and manuscripts

How was the Magna Carta written?

Become a medieval scribe and experience writing with a quill and a reed pen on parchment-style paper. For an additional charge this can include a short visit to one of our special 'hidden spaces' – the medieval library.

## In the Hot Seat

What is a bishop's hat called? How often do Christians pray? What is the font for?

Meet a member of our clergy team and find out more about their role at the Cathedral. Pupils can bring their own questions.

(Subject to availability)

## Medieval Murder Mystery

Can you discover the truth behind this grisly tale?

Join the crime scene investigation, interpret the evidence and use different sources of evidence to find out about one of Salisbury's famous medieval figures.



## Magna Carta Drama

What is the Magna Carta? Why did Magna Carta happen?

Depending on how grumpy he is feeling, pupils may just escape with their lives after this audience with King John himself. Just don't ask him about Magna Carta!

All costumes are provided.

## Magna Carta and its Legacy

What are our rights and responsibilities?

Pupils are encouraged to think critically about human rights and responsibilities and recognise the influence of the Magna Carta on our world today.

"The new timetable of activities added to engagement. Human rights and Magna Carta really got the pupils talking."

Year 7, October 2019

"The guides were good at pitching the tour at the right level for year 7. The murder mystery has been improved too. Thank You!"

Year 7, February 2020

Do you have any particular requirements for your visit?

Are you looking for something specific?

Our education team are happy to tailor the tours/workshops to suit your needs. Please call 01722 555180 or email [education@salcath.co.uk](mailto:education@salcath.co.uk) and we will work with you to personalise your day.

We can also deliver tailored tours and workshops for SEND schools on any of the topics offered.





# Themed Days

## 2020-2021

We also offer some set themed days including days to celebrate Christian Festivals.

Full information for teachers is available for these themed days to help you prepare your class before your visit.





## **Library and Archives Tour (including a book binding workshop!)**

How were the first books made? What is the role of a librarian and archivist?

Pupils will learn about the books in our medieval library and the art of writing with a quill pen. Using traditional methods pupils make their own 'scruffy book' to take home.

(Max group size: 20)



## **Art Exhibitions at the Cathedral**

(only available during exhibitions)

What techniques has the artist used? What is the artist saying in their work?

Bring your art lessons here! Following a specific art tour, pupils can engage with the art through sketching and photography. Workshops making links between faith and art or time for pupils to create their own artwork using mixed media can also be arranged



**Do keep a look out on our website  
for any Extra Special Events we may  
run throughout the year.**



## Key information about your school trip to Salisbury Cathedral...

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### Booking

We advise that where possible you book at least a term in advance, especially if you have a particular date in mind. Some schools book a year in advance! If for some reason you can't plan so far ahead, do give us a ring and we will always try to accommodate you where we can.

### Education Staff and Volunteers

All our staff and volunteer helpers in the Education Department are DBS checked and are required to attend disability awareness and safeguarding training. Our Teaching Officer is a fully qualified and experienced teacher, as are many of our dedicated volunteers.

"Having visited many times before the Stephenson Hall is a great addition... Thank you!"

January 2020

### Lunch

Stephenson Hall, in the Close, is available for lunches and in fine weather the Cathedral lawns are available for picnics.

### Prices

Prices are charged at £5.50 per pupil for a full-day and £4 for a half day. Themed days are £4 per pupil. All supervisory staff are free. Occasionally there is a small extra charge for particular activities.

Unless it is a themed day, groups are usually invoiced after the event and according to numbers. You will be invoiced by the Cathedral Accounts Department so on booking please provide the name and contact email address for the person responsible for payment.

### Travel

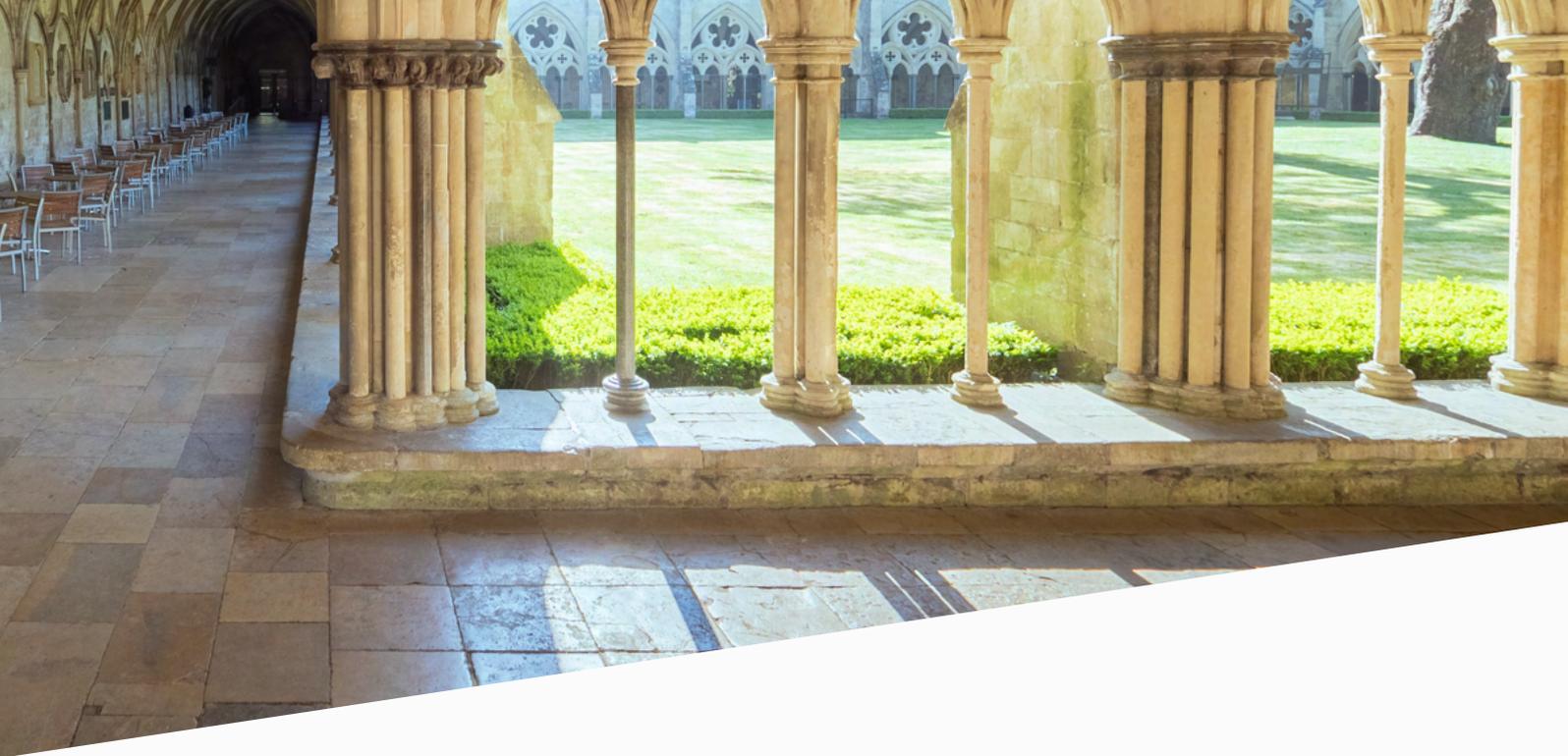
Coaches are unable to access the Cathedral Close due to access restrictions. However,

there is a designated drop-off point on Exeter Street which is a 5 minute walk, through St. Ann's Gate, to the Cathedral. Maps are included with your confirmed schedule prior to your visit.

Minibuses can park in the Cathedral Close at a cost of £7 per vehicle per day. This is subject to availability and on a first-come-first-served basis.

### Risk Assessment

Whilst we have our own risk assessments in place, we strongly advise teachers or group leaders to make a visit beforehand to complete their own. Please let us know if you would like to make arrangements for a preliminary visit. All groups are responsible for the supervision of their own children.



### **Self-guided visits**

Schools and other groups are welcome to visit the Cathedral without the assistance of the Education Department. Teacher supervised self-guided visits still need registering with the Education Centre as access to the Cathedral can sometimes be affected if there is a large-scale public or private event taking place which is not otherwise publicised. The Education Department can keep you informed of any changes. Please be aware of the new pricing to enter the Cathedral. School groups that are self-guiding are currently charged at £2.50 per pupil but adults can enter for free.

### **During your visit**

The school remains responsible for the control and supervision of their pupils at all times. Therefore, we ask that there is always a teacher or

adult helper present with each group during their visit to the Cathedral. The Education Department staff and volunteers will do all they can to ensure that your visit runs smoothly. Whilst we actively lead sessions, we encourage all staff/adults with the group to involve themselves as much as possible. The Education Department recommends working with groups of 8 to 10 for primary aged children. Please ensure that you have enough staff present to provide one supervisory adult per group.

### **Shop**

There are a number of low-priced items available from our Cathedral Shop which are suited to a range of different age-groups. Please let us know if you would like us to include a visit to the shop during your day with us.

### **Meet the Education Team:**



**Katherine Dolphin**  
*Education Officer*



*Education Administrator*

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If you would like any further information or if you would like to make a booking please contact the Education Department:  
01722 555180 or  
[education@salcath.co.uk](mailto:education@salcath.co.uk)

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