

Boatbuilders Early Years plan

Length of tour and workshop: 1 hour

Sessions: 10.30 and 1.30 Wed to Fri

Suitable for: 3-5 year olds (Nursery to Year 1)

Cost: Free but we would appreciate a £20 donation

Pre-visit ideas

Discuss with class different modes of transport and how to go to the Dock Museum.

Draw a boat

Tour

Fifteen minute interactive tour guided by a member of museum staff. The tour is ten minutes if a Nursery group. The tour has a boatbuilders theme. There are two key learning aims: literacy and exploring the world.

Look at a painting of a ship, The Duke of Devonshire and introduce new vocabulary and think about means of propulsion.

Discuss the ship model of a paddle steamer, Lady Evelyn and talk about holidays.

Look at the model of the captain and describe his uniform and count the number of buttons. Salute the captain

Use the ship's telegraph and think about other forms of communication when there are no mobile phones.

Activities

Small world - with pirate ship and small plastic boats

Construction – make a telescope, boat and flags

Stories and rhymes and musical instruments

Post-visit idea

Draw a ship activity - to print off the PDF document go to:

<http://www.dockmuseum.org.uk/School-Visits>