

WONDERFUL WHEELS

The aim of this visit is to explore wheels and axles. Looking at vehicles in the museum, the children will discover the uses and properties of everyday materials used to create wheels. Children will then design, make and test a moving vehicle



>> BOOKING

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>> COST

Option 1 (half-day): £3.50 per child

Option 2 (full-day): £4.20 per child

Option 3 (full day with railway journey): £9.00 per child.

Accompanying adults are free.

>> DATES

The full and half day visits are primarily offered from October to March with limited availability from April to September. If you wish to combine your visit with a train ride (see option 3) this is only available from April - September.

>> AGE/KEY STAGE

This activity is particularly aimed at younger children (Early Years and Key Stage 1) but can be expanded to suit Key Stage 2 or Special Educational Needs groups.

>> WHAT TO BRING

Warm clothes (the main floor of the museum is unheated and it can be a few degrees colder than it is outside).
Packed lunches (Options Two and Three)

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>> TRIP TIMETABLE

Option 1 (half-day)

10am: Arrival at the museum and introduction

10.30am: "Make a Moving Vehicle" craft activity

11.30am: Time to explore

12.30am: Departure

Option 2 (full day)

10am: Arrival at the museum and introduction

10:30am: "Make a Moving Vehicle" craft activity

11.30am: Investigate museum building

12 noon: Lunch

12.30pm: Investigate old vehicles (a compare and contrast session looking at some of our vintage vehicles to find clues as to their use)

1.15pm: Time to explore

2.pm/2.30pm: Departure

Option 3 (full-day with rail journey)

10am: Arrival at the museum and introduction

10.45am: Walk to Station

11.05am: Depart for Rawtenstall ("I spy) sheet to use on journey)

11.55: Depart Rawtenstall for Bury, eat lunch on the train

12.23pm: Arrive back in Bury, walk to the museum, toilet break included

12.45pm: Craft activity and time to explore (two groups alternate)

2pm/2.30pm: Departure

>> WHAT'S INCLUDED

Risk assessment

Entry to the museum

Option Three only: Return railway journey (Bury to Rawtenstall) pulled by a heritage steam locomotive, reserved seats ensure your party travels together.

>> ACTIVITIES AND ORGANISATION

OPTIONS ONE, TWO AND THREE:

An introduction to the museum, including a brief look at railways in the past.

"Make a Moving Vehicle" craft activity: using card and wooden wheels the children can each create a four wheeled vehicle and test to see whether it moves.

Time to explore: Bury Transport Museum houses many fascinating heritage vehicles, a wall of totems and plenty of interactive exhibits to keep you busy.

OPTION TWO:

Investigating Wheels: Looking at the different wheels on the museum's vehicle collection, their features, and what makes them suitable for their purpose.

Investigating old vehicles: a guided look at the vehicles in the museum comparing vintage and contemporary transportation.

Investigation the museum building: Bury Transport Museum is housed in a former railway goods shed. This session guides the children to look for clues to the building's previous use, and to think about how it operated.

Option Three

Railway journey: From stations to scenery there is plenty to see from the windows of your heritage railway carriage. The train waits at Rawtenstall for approximately 20 minutes before making the return journey to Bury. Take the opportunity to photograph your class with the locomotive. An "I Spy" sheet is provided for use on the journey up to Rawtenstall and lunch is eaten on the train.