

School visit program

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The Channel Museum offers an educational experience for Primary School Children. We focus on the history and heritage of the D'Entrecasteaux Channel area of Southern Tasmania.

There are over 24 individual displays which include exploration and settlement, timber, fishing, fruit and boatbuilding industries. The representation of a church, school room, shop, colonial kitchen, bedroom and laundry, display authentic features of everyday life as it was for earlier generations in regional Tasmania.

There are also displays of sporting memorabilia, a farm shed including tools, old toys and a dunny.



We provide an insight into how people lived in the past and what life was like before electricity and how the way we live has changed. Our school visit program can complement the Australian Curriculum for Humanities and Social Sciences specifically for years 1 and 2, but we welcome school children of all ages.

We encourage staff to visit the museum beforehand in conjunction with our School Visit Co-ordinator.



The Museum has toilets and an outside area with large table and seats where students can eat if needed.

A bus parking bay is situated outside the museum. We also cater for disabled students and the Museum is fully wheelchair accessible.

Parent help is welcomed.

The admission fee for school groups is \$3.00 per student. There is no charge for accompanying staff or parent help. An invoice will be provided on the day of the visit which can be paid later by bank transfer. Alternatively, payment can be made on the day by EFTPOS.

We suggest about an hour for the tour. Recommended session times for groups are 10.00, 11.30 and 1.00. however, these times can be varied if needed.

The Channel Museum is wholly staffed by volunteers.







Our school guides have been selected for their ability to engage with younger students and knowledge of the displays. We have current WWVP child endorsed activities cards and have completed the DECYP Safeguarding Children module.

For ease of touring the museum and providing the best learning experience we break each class into smaller groups of 5 or 6 students who are each allocated to one of our Museum School Guides. We recommend a teacher or parent help accompanies each of these groups. There is no restriction on school staff taking photographs within the museum.

On the day, our School Group Co-ordinator will greet the bus and escort the students into our library for a brief introduction before dividing the students into three or four smaller groups, each with a museum school guide, to tour the museum. After the tour the groups will return to the library for a short debrief and farewell.

To make a booking, complete the form under the Services / Education tab on our website (see link below). Please include the school's name, grade(s) preferred session times and approximate number of students. Our School Visit Co-ordinator will be in touch shortly to confirm the booking.

We also have a school object box containing about 20 old household objects which can be borrowed for \$1.00 per school day.

https://channelmuseum.org/education/

