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Overview

VENUE	PROGRAM	SUITABLE FOR	DURATION
McCrae Homestead, McCrae	McCrae Cultural heritage experience	Yr P – 6	Full Day (4 hours)
Old Melbourne Gaol, Melbourne	Gaol Tours	Yr 5 - VCE	1 hour
	Watch House Tours	Yr 9 + above	30 mins
	Court Room Dramas	Yr 5 + above	1 hour
Polly Woodside, South Wharf	Primary Tour	Yr P – 6	2 hours
	Maths@Sea	Yr 7 - 8	2 hours
Rippon Lea Estate, Elsternwick	<i>If These Walls Could Talk</i>	Yr P – 6	Full Day (4.5 hours)
Como House and Garden, South Yarra	<i>Now and Then</i>	Yr P – 6	Full Day (4.5 hours)

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<i>Bringing History to your Classroom</i>	Mrs Sargood	Yr P – 6	45 mins
Governor La Trobe's Cottage, South Yarra	Excursion ideas in and around Melbourne	Primary / Secondary	Enquire about a special school visit
Endeavour Fern Gully, Red Hill		Primary / Secondary	
Gulf Station Farm, Yarra Glen		Primary / Secondary	
Digital Education Resources	Virtual tours, activities and teacher notes	Yr 2 – 6	Available online



McCrae Homestead

McCrae Cultural Heritage Experience.

This unique educational experience provides students an insight into what life was like on the Mornington Peninsula for the local Indigenous people and the first colonial family the McCrae's during the 1840s.

Students experience two perspectives of life at McCrae Homestead through European and Indigenous cultural heritage interpretation.

An Indigenous and non-Indigenous facilitator will deliver a tailored program representing Indigenous cultural heritage through activities delivered alongside traditional European activities. This program has been created in partnership with Traditional Owners and the Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation.

McCrae Homestead, 11 Beverley Rd, McCrae

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
Yr P - 6	4 hours	Min 30 students Max 60 students per visit



The Old Melbourne Gaol

Get arrested at the Watch House.

Defend yourself at the Old Magistrates' Court and visit the cells at the Old Melbourne Gaol.

The Old Melbourne Gaol sites includes: The Old Melbourne Gaol, the former City Watch House and the Old Magistrates' Court.

Old Melbourne Gaol Learning Tours.

Learn about Melbourne's History through our experienced guides who share stories about the Gaol. Explore stories about Aboriginal prisoners, Tunnerminnawait and Mauboyheener, as well as the infamous bushranger, Ned Kelly.

Have a glimpse of the Gaol's sinister social history exploring the plight of children in the Gaol or the psychology behind the punishment and treatment of prisoners.

The Old Melbourne Gaol, 377 Russell Street, Melbourne

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
Yr 5 - VCE (Not recommended for younger students)	45 - 60mins	Min 15 students Max 30 students per group. Up to two groups per hour

The Watch House

You have been charged.

The City Watch House was the point of transition for entry into the justice system. Incarcerated within its walls, were an ever-changing community of individuals charged with offences ranging from public drunkenness to murder.

Students actively explore this confronting place from a number of different perspectives through role-play, multi-media interpretation and self-exploration.

Students will be 'arrested' by a Charge Sergeant and processed through the lock up of the Watch House cells. This is an authentic environment left largely unchanged since the last police and inmates left. Students will also encounter stories, spaces and imagery that can be both challenging and informative.

The Old Melbourne Gaol, 377 Russell Street, Melbourne

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
Yr 9 - VCE (Not recommended for younger students)	30mins (option to package with Gaol Tour & Court Room Drama)	Min 15 students Max 30 students

Court Room Drama

Take a role in a real trial.

The Old Magistrates' Court includes the original Supreme Court of Victoria where Ned Kelly was found guilty of murder by Sir Redmond Barry in 1880.

This significant heritage building offers students an engaging and revealing insight into past and contemporary legal process.

Students can participate and run their own realistic trial based on real cases by taking all the court roles from prosecution to judge to defendant.

A choice of historical and contemporary trials offer students a range of issues including *Sexting*, *Culpable Driving* and *Social Justice* for re-enactment, discussion – and debate.

Each session includes discussion time for students to weigh evidence, sift argument and come to their own judgement and outcomes.

The Old Melbourne Gaol, 377 Russell Street, Melbourne

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
Yr 5 + above (Not recommended for younger students)	50 mins (option to package with Gaol Tour & City Watch House Tour)	Min 15 students Max 30 students

Court Room Dramas include:

Elizabeth Scott (1863)
Trial of first woman to be hung in Melbourne.
Year Levels Yr 5 + above

Ned Kelly - 1880
Trial of infamous bushranger Ned Kelly.
Year Levels Yr 5 + above

Respect Me – Sexting
Trial of a youth who faces the consequence of sharing explicit images of a girlfriend.
Year Levels Yr 7 + above

Culpable Driving
Trial of a youth who killed his best mate in a street racing incident.
Year Levels Yr 9 + above

Koori Court
An experience of the Aboriginal Australian's justice system.
Year Levels Yr 9 + above



Rippon Lea Estate

If These Walls Could Talk – stories of an 1880's mansion.

Once the home of the Sargood family, Rippon Lea Estate includes beautiful gardens, lake, grotto and spring fed waterfall, fernery, orchard and large original mansion.

This program examines the past through family history, children's life, schooling and domestic work. It includes toys, games, sports, period clothes and exploration activities.

The tour of the mansion provides an insight into the people who lived in the home at different points of the houses' history. Explore through the stories, artefacts, furnishings, fashion and images through interactive interpretation.

Rippon Lea Estate, 192 Hotham Street, Elsternwick

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
Yr P - 6	4.5 hours (10am arrival to 2.30pm departure)	Min 30 students Max 55 students



Como House

Now and Then – Primary Program.

Once the grand city residence of the Armytage family, Como House and Garden in South Yarra lets young students imagine the world of the distant past and gain insight into history at a family and community level.

This program examines the past through family history, children's life, schooling and domestic work. It includes toys, games, sports, period clothes and exploration activities.

Our teaching staff take on the roles of 19th century Housekeeper and Butler as they lead students through the day on a range of hands on activities.

These include:

- Traditional dancing in the Ballroom
- Exploring the stories of the house
- Introduction to Melbourne in the past.

Como House, cnr. Williams Rd & Lechlade Ave, South Yarra

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
P to Yr 6 (highly recommended for Yrs 1 - 3)	4.5 hours (10am arrival to 2.30pm departure)	Min 30 students Max 55 students



Mrs Sargood Incursion

Bringing History to your Classroom.

Mrs Sargood, is a mother of 10, society matron and home school teacher from 1885. She will visit your class and take students back to a Victorian era classroom where manners, etiquette and discipline ruled.

Students will take part in a 45 minute program in their own classroom that explores what school was like for Melbourne students during the 1880s.

This exciting learning experience encourages inquiry, discussion and old fashioned fun.

Student activities include:

- Testing writing skills with the use of nib pens and ink wells (Yr 2 and above)
- Learning about expected student behaviour and the rules of a Victorian Classroom
- Exploring and discussing what school life is like now compared to the past.

Location: Melbourne and surrounding suburbs

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
P to Yr 6 (Highly Recommended for Yr 2 - 4)	45 mins, maximum of 3 sessions per day.	Max 30 students. Additional numbers require additional same day sessions.

NOTE: An additional travel fee is charged for distances over 30km.



Polly Woodside

Welcome aboard the Polly Woodside.

Ahoy! Step lively aboard a real 19th century tall ship and into the lives of the sailors who lived and worked aboard. A First Mate guides students around the cargo ship showing them the ropes of life at sea.

The one hour facilitated sessions includes a range of hands-on activities from using the capstan, ringing the bell on watch, trying out the bunks in the Liverpool deckhouse, furling sails on a spar, scrubbing decks and trying your hand as the helmsman at the wheel.

The session includes entry to the informative and interactive Polly Woodside gallery and film theatre which reveals the hardship of life at sea and screens the voyage of George Andrews, the ship's carpenter in 1904.

21 South Wharf Promenade, South Wharf - next to Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

YEAR LEVELS	DURATION	NUMBERS
P to Yr 6	2 hours	Min 20 students Max 80 students

Maths@Sea

Unique Maths Excursion on a Tall Ship.

Come on a mathematical journey aboard an 1885 tall ship – the Polly Woodside.

This program is ideal for learners including VCAL students who are looking for a dynamic and practical way to engage with maths. Explore how Sailors needed to use and understand maths concepts in order to survive at sea every day and how that has influence a mathematical language of today.

Students learn mathematical concepts while taking part in hands on activities originally carried out by sailors on tall ships. The crew will be expected to determine the depth of the sea, the speed of the ship in knots, the time of each watch rotation and the length of spars all through mental calculation and mathematical understanding.

The program focuses on understanding of dimensions, measurement, triangulation, time, speed and area and the relationship between different systems of units of measurement.

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Yr 7 - 8 and VCAL	2 hours	Min 20 students Max 60 students

Excursion ideas

La Trobe's Cottage Birdwood Ave & Dallas Brooks Dr, South Yarra

Visit the 1839 home of Governor Charles La Trobe.

Explore his home on a guided tour and find out the extraordinary story of Melbourne's first Governor and Melbourne's colourful early history.

Endeavour Fern Gully 196 Arthurs Seat Road, Red Hill

Follow the trail around Victoria's original rain forest with a guided tour of the eco systems and environments within the Gully by botanic experts.

Gulf Station Farm 1029 Melba Highway, Yarra Glen

Home of the Bell family, successful pastoralists in Yarra Glen. Take your students on a farm experience from the past.

Digital Resources

Education resources available online

Explore our online education resources to access student activities, teacher resources and virtual experiences that complement our programs and align to curriculum.

Visit nationaltrust.org.au/education-resources

McCrae Homestead & La Trobe's Cottage

This virtual 3D experience introduces students to two of the oldest homes owned by the National Trust. Students can virtually look around the entire span of rooms, learn more about specific items with a click of the mouse and view video clips of the characters that provide a personal perspective of the properties.

Working Life

The Working Life series of videos compares the experiences of occupations in the past at Rippon Lea Estate with present-day people in similar occupations.

The suite of 16 videos tell the stories of Rippon Lea workers and real life locals in various trades and industry.

3D Virtual Tours

Polly Woodside and Old Melbourne Gaol

These virtual tours allow the viewer to explore these two historic sites in their own time, place and pace. Enhance the experience with your own Virtual Reality headset and it's like you are there.

Interactive Courtroom

This 3D experience provides a virtual insight into a courtroom and explains the roles and functions of the key players in a trial. Students can watch the characters come to life as they demonstrate their role and function in a courtroom.

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