

## Facilities

- Large education room
- Indoor and outdoor space for packed lunches.
- Gift and book shop
- Tearoom
- Male, female and disabled toilets
- Lifts

The Museum is supported by a group of friendly and helpful volunteers, which give it a warm, welcoming feel.

## Opening Times

School visits can run between 10am – 4pm, Tuesday – Friday, all year round. Other days and times by special arrangement.

## Prices

£2.50 per pupils, accompanying adults free. Reduced rates for Time Club members.  
Risk assessment available on request.

## Information and Booking

To find out more about our Education and Outreach programmes and to book sessions, please contact the Education and Community Outreach Team on:

O1553 771200

email:outreach@truesyard.co.uk

## How to Find Us

The Museum is located on the corner of St Ann's Street and North Street 50 yards from St. Nicholas' Chapel.

**Parking:** There are car parks located close by on Austin Street and Chapel Street.

**Drop-off:** Coaches can drop pupils off outside the side gates of the Museum, on North Street.

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# True's Yard



## Teachers' Guide

*Primary Education*



## The Museum

### KING'S LYNN'S LAST REMAINING FISHERMEN'S YARD



Once, hundreds of families lived a stone's throw away from St. Nicholas' Chapel. Now True's Yard is all that remains of the old North End Fishing community.

Explore the two tiny cottages, decorated to the 1850s and 1930s; the last surviving Lynn smokehouse; the Activity fishing smack and a range of displays and exhibitions.

Get involved with the town's first Sound Archive and add your own stories and memories to our records.

*"I'm a hairin scarin fisherman and I hail from Kings Lynn town,  
and in this old life I've seen many an up an down..."*

### WHAT TO DO

Discover what life was like for the Fisher Folk of the North End, with a range of exciting activities.

Choose from the following:

- **North End Homelife:** a guided tour of the fishermen's cottages, with accompanying worksheet. Duration - 35-40 minutes.
- **Victorian Washday:** experience washing before machines with a posser, tub and mangle. Guided activity - 25 minutes.
- **Object Handling:** Question sheets and pencils provided, please bring own paper. Guided activity - 30 minutes. Choose from the following:
  - **Domestic Life:** from glove hands to hot water bottles, take a closer look at a range of historical objects from North End homes.
  - **Toys and Games:** explore a range of toys and games from the past.
  - **Fishermen's Tales:** explore some of the traditional tools used by North End fishermen and hear tales of the hardships they endured. *Designed for Key Stage Two.*
  - **Comparing Now and Then:** compare and contrast a selection of well-known household objects from the past and present. *Designed for Key Stage Two.*
- **Costume Explorer:** step back in time and become a range of characters from the North End. *7-11 year olds only.* Guided activity - 30 minutes.
- **Carter's Challenge:** put your knot tying skills to the test and discover how important one lowly knot could be. *Designed for Key Stage Two.* Guided activity - 25 minutes.
- **Creatures of the Sea:** find out what animals the North End fishermen caught. Match-up activity and colouring-in. *Designed for Key Stage One.* Guided activity - 25 minutes.
- **Fish and Fishing:** How pongy are the fish in the smokehouse today? Why didn't fishermen learn to swim? Discover more with this self-led tour of the smokehouse and fishing smack. Worksheet and pencils provided. Duration - 25 minutes.
- **A Model Town:** peek into the past with the Tudor King's Lynn and Victorian North End models, then take the 'Landmarks challenge'. Guided tour - 25 minutes.

Spend the day and you'll have time to visit St. Nicholas' Chapel. This tour includes a walk along one of the oldest remaining streets in the North End - Pilot Street.

Activities in the Chapel:

- Picture Quiz
- Consistory Court
- Role-play



### True's Tours

If you're looking to explore more of King's Lynn, why not combine your visit with a town trail. True's Tours are self-guided trails designed with schools in mind. Currently on offer:

- Marvellous Maritime
- Coming Soon: Totally Tudor and Cracking King's Lynn

### The Living Wash

For an even broader educational experience, why not combine a visit to True's Yard with a trip to The Wash Nature Reserve (*Natural England*). Choose from a selection of activities to complete in the morning, then stop for lunch and explore the Museum in the afternoon.

Contact Sonia Reveley on 01553 818503 or [sonia.reveley@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:sonia.reveley@naturalengland.org.uk)



### Themes

We can tailor your visit to suit more specific needs. Past themes include Victorian Schooldays, Maritime King's Lynn, World War II Evacuee and Pirates and Smugglers..

### Outreach

Visits to the Museum are highly recommended but we can also come to you! The Museums' Community Outreach Team delivers sessions in schools, such as object handling and working with old photographs.

### Teacher's Packs

General resource pack now available.  
Creative curriculums coming soon!

### Time Club

Join our membership club to get discounts on visits and outreach sessions. **Free to join.**