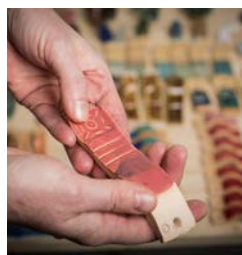
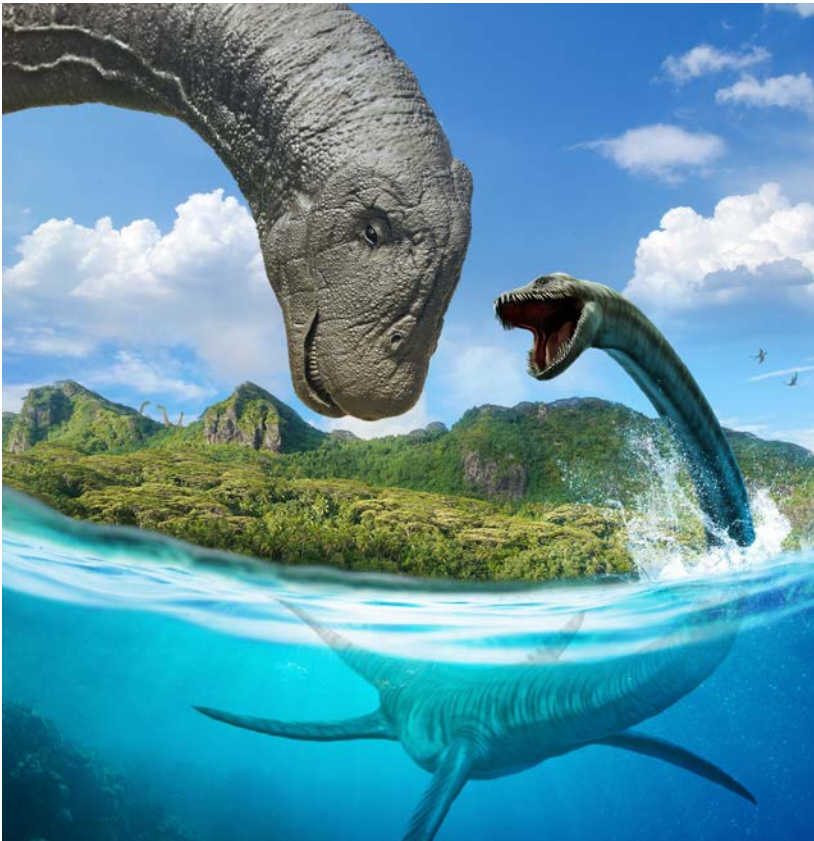


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Welcome to Discover, your guide to events and activities at York Castle Museum. Visit our websites to Discover what's on at [York Art Gallery](#) and the [Yorkshire Museum](#) too!

Our exciting talks, tours and workshops are the perfect way for you to discover more about the fantastic exhibitions and collections at **York Museums Trust** venues.

**Don't forget, admission to all sites is FREE for 12 months with your YMT Card.**

## talks

### Fill Your Boots – Exploring the Women's Shoe Collection

Tuesday 17 April, 2pm – 3pm



You can tell a lot about a person by their shoes.

Learn about the fascinating world of historic shoes with York Castle Museum's Helen Thornton. Helen will guide you through the past 300 years of western women's shoe design, and what shoes can tell us about the changing roles of women, especially in times of social and historical upheaval. Get up close with some examples from the shoe collection, and discover more about the person who wore them.

This session will last one hour and include a talk about shoes as well as an opportunity to view and handle objects at the end.

**£5.** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.

### Unmentionables: A Brief History of Underwear

Friday 20 April, 2pm – 3pm



Have you ever wondered how underpants worked in the past? What did people wear under their clothes, and what were all those layers for? Journey through the history of undies with York Castle Museum's Dr Faye Prior. Learn how people in the past used underwear to shape and protect their bodies, and find out about the extremes fashionable people went to in order to create the look of the day. This session will last one hour, and will include a talk about the history of underwear as worn in the UK and Europe from the middle ages to the 20th century, followed by an object viewing and handling session using historic underwear from the collection of York Castle Museum.

**£5.** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



## practical workshops

### Relaxed Opening

Sunday 18 February, 9.30am – 11.30am

York Castle Museum can be loud and busy at times so we will put our lights on full and turn off all the sound effects so it's a less overwhelming environment for our visitors. Find out more on our access page [here](#).

Included in museum admission. No need to book.

### Local Voices

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22 March,  
11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Join our Suffragette character on Kirkgate bringing York's own story of suffrage and local connection to life. This activity is part of York's International Women's Week (3 – 11 March).

Included in museum admission. No need to book.

### Edwardian Edibles

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22 March, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Explore Edwardian recipes contrasting them with World War I versions.

Included in museum admission. No need to book.



## early years & family events



York Museums Trust provides a range of activities and events for children under 5 to help them engage with the collections and exhibitions.

We currently offer two types of **Museum Monkeys** sessions – **Museum Baby** for under 2s and **Early Years Explorers** for ages 2 – 5.

### Early Years Explorers, Edwardian

Thursday 22 February, 10am – 11am

Play with the Punch and Judy set, try on the Edwardian hats and make a cardboard model of an Edwardian beach hut.

Sessions are now **FREE!** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



### Early Years Explorers, Dick Turpin

Thursday 1 March, 10am – 11am

Make a cardboard Tricorn hat, listen to the story of *The Highway Rat* and follow the Dick Turpin trail around the museum.

Sessions are now **FREE!** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



### Early Years Explorers, Soldiers

Thursday 8 March, 10am – 11am

Play with the toy soldiers in the sand, knock down the toy soldier skittles and try on the soldier's hat.

Sessions are now **FREE!** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



### Early Years Explorers, The Body

Thursday 15 March, 10am – 11am

Find out about the body, try on some costumes and discover the new Shaping the Body exhibition.

Sessions are now **FREE!** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



### Early Years Explorers, Victorians

Thursday 22 March, 10am – 11am

Dress as a Victorian, listen to the Victorian wash day story and play with Victorian style toys.

Sessions are now **FREE!** Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



### Create at the Castle:

#### Head to Toe: Muddle and Match Dress up Book

Saturday 15 April 2018 – Sunday 23 April 2018, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Follow the clues round the galleries to find the different outfits. Collect the costume cards to build up your own muddle and match dress up book. Part of Fashion City York.

**£2 per activity book.** Museum admission applies, no need to book.



**Museum Monkeys Special: Costume and Shoes**



Monday 16 – Sunday 22 April, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Try on costumes, explore the Shaping the Body exhibition and listen to the story of *The Old Woman Who Lived In A Shoe*. A special Museum Monkeys drop-in session for under 5s as part of Fashion City York.

**Included in museum admission.** No need to book.

**Museum Baby, Edwardian**



Friday 20 April, 10am – 11am

Play with the Punch and Judy set and try on the Edwardian hats.

**Sessions are now FREE! Museum admission applies.** Click [here](#) to book through our events page.

**York Castle Museum 80th Birthday Party Celebrations:  
Kirk on Kirkgate**

Saturday 21 – Monday 23 April, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Visit York Castle Museum as part of our 80th Birthday celebrations and meet the actors playing the roles of Dr Kirk the founder of the museum and Curator Violet Rodgers on the reconstructed Victorian street, Kirkgate.

**Included in museum admission.** No need to book.

**York Castle Museum 80th Birthday Party Celebrations:  
Traditional Party Crafts**

Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 April, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Join in with traditional birthday crafts and play pin the tail on the donkey. Drop in family session.

**Included in museum admission.** No need to book.

**York Castle Museum 80th Birthday Party Celebrations:  
Chocolate Celebrations**

Saturday 21 – Monday 23 April, 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Discover the history of chocolate and how it is used for celebrations. Watch demonstrations of tempering chocolate and making 80th birthday chocolates. You might even get to try some!

**Included in museum admission.** No need to book.

**Museum Baby, Dick Turpin**



Friday 27 April, 10am – 11am

Try on the tricorne hat and listen to the Highway rat story.

**Sessions are now FREE! Museum admission applies.** Click [here](#) to book through our events page.

**Museum Baby, Soldiers**

Friday 4 May, 10am – 11am

Knock down the toy soldiers skittles and try on the soldier’s hat.

Sessions are now FREE! Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



**Museum Baby, The Body**

Friday 11 May, 10am – 11am

Try on some costumes and discover the Shaping the Body exhibition.

Sessions are now FREE! Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



**Museum Baby, Victorians**

Friday 18 May, 10am – 11am

Dress as a Victorian and listen to the Victorian wash day story.

Sessions are now FREE! Museum admission applies. Click [here](#) to book through our events page.



**special event**

**These Walls**

Thursday 15 March – Saturday 17 March, 6.30pm and 8.30pm

A new play that brings to life the history of the Debtors’ Prison and the people who lived, worked and died there. An ensemble cast of 14 – 16 year olds lead the audience through York Castle Museum, animating the spaces, giving breath to the stories that are held in the fabric of these old walls. The audience is invited to take part as witness, onlooker, gallows mob, new inmate and Gaoler’s guest, invited in (for a fee) to rub shoulders with notorious felons.

£8 Adults, £6 Children. Click [here](#) to book through the York Theatre Royal website.

