

LEARNING IN INSPIRING SPACES

ACTIVITIES

Colour key

-  Cathedral activity
-  Education Centre activity
-  Additional activities



KS2 KS3

Illuminated Manuscripts

Children will learn how and why books were made in monasteries. They will write with a quill pen, design an illuminated initial letter and complete their own manuscript to take back to school. Complements any of our Cathedral-history sessions.
What? History, Art and Design
Where? Education Centre
How long? 75 minutes

KS1

Senses in Special Places

Children explore the Cathedral using all five senses, learning about the key objects, symbols and rituals important in Christian worship.
What? RE, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 75 minutes



KS1 KS2

Sculpting Symbols

Children will examine a range of Christian symbols, then design and make a clay tile to take back to school. Perfect when booked in conjunction with any Cathedral-RE session.
What? RE, Art and Design
Where? Education Centre
How long? 75 minutes



EYFS

Songs and Stories

A storytelling and singing session for our youngest visitors.
What? Knowledge and Understanding of the World
Where? Cathedral
How long? 50-60 minutes



KS4

A Sermon in Stone

Can be tailored to meet exam specification requirements. This session will explore the features, symbolism and ritual of worship. Opportunities to participate in a discussion/Q&A with a member of the clergy team if requested and notice given.
What? RE, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 75-120 minutes



KS2 KS3

The Tudors: Monks and Monarchs

Through costumed role play, students will discover what life was like here in the Abbey of St Peter in the year 1539. They will learn how and why the Abbey became a Cathedral and the changes that happened to religious life in Tudor England. They'll investigate the stories of significant people of the period including Katharine of Aragon with a visit to her tomb.
What? History, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 90 minutes



KS2

Saxon Treasure

Complementing 'Searching for Saxons', this craft workshop will enable children to design and make their own piece of Saxon treasure to take back to school.
What? History, Art and Design
Where? Education Centre
How long? 75 minutes



KS2

Exploring Easter

Held on selected dates during Lent, this interactive session will encourage children to reflect upon the themes of Easter and culminates by considering: Is Easter a festival of new life or sacrifice?
What? RE, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 75 minutes



KS1 KS2

Sticky Stained Glass

Choosing between one of six RE-themed templates, children make a tissue-paper window to take home. Can be adapted for upper KS2 by asking the children to design their own template.
What? RE, Art and Design
Where? Education Centre
How long? 45-60 minutes



KS3 KS4

Normans to Now

Students will explore the origins of the building from 1118 through to modern times by investigating the art, architecture, history and worship of the Cathedral.
What? History, Art, Architecture, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 90 minutes



KS2 KS3

Cathedral Collage

Children will explore and sketch a variety of patterns and shapes in the Cathedral. They will work up their designs in oil pastel and ink, working in groups to create a Batik-inspired collage of the Cathedral. Complements any Cathedral RE session or Normans to Now.
What? Art and Design
Where? Cathedral and Education Centre
How long? 90 minutes



KS2 KS3 KS4

Faith, Worship and Belief

A perfect hands-on introduction to Christian places of worship and belief. Students will understand how Christians express their faith through worship focusing on Baptism, Holy Communion, key features of the church and symbolism.
What? RE, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 75 minutes



KS2 KS3

Searching for Saxons

Students will explore the Cathedral's Saxon origins and investigate its Saxon archaeological treasures.
What? History, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 90 minutes



KS2 KS3 KS4

Taster Tour

Not much time to spare? This cost-effective guided visit will introduce young people to the history and worship of the Cathedral.
What? History, RE, SMSC
Where? Cathedral
How long? 45-60 minutes

