

History at the Harris

The project was to produce a series of resources based on three topics from the QCA history schemes of work.

KS2 History-QCA units:

1. What were toys like long ago?
2. What were homes like long ago?
18. What was it like to live here in the past?

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We wanted to create a series of resources that could be put on to a CD and offered to local schools. The resources would have strong links to our collections. In this way we would be able to encourage more school groups would visit the Museum.

To do this we chose three history units from the QCA schemes of work at Key Stages 1 and 2. Consultations with teachers were held at the Museum and a teacher was employed to devise the packs based upon the comments from the teachers.

The relevant displays in the Museum were altered in order to support the packs and enhance visits by schools using them. The feedback from teachers was very positive and has resulted in extra material being added to the packs.

“It has encouraged some of the children to ask their parents for a further visit to view other exhibits.”

Classroom Assistant

“It was good to link with the museum staff to make the best of their resources.”

Teacher

