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Coventry Transport Museum

Great fun for your little learners



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Why visit Coventry Transport Museum?

The Museum's extensive galleries provide the perfect learning environment for students of all ages. The collection illustrates the evolution and social history of road transport and supports many curriculum areas including History, Citizenship, Maths, Art & Design, Design & Technology, Science, English, ITC and Drama. Our Learning Development Officers are able to support learning activities at all levels, ages and abilities. We also offer tactile and multi-sensory experiences for SEN groups.



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Session Guide

The educational sessions available at the museum are split into two categories.

Museum-led sessions

These sessions are designed to give you the very best experience of the Museum. They are led by a member of our Learning Team who will be with you for the duration of the session. The students will benefit from being able to interact with our collection under the guidance of our enthusiastic and well-informed staff.

Duration: 45mins - 1½ hours
(dependant on booked session)

Cost: £2 per child

Self-led sessions

These activities are designed to encourage groups to explore the Museum independently. After a short introduction to your activity by a member of our Learning Team, your group will be free to explore the Museum and complete the activity under your supervision.

Duration: 1 - 2 hours

Cost: £1 per child

- All payable school visits include a **FREE** ride on our Thrust SSC Land Speed Record simulator.
- Lunch spaces are available **FREE** of charge to groups which book a payable session.
(There is a £10 charge for lunch spaces for groups on a general visit who have not booked an education session.)
- Costs are per child. Teachers and supervisors go free.
- Detailed lesson plans, including Learning Objectives, are available for all our sessions upon request.



Museum-led sessions

The following sessions are available for booking at 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm and 1.30pm.

- **Road Safety**
- **Tots Tour**
- **Hands-On Cycles**
- **Local History Tour**
- **Wartime Experience Sessions:**
 - Hands-On Blitz Experience
 - Evacuee Experience
 - Coventry Memories Experience
 - World War II Guided Tour Only
- **Sustainable Transport**
- **Tactile Tour**

All prices given are per child.



Road Safety

£2

Session time: 45 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 30 people

Level: Foundation

- Art & design
- Knowledge & Understanding of the World

This session is designed for our younger visitors to help them learn and understand road safety principles.

In a fun, active session learners are taught key principles of road safety through games and activities. The session includes a craft activity where learners will make a simple mobile to help them remember what they have learnt. The craft activity includes colouring and sticking.

Tots Tour

£2

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 30 people

Level: Foundation & Key Stage 1

- History
- Knowledge & Understanding of the World
- Numeracy and reasoning

This engaging and fun tour takes learners on a journey around the museum with simple learning tasks along the way. This session focuses on the recognition of shapes, numbers, colours and objects.

Our Tots Tour includes the opportunity to sit on our 1930s fire engine. This will be one of many photo opportunities, so do bring a camera!

The sessions above are both led by a member of our Learning Team who will be with you for the duration of the session.



Hands-On Cycles

£2

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 30 people

Level: Key Stage 1 & 2

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(Victorian Britain and Local History) |
| <input type="radio"/> Citizenship | |
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| <input type="radio"/> Drama | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> English | <input type="radio"/> Science |

This workshop looks at the development of the cycle throughout the Victorian era.

During the session the group will examine four cycles, arranging them into chronological order and learning about how cycles developed. In the second half of the session learners are provided with a worksheet, clipboard and pencil. The worksheet includes spaces to draw examples of the four cycles and record key information about them.

This session also includes the opportunity to sit on a Victorian tricycle. Bring your camera for this photo opportunity with optional fancy dress. Educational resources are available.

Local History Tour

£2

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 30 people

Level: Key stage 2, 3 & 4

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(Local History) |
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| <input type="radio"/> Drama | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> English | <input type="radio"/> Science |

This hour long guided tour tells the story of road transport history in Coventry.

Travel back in time to Victorian Coventry and see the first Boneshaker cycles then continue your journey through our Landmarkes gallery from the first car factory to the Coventry Blitz experience.

This tour will end in our Ghost Town gallery which explores the reasons behind the decline of the industry in the late 20th Century.

This tour can include, where appropriate, the opportunity to sit on a 1930's fire engine and/or inside a Second World War Anderson Shelter. Bring your camera for these photo opportunities.

The sessions above are both led by a member of our Learning Team who will be with you for the duration of the session.





Wartime Experience Sessions

Maximum group size: 30 people **Level:** Key stages 2, 3 & 4

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| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Citizenship | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Drama | | <input type="radio"/> ITC | <input type="radio"/> Science |

Learn more about life on the home front during the Second World War with one of our popular hands-on sessions led by a member of our Learning Team. All our wartime experience sessions include a guided tour of the wartime area of our Landmarques gallery and the Blitz Experience. Choose from the selection overleaf to tailor your visit to your subject/ key stage requirements:

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR FULL DETAILS OF THESE FOUR SESSIONS



WARTIME EXPERIENCE SESSIONS

Hands-On Blitz Experience

£2

Level: Key Stage 2 & 3

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

After a guided tour of the wartime area of our Landmarques gallery you will be taken to our dedicated Blitz Classroom. Learners will be split into smaller groups to handle a selection of real wartime artefacts and identify what they are. Objects include shrapnel, incendiary bombs, warden's helmets and ration books amongst others. This session includes the opportunity to sit inside a real Anderson shelter.

Coventry Memories Experience

£2

Level: Key Stage 3 & 4

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

After a guided tour of the wartime area of our Landmarques gallery you will be taken to our dedicated ITC Suite. Learners will have the opportunity to access the Coventry Memories Website and view real people's experiences of life during the Second World War. This session focuses on the use of historical sources for study.

Evacuee Experience

£2

Level: Key Stage 2 & 3

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

After a guided tour of the wartime area of our Landmarques gallery you will be taken to our dedicated Blitz Classroom. Learners will be split into smaller groups to discover what evacuees packed in their suitcases and look at letters from an evacuee. They will also learn about the experiences of children during the Second World War through a short role play activity.

World War II guided tour only

£1

Level: Key Stage 2, 3 & 4

Session time: 30 minutes (approx)

If you don't have time for a full wartime session, why not opt for this shorter themed guided tour. Learners will discover more about wartime Coventry as they are led through the wartime area of our Landmarques gallery and guided through the Blitz Experience. Included in this session is the opportunity for students to sit on a 1930s fire engine and/or experience what it was like inside a real Anderson Shelter. Bring your camera for these photo opportunities with optional fancy dress.

These sessions are led by a member of our Learning Team who will be with you for the duration of the session. Educational resources are available – see "How To Book". These sessions are ideal to pair with a visit to Coventry Cathedral, which is a short walk from the Museum.



Sustainable Transport £2

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 30 people

Level: Key Stage 2

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| <input type="radio"/> Design & Technology | <input type="radio"/> ITC |
| <input type="radio"/> Drama | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> English | <input type="radio"/> Science |
| <input type="radio"/> Personal Development | |

This hour long Museum led session will introduce your learners to the key themes surrounding sustainable transport.

Learners will be guided through the Museum's galleries and look at transport new and old, discovering the relative sustainability of vehicles from a Victorian horse and cart, to a double-decker bus, to a bicycle!

The session continues in our ITC suite where learners will be split into groups and given a Journey Scenario. Using online journey planners they will investigate different methods of public transport and plan the most appropriate journey for their scenario.

New!

Tactile Tour £2

Session time: 60 - 90 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 10 people

Level: SEN

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| <input type="radio"/> Citizenship | <input type="radio"/> English |
| <input type="radio"/> Design & Technology | <input type="radio"/> ITC |
| <input type="radio"/> Drama | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> English | <input type="radio"/> Science |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Personal Development | |

Our Tactile Tour is designed to give a more multi-sensory, hands-on experience of the museum for visitors who are blind or partially sighted, or have special educational needs & learning disabilities.

Participants will have the opportunity to handle objects and touch selected vehicles with the use of our Tactile Tour bag, which includes a pair of conservation gloves, a magnifying glass, a torch and a large print photo guide. There are also many fun costume stops along the way where your students can try on historical hats.

We aim to tailor this tour to the specific needs of your group. Please contact us to discuss how we can best support your visit.

Tactile Tour bags are for use during the tour but must be returned after your session.

These sessions are led by a member of our Learning Team who will be with you for the duration of the session.



Self-led sessions

- **Letter Hunt**
- **Wheelie Wicked**
- **20th Century Timeline**
- **Land Speed Record Fun**
- **Logo A Go Go**
- **Motor Maths**

All prices given are per child.



Letter Hunt

£1

Session time: 60 - 120 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 1 & 2

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(Local History and
Britain since 1930) | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> Design & Technology | | <input type="radio"/> Science |
| <input type="radio"/> Drama | | |

Have fun and support literacy while visiting the museum.

We suggest learners split into small groups for this activity. Each learner is provided with a Letter Hunt activity sheet, a clipboard and pencil.

Scrambled words are hidden around the museum. In small groups learners will find the scrambled words, write and unscramble them to make ten themed words. Themes available include 'Coventry', 'Transport' & 'The Second World War' (stated upon booking).

An answer sheet with the solved anagrams will be provided to teachers/supervisors.

Wheelie Wicked

£1

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 1 & 2

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Britain since 1930) | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
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| <input type="radio"/> Drama | | |

Investigate how wheels have changed over time and discover the many different types of wheels in our collection.

We suggest learners split into small groups for this activity.

Each learner is provided with a Wheelie Wicked activity sheet, clipboard & pencil. Throughout their visit learners will draw pictures of the various types of wheels they find around the museum.

Learners are encouraged to look at the different materials wheels are made of & the different sizes used on all types of transport.

Each small group will be given a list of wheels to find (e.g. an old wheel, a wooden wheel, etc.)

These sessions are self led. After a short introduction to the activities by a member of our Learning Team groups are free to explore the museum and complete the activities with their teachers and supervisors.



20th Century Timeline £1

Session time: 60 - 120 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 1 & 2

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| <input type="radio"/> Drama | | |

This session has been designed to help learners understand the development of road transport during the 20th century.

We suggest learners split into small groups for this activity.

Each learner is given a 20th Century Timeline activity sheet, a clipboard and a pencil. The activity sheet is split into decades. Learners are asked to find a vehicle from each decade throughout the century. There is space on the worksheet to draw a picture of, and record information about the selected vehicle.

Educational resources are available, see "How to book".

Land Speed Record Fun £1

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 2

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(Local History and
Britain since 1930) | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> Design & Technology | <input type="radio"/> Science | |
| <input type="radio"/> Drama | | |

Each learner will be given a Land Speed Record Fun activity sheet, a clipboard and a pencil.

In the first part of the activity sheet learners are asked to gather information as they tour the galleries to plot a graph which charts the speed of several key vehicles. In our Spirit of Speed gallery learners will see our two Land Speed Record cars and complete the second part of their activity sheet.

An answer sheet will be provided to teachers/supervisors.

Educational resources are available, see "How to book".

These sessions are self led. After a short introduction to the activities by a member of our Learning Team groups are free to explore the museum and complete the activities with their teachers and supervisors.



Logo a Go Go

£1

Session time: 60 - 120 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 1, 2 & 3

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| <input type="radio"/> Citizenship | <input checked="" type="radio"/> History
(Local History and
Britain since 1930) | <input type="radio"/> Maths |
| <input type="radio"/> Design & Technology | <input type="radio"/> Science | |
| <input type="radio"/> Drama | | |

Discover a world of logos on the many vehicles and adverts around the museum.

Each learner will be provided with an activity sheet, a clipboard and a pencil. As they journey around the museum learners are encouraged to identify different logos on cycles, cars and adverts, and copy them onto their sheet.

Motor Maths

£1

Session time: 60 minutes (approx)

Maximum group size: 90 people

Level: Key Stage 1, 2 & 3

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A fun activity designed to help develop your learners' maths skills. Our Motor Maths worksheets are available at two levels of difficulty. Level 1 is an easier worksheet designed for younger learners and involves simple calculations, counting, measuring and shape recognition tasks. Level 2 is a more difficult worksheet which includes tasks involving graph plotting, more complex calculations, numerical problem solving and use of mathematical equations.

Each learner is provided with a Motor Maths worksheet, a clipboard and a pencil. We encourage learners to be split into small groups for this activity. Each group is provided with a Maths Bag containing mathematical equipment required for the tasks (calculator, tape measure etc.)

These sessions are self led. After a short introduction to the activities by a member of our Learning Team groups are free to explore the museum and complete the activities with their teachers and supervisors.



Guidelines

Thank you for considering Coventry Transport Museum for your educational visit. The following guidelines are designed to support you and help to ensure your visit is a success.

For the health and safety of your group please bring with you a comprehensive register of all members of your party – adults and children. Please ensure you have the correct ratio of adults to children.

There are coach drop-off and pick-up points adjacent to the Museum and coach parking nearby.

On arrival at the Museum you will be greeted by a member of our Customer Services or Learning Team and provided

with information on the location of toilets, pre-booked activity areas and any allocated lunch areas. An area can be arranged for eating packed lunches and we can store your coats and bags. Use of our lunch area is free of charge for schools taking part in paid-for activities. For schools on general visits there is a £10 charge. Lunch spaces must be pre-booked.

The Museum is fully accessible. Our Access Policy is available to download from <http://www.transport-museum.com/visiting/furtherinfo.aspx>.



Please Remember...

Please remember that you, as group organiser, are responsible for the conduct of your group whilst visiting the Museum. Please encourage your group to walk and not run around the Museum and to be sensitive to other visitors.

- Please don't touch the vehicles, or attempt to sit in or on exhibits.
- Photographs are permitted and we encourage school groups to bring a camera with them.
- If you require assistance or experience any difficulties during your visit please approach one of our Museum Assistants who will do all they can to assist you.
- Don't forget to take a ride on the ThrustSSC Land Speed Record simulator. This is normally charged at £1 per person, but is FREE with a booked education session.
- We have a well-stocked shop full of pocket money items.

Have a great day. Please contact us if you have any queries.



Please note: In order to ensure your day runs smoothly please aim to arrive at least 15 minutes before your pre-booked session. If you believe you may be late please contact the museum to let us know. This will help us to re-arrange other sessions that may be booked in if necessary. Sessions are pre-booked at a set time and while we will always aim to deliver, the Museum reserves the right to cancel, or re-arrange the timings for a session if your group arrives more than 30 minutes late.

How to book

If you would like to book a schools visit and session please contact us using one of the following methods:

Tel: 024 7623 4270

Fax: 024 7623 4284

Email: enquiries@transport-museum.com

Before you book have you thought about:

- What session times would suit your visit best?
- How many learners and adults would you like to bring?
- Do you require a lunch facility?
- How long would you like to spend visiting the museum?
- Would you like more than one school session?
- Does your group have any access requirements?
- Do you require Educational resources?



How to find us

By Road

Conveniently located at the heart of England we are accessible from some of the UK's main motorways M1, M6, M40, M42, M45 and M69. Exit Coventry ring road at Junction 1. Pay and Display city centre car parks are all within walking distance.

By Rail

To Coventry Station, (London Euston to Birmingham) 15 minutes walk or buses numbered 17, 27, 49 drop off near the Museum.

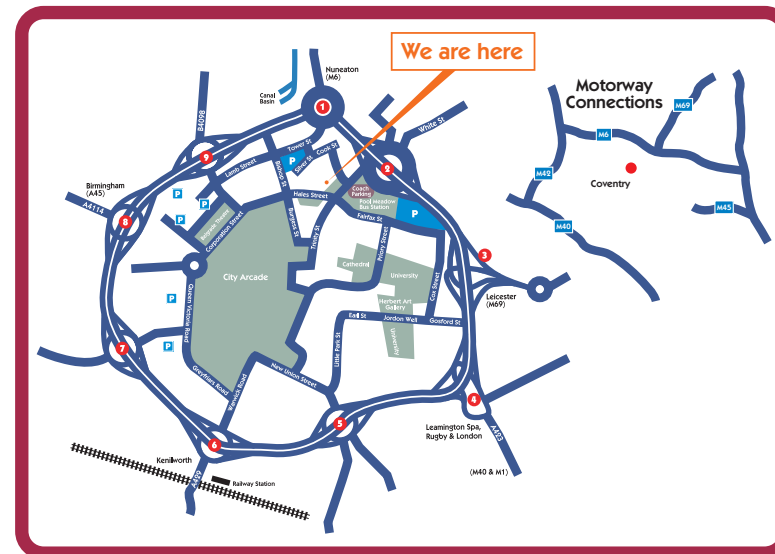
By Bus

Most West Midlands buses go to the city centre which is 2-5 minutes walk (signposted)

Opening Times

- Open every day from 10am - 5pm
- Recommended last admission 4.30pm
- Closed 24-26 December and 1 January

Admission is free, however donations are greatly appreciated.



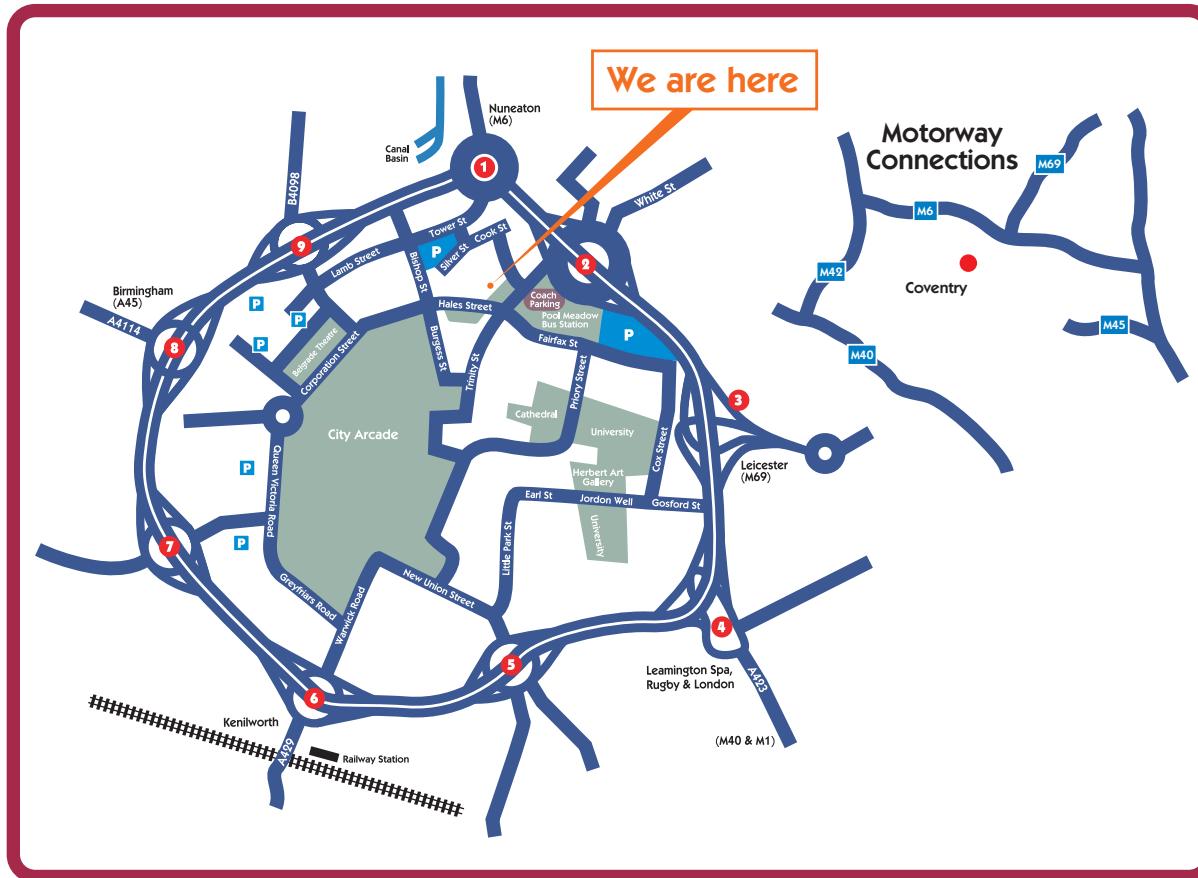
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Museum Shop is open between 10am - 5pm

Museum Cafe is open between 8am - 6pm. Serving hot and cold drinks, light meals and refreshments.

ThrustSSC Land Speed Record simulator is chargeable, but free with a booked education session.





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