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Class

Bailiffgate Museum visit

You are going to collect information about the History of Alnwick from the exhibitions in Bailiffgate Museum.

The exhibitions are divided into 6 areas: Beginnings, Early life, Developing Town, 19th Century, 20th Century, Alnwick & District Today.

You will need to answer the following questions by visiting these areas in the museum and getting the information from the boards.

BEGINNINGS



During what period of time were the "cup and ring marks" created?

Who created the kingdom of Northumbria?

Who attacked the Holy Island of Lindisfarne?

When did they attack?

Timeline

Use the timeline board to make notes about the important points in British history compared to what was happening in Northumberland.

The Howick Hut

The Howick Hut is the oldest house in Northumberland.
When was it believed to have been built?

When did archeologists find it?

What types of things did they find to prove people lived in the hut?

King Malcolm and the Keys Below, make some notes about the story of Malcolm and the Keys.

Northumbria: The Cradle of English Christianity

The Anglo Saxon, King Edwin was converted from what religion to what new religion in 625?

Which two monks were both bishops of Lindisfarne in the 600's?

The Normans and the Barony of Alnwick

Who was probably the first Baron of Alnwick and what was he responsible for building?

Look at the plan of Alnwick Abbey. What part of the Abbey had a curved wall?

EARLY LIFE

Northumberland: English Castle County

Complete the following information about the castles in Northumberland.

Dunstanburgh Castle:

Built by:

When:

Damaged how:

Bamburgh Castle

Ancient home of:

Bought by:

Warkworth Castle:

Built in:

Home of:

Over what river:

What were Bastle Houses?

How thick were the walls?

Who lived on the upper floor?

Who lived on the lower floor?

What were Pele Towers and what were they used for?

The Percy Dynasty

Since when have the Percy family been associated with Alnwick?

Who is the best known of the Percys?

Why is he the most famous?

Who asked for there to be walls built around Alnwick, and why?

Alnwick: An Emerging Town

What were the strips of land known as?

What were the people who tended the land known as?

What did the peasants have to do for the landowner?

Who gave permission for weekly markets and a fair to be held in 1297?

DEVELOPING TOWN

Alnwick: Town Life in the 19th Century

Give 5 examples of jobs that hard working 19th Century people did in Alnwick?

Name 2 public and commercial buildings in Alnwick during the 19th Century?

William Davison

When was William Davison born, and when did he die?

What was his job originally?

Where, in Alnwick, was his printing shop?

Give some examples of the kind of things Davison published:

When was the first edition of the Alnwick Mercury published?

Make some notes below about the 4 Davison posters

Felton Feast: 1836

A Pleasure trip: 1839

Six pounds reward: 1843

Advertising: 1855

Cholera Outbreak in the Yards, 1849

What was the increase in population in Alnwick between 1801 and 1850?

What disease spread in 1849?

How did the town try to stop the spread of Cholera?

What happened to the bodies of the dead?

How many people died?

Agriculture and Fishing

Where, in Northumberland, was a home to huge flocks of sheep?

Who did the farmers employ? What was the name they were called?

In 1863, Craster had a fishing fleet.

How many and what type of boats did it consist of?

Where were Craster's famous Kippers sold?

Railways, Coal and Quarrying

What was the first line of railway in Alnwick district? When was it built? and
What was it built for?

When was Alnmouth station opened?

What was quarried at Embleton in the mid 1860's?

Why was the demand for coal so high? What was it being used for?

The Alnwick to Cornhill Railway

The railway line from Alnwick to other parts of Northumberland and the Scottish borders was built when?

When was the passenger service to Cornhill closed? And for what reason?

What is Alnwick Station now the home of?

19TH CENTURY

A Footballing Tradition In 1828 a law was passed to stop people playing football in the streets of Alnwick. What happened next?

How did the game played? How do they know who won?

Games and Pastimes

How did hardworking people entertain themselves during this time? Make some notes below:

WT Stead - Pioneering Journalist

William Thomas Stead was born where and when?

Make notes about his amazing career in Journalism.

Why do you think he was invited to speak at the Peace Congress?

Why did he never make it to the Peace congress?

A Brave Rescue

What happened off the Northumberland coast on 20th December 1925?

How were the women and children rewarded for their bravery?

School Life

From what year did children aged between 5 and 10 have to legally attend school?

Why did school holidays change each year?

How much did Duke's school boys earn working 12 hours a day in the Castle gardens?

Name some of the schools that were opened.

20TH CENTURY

RAF Boulmer

When was RAF Boulmer opened?

What was it built for?

The station closed at the end of the second world war, why did it reopen again in 1953?

What is RAF Boulmer used for now?

The Home Front

What 2 regiments did hundreds of men in Alnwick volunteer to join?

What types of things did the local people donate to the war effort?

Where were children evacuated from to Alnwick and why?

Why were the town railings removed ? What were they made into?

Alnwick Camp

What year was a training camp set up on the pastures?

What was Alnwick Moor used for?

What was the camp eventually used for?

How long did wounded soldiers stay at the camp before returning to the home front?

You can find the answers to all these questions at Bailiffgate Museum,

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For more details of the museum, opening hours, etc. visit www.bailiffgatemuseum.co.uk