

## Mrs Smith's Cottage

### Outreach Offer List

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#### Charges:

We charge £72 per hour, plus millage, for our outreach offers. A member of the Mrs Smith's Cottage team will be able to calculate the total fee for a package once they have received a booking form or request.

To enquire please email: [mrssmithscottage@n-kesteven.gov.uk](mailto:mrssmithscottage@n-kesteven.gov.uk)

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#### Talks

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##### **Mrs Smith's Cottage: A history of a cottage and its people.**

Looking for clues in the building alongside archive material to explore the everyday life of the people who lived here.

Aiming to understand how the people made changes to the building, and how the constraints of the building impacts the everyday life of its residents.

This talk can be done online, as well as in person.

This talk is ideal for:

- WI or U3A Groups
- Local History Societies
- Specialist Interest Groups
- Post 16 and Higher Education Students

##### **Diary of a Cottage Garden**

Mrs Smith had a traditional cottage garden, and she was always proud of having something in bloom each season of the year.

This talk uses Mrs Smith's Diary, and our oral histories, to explore her garden. With a practical look at how she used her diaries and the plants she loved best.

This talk can be done online.

This talk is ideal for:

- WI or U3A Groups
- Local History Societies
- Specialist Interest Groups
- Post 16 and Higher Education Students

#### Hands on Workshops

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##### **Mrs Smith's Washday**

We will bring all of the supplies needed to have a go at doing the washing by hand, exactly how Mrs Smith would have done it!

With an opportunity to handle historic objects, this workshop will get the group hands on with the past.

To hold this workshop we will need an outdoor space (or an indoor space that can handle spilt water), as well as access to water supply. We will bring the rest.

This workshop is ideal for:

- Home School Groups
- SEN Groups
- Key Stages 1 and 2

Curriculum Links:

- Changes through Time
- Local History Study

Key Skills:

- Speaking and Listening
- Empathy
- Communication
- Team Work

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## Sounds of the Home

Using our Sound Cubes, and historic objects from our handling collection, this workshop explores daily life for Mrs Smith in her cottage. Looking at how technology has changed the way we eat, play, and look after our home. With plenty of opportunities to have a go this workshop will help to create a personal link between pupils and their past.

This workshop is best held indoors.

This workshop is ideal for:

- Home School Groups
- SEN Groups
- Key Stages 1 and 2
- Care Home Groups

Curriculum Links:

- Changes through Time
- Local History Study

Key Skills:

- Speaking and Listening
  - Empathy
  - Communication
  - Team Work
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## Promise Box Making

Mrs Smith used a promise box to connect with her Methodist faith. The box is filled with scrolls containing bible verses. She would pick out a scroll when looking for support or inspiration. In this workshop each participant will be able to design and put together their own small promise boxes, full of quotes from inspiration people and handwritten messages from friends.

This workshop is best held indoors.

This workshop is ideal for:

- Home School Groups
- SEN Groups
- Key Stages 1 and 2
- Care Home Groups

Curriculum Links:

- Changes through Time
- Local History Study

Key Skills:

- Speaking and Listening
  - Empathy
  - Communication
  - Hand-eye Coordination
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## Rag Rug Making

Mrs Smith used rugs to keep her home warm, and many of these were hand-made rag rugs which used recycled materials. In this workshop each participant will get a chance to make a rag rug square, using recycled fabrics. As well as an opportunity to see some of the rag rugs we hold in our collection.

This workshop is best held indoors. It might be difficult for small hands or those with limited movement, but our friendly staff and volunteers will be able to provide support so that everyone can leave having created something.

This workshop is ideal for:

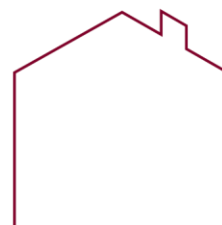
- Home School Groups
- Key Stages 1 and 2
- Care Home Groups
- WI or U3A Groups

Curriculum Links:

- Changes through Time
- Local History Study

Key Skills:

- Speaking and Listening
  - Empathy
  - Communication
  - Hand-eye Coordination
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## **My Place: A zine workshop**

Inspired by Mrs Smith's diary and her involvement in the local community, by the end of this workshop all participants will have create a fan zine exploring their local area!

Using personal thoughts and feelings, alongside images, quotes from Mrs Smith's Diary, archive materials, and any other resources needed.

The workshop will be pitched at the level of the audience, and the exact themes covered can be adapted to meet your needs.

This workshop can be completed virtually.

This workshop is ideal for:

- Home School Groups
- Key Stages 3 and 4
- Post 16 and Higher Education Groups
- WI or U3A Groups

Curriculum Links:

- Geography

Key Skills:

- Creativity
- Communication
- Hand-eye Coordination

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## **Victorian Classroom Takeover**

In this workshop our Victorian teacher will come in and take over a lesson. Rearranging the room to look more like a Victorian classroom, introducing Victorian discipline, and getting the class to complete a simple Victorian lesson.

At the end we will break character and encourage the class to talk about how they felt about the lesson.

This workshop is best held in a classroom but could be done online.

This workshop is ideal for:

- Home School Groups
- Key Stages 1 & 2

Curriculum Links:

- Victorian Childhood

Key Skills:

- Empathy
- Writing
- Mathematics
- Description
- Communication

