



**Home Educator Day
Friday 15 June 2018
Booking Pack**

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What is it all about?

After receiving lots of requests from Home Educator families who wanted to attend our school's workshops we decided to run special days just for children of primary school age who are being educated at home.

We don't take any school bookings on Home Educator Day so families can enjoy a quieter museum as well as taking part in activities which have been specifically designed for children in Year 1 through to Year 6.

How much does it cost?

- Children aged 3 years + **£11**
- Children aged 0-2 years **FREE** (*only when accompanying older siblings*)
- **One FREE adult** for every paying child
- Additional adults **£6**

To book on to the Home Educator Day you must have at least one paying child aged 4 years and over.

What is included in the price?

- Full access to the museum galleries
- Additional bookable activities for children aged 5yrs+
- Complimentary drinks voucher for the café
- 10% discount in the Gift Shop all day (only available on 15 June and to booked HE families)

What isn't included?

- Car parking. We have a pay and display car park which is £3 for up to 4 hours or £6 for the day.
- Lunch. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch or we do have a café on site serving a selection of snacks, meals and refreshments which is open from 10am – 3.45pm.

I'm already an Annual Pass holder, can I use it on Home Educator day?

Existing Annual Pass holders can choose to use their pass to visit the museum only on Home Educator Day, but if you wish to take part in any of the activities or receive any of the exclusive offers then you need to book and pay the full price of £11 per child.

I'm not already an Annual Pass holder, can I get one?

You can purchase an Annual Pass on the Home Educator Day. There will be a special offer available of a 10% discount (**available until 3pm**).

Children aged 1 – 2	£5.25	£4.73
Children aged 3 and over and adults	£12.95	£11.66

What age range is it suitable for?

As this special day is for Home Educator families the main target age group is children of primary school age (5-11yrs) and the additional activities available on the day will be designed for this age group.

Children aged 3 years and over will still get lots out of the museum galleries and we do have two galleries and a creative play classroom which are just for the under 5s.

If you have children of varying ages then, if possible, we would suggest that at least two adults attend the day so that very young children don't have to attend a session which isn't suitable for their age range. You can bring one free adult with every paying child.

Do we get a guided tour as part of the visit?

Our team of Enablers are placed in key areas around the museum to help support families with playful learning but we don't offer guided tours. We encourage children to take the lead and discover for themselves. Some will play and explore in one area for hours while others will quickly move from one place to another.

Will there be extra things happening in the galleries?

Yes you will be able to interact with our *Steampunk Scientists* around the museum.

Please note the museum is still open to general public visitors on our Home Education Days.

Can I bring my younger children?

Siblings aged 2 and under may accompany older siblings at no additional cost. Whilst areas of the museum are suitable for under 5s, please note that the Home Educator Day does not include sessions specifically for very young children and in order to be eligible to make a booking on this special event you must have at least one child aged 4yrs in your party.

If you plan to visit with children of various ages then, if possible, we suggest you bring an additional adult to help supervise. You are responsible for the supervision and conduct of your children **at all times**. It is important that children are **never** left unattended or allowed to wander around the building alone.

Children will not be permitted into workshops or other activities if they are not supervised by an adult.

How do we book?

Bookings are taken on a first come, first served basis and can be made over the phone by calling **01422 330069** and asking for **Coral** or **Jenny Goodall**.

Payment must be made at the time of booking so please have your credit or debit card details with you when you phone to book.

Once your booking has been made, we'll send you confirmation via email.

If you cancel within 1 week of the Home Educator day, Eureka! will charge 50% of the total cost of your visit. No refunds will be given if you cancel on the day of the event. Cancellations must be sent in writing.

How do we get there?

Directions to Eureka! can be found at <https://www.eureka.org.uk/visit-us/find-us/> but we are clearly signposted from both Junction 24 and 26 of the M62.

We have a pay and display car park which is £6 for the day. We are also right next door to Halifax Railway Station with regular services from Leeds and Manchester, and just a 5min walk from Halifax Bus Station.

Should we bring lunch?

There are a number of picnic areas available both inside and outside the museum should you wish to bring a packed lunch. We also have a café on site serving a selection of snacks, meals and refreshments which will be open from 10am – 3.45pm.

What time should we arrive?

The museum will be open **10am – 4pm** and you are welcome to arrive at any time.

If you have booked a session then you should aim to arrive at least 15mins before your chosen session time. If you are late for your chosen session slot we cannot guarantee that we will be able to fit you into a later session.

There will be a Registration desk in the entrance foyer where staff will be ready to meet you and provide you with a schedule of the day's activities.

Will there be somewhere to store our things?

Coats can be left in the cloakroom in the SoundSpace gallery. If you would like to store bags and lunches in a locker then please ask at the Information Desk. **Please note:** All items are left at owner's risk, therefore, please keep any valuables with you.

Do you cater for families with disabled children?

Eureka! is very proud to be an accessible venue and to provide facilities and services for our disabled visitors to assist and support you during your visit. For example visitors with autism and other conditions, who may be hyper sensitive to sensory input, might want to download the ***Eureka! story*** – a practical tool for parents and children to read before visiting to familiarise themselves with what a visit to us may entail.

We also have a Chill Out Room which can be used during your visit if you need a quiet space to calm and relax your child - just ask a member of staff on the day if you need to use this room.

You can find out more about our Access All Areas programme from our website: <https://www.eureka.org.uk/visit-us/disabledvisitors/>

Activities available – Friday 15 June 2018

As well as the activities outlined below, there are 4 main galleries for you to explore (plus 2 galleries just for the under 5s) with tons of hands-on exhibits. Visit our website to find out more: <https://www.eureka.org.uk/about-us/galleries/>

The Secret World of Gases Show – *please book in advance*

Location: *Theatre*

Times: *30min sessions at 10.30am, 11.30am, 1pm, 2pm*

Age range: *For 5 years and over only*

Watch the Secret World of Gases show and discover how gases are used now and in the future. Find out how cold liquid nitrogen is, how to make a dramatic entrance with dry ice and how to run a bus using hydrogen.

Steampunk Scientists – *Drop in*

Location: *Around the museum*

Times: *10am – 3.30pm*

Age range: *Recommended for all ages*

Look out for our *Steampunk Scientists* who will be stationed around the museum throughout the day performing a range of science tricks and demonstrations. Be prepared to be surprised, amazed and literally blown away by the wonders of science!

Summer Storytime – *Book on day*

Location: *Imagination Space*

Times: *TBC on the day*

Age range: Recommended for under 5's

We'll be sharing one of our favourite stories with our younger visitors and having great fun at the same time! We'll bring the tale of 'Down in the Jungle' to life with interactive and sensory activities.