



# School Education Service

## DIG FOR VICTORY AT DUDMASTON



**PLEASE NOTE IMPROVED TIMING IN 2008**



Suitability - Years 3 - 7

Evacuate your class to the National Trust owned estate of Dudmaston near Bridgnorth and discover what life was like there during the 1940s. Rationing was the order of the day and many of our children were working on the land to help with the war effort.

This popular event, in partnership with the National Trust at Dudmaston Hall near Bridgnorth, gives your children the feel of being a wartime evacuee, together with the experience of working on the land at a big country estate.

Arrive at the station in good time for your evacuation train to Hampton Loade. Come dressed for the occasion complete with gasmask box, identity card and identification label provided. Then it's off by steam train to the Severn Valley station at Hampton Loade. After leaving the train here your party will take a short walk down to the river where the traditional River Severn 'tethered' ferry will be waiting to take you across the river to the east bank. Your coach will have relocated here for transfer to Dudmaston Hall.

At Dudmaston the children will meet estate characters, and get their hands dirty too, by working on the estate's 'Dig for Victory' allotment. Finish off the day with an estate party, play traditional games and sample a ration book recipe too!

In addition to the staff at Dudmaston Hall, the Severn Valley Railway provides a School Education Service guide who will accompany your party during the visit and will co-ordinate the various elements for you.

National Curriculum - Britain Since 1930

Children should study the impact of the Second World War or the social and technological changes that have taken place since 1930 on the lives of men, women and children from different sections of society.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

Your train journey in reserved seats, usually by vintage steam train, to Hampton Loade, ferry crossing, services of a guide from the Severn Valley Railway (who will accompany you throughout your visit) and National Trust staff at Dudmaston who will lead the day on the estate. Replica gasmask boxes, identity cards and blank identification labels are also provided for each child.

### BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS, COSTS & TIMINGS

'Dig for Victory' operates Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday as follows :

TRAINS FROM KIDDERMINSTER			TRAINS FROM BRIDGNORTH		
	May 6 - June 20 Sept.1- 26	June 23 - August 29		May 6 - June 20 Sept.1- 26	June 23 - August 29
Kidderminster depart	10.15	10.00	Bridgnorth depart	10.00	10.35
Bewdley depart	10.28	10.22			
Hampton Loade arrive	11.03	10.57	Hampton Loade arrive	10.17	10.57
Ferry Crossing	11.30	11.20	Ferry Crossing	10.45	11.15
Dudmaston Hall arrive	12.00	11.50	Dudmaston Hall arrive	11.15	11.45
Dudmaston Hall depart	2.45	2.45	Dudmaston Hall depart	2.45	2.45

The cost of the visit is £7.50 per child (For schools which have National Trust Group Membership a discount applies. A leaflet about Group Membership can be supplied on request). 1 adult travels free per 10 (or part of 10) paying pupils. Any additional adults, above the free allocation, are also charged at the child rate.

Please note - A minimum of 20 and a maximum of 35 paying pupils applies to this event.

You are reminded that your coach transport will be required to collect your party at 2.45 from Dudmaston Hall at the end of the visit.

ENQUIRIES AND BOOKINGS FOR THIS EVENT ARE CO-ORDINATED BY THE SEVERN VALLEY RAILWAY AND NOT BY DUDMASTON HALL.

We strongly recommend a telephone booking in the first instance to avoid disappointment.

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