So get in touch if you think there might be some future archaeologists at your school!

The club is accredited with the Lincolnshire Children’s University. Participating pupils will each receive a stamp in their Passport to Learning for each session they attend.

We request a small fee of £50 per session to help support the cost of materials, plus travel. Schools often cover this by donations from parents of £2.50 per session.

Services for Schools

Our education and outreach officer also provides school visits, that use real artefacts to help bring the county’s rich heritage to life for pupils.

You can also download a range of teaching resources from the Heritage Lincolnshire website, designed to help teachers with different aspects of local history.

Training the next generation of archaeologists is no easy task, and here at Heritage Lincolnshire we like to start early!

We deliver a six session course to primary schools in Lincolnshire introducing children to archaeology and what it can tell us about life in the past.

The club runs after school and is suitable for up to 20 children at Key Stage 1 and 2. The programme is flexible and can be tailored to fit in with existing after school activities.
Session 1
Welcome to the fascinating world of archaeology. In this session you will find out about what archaeologists do. Yes, we may dig holes in the ground, but why? What are we looking for? How do we choose where to dig? What do we find?

Session 2
Archaeologists don’t just dig holes, they also study buildings. This session looks at the history and archaeology we can see all around us in the towns and villages of Lincolnshire. We’ll get out and about on a guided walk of the streets around school, taking a closer look at the buildings we pass every day. Together we will look for clues that can tell us how old they are and what they might have been used for in the past.

Session 3
To archaeologists all artefacts are treasure! In this session you will work in teams to hunt for pictures of artefacts in a treasure hunt around school. Each picture will have a fact about the object on it, and the first team to record all the facts will win a prize.

Session 4
When archaeologists find artefacts in the ground they are covered in soil and can be difficult to identify. In this session you will learn how to wash objects carefully and have a go yourself with some real finds from one of our recent excavations.

Session 5
Archaeologists always record the objects they find when they are digging. In this session we will look at how to draw different artefacts, using some of the finds that we washed last week. You will be able to take home your drawings as a record of the objects we have been looking at.

Session 6
This session will bring together everything we have learnt so far and give you the chance to put your new skills into action. Working in teams you will carry out your own excavation in one of our specially designed test pits. Everyone will get a turn to dig, identify, draw and photograph the objects you uncover.