

# Our Educational Offer

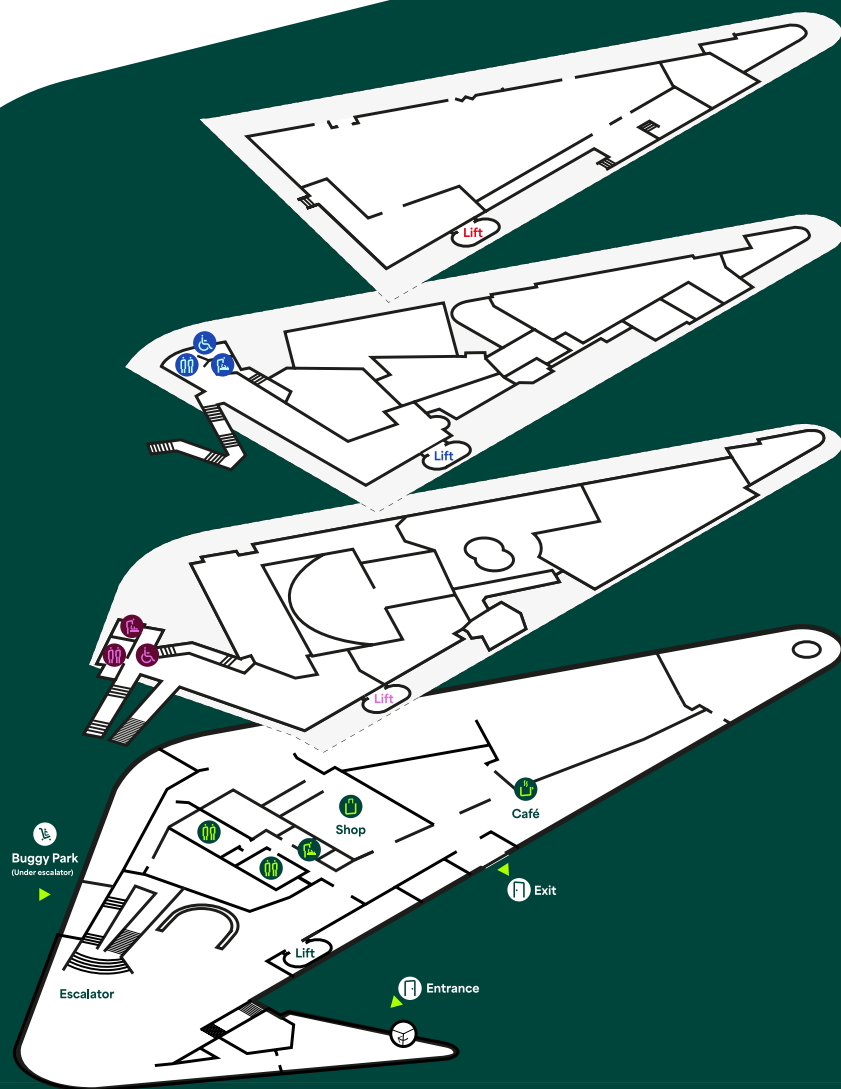
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Welcome to our learning programme at the National Football Museum! Based in the heart of Manchester, we are a winning school trip for your squad and provide a variety of self-guided and workshops on site, with three floors to explore, as well as a dedicated classroom space for our workshops.

A trip to the National Football Museum appeals to both footie fanatics, and those who have never seen a game in their lives – we have loads of interesting objects and stories that will capture the imagination, and help your class discover why **football matters**.

# Self-guided visits

Bring your group for a self-guided visit to the museum, with three floors of excitement to discover!



## 3 Score Gallery

Our third-floor gallery is our changing exhibition, which is replaced every eight months. You're sure to see something new if you are a regular school visitor! Head to our website to see the most up-to-date information about our changing exhibition space.

## 2 Play Gallery



Try your hand at some football skills or go head-to-head with our interactive games! This floor includes our Penalty Shootout, which schools can book in advance for just £1 per person (compared to £3 on the day price).

## 1 Match Gallery



Our biggest floor, dedicated to the story of football, from its origins to teams across the country, with memorable moments and players waiting for you to discover them!

## G Pitch Gallery

Gift Shop, Café, Exit



### Self-guided activities

#### Trails

For some more structure on your visit, you might want to download one of our trails for your group! These can be found on the 'Learn' page on our website. There are three different trails to choose from, and can be customised to meet your learning objectives.

#### Pitch Gallery Show: From January 2025!

We regularly perform our popular Pitch Gallery show for schools. This show is an interactive mini performance based on the early history of football and will appeal to children of all ages! Check our website or get in touch to find out when we are next performing this.

# Guided workshops

We also offer a range of guided workshops that can be booked for your class. We offer a range of different topics to engage your class, from local history to team building, all which link with national curriculum outcomes.

All workshops are 1 hour long and are suitable for a class of 35 children maximum. If you have more than this in your group, please book 2 workshops.

Some workshops are based in the classroom on Level 4, and some are based in the Pitch Gallery (Ground floor) and 1st floor gallery. Please factor into your visit whether you would like to include time spent exploring the gallery.

## Early Years

### Early Years Active - Available from January 2025

- PE/PSHE
- Get active at NFM! This session gets your class up and moving, using their bodies to jump, hop, kick, and try out other football skills!
- After these drills, the group heads around the gallery to find different objects using their I-spy trail, and each one has a different instruction.

### Pickles Storytelling

- Hear how Pickles the dog saved the world cup in 1966 through this interactive storytelling session, hosted in our Discovery Zone.

## Key Stage 1

### KS1 active - Available from January 2025

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### Lily Parr - Football Then & Now

- History
- In this session, find out about Lily Parr and the Dick Kerr Ladies team, and discover what life was like for women during WW1.
- We use objects to help children identify and explain how objects have changed from to past to the present day.
- This session is perfect for classes looking to explore a local case study of North West history, as well as looking to find out more about the origins and story of women's football.

## Key Stage 2

### Football & Your City

- History/local history case study
- This session explores what it was like to be a football fan in the past, and asks children to find out more about how teams such as Manchester City and Manchester United formed.
- Find out how Manchester's football and industrial histories are intertwined.

### Designer Balls

- Design & Technology / Science / Teambuilding
- Your class will need to be resourceful, using recycled materials and craft items from the museum to create their own footballs. The best football wins the tournament, with tests such as how well they bounce, as well as how good they look. Teamwork is essential to be crowned the Designer Balls winner!

### Football & the Human Body (TEST) - Available to book from January 2025

- Science
- This brand new session, developed in collaboration with KIT Theatre, explores what makes a footballer, and how everyone can look after their bodies, whether they are an athlete or not!
- We are testing this new session to launch formally in September 2025 – this is an early version which we would appreciate feedback on.
- Links with KS2 Science curriculum, as well as a wider focus on wellbeing.

# Guided workshops

These workshops are suitable for KS3+. We tailor our content to be suitable for the level of the group visiting. If you would like to discuss the content of the sessions further, please get in touch at: [groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com](mailto:groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com)

## Key Stage 3

### Football in the Modern World

- GCSE PE
- Football isn't just the 90 minutes on the pitch – the reach of football is global, social and relevant every day. This session explores the social and cultural impact of football, and what affects participation in football in our current world.

### Early History of Football

- GCSE PE
- Learn about football's origins, from mob football to the original FA laws and the beginning of club competitions in this fascinating talk, perfect for GCSE level PE groups.

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## Key Stage 4, FE & HE

### Football in the Modern World

- A Level PE
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### Early History of Football

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# Booking your visit

## General Information

- Ticket prices are subject to change, so please head to the 'Learn' page on our website for the most up to date information.
- You can book your group visit with us either by emailing us at [groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com](mailto:groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com), or by visiting our [bookings site](#) to request your timeslot or workshop. You have the option to pay over the phone, by invoice or by BACS.
- We offer free self-guided visits for Manchester City Council schools and groups, and a discount on all workshops.
- Please specify at the time of booking if you need a lunch space or tubs to drop bags into - and please be aware that we are not always able to accommodate this for large groups, or at busy times of the year. In good weather, Cathedral Gardens is a nice spot for lunch, and is right outside the museum!

If you have more questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at [groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com](mailto:groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com).

## SEND Groups

- We welcome all groups, and want to make SEND group visits as accessible as possible. We offer free staff tickets at any ratio for SEND groups, and have some limited sensory bags that can be booked out at reception.
- Our self guided visits are suitable for SEND groups, and if you are looking for a more structured or guided visit, get in touch directly and we can discuss what would work for your group.



# The day of your visit

- When you get to the museum, just head through to the front desk – our friendly staff will greet you and ask which group/school/organisation you are from, so they can check that you have arrived.
- After this, you will be welcomed through to the Pitch Gallery (Ground Floor), where you can drop bags (if this has been organised beforehand), do a toilet trip, and gather everyone together.
- If you have booked a workshop, this is where your facilitator will usually meet you and go over the itinerary for the day.
- If you have booked a self-guided visit, feel free to make your own way around all three floors of the museum. We ask that for primary schools, children are accompanied at all times. For secondary schools, if you feel your students are able to explore independently, please make sure there is at least one staff member on the floor that students are on, and that you are aware of your students and where they are.
- Your students may want to visit the shop or cafe – you can find this on the way out of the museum, by the exit.
- If you have pre-booked the penalty shootout in advance, please collect your tickets from the front desk and distribute them to the students. If you have not pre-booked, children are able to pay on the day for penalties. Please note that the penalty shootout is cashless.
- You must supervise your students, and inappropriate behaviour may lead to your group being asked to leave the museum.



# Hazard list

This list is designed to help you complete your own risk assessment.  
We offer free teacher pre-visits to help you plan your visit and risk assessment – please get in touch to organise this.

Our more detailed risk assessment is available upon request.

- Slips, trips & falls
- Anti-social behaviour: injury
- Use of lift: slips, trips , falls, lock in, hand trapped
- Targeting of children and vulnerable adults by adults
- Falls from height: Balcony edges, escalators, staircases serious injury or death
- Glass display case breakage: cuts, lacerations
- Slips, trips and falls, minor injury: external areas
- Slips, trips and falls, minor injury: general areas
- Slips, trips and falls, minor injury: staircases
- Slips, trips and falls, minor injury: escalator
- Automatic doors, minor injury
- Rotating door, minor injury
- Poor lighting, trip, minor injury
- Fire, serious injury or death

# Frequently asked questions

## Where can we park a coach or minibus?

There are lots of coach parking spaces nearby. As we are in the centre of town, we don't have our own dedicated parking spaces, but an up to date [list can be found by clicking here](#).

## If we book a Facilitated ticket, does this let us look round the museum as well?

Yes! You can stay and explore the museum for as long as you wish before and after your workshop.

## Is the museum accessible?

Yes. We are fully accessible for wheelchair users, and have disabled toilets on most floors. For more information about any specific access needs, please get in touch with our team.

## Can we buy lunch at the museum?

Unfortunately, our cafe is not able to cater for large groups, but we do have some sandwiches, drinks and cakes for sale.

## How long does it take to look round the museum?

We would recommend a minimum of an hour, to an hour and a half, for self-guided time around the galleries. There is lots to see!

# Terms & Conditions

All Group Visits to the National Football Museum must be pre-booked prior to visiting.

All bookings must be pre-paid 7 days prior to the visit taking place (unless otherwise stated).

Once payment has been made, all bookings are fully non-refundable.

We do not offer partial refunds for group visits.

All bookings and prices are inclusive of VAT at the current UK rate.

All bookings must be cancelled at least 2 weeks before any arrival date, if due notice is not given, charges may still apply to cover the costs of staffing and resources, and because of the date being blocked to other group visitors.

If your group is more than 50 people you will be asked to stagger the entry time, to avoid overcrowding at the front of the museum.

Booked workshops are delivered by our Communities team, and we request staff and/or teachers to be present throughout.

The museum is large, and we do request supervision of your group at all times. We request a minimum ratio of 1:5 adults to children for KS1 visits, and 1:10 for KS2-4. We do provide free adult tickets at these ratios.

If there is an incident that requires First Aid, a trained first aider will attend to any sick or injured members of the group. The supervising teacher/leader should be present when any first aid is administered.

Food and drink is not permitted on the galleries, but you are welcome to eat and drink in the cafe, or on the Level 4 picnic area.

If a visitor is ignoring safety guidelines or behaving in an unacceptable manner, the group may be asked to leave the museum.

All staff wear name badges/lanyards, our front of house staff are easily identifiable in uniform, and are available to answer any questions you may have during your visit.



We hope you have a wonderful visit! If you need any more information, or have other questions, please contact [groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com](mailto:groups@nationalfootballmuseum.com).