

Session: The Ancients – Egypt, Greece and Rome

The Ancients is designed to give children an overview of the Ancient western civilizations, and relate them to one another. The session will also explore the chronology of the period, and how each civilization influenced and was inspired by one another. Time will also be spent exploring how these Classical societies have influenced the world in which we live today. This session can focus more heavily on one civilization at the expense of the others should the teacher wish it.

Session Breakdown:

- Introduction: What is 'ancient'?
- Ancient Egypt
 - Pyramids, mummification, afterlife
 - Papyrus & pottery
- Ancient Greece
 - Legends & customs
 - Trade & empire
- Ancient Rome
 - Romans as conquerors
 - Romans in Britain (drawbacks & benefits)
- Gallery Activity
 - Trail or Art Activity
- Summary & Farewell

Duration: 1.5hrs (Museum), 1hr (Outreach)

Curriculum Links:

KS2, History – (1a,b)(2a,b,c)(4a,b)(5b,c)(6)(8a,b)(9)(13)

Artefacts Used:

- Egyptian Shabti
- Mummification Amulets
- 'Mummy' cotton
- Egyptian Pottery (pot & Anubis statue)
- Greek Oil Lamp
- Greek pottery (salt pot & amphora)
- Greek drinking cup (real & replica)
- Roman Oil Lamp
- Roman mosaic
- Roman roof tile
- Roman knucklebone dice
- Roman Glass