



THE
HOUSEHOLD
Cavalry
MUSEUM

Schools Programme

Come and learn at the Household Cavalry Museum



The Household Cavalry Museum is a living environment in the heart of Royal London. Based in the working stables of the iconic Horse Guards Building we offer a unique behind the scenes look into the daily life of a working soldier in the regiment.

Our new schools education programme is **packed full of fun, curriculum focused** workshops. In most sessions:

- You will **look** at the dual role of the regiment: ceremonial and combat
- You will **discover** the secrets and stories of the Queen's Life Guard, who have guarded the Sovereign for over 350 years
- You will **learn** about the regiment's armoured reconnaissance role
- You will **try** on the genuine uniforms of the Household Cavalry
- You will **enjoy** each fun, worthwhile experience and learning outside the classroom

This regiment is the 'best of both worlds'

Every visit to the museum is complimented by colourful sentry changes throughout the day so your visit will always include viewing the spectacular ceremonial guard duties which show unique British pageantry at its best. Through a large glazed partition, you can peek into the stables and see the soldiers busy at work preparing for their duties throughout the day. This really does bring the experience to life.

You can book for a **morning** visit which will include watching the Changing of the Queen's Life Guard at 11am – a tradition renowned all over the world. Or you can book an **afternoon** session and finish in time to see the Garrison Inspection at 4pm; a 124 year daily ritual. A Guide will accompany your group and explain the ceremonies as they happen.



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Work Shop Curriculum Links

Our workshops are linked to the National Curriculum through the subjects and sources listed below:

History: Henry VIII's Tiltyard, Queen Elizabeth II, Charles II & the Civil War, the Horse Guards Building, the Battle of Waterloo, Queen Victoria, World War One and World War Two.

Art & Design: Producing creative work, exploring pupils' ideas, using different ranges of materials of design and make, analysing creative works in the galleries.

English: Reading comprehension through a wide range of poetry, fiction and stories, encouraging links from what pupils read to their own experiences, familiarity with key stories, understanding text clearly, making references, answering and asking questions, reading easily and fluently, using discussion in order to learn, demonstrating to others and participating in debate.

PSHE: Living in the wider world

We aim to develop pupil's skills of observation and historical enquiry through varied sources. Sessions are suitable for:

- Primary Schools – Early Years, Key Stage 1 & 2
- Secondary Schools – Key Stage 3, GCSE

Your visit will include a carousel of Key Stage focused activities.

After your welcome talk, the class will be split into three sections.

1. **Museum Workshop Trail**
2. **Soldier Dress up Section**
3. **Key stage focused activity**

We are able to adapt our programmes to fit the needs of individual schools.

We recommend visits of around 90 minutes. Our aim is to provide each group with an enjoyable and worthwhile **learning experience outside the classroom**. Some workshops will include a craft activity allowing the children to make something memorable to take home with them.

The highlight of every visit is having the chance to try on the genuine uniforms of the Household Cavalry in our dress up section, in the 18th century stables.

Learning can be made fun through making something to take home and even following up from the visit in the class room. Why not prepare an assembly for your school all about your visit to us and share what you learnt with others.

It is a unique and unforgettable experience. Don't forget your camera!





Nursery Schools Programme

Early Years

Mini Troopers – under 5's workshop

Sensory class aimed at children under age 5.

List of activities you can choose from to complete your session:

- Musical instruments – Band of the Household Cavalry
- Puppet Show – knitted figures of the Household Cavalry and their horses
- Nursery Rhymes
- Colouring/craft activities
- 'Messy Play' – making up horse feed bowls with oats and water in washing up bowls.
- Pass the horse shoe parcel
- Pin the tail on the drum horse
- Kit cleaning with pairs of old boots with bowls of water and tooth brushes scrub way to military music in the background
- Victorian object handling
- Junior Dress Up
- Hobby Horses
- Puzzles
- Bubbles
- Military marching
- Shape activities





Primary Schools Programme

Key Stage 1 &2

Great Fire of London

Key Stage 1

Children will learn and explore the story of the Great Fire of London and how the Household Cavalry assisted during the crisis. The class will have a go at writing their own newspaper article and group participation in a drama activity reporting from the streets of London as the Household Cavalry evacuates the City. There will also be a chance to make a group collage of the 'Fire and the Cavalry'.

Curriculum links:

KS1 History: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally*

Learning Objectives:

- To gain a greater understanding of the Great Fire of London and its effects on London
- To find out about the Household Cavalry's law and order role before the creation of the Metropolitan Police Force
- To learn about the Household Cavalry's main aim and role today
- Pupils will be able to identify objects that the Life Guards used during this time period

History / Drama / English / Art / PSHE

World War One and the Importance of Remembrance

Key Stage 1 & 2

Pupils will explore the role that the Household Cavalry played in the First World War. They will read extracts from War Horse and look at primary sources from the time. Object handling will be included in this session where children can bring the subject to life. Learn about the importance of Remembrance in a craft session where children can make their own poppy.

Curriculum links:

KS1 History: *Significant historical events, people and places in their own locality*

KS2 History: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the First World War
- To understand why we remember and the importance of the symbol of the poppy
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period
- Pupils will learn about the Household Cavalry's important role during this war
- To learn about the changes in war that led to the Cavalry evolving 'from Mounted to Mechanised'

English / History / Art



World War One Soldier vs. Current Serving Soldier in the British Army

Key Stage 1& 2

Compare a First World War Soldier to a current serving member of the Household Cavalry, and then learn about the differences through object handling items. Pupils will learn about the day to day life of a Household Cavalry Soldier in the regiment today.

A First World War remembrance craft activity can be added.

Curriculum links

KS1: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally*

KS2: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

KS2: *A significant turning point in British History*

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the First World War
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period
- Pupils will learn all about the Household Cavalry's important role during this war
- To learn about the changes in war that led to the Cavalry evolving 'from Mounted to Mechanised'
- Pupils will learn about the similarities and differences in the Household Cavalry's role from today and 100 years ago.

History / English / Art / PSHE

Charles II and End of Civil War

Key Stage 1& 2

Explore the end of the English Civil War and how the Household Cavalry were formed once King Charles II returned to the throne.

A craft activity surrounding Charles II and the Oak Tree story can be included.

Curriculum Links

KS1: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally*

KS1: *The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national achievements*

KS2: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the English Civil War
- To learn about the importance of Charles II and the creation of the British Army
- Pupils will learn all about the creation of the Household Cavalry and their role in the Army today
- Pupils will take home a collage to decorate their classroom

History / English / Art



World War Two and the Home Front

Key stage 1 & 2

Learn about the role the Household Cavalry Regiment played in the Second World War.
What battles were they involved in? What role did the Mounted Regiment play on the Home Front?
What was London like during the War?

Curriculum links

KS1: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally*

KS1: *The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national achievements*

KS2: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

KS2: *A significant turning point in British History*

Learning Objectives

- To gain a greater understanding of what life was like in London during World War Two
- To be able to point on a map where the Household Cavalry fought during the War
- To understand the dual role of the Household Cavalry at home and abroad
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period

History / Geography / English / PSHE

Waterloo Heroes

Key Stage 1 & 2

Hear the great stories from the regiment about their involvement in one of the bloodiest battles in Europe! Learn about all the individuals that fought at the battle from the Household Cavalry.
Who is Lord Uxbridge and why do we have his clapper leg on display? Who captured the Napoleonic Eagle? How old was the boy who sounded the charge at the Battle of Waterloo?
Find out all of this and more as we celebrate the Waterloo Heroes of the regiment.

Curriculum links

KS1: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally*

KS1: *The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national achievements*

KS2: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

KS2: *A significant turning point in British History*

Learning Objectives

- To gain a greater understanding of the Battle of Waterloo and its importance in history
- To understand the dual role of the Household Cavalry at home and abroad
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period
- Pupils will participate in role play in this workshop

History / English / Drama / PSHE



Queen Victoria's Punishment Parade

Key Stage 1 & 2

Listen to the story of why the 4 o'clock Inspection still happens today as decreed by Queen Victoria in 1894. Why has it been taking place for over 100 years? Learn all about the Monarchies close relationship with the regiment still today.

Group discussions and interaction followed by role play drama in costumes.

Curriculum Links

KS1 History: *Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally*

KS1 History: *The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national achievements* (comparing Queen Elizabeth II to Queen Victoria)

KS2 History: *A study of an aspect or theme in British History that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066*

Learning Objectives

- To gain a greater understanding of the Household Cavalry's ceremonial duties
- Pupils will understand the similarities and differences of Queen Elizabeth II and Queen Victoria
- Pupils will understand the close relationship between the Household Cavalry and the British Monarchy

History / English / Drama / PSHE



Secondary Schools Programme

Key Stage 3

Guided tour of the Household Cavalry Museum

Take the class around the museum in an active learning tour.

Discuss the impact of the end of the English Civil War and the implications it had on society.

Look closely at the creation of the Household Cavalry Regiment – Life Guards and Blues and Royals.

Learn about Charles I and II and the Restoration of the Monarchy after the Commonwealth.

Places of interest in the surrounding areas will be pointed out throughout this tour.

Curriculum links

KS3 History: *The development of the Church, state and society in Britain 1509-1745*

KS3 History: *The causes and events of the civil wars throughout Britain*

KS3 History: *The Restoration*

Learning Objectives

- To gain a greater understanding about the English Civil War in Britain
- Pupils will learn about the Restoration of the Monarchy and the creation of the first standing British Army
- Pupils will learn about the historical importance of the Household Cavalry compared to their role today

History / English / PSHE

World War One

Compare a First World War Soldier to a current serving member of the Household Cavalry.

What was life like in the trenches? What did we do with the horses? What happened in the bloodiest battles, the Somme and Passchendaele?

Pupils will learn about the Household Cavalry's role today and what their day to day duties entail.

Curriculum links

KS3 History: *Challenges for Britain, Europe and the wider world 1901 to present day*

KS3 History: *A local history study* (London Schools)

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the First World War
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period and look at primary and secondary sources
- Pupils will learn all about the Household Cavalry's important role during this war
- To learn about the changes in war that led to the Cavalry evolving 'from Mounted to Mechanised'
- Pupils will learn about the similarities and differences in the Household Cavalry's role from today and 100 years ago.

History / English / PSHE



World War Two

Learn about the part the Household Cavalry Regiment played in the Second World War and what battles they fought in. What role did the Mounted Regiment play on the Home Front?

How did the Blues and Royals liberate Belgium? When were the last time horses taken into battle?

Understand how the regiment, first across the Soulevre River, took a vital bridge which led to the collapse of the Germans in Normandy.

We will also take a look at London on Victory in Europe Day and where the Cavalry were at that moment in time.

Curriculum links

KS3 History: *Challenges for Britain, Europe and the wider world 1901 to present day*
The Second World War and the wartime leadership of Winston Churchill

KS3 History: *A local history study (London Schools)*

Learning Objectives

- To gain an understanding of the role the Household Cavalry played in the Second World War
- To understand the dual role of the Household Cavalry at home and abroad
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period
- To understand the end of World War Two and what paved way for the future of Britain and the mechanised army

History / English / PSHE

Household Cavalry Regiment's battles since World War Two

Pupils will look at the wars and battles the Household Cavalry Regiment have been involved in since the end of the Second World War in 1945. Group discussions will be encouraged about the fight against terrorism, war in Afghanistan and Iraq. Why do we carry the Regimental Standard? What is the importance of it?

We will look at the regiment's role of peace keeping around the world.

Curriculum Links

KS3 History: *Britain's Place in the World since 1945*

Learning Objectives

- Pupils will look at primary sources compared to secondary source materials and examine methods of historical enquiry.
- Group discussions about the topic to encourage interaction around this topic
- Gain a greater understanding of Britain's place and role in the world since 1945

History / PSHE



Secondary Schools Programme

Key Stage 4 – GCSE

Guided tour of the Household Cavalry Museum

Take the class around the museum in an active learning tour.

Discuss the impacts of the end of the English Civil War and the implications it had.

Look closely at the creation of the Household Cavalry Regiment – Life Guards and Blues and Royals.

Learn about Charles I and II and the restoration of the Monarchy and all aspects of Charles II reign.

Places of interest in the surrounding areas will be pointed out throughout this tour.

Curriculum Links

KS4 GCSE History: *British Early Modern History 1450-1750*

British Depth Studies: *Restoration England 1600-1685: Charles II's court: Charles II's character; court life, fashions and the role of the court* **AQA**

Learning Objectives

- To understand the significant events that led to the Restoration
- Pupils will learn about the historical importance of the Household Cavalry compared to their role today

History / PSHE

World War One

Compare a First World War Soldier to a current serving member of the Household Cavalry.

What was life like in the trenches? What did we do with the horses? What happened in the bloodiest battles, the Somme and Passchendaele? We will look at military tactics during the stalemate on the Western Front and changes in technology which led to military developments.

Pupils will learn about the Household Cavalry's role today and what their day to day duties entail.

Curriculum Links

KS4 GCSE History: *British Modern History (1700 to present)*

Wider World Depth Studies: *Conflict and Tension 1894-1918* **AQA**

Causes and Events of the First World War **OCR**

The British sector of the Western Front **Edexcel**

Learning Objectives:

- To gain an understanding of the First World War
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period and look at primary and secondary sources
- Pupils will learn all about the Household Cavalry's important role during this war
- To learn about the changes in war that led to the Cavalry evolving 'from Mounted to Mechanised'
- Pupils will learn about the similarities and differences in the Household Cavalry's role from today and 100 years ago.

History / PSHE



World War Two and London

Learn about the Household Cavalry Regiment played in the Second World War and what battles they fought in. What role did the Mounted Regiment play on the Home Front? What was London like during the Blitz?

We will also take a look at London on Victory in Europe Day and where the Cavalry were at that moment in time.

Curriculum Links

KS4 GCSE History: *London and the Second World War 1939-45*

Learning Objectives

- To gain an understanding of the role the Household Cavalry played in the Second World War
- To understand the impact of London during World War Two
- Pupils will be able to identify objects from this period
- To understand the end of World War Two and what paved way for the future of Britain and the mechanised army

History / PSHE

Living Historians!

After the huge success of our 'Samuel Godley, Waterloo Hero' Living Historian event we added Living Historian workshops to our education offer. These are all bespoke, so if you'd like to be quoted for a session, do get in touch.

Just look how much fun they are- and perfect for pupils who like their history 'alive and kicking'!

Enquire now for a full quote



Meeting a serving officer and 'Waterloo Hero' Samuel Godley

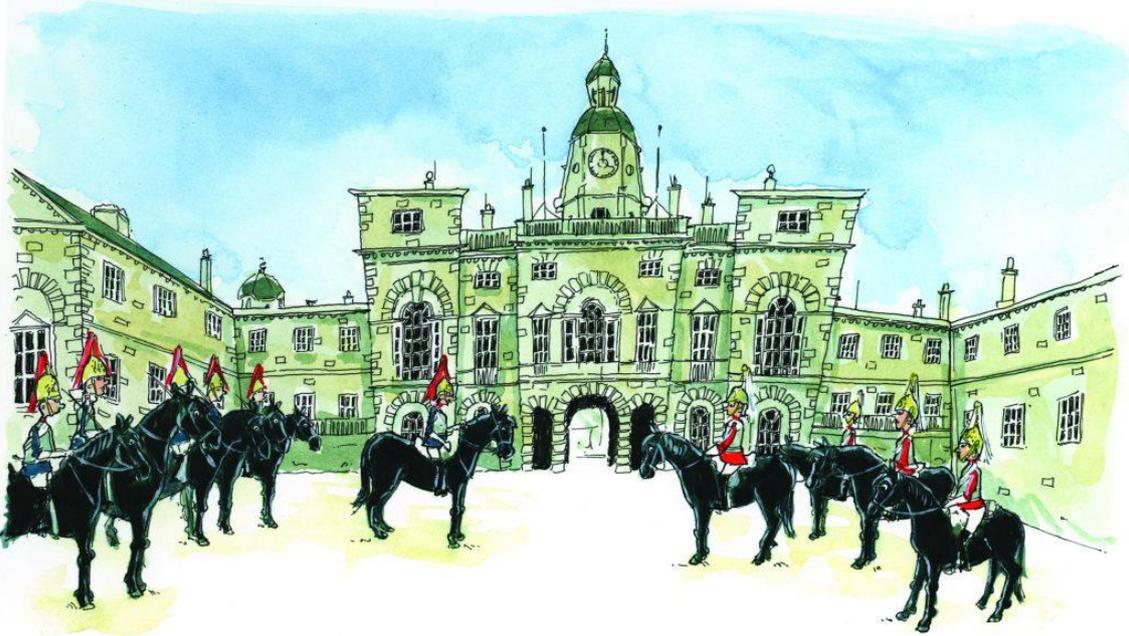
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Fundamental British Values



In November 2014, the Department for Education published guidance on **promoting British Values** in schools to ensure young people leave school prepared for life in modern Britain. Ofsted wants to see a school ethos that promotes ‘**Fundamental British Values**’ at every level.

Our new book *Trusted Guardians* helps young readers learn about one of Britain’s most famous public institutions, The Household Cavalry, as part of the British Values series. It helps pupils explore **Fundamental British Values** in a **fun and engaging** way.

The book is an ideal resource to teach **history** at **Key Stages 1 and 2**. Young historians are asked to use their skills spanning a 350 year time line to **think critically**, weigh up conflicting **sources of evidence** and make their **own judgements** about some of history’s most famous events, figures and turning points in British History.

The accompanying resource **helps teachers demonstrate** the classes’ progress throughout the term of studying British Values. End the term with a visit to the museum to really bring the fun to life.

Trusted Guardians Class Package

1x Trusted Guardian Book

Resources package sent with book as part of British Values Series

30x school children trip to the museum: 2hr museum session

Meet serving soldier in the Household Cavalry

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Frequently Asked Questions



Booking a visit

It is essential to book ahead. To discuss availability please use the contact details below.

Group sizes

We cater for school groups of up to 30. Smaller groups are recommended for special needs pupils.

Prices

£120 per session (avg. £4 per school child/student)
3 accompanying adults are **free of charge**
Additional adults are chargeable.

Ratios

Early years and under 5s classes must provide a ratio of **1 adult to 2 children**

Key Stage 1 must provide **1 adult to 5 children**.

Key Stage 2 must provide **1 adult to 10 children**.

Key Stage 3 (year 7 and up) must provide **1 adult to 15**.

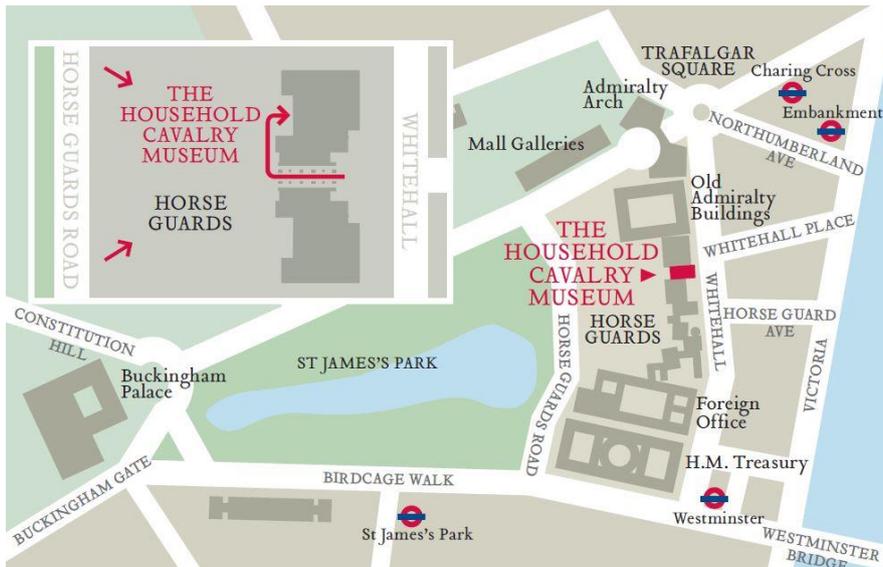
Animal proximity

No animals, except guide dogs are allowed in the museum.

Children view the horses through a large glass window but are able to see the horses outside on Whitehall. We strongly advice this is done at the supervision of the school teachers.

Disabled Access

We are committed to ensuring the Household Cavalry Museum is accessible to all visitors. If you have any queries or need any assistance, please ask.



Address

Household Cavalry Museum
Horse Guards
Whitehall
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Transport

Nearest underground stations:
- Charing Cross
- Embankment
- Westminster.

Coaches can drop off on
Horse Guards Avenue
(by Banqueting House).



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Health & Safety

Please ask us to email you a copy of our Risk Assessment at the time of booking or download it from our website's [Schools Page](#). There will be a member of staff on-site who is First Aid Trained during your visit. If a member of staff from your school would like to visit in advance complete a risk assessment, they are welcome free of charge and will be shown around by a member of the museum team.

Central London security

Security measures are always in place at the museum. The museum works closely with the Queen's Life Guard, the Military Police and the MET Police based at Horse Guards, all of who will help assist in the evacuation of the museum if required.

Bag checks take place frequently and are conducted by trained museum members of staff.

Meeting serving personnel

We're lucky to be housed in a fantastic, living and **working** building and when a meeting with a serving member of the regiment is requested for a learning session we do what we can to make this happen, but would never disturb their essential work. As such, please note that when planning to meet serving members of the military it is always on the basis that the offer is subject to their availability. You can **always** see the personnel working on their regimental duties however in both the stables at and the daily Guard Change and Garrison Inspection.

Windsor Archive, Windsor

The Household Cavalry Museum Archive, Education and Storage Facility is located in the former regimental museum building at Combermere Barracks, Windsor. School visits of the site are available by prior agreement and include a visit to the 1804 Riding School, the Light Armoured Division and when possible a viewing of the collection of silver at the NCO and Warrant Officer's Mess. The Reserve Collection is also stored here and some selected items are on display for visitors to enjoy. School visit enquiries can be made via the below contact information.

In 2017/18 we will also start to offer Teacher Training Sessions at the classroom in the Archive. Do get in touch if these would be of interest.

The Household Cavalry Museum, open to all

We love working with not just schools, but all groups interested in our museum. If you work with groups outside of your school do let us know. We would be happy tailor our sessions to:

- Young Adult Learning Programmes
- School Holiday Courses
- International Study Programmes

Or any group interested in the museum, the regiment or British Heritage for all ages.

Don't forget to ask us to put you in touch with our contacts at



**The Guards Chapel
The Guards Museum
and any of our friends in the
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World War One and the Importance of Remembrance

World War Two and the Home Front in London

Regimental battles since World War Two

Trusted Guardians - Fundamental British Values

Workshop timings:

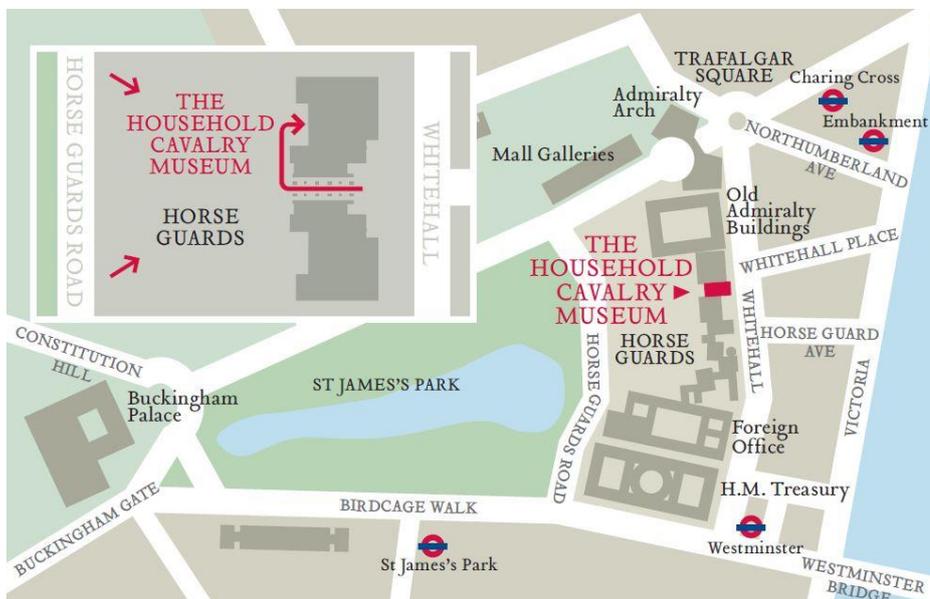
Morning sessions: 10:15-12:15hrs | Afternoon sessions: 14:15-16:15hrs

We recommend arriving/departing 15 minutes either side of your chosen session.

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Please note: space is at a premium in our small, but (we hope!) perfectly formed museum and our sessions don't include snack or lunch break spaces. If you need an area for these, please speak to the team and we'll talk you through the options.

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