



Broome Historical Museum School Visit Policy

The Broome Historical Museum will take children on a voyage of discovery that covers the history of Broome with specific reference to the pearling industry, both World Wars including Broome's One Day War, domestic life in Broome, communications, Aboriginal artefacts, Broome's multicultural society and many other topics.

A highly visual encounter with artifacts and photos of Broome's heritage since European occupation in the 1880's.

Further information may be found on the museum's web site at: <http://broomemuseum.org.au/>

Venue, Transport & Access

- The venue includes a three building precinct: the Main Museum is a stone brick building erected in the 1890's that served for many years as Broome's Bond Store. The Rae Val Annexe is a renovated 1950s building that includes a TV Room and the Sailmaker's Shed is a c1900 fully renovated shed that houses the Sailmaker Exhibition. All buildings (apart from the Sailmaker's Shed) are air conditioned.
- The Museum has a large grassed yard which contains exhibits and a shady pagoda with tables and chairs. Students can consume drinks and food in the yard.
- All Museum building and toilets have universal access and we have a disabled toilet.
- The large car park at the front of the Museum can be used to allow children safe access to the Museum from a bus, and parking is available on the vacant land next door to the Museum.

Supervisory Team

The visit is a self-guided tour; however most of our volunteers have special knowledge and experiences of Broome's history and are always willing to assist.

We recommend the Minimum Supervisory Requirements:

- Primary: Ratio of 1 adult to every 6 children
- Secondary: Ratio of 1 adult to every 8 students (additional helpers preferred)
- Maximum group size is 20 students – *larger groups may be possible by arrangement*

It is recommended that students be divided into groups of 6-8 students and the groups be rotated around different exhibitions to facilitate good viewing of the exhibits.

No set information is provided to students and supervisors at the commencement of the excursion. It's expected that teachers advise their students on the appropriate behavior in a public environment: ie respect and awareness of other museum-going patrons, no running or shouting, no touching exhibits unless invited to do so.

Cost for School Visits

Visits by school groups to the Broome Museum are free of charge. Donations of a gold coin by students towards the running costs of the Museum are always most gratefully received.

Theatre Room Available

For groups of 20 or more we recommend splitting the class in two and having half watch a film while the other half tour the Museum, then exchanging groups halfway through the visit. A list of available films can be requested from administration.



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Worksheets available for school visits

- Primary Museum Visit Worksheet: Suitable for Years 3-6 which aligns to the Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum. Teachers Notes Available.
- Secondary Museum Visit Worksheet: Suitable for years 8-10 and aligns to the history strand of the Humanities and Social Sciences curriculum, particularly at years 9 and 10. Teachers Notes Available.
- Look and Find Quiz – Three levels from non-reader (treasure hunt in museum) to Level 3 – lower/middle primary.
- Museum Quiz – Basic question and answer sheet on the Museum displays. Suitable for middle primary – lower secondary school.

Please contact administration if you require copies of these worksheets. We cannot provide these sheets on the day of the excursions, schools must print out and bring with them, along with clipboards and pencils if possible.

Insurance

Broome Historical Museum is a public building and has Public Liability insurance policy of \$20 million. A Certificate of Currency can be provided on request.

Bookings are essential; please contact Museum Administration with your proposed date, time, year groups and class numbers.

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