Wanneroo Regional Museum EDUCATION PROGRAMS





Wanneroo PI (Past Investigator)

PRE-PRIMARY/EALD*

This program includes a simplified version of the Year 1, 2 and 3 introduction with extra support photographs, a treasure hunt for precious museum objects, an old/new mix and match activity, dressing up for photographs, peg doll making, and time in the children's play area. *English as an Additional Language and/or Dialect.

YEARS 1, 2 AND 3

Through the lens of local history, students are introduced to changes in land use, technology and lifestyle through a number of interactive activities. Students first work in small groups to interpret maps of the area over time, and label key areas in the maps based on short historical narratives with differing local history themes.

Students then investigate information stations around the museum to learn more about the history of Wanneroo. Themes covered during the investigation include aspects of Noongar heritage and language; the significance of the Wanneroo Road, the importance of farming and market gardening, communication technology of past and present, domestic life, leisure time, and the coast. Each station has been updated with hands-on activities and new questions.

As a final activity, children are invited to examine a number of artefacts from the Museum's collection and compare them with items we use today. Curatorial language and skills are highlighted so that students become more familiar with the role of a community museum.







YEARS 2 AND 3 SELF-GUIDED OPTION - NEW! Available every afternoon / 12.30pm-2pm

After a short orientation by front-of-house staff, students will explore the museum using the Wanneroo Past Investigator model. Using a workbook and in small groups, students will investigate information stations around the museum to learn more about the history of Wanneroo.

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Additional open-ended exploratory activities are also available for students to enjoy while at the museum - please speak to our friendly front-of-house staff for ideas.

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Learning different animal tracks

Noongar Boodjar Wanneroo

The Museum offers four programs about the First People who lived in Wanneroo:

A. Pre-primary/EALD B. Years 1 and 2

C. Years 3 and 4 D. Years 5 and 6

Students will be guided through an engaging presentation which tells the history of the Mooro people who travelled and lived around Wanneroo's lakes, where there was a great abundance of food and social interaction at the many meeting places in the area.



Anzac Program

The Anzac Program examines a number of aspects of soldiers' and nurses' experiences of war, particularly WWI and WWII.





Students investigate how the local community remembers the fallen, dress up in military or nursing uniforms and pose for photographs in the manner of WWI servicemen and women. They also create a postcard to send to the 'folks at home' describing what life was like for Australian soldiers training in Egypt, and identify and examine the uniform worn by the 10th Light Horse Brigade.

YEARS 5 TO 7

Students investigate the activities of the 10th Light Horse Brigade in Wanneroo during WWII and write a postcard to send to the 'folks at home' describing what life was like for Australian soldiers serving overseas.

They also dress up in military uniform and pose for photographs in the manner of those on active service during WWI, and use documents to investigate and interpret the military service records of deceased Wanneroo serviceman Richard Smales who died on the Western Front in 1916.



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The Old Wanneroo School House

Take students on a journey to school in yesteryear! The Old Wanneroo School House was first opened in 1899 and closed in 1959. It contains fascinating excerpts of teachers' journals over that time, as well as old school books, school stationery, magazines, school photographs, and a set of nib pens for students to try out in class.

This is a wonderful resource for students to compare school life from the past with the present.



Museum in a Box

Putting students in touch with local history in your classroom. Cost: Free

For bookings email museum@wanneroo.wa.gov.au

ANZAC MUSEUM IN A BOX

The Anzac Museum boxes have been designed for learning through discovery and observation. The activities form a very unique education program closely linked to the Australian Curriculum.

Four individual boxes are available which tell the story of some of the people and organisations connected to the history of Wanneroo.

They have been designed for schools to borrow, and contain a Teacher's Guide, 'hands-on' objects such as uniforms, artillery casings, music, object cards, and various interpretation activities.

The boxes are ideal not only for Anzac-related topics, but also for investigating 'then and now', exploring the authentic use of text types such as letters and diaries, and photographic interpretation.

Box 1 Richard Smales, a young soldier who died on the Somme

- Box 2 Vincent Berriman, a returned soldier
- Box 3 AANS Nurse, Sister Anne Donnell
- Box 4 The role of the Red Cross on the homefront



NOONGAR MUSEUM IN A BOX

Early childhood: Preschool to Year 2

Designed in close consultation with local Aboriginal educators, these resource kits support children's emerging understanding of contemporary Aboriginal cultures and history with a particular focus on local Noongar culture.

The multi-sensory materials include puppets, games, music, leaves, bark, DVDs, storybooks, artefacts, animal track stamps, kangaroo skins, feathers, and more.

The teacher's guides are jam-packed with activity suggestions. They contain background information, cultural protocols, and suggestions to improve teachers' confidence in incorporating Aboriginal perspectives in program delivery for the Early Years Learning Framework and the Australian Curriculum.

Box 1 (3 available)

Major themes: Introduction to the length and breadth of Aboriginal cultures and history; introduction to Noongar Country and languages; introduction to Nyitting (Dreaming).

Box 2 (3 available)

Major themes: Introduction to traditional Noongar lifestyles; connection with and care for Country; food gathering and hunting; family roles; housing; the Noongar six seasons.





TECHNOLOGY MYSTERY BOX

These resource kits provide a tangible way of exploring how technology has changed over time. Each contains objects such as gramophone needles, a record, an old typewriter, a metal hot water bottle, a telegram, and more. A teacher's guide is included.

School booking information

Cost per facilitated program

\$5 per student. A discount of \$2 applies if two different programs are booked on the same day. Self-led programs are free of charge. (Subject to change from July 2021)

Availability - During school terms

Duration

9.30am-11.30am (2 hours, including morning tea)
12.30pm-2.00pm (1.5 hours, no tea break)
Self-led program - 12.30pm-2pm (up to 1.5 hours)
Maximum numbers - 35 per program
Parent helpers - 1 adult per 6 children required

Accessibility - Refer to the Excursion Management Plan

Bookings are essential for education programs. Please contact Heritage Education on (08) 9405 5905.



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If you require any further information or would like to discuss program details, please contact:

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