

School Visit Itinerary

Television-themed day

10.15am: Arrive at the National Media Museum to a warm welcome from a museum Explainer who will confirm the details of your booking. They are easily identifiable by their red Learning T-shirts! They will show you where your lunch area and lockable storage trolley are located (if you've booked them in advance) and confirm the time your group are booked in for lunch.

10.30 & 11.00am: Divide your class into two groups and let one group take the FREE Explainer-led **Experience TV Production session** in the Experience TV Gallery on Level 3. Here pupils will learn about the three stages involved in making studio-based TV programmes - planning, studio and postproduction. They will look behind the scenes of a studio set before discovering how chromakey technology is used to create special effects. **(Please note the session is for a maximum of 15 pupils and must be booked in advance).**

For the other group, download our **Discover Experience TV** trail to help you take them on a self-guided tour and learn all about early broadcasting and the pioneers of TV. Then, swap the groups over to ensure that all pupils get the most out of this exciting interactive gallery.

11.30am: Visit the **Animation Gallery** on Level 5. Here pupils will learn about how animation works and find out how favourite characters such as Wallace and Gromit are brought to life, and investigate optical illusions using hands-on exhibits. You'll also find a booth with a show reel exploring how animation has developed since its earliest form.

12.00pm: Have lunch in one of our picnic areas - either the White Room on the ground floor or the Level 1 picnic space. Both seat groups of up to 30 and can be booked in advance.

12.30pm: Head back up to Level 3 and **TV Heaven**. Pre-book our group viewing room (FREE/seats up to 40) and settle down to watch programmes of your choice from our TV archives. With over 1000 programmes to select from, you'll easily find something to suit your needs! You could look at how children's television programmes have changed since the 1950s and view a range of episodes from Watch with Mother and Andy Pandy to Jackanory and Animal Magic. Look at the TVH catalogue online before your visit: [www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/PlanAVisit/ExploreOurGalleries/~media/Files/NMeM/PDF/Collections/Television/TVHeavenGenre.ashx](http://www.nationalmediamuseum.org.uk/PlanAVisit/ExploreOurGalleries/~/media/Files/NMeM/PDF/Collections/Television/TVHeavenGenre.ashx)

1.30pm: Visit the gift shop for some great souvenirs and pocket money gifts.

1.45pm: Without photography there would never have been television, so take your group down to the Lower Ground Floor to the **Kodak Gallery** where they can find out all about the birth of photography, the development of the camera and the part the Victorians played in making photography so accessible today. Pupils can see Daguerrotypes and Cartes de Visites in this fascinating gallery. Download our **Discover the Kodak Gallery** trail to help you find out even more about the objects on display.

2.30pm: Time to leave the Museum after an exciting and fun-packed day!

Cost per pupil for this visit: FREE

