

Homes Long Ago

Harewood House Tour

(Key Stage 1)

Travel back through history and explore the similarities and differences in the English home. Compare the grandeur of the Hall at Harewood to the entrance Hall in your own home where you hang your coat, and see how rooms have changed in function and importance across the centuries. Explore how ways of life have developed over time and the impact this has had on the development of the English Country House.

Themes to be covered within the tour:

- The evolution of rooms in country houses, their changing functions and design responding to changing needs and requirements of the people who lived in them.
- The changes made to Harewood, its original design by John Carr and Robert Adam, and the Victorian alterations made by Charles Barry.
- The role of the Hall in houses.
- The importance of libraries.
- The significance of portraiture.
- Lighting and heating.
- The function of the Drawing Room in country houses.
- The Dining Room and its presence in modern homes.
- The role of servants and the preparation of food and drink Below Stairs.



Curriculum Links:

History

- Pupils should develop an awareness of the past using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time.
- They should know where the people and events they study fit within a chronological framework and identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods.
- Pupils should be taught about significant historical events, people and places in their own locality.

National Curriculum KS1 Programme of Study: History.

Literacy

- Pupils should be taught to ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and build vocabulary and knowledge.

National Curriculum KS1 & 2 Programme of Study: Literacy – Spoken language.

Design & Technology

- Through the evaluation of past and present design and technology, they develop a critical understanding of its impact on daily life and the wider world.
- Pupils should be taught to explore and evaluate a range of existing products.

National Curriculum KS1 Programme of Study: Design & Technology

