



Thank you for your interest in visiting Rushden Transport Museum & Railway at the Victorian Rushden Station.

A 2 hour visit to the station can be arranged from between 9.30am and 2.30pm any weekday to suit your timetable. If you want to extend this by half an hour to enjoy your own packed lunch, just let us know on the booking form. Personal belongings can be safely left on board a carriage during your visit.

All charges are payable in advance, any donations are very welcomed on the day.

We welcome a maximum of 30 students, with the appropriate ratio of adults as determined by the school. For the volunteer led experience, we require that the class to be divided into four groups prior to coming to the station, and the school should provide at least one adult for each group as appropriate to provide learner needs and behaviour support.

Whichever the option for your visit our volunteers will welcome you to the station, remind everyone of our safety rules, give you the access for your chosen option and be on hand to give light touch support.

Downloadable, editable resources soon to be available for your use, free of charge, on our website: [www.rhts.co.uk](http://www.rhts.co.uk), or on a flash drive by request.

Once your visit is booked please ensure that you keep to the agreed time.

### Teacher led visit

#### Outside on the platform - FREE:

Teachers can make use of the atmospheric station site and carriages to enhance a variety of curriculum studies including creative writing, drawing, storytelling, local history, use of materials and observational skills.

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#### Inside the museum - £10 charge:

You can explore the museum collection in the 4 original rooms of the station using a variety of our activity sheets or one of your own design.

In addition we have a handling box\* that includes:

- Station aromas
- Working on the railway items to touch
- A vintage SLR camera to investigate
- Rushden boot and shoe design

Ideal for special needs pupils/group work

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\*Any breakages or loses will be charged in full.

### Volunteer led activities

#### The Station Experience – Charge £1 per pupil

Our team of volunteers will give your class the hands on railway experience from the point of view of:

- The traveller, including dressing up and a group photo opportunity (school providing the camera)
- And the railway worker.
- It will include a tour of the station with a brief history of the Midland Railway branch-line, its connection to Rushden's growth through the boot and shoe industry and the workings of locomotives.

In this option pupils will receive a souvenir ticket and good behaviour sticker to remind them of their visit.

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