

Timetable for World War I – Eddie’s War

The session is 1.45 hours: 10.15am to 12pm or 12.45pm to 2.30pm. The museum opens at 10am.

Please arrive in time to be ready to start the session promptly. If you need to change your arrival or leaving time, please let us know before your visit so we can adapt the session to fit with your travel times.

Lunch space. There is plenty of outdoor space to picnic outside or indoor space if wet or cold.

10am Museum opens
Arrive – toilets, coats and bags put away

10.15am (or 12.45pm)

Welcome and introduction to World War I and the big question: Is war ever worth it?

Dressing up a child we will introduce the group to ‘Eddie’ and follow his journey through the war. Through objects, clothing, equipment, photos and letters we will explore reality of life in the trenches and how and why this changed during the course of the war. Pupils will see the changing roles of women and the impact of the war on Chelmsford, through Eddie’s eyes as he returns injured from the front in 1916.

In small groups pupils will have an opportunity to handle equipment, try on clothing and take a closer look at objects, document and images that belonged to Eddie and discover how his story ends.

12pm (or 2.30pm) Whole class conclusion