



EDUCATION PROGRAM EXCURSION GUIDE

Take a journey through a local history
museum of distinction



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ABOUT US

KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE

Occupying the site of the Upper Darling Range Railway station yard, the Kalamunda History Village illustrates life in the early days and the domestic history of the area since the first settlers. The Village demonstrates the Society and Environment of our rural pioneers. There are many varied interactive and hands-on learning experiences offered that can be tailored to your needs.

LOCATION

We are bordered by Railway Road, Williams Street and Spring Road in Kalamunda, and behind the Perth Hills Kalamunda Visitor Centre.

Bus parking bay on Williams Street, travelling North.

Car parking at the Kalamunda Library and Visitor Centre carpark.

SCHOOL EXCURSIONS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Fridays from 10am to 1pm.

Contact the Village for tour options on these days.

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EDUCATION PROGRAM EXCURSIONS

GUIDED TOURS - have maximum capacity of 60 students.

Early Settlers - **Pre-primary & Year 1.**

Junior Pioneer Life - **Years 2 & 3.**

Pioneer Life - **Years 4 - 6.**

Cost:

- \$11.00 per student
- \$4.00 per accompanying parent/adult helper
- Teachers and support persons – no charge.



SELF-GUIDED TOURS - have maximum capacity of 90 students.

Pioneering Discovery - **All ages.**

A tour with activities for any age and for any size group, small or large. Equipment and tour notes are provided.

Cost:

- \$7.00 per student
- \$4.00 per additional parent/adult helper
- Teachers and support persons – no charge.



Note: Additional parent/adults attendees not included on the school's invoice, will be required to pay the full entry fee of \$11.00 or \$7.00 seniors.

VILLAGE GENERAL STORE

Opened by request made at the time of booking.

Children can visit the old general store at the end of the tour to purchase vintage inspired goodies using physical money, coins or notes.

Our shop will be opened to students only upon teachers request prior to the day of the excursion.

It is recommended that each child bring no more than \$5.00 each.



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Students move around the Village with a guide giving an insight into early hill's life; the services, school procedure, transportation, industries, migrants and how the settler's used their environment and their way of life from 1860's to 1920's. Comparison will be made from the early years to today's world and discussion is initiated about the social, cultural and technological changes from the past norms to present day society. In addition, there are a range of hands-on activities to suit each age group or can be chosen by request at the time of booking.

Core Areas - delivered by our guides

School: Students will sit at old fashioned timber desks in the original Kalamunda State School and interact in olden day class activities, including the use of slate boards or writing with pen & ink, manners, discussion about teacher's role, discussion on discipline and left-handedness.

Settlers Cottage: The students will see how the settlers lived, and how life was before scheme water and electricity. They will discuss differences to their home life, such as being self-sufficient, how they kept their food cold, the use of candle light, carting water from the well or rain water tank, lack of sanitary conditions and overcrowding - 8 people living in a four roomed cottage, and no computers or TV!

Orchard Shed: + Blacksmith: Experience the sorting of fruit using old farm equipment, and explore what the blacksmith did in days gone by. Discuss the methods and materials used in the making and manufacturing of everyday items.

Hands-on Activities - three per tour

Age appropriate typical selection or by special request

New and Old: **Pre-primary & Year 1.** A display of new and older items with a discussion and guessing game on items, identifying some objects and whether they are a modern or old fashioned.

Junior Games: **Pre-primary & Year 1.** Learn and play a variety of old fashioned games, including colonial style dress ups.

Laundry: **All years.** On the verandah of an old cottage they will have the opportunity to wash with a scrubbing board and hand wringer, peg out clothes and iron with a flat iron.

Post Office & Film: **All years.** Communication timeline hands-on with type writers, telephones and morse code, plus a short film about family life in the Perth Hills, set in 1902 called "My Family Cottage". The story is told through the eyes of Katie who is 11 years old, we will follow her through a typical early settler's week. The film "Among the Hardwoods" about the early timber industry for upper primary years.

Old Fashioned Toys & Games: All years. Learn and play a variety of old fashioned games.

Chores: All years. Students participate in chores such as gristing wheat, stencilling, and helping in the kitchen. Look at visual displays of the local industries and transport.

Making Peg People: Years 1, 2 & 3. Toy making activity using old washing pegs.

Making do: Years 4 & 5. Recycling as we know it. Children discuss how difficult it was to get to the shops, and how limited in choice you had. They will discuss using different materials for alternative purposes. Discover how children made their own games and rag rugs.

*Assistance with hands-on activities
will be provided depending on
volunteer guide availability.*



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Pioneering Discovery - This tour lets you move around the various sections of the museum with a students at your own pace, with the exception of the School room and the Orchard Shed, which will be led by our guides. The tour has many educational activities to do throughout the tour and a variety of old fashioned toys and games to play with along the way. Guide notes are provided and helpful instructions and flash cards are at each section to help explain facts and prompt discussion among the students. Activity sheets can be provided on request. Some of the features in this tour:

School: Writing with slate boards and graphite pencils.

Memorial Building: Old-fashioned toys and games.

Train Station: How does a steam locomotive work? 'My Family Cottage" film about family life in the 1900's.

Settler's Cottages: How life was before scheme water and electricity. Have the opportunity to wash with a scrubbing board and iron with old irons. Peg out on the washing line next to the outside dunny.

General Store: Lots of interesting goods to see and an activity weighing typical store items with old scales.

Post Office: Look at communication changes through time and have a go at typewriting, telephoning and using morse code.

Orchard Shed & Other Buildings: Demonstration of an old fruit grader, explore the Blacksmith, Carriage Shed and Saw pit.

AFTER THE TOUR

Tours generally run until 12:30pm and all are then welcome to have lunch on the undercover train station platform in the museum.

Afterwards we recommend a visit to historical Stirk Park. Located a short 5 minute walk down the road, the park has a newly redeveloped playground, lots of grassed areas to run and shaded areas to sit and rest.

MAKING A BOOKING

HOW TO BOOK

Contact a History Village Staff member to discuss tour options and availability either by email or telephone.

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Please book well in advance to avoid disappointment.

A booking confirmation will be emailed to you when we receive all details regarding tour selection, numbers, age range and preferred date.

Teachers making a booking are invited to pre-visit for familiarisation at no cost. Please contact the village to arrange a time.

Go to our website www.kalamundahistoricalsociety.com for Excursion planners, Adult responsibility notes, Emergency procedures and Public Liability Insurance etc.

PAYMENT

You will be invoiced (GST included) by the City of Kalamunda after your visit for all students and non teaching attendees.

Additional attendees that are not invoiced to the school must pay full entry fee on arrival.

Please make sure we are made aware if a purchase order is required for invoicing.

Shop purchases are cash only and no eftpos facilities are available.



DUTY OF CARE

At History Village, we prioritize the health and safety of all our visitors. Upon arrival, the Coordinator will provide an introductory briefing to teachers, students, and parents about museum rules. While our staff and volunteers take every precaution and clearly communicate safety measures, the duty of care for students remains with their teachers. Safety guidelines, emergency procedures, and insurance information are available on our website - kalamundahistoricalsociety.com. All staff and volunteers hold a current Working With Children Card.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF KALAMUNDA

Timber brought the first European settlers into the area in the 1860's. The Canning Jarrah Timber Company built the railway, including the Zig-Zag, from Midland to Canning Mills in 1891 to carry out timber. In addition the railway serviced the quarrying of granite, laterite and gravel that was used for building the roads of Perth as well as the transport of local goods. The Soldier Settlement Scheme in 1919 boosted the population and resulted in a flourishing orchard industry. Between the two World Wars, Kalamunda was famous as a resort and there were numerous guest houses. There was no scheme water in the area until 1954. Before that, people collected water in rainwater tanks or from wells. Subdivision followed the introduction of scheme water leading to the Perth suburb of today.





Kalamunda History Village
is managed by the
Kalamunda and Districts
Historical Society