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A teacher in a white sweater is pointing upwards at a globe in a classroom. Several children in blue school uniforms are gathered around, looking at the globe. In the background, there are colorful educational posters on the wall, including one with a sun and the text 'À la force'.

MAKING A  
**DIFFERENCE**



CULTURAL EXPLORERS PROGRAMME

Take part in our free programme

## THE OFFER

The Cultural Explorers Programme provides a cultural entitlement worth £500 per class at no cost for all local Year Five learners to engage in an exciting outside-the-classroom learning experience in one of The University of Manchester's four cultural venues.

Year Five learners in the University's most local wards of Ardwick, Hulme, Moss Side, Rusholme, Longsight and City can take part in activities at Manchester Museum, the Whitworth, The John Rylands Library or Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre.

Every Year Five class in participating schools receives fully-funded transport to visit one of the four venues. In addition, classes have two options for activities at their chosen venue:

**Option One:** A workshop led by the venue.

**Option Two:** Bespoke activities co-planned with specialist venue learning staff and led by class teachers. With £100 provided towards supply cover for planning time, this is a great opportunity for professional development.

Teachers involved in the programme are also invited to an annual collective professional development opportunity worth £200, usually in the summer term.

All visiting children are given incentives to come on return visits with their families, to encourage local families to make use of these amazing cultural venues.



## Making a booking

To benefit from this fully-funded cultural entitlement, teachers should book as early as possible in the school year as capacity is limited at some venues. For more information on sessions available please see the venue web links on the following pages.

To book your visit please visit [www.manchester.ac.uk/museum/learn/culturalexplorers](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/museum/learn/culturalexplorers) and complete the enquiry form.

For all other enquiries, please contact us via **0161 275 2630** or [school.bookings@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:school.bookings@manchester.ac.uk).

As part of The University of Manchester's commitment to social responsibility, we believe that access to culture and science should be accessible to everyone, regardless of background.

The Cultural Explorers Programme is part of a series of signature programmes we have developed to make a difference to our local communities and wider society.

[www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/signature-programmes/cultural-access](http://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/signature-programmes/cultural-access)

## OUR CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS



### Manchester Museum

Explore an array of treasures from the natural world and the many cultures it is home to at Manchester Museum. Highlights include a T. Rex and fossils of other pre-historic creatures, ancient Egyptian artefacts and live amphibians and reptiles. Manchester Museum is the UK's largest university museum, hosting a collection of over 4.5 million objects. All of its collections are designated, by the government, as being of national and international importance.

Details of the sessions on offer can be found at: [www.manchester.ac.uk/museum/learn](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/museum/learn)



### John Rylands Library

Inspire your pupils with a unique learning experience at The John Rylands Library. The Library building on Deansgate in the City Centre is a masterpiece of neo-Gothic Victorian architecture and contains one of the world's finest collections of rare books and manuscripts.

Details of the sessions on offer can be found at:

[www.library.manchester.ac.uk/rylands/education](http://www.library.manchester.ac.uk/rylands/education)



## The Whitworth

After a £15 million development that transformed the gallery in 2015, the Whitworth has doubled in size and created new spaces that embrace the park it calls home. The Whitworth will have more great art on display both indoor and out.

Details of the sessions on offer can be found at:

[www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk/learn](http://www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk/learn)

## Jodrell Bank

The University of Manchester's Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre aims to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers by directly engaging them with science at a major UK research facility. The Discovery Centre runs a hugely popular education programme for school groups, as well as a vibrant family events programme during school holidays. A school trip to the Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre includes getting to see the world-famous giant Lovell Telescope, exploring our interactive exhibitions, talking to our expert staff, plus up to two curriculum-linked interactive science workshops!

Further details can be found at:  
[www.jodrellbank.net/learn/schools](http://www.jodrellbank.net/learn/schools)



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