

House of the Binns for schools

House of the Binns was built between 1612 and 1630 by Thomas Dalryell. The house has remained the home of the Dalryell family ever since, but its architectural development and contents display an interesting record of changing tastes over almost four hundred years. A visit provides an interesting political and social history of Scotland from the 17th century to the present day through the story of one family. The parkland is one of only a few examples of English-style parkland in Scotland, and is the best example in the ownership of the Trust. The buildings are of nationally significant architectural and historical interest. There is a woodland walk to a panoramic viewpoint over the Firth of Forth.

● education programme

House of the Binns is an important primary resource that offers cross-curricular learning opportunities for key areas of the 5-14 Curriculum

a site visit offers

- a tour of the property focusing on specific areas of interest
- woodland walks

classroom resources

- illustrated guidebook and leaflet (available on request)

● practical information

planning your visit

- open for school visits: between 1 May and 30 September only (except Fridays). The Parkland is open all year
- pre-booking essential
- maximum class size: 50 with a ratio of 1 teacher/adult to 10 children
- cost for school parties: children £1 - accompanying adults admitted free of charge
- Educational Membership of the National Trust for Scotland allows free entry to all NTS properties
- preparation: we welcome a free preparatory visit by the teacher

during your visit

- please note: visiting teachers are responsible for discipline
- on arrival: please report to the reception
- picnic facilities: available at the property
- refreshments: not available at the property
- shop: not available but booklets and postcards are sold
- toilets: available at the property

● for more information contact

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