

From Belle Vue to Tullie: a Historical Walking Trail

By Year 6 at Belle Vue Primary School

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Challenge

Collect a word from the bottom of each stop's webpage, then unscramble the sentence at the end!

Six stops. Two miles. Two thousand years of Carlisle.

From a Roman fort and a vanished canal to a biscuit empire that fed Queen Victoria's table — the route you're about to walk is full of stories hiding in plain sight. When you reach each stop, scan the QR code to visit each area's webpage where you'll find extra history, interviews, photos and more!

We recommend allowing 1 - 2 hours to complete the walk, which includes time for reading.

SCAN ME!



Can you spot some other things along the way?



Did you know? In the late 1800s if you went into The Museum pub, you would see a large collection of taxidermy!

2 Newtown

Stop at Burgh Road. You're heading into Newtown, where there are stories older and stranger than the streets themselves. Have you heard the shocking true story of a bear that escaped its chains near the Green Dragon Inn? Find the old pub further down the road.

Old view from here!
How has it changed?



1 Belle Vue

Start your walk at Belle Vue. Have you ever thought what might be under your feet? Here, it's likely the remains of a small Roman fort! And it was in this soil that the people of Carlisle were able to grow food in the 1800s after receiving a gift of land - from one man!



From ships to horse-bus to rail and trams, this stretch of Carlisle has seen many modes of transport over the centuries. Here is a photo of a horse-bus on Newtown Road.



This is a picture of 'Renee's Beauty Parlour', 48 Newtown Road. It was opened by Irene Leach in 1935. Tullie has a few of her hairdressing tools in its collection.

3 Engine Lonning

Stop at the Methodist Church with Coledale Meadows opposite. This leads to Engine Lonning, now a quiet nature reserve. But underneath, it hides the route of a vanished canal and an abandoned railway depot. We interviewed Tania from the Eden River's Trust about her 'Access to Eden project' - listen online!

Continue overleaf!
FLIP!

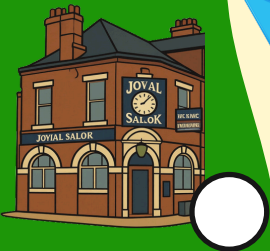
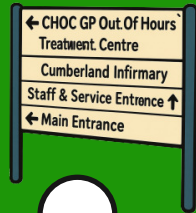


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Your 4th stop is at the busy road entrance to the infirmary. Linger a while. What can you hear?



Old and new



4 Infirmary

The hill the Cumberland Infirmary sits on has a violent history. In 1745, during the Jacobite Rebellion, the Duke of Cumberland placed his cannons here to take Carlisle back from Bonnie Prince Charlie's army. Nearly a century later, in 1830, the same hill became the site of the hospital. Scan the QR code to find out more about this stop.



Soldiers & nurses on the Infirmary steps.



5 Carr's Biscuit Factory



In 1831, a young Quaker called Jonathan Dodgson Carr opened a small bakery in Carlisle which grew into the biggest baking business in Britain. Carr's was not just a workplace, JD Carr's philosophy created a whole community around the factory. There was a staff brass band, choral society and a cricket team!



Pladis Global, the current owner of Carr's, make over 200 different types of biscuits! Can you smell any baking today?



Biscuit decorating inside the factory.

6 Luguvalium

Stop just after the bypass bridge and look towards the castle. Now imagine it's AD72 and Roman soldiers are building a fort from turf and timber which will become the centre of a busy town named Luguvalium. Industries here in the Roman times included tanning and copper working.

This Celtic pottery head (left) tells us that there was already a settlement here when the Romans arrived. On the right, a Roman leather boot. Both from Tullie's collection.



Bridge Street

Shaddangate

A Roman bone die, used by soldiers to play games!



Challenge

Don't forget to head to the very last page on the website to unscramble the words and make a sentence!

Well done! You've finished the trail.

We hope you enjoyed learning about some of Carlisle's long and exciting history.



Why not pop into Tullie to find out even more?

