



Craigleith Heritage Depot Elementary School Programs and Services



EDU-KITS:

Traveling Learning Exhibits, neatly packaged into rolling hard-cases are available to local elementary school classes and are designed specifically to compliment the current Ontario Elementary School Curriculum. The EDU-KITS are topic specific, and allow classroom learning to include tangible items, artifacts and museum quality exhibits without the often restrictive costs and hassle of off-site field trips. Created with emphasis on the *The Blue Mountains* area, students synthesize the required Ontario Elementary School Curriculum material with distinctively local historical and cultural significance.

EDU-KITS are available with subjects that include:

“Science and Technology-Rocks and Minerals” created specifically to complement the Understanding *Earth and Space Systems* part of the Grade 4 science curriculum. This EDU-KIT allows students to discover the unique characteristics and properties of rocks and minerals found in the earth’s crust through hands-on and microscope examination, vivid charts and timelines, and exciting and colorful factsheets. Students will discover why the 445 million year old fossil material found in our Town is some of the oldest, best preserved fossils in the world!

“Heritage and Citizenship-The Petun of Craigleith” based on the learning objectives of *Native Peoples and the Europeans* section of the Grade 6 social-studies curriculum. This EDU-KIT focuses on the rich history of the Petun people who inhabited Craigleith up until 1651 including the impacts, consequences and social changes that resulted from the interaction with European Jesuit Missionaries and Fur Traders. Many hands on replicas of original artifacts.

Cost = \$45/month loan

Coming Soon!!

“Heritage and Citizenship-Pioneer Life” based on the *Pioneer-Life* section of the Grade 3 social-studies curriculum, this EDU-KIT provides students the opportunity to explore the lives of early European settlers. Containing artifacts including pioneer tools and toys, posters and classroom activities this EDU-KIT provides a Pioneer Village experience without having to leave the classroom.

“Heritage and Citizenship-Early Civilizations” centered on the *Early Civilizations* portion of the Grade 5 social-studies curriculum, this EDU-KIT explores the lives of the people who occupied the Blue Mountains region during the last ice-age 10,000 years ago when ice surrounded all but the very top portion of the escarpment. Learn why our area was so attractive to people during the Ice Age.

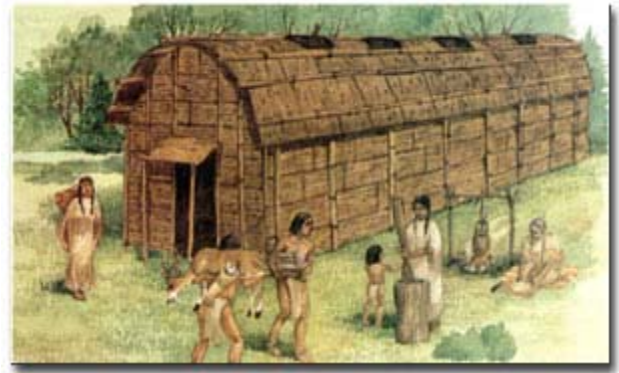
FIRST VISIT PROGRAM: (One hour program)

Introduces local elementary school students to the rich heritage and natural environment that our unique region has to offer through a three-stage program that was created to provide a fun and efficient learning system. Pre-visit introduction handouts are provided to prepare the teachers and students about what the Craigleith Heritage Depot museum is, and what they can expect to learn about when they visit. The museum visit let students and teachers learn about many interesting local history subjects through the Depot’s local history exhibits including; fossils, the ice-age, aboriginal artifacts, shipwrecks, railroad history, pioneers, and the development of the local ski and apple industries. Following the visit to the museum, a post-visit educational activity is provided allowing the students to recall and further instill the knowledge gained at the [Craigleith Heritage Depot](#). Cost = \$2/student.

FANTASTIC FOSSILS: (One hour program)

Class visits taking the “Fantastic Fossils” program will involve learning about the 445 million year old fossils that we find on our beaches in The Blue Mountains. Pre-visit hand outs will be provided for teachers to prepare the class for what they’ll be learning about. Students will learn what fossils are, how animals become fossilized, the geology of our area and why it’s unique, as well hands on activities and microscope inspection of unique fossil material. Post visit activity will be provided for follow-up learning. [Craigleith Heritage Depot](#). Cost = \$2/student.





THE PETUN: (One hour program)

Students will learn about The Petun people that occupied Craigeith between 1630 – 1650. Learn about the two archaeological sites at the foot of Blue Mountain and the 10,000 people who once lived there when Craigeith was part of New France. Handle artifacts that were left behind by The Petun and Jesuit priests. First Nation customs and how the French trade affected Canada as we know it will be discussed. Pre-visit hand outs will be provided for teachers to prepare the class for what they'll be learning about. Post visit activity will be provided for follow-up learning.

Craigeith Heritage Depot. Cost = \$2/student.

*Lunch facilities can be arranged in the Craigeith Community Centre, a circa 1861 school house built by the Fleming family, for a small additional charge.

EXPERT LECTURES:

The Craigeith Heritage Depot provides fun and interactive expert lecturers on many *Blue Mountains* historical and heritage topics for classroom visits to schools in the local community. Talks include: *The Little Train Station That Could*, *The Mary Ward Shipwreck*, *First Nations*, *Fossils*, *Early School Days* and many more exciting locally significant heritage topics.

Cost: \$50.00

Lecture Series:

The last Monday of each month the Craigeith Heritage Depot hosts a guest speaker lecture series from 1:00 – 2:00 at the Beaver Valley Community Centre. Each speaker discusses a topic relating to the historical/cultural/environmental uniqueness of our Town. A question and answer period follows each lecture. *Child and youth tickets = \$2/student.*

For further information on Craigeith Heritage Depot programs and services, contact The Depot at 705.444.2601 or visit www.thebluemountains.ca

*Stay tuned for our “Plunge Into the Past” program in partnership with Plunge Pool. And all day program to be launched in September 2011!

