

CXK's Cabinet of Curiosity

INTRODUCTION

Cabinets of Curiosity were all the rage in the Victorian eraⁱ with collectors putting together display cabinets of the unusual to delight, inform and entertain their guests; many of today's national museums are based on these initial collections.

CXK's Cabinet of "Occupational" Curiosities, contains a collection of tools and objects related to the world of work, for primary aged children in Key Stage 2ⁱⁱ to explore. It is supplied with session plans and resources designed to inspire and inform children about the world of work.

- Our aim is to widen the world view of students, as well as challenge gender stereotypes, which evidence suggests are established at primary ageⁱⁱⁱ.
- In addition, the accompanying resources will help students place the role of education and qualifications within the context of career.

This is in line with the latest research and government drive to develop Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) within primary schools^{iv}.

Interested?

CXK's Cabinet of Curiosity is available for a limited period for free (commencing 1st September 2019) as a resource for local primary schools to borrow.

The session plan provides a day of delivery in school, for one class (depending on size of class and ability of students). Sessions can be differentiated, to be delivered over a shorter or longer period of time and are expected to be adjusted by teachers to meet the needs of their individual students and setting. Our cabinet is aimed at a class size of up to approximately thirty children.

On borrowing, the cabinet will be available for collection from CXK's head office in Ashford, with accompanying resources including: session plan, and master copies of handouts and worksheets for the school to photocopy as needed (these can also be sent by email if required prior to booking).

Arrangements can be made for the school to collect the cabinet either on the morning of delivery or the day before if easier. Returning the cabinet can also

be arranged for the afternoon of delivery (if before 4.45pm) or the day after if required.

What next?

If you are interested in booking the cabinet or would like to discuss further please email me on christargett@cxk.org

Kind regards,

Chris Targett

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Our Small Print

Hiring of cabinet at this time requires no booking fee but, loss of, or damage, to cabinet, occupational objects and resources may incur a fee to cover any replacements required. CXK will not be liable for any harm or injury to any persons, in borrowing of the cabinet, occupational objects and resources, through use of, or misuse, of resources. All resources are provided for use by the lead educational practitioner within the classroom setting at their discretion and judgement. It is recommended that if the practitioner has any doubts about the suitability of any of the objects supplied for their students, these should be removed from the cabinet prior to use within the classroom.

ⁱ<https://www.cxk.org/the-cxk-blog/a-cabinet-of-curiosity>

ⁱⁱIdeal audience is Year 4

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://www.inspiringthefuture.org/schools-and-colleges/primary-futures/redraw-the-balance/> and <https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/womens-blog/2015/feb/23/sexist-assumptions-young-children-gender-stereotypes>

^{iv}https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=t&source=web&rct=j&url=https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/664319/Careers_strategy.pdf&ved=2ahUKEwIA3t2C0I_ZAhUsL8AKHTaZDVYQFjADegQICxAB&usq=AOvVaw3sXWLCQN6MkF9jk_NK1pfC