

# **Discover Bucks Museum Social Story**



**I am going to Discover Bucks Museum.  
Discover Bucks Museum is on a quiet street near  
St. Mary's Church.**



**We will go into the courtyard to get to the museum entrance.**



**We will buy our tickets from the front desk.**



**This is also where the  
toilets are.**



**If I need to use them, I  
can ask my adult to  
show me where they  
are.**



**The staff wear red shirts and grey fleeces.  
There will always be someone at the front  
desk to help if we need them.**



**There might also be  
volunteers.**

**Volunteers are here to help.  
They can answer any  
questions I have about what I  
see.**

**All the museum volunteers  
wear badges so we know who  
they are.**



**I can borrow a sensory backpack from the front desk for free if I want to.**

**The backpacks are all a bit different but they all have a storybook, ear defenders, dark glasses, a timer and chart to help me plan my visit.**

**I can look at all the backpacks to choose the one I would like to borrow.**





**We can leave our coats on the coat rail if we want to. Sometimes there is lego to play with here too.**



**The museum has two floors.  
We can use the stairs or the lift to get  
from floor to floor.**

**The Georgian Room is on the ground floor.**

**It has lots of paintings in it.**

**These boards show me things I can look for in the paintings.**





**We can go down the corridor to the main galleries.  
It's a little bit darker here.  
If I don't like it, that's ok.  
I can ask my adult to take me somewhere else.**



**It's ok to talk and to take pictures in all the different museum areas.**

**We can hear the sound of water playing on a tape recorder.**

**We can see fossils from millions of years ago.**



**If we go to the right, we can see the animals in the wild life gallery. If I don't like looking at the animals, that is ok. I can tell my adult and they will take me somewhere else.**



**If I tread on the floor circles, I can hear the noises some of the different animals make. If this is too noisy for me, I can tell my adult that I would like to go to a different space.**



**The social history gallery is the last gallery on the ground floor.  
There are some items here that aren't behind glass but still  
shouldn't be touched.**

**If I'm not sure what I can and can't touch, I can ask my adult or a  
staff member.**

**I won't get in trouble if I make a mistake but I must try to  
remember to ask.**





**The museum can sometimes be busy or noisy. If there is too much noise, my adult can ask one of the staff members to show us to a quiet spot to sit in.**



**Upstairs is the museum's Tudor Room. This is the oldest part of the museum- it's the oldest building in Aylesbury! There are some clothes I can dress up in if I want to.**



**We can go through a door to reach the rest of the top floor.**

**The museum can feel a little bit confusing because it's in a big old house so there are signs to help us.**

**If we get lost, we can ask a staff member for help.**



**The Embroidery room  
has all sorts of things  
that people have made  
in it.**

**There are two steps  
down to the next  
gallery so there is also a  
stairlift here.**



**The temporary gallery is next to the Embroidery room.  
The things in this room change every few months.  
If I'm not sure what I can touch or play with in this room, I  
can ask my adult or a staff member.**



**When we are finished looking around the museum, we might go into the café for a drink or a snack. If I have a water bottle with me, I can ask a staff member at the café to fill it up for me.**



**There is also a garden that anyone can play in. If there are toys or games in the garden, I can play with them. If I don't know how to play a game I can ask my adult or a staff member.**



**In the garden ,we can also see the Cubitt Car. The car is behind glass to keep it safe but it still works.**





**We might also go to visit the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery. The Roald Dahl Children's Gallery is in a separate building so we go across the courtyard to reach it.**



**A staff member will let us into the gallery.  
They can answer any questions I have about the  
things I see in the museum.**



**There's lots to do and see!**

**If it's too bright or noisy, I can ask my adult to  
take me somewhere else.**



**To get upstairs, we can go up the stairs or use the lift.**



**Upstairs, it's a little bit darker.**

**This is where I can stand against a special screen to freeze my shadow- the flash is quite bright so I will close my eyes before my adult pushes the button.**



**When we are ready to leave, we go across the courtyard to the main museum. We can fetch our coats from the coat pegs.**

**If I borrowed a backpack, I can give it back to the front desk.**



**Thank you for coming to see our museum!**