



# Eskbank House & Museum Schools Tour Booking Form



School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Coordinating Teacher/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time\*: from \_\_\_\_\_ am / pm to \_\_\_\_\_ am / pm

\* Eskbank House & Museum operating hours are 10:00am to 4:00pm Wednesday to Sunday – Mondays and Tuesdays by arrangement.

**Fees:**

Students and assisting parents \$2.50 per person

Bus Driver and Teachers Free of Charge.

Schools will be invoiced after the visit to ensure final numbers.

Numbers attending:

Students \_\_\_\_\_ Teachers \_\_\_\_\_ Parents \_\_\_\_\_

Ages: Please advice of the ages and classes of the students attending for tour delivery purposes.

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Subject/s being studied.

(This information is to assist in tour delivery)

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## Tour Packages

Eskbank House and Museum has developed Schools Tour Packages for use by local schools. When visiting the Museum, please select the tour package you wish to participate in.

More than one tour can be selected to ensure students of mixed ages receive a more age appropriate Museum experience.

Lithgow City Council encourages schools to plan their visit to Eskbank House & Museum to allow Schools to make the most of the facility. Please consider bringing lunch and picnicking in the grounds. Play old fashioned children's games and encourage the students to really explore.

Plan your visit, particularly when we have major traveling exhibitions to take in both the Eskbank Experience and the Traveling exhibition by spending most of the day at the Museum.

**The Butterfly Garden      Duration 45 minutes**

Aimed at pre-school, kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> class.

This tour is designed to provide children with their first visit to Eskbank. The tour centres on the story "The Butterfly Garden" by Sue Harris. Children are encouraged to explore the garden at Eskbank and seek out various items within the book that are in the story i.e. flowers, birds, lizards and when in season pick a strawberry from the Eskbank Strawberry patch. Children then come into the house and listen to the c1700 Swiss Music Box whilst doing a butterfly dance in the hallway before being given pencils and paper to draw their favourite part of their visit and the story.

**Early Lithgow                      Duration 60 minutes**

Based on current local schools programs for 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> class.

Students are provided with an activities sheet and are encouraged to explore the Museum with our History Detective. Children will be given an introductory talk and Museum Guides will be on hand to assist in answering questions.

Large groups are divided up and students meet different guides as they travel throughout the Museum facility. In the front of the House they will meet Mary Brown, wife of Thomas Brown, Lithgow's first industrialist who will discuss coming to Lithgow and various items contained in the front four rooms.

The activity sheet includes questions, interesting local history facts, drawing and rubbing activities.

**Special Exhibition**

Teachers may wish to have students attend the museum for a particular exhibition currently showing which is in line with their studies.

Name of Exhibition \_\_\_\_\_

**Disabled Access**

Although there is some uneven surfacing on the verandah, the House and Outbuildings are all on one level.

Eskbank House & Museum has driveway access to the Museum entrance for disabled visitors.

Disabled toilet facilities are available within Eskbank House, the main Museum building.

Tours are tailored to accommodate disabled students by enabling them to come behind the barricades with the staff to gain the best vantage points.

Signature: ..... Date: .....

Print Name:.....

Return completed booking form to:

**Eskbank House & Museum  
C/O Lithgow City Council  
PO Box 19,  
Lithgow N.S.W. 2790  
Fax: (02) 6351 3568  
Email: [eskbank@lithgow.nsw.gov.au](mailto:eskbank@lithgow.nsw.gov.au)**

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We will take reasonable care not to disclose personal information. Exempt documents may come under Section 12 of the Local Government Act.

**Office Use only**

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