



UK Parliament Education and Engagement Service

Information about your visit

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Tour and Workshop visit

Tour and Workshop visits last 2.25 hours.

- Groups will enter and exit via the Education Centre in Victoria Tower Gardens (marked '4' on map).
- Pupils should bring as little baggage possible due to limited storage. Any large bags will have to be carried for the duration of the visit.
- Your group will be assigned a 30-minute timeslot to eat their packed lunch in the Education Centre, from the finishing time of your visit (please note that you may be sharing the lunch space with another group). Eating and drinking is not permitted elsewhere, including in Westminster Hall. Groups are not able to enter the Education Centre before their start time to eat their lunch.
- Toilets are available in the Education Centre and Westminster Hall.
- We will contact your organisation's local MP in advance of your visit to make them aware of your educational trip to UK Parliament and to invite them to meet your group for a Q&A session. There is no need for you to make your own arrangements. Please note that if your visit is scheduled on a Friday or during recess, it is unlikely your MP will be in Westminster.



Tour information

Your visit will include a tour and workshop. The tour portion of your visit may include some or all of the following, depending on parliamentary business:

- The House of Commons and/or House of Lords debating chambers
- Access to the public galleries to watch MPs and Peers at work
- Westminster Hall, which dates back to the 11th century
- Central Lobby, at the very heart of the Parliamentary Estate
- St. Stephen's Hall



SEND pupils

We believe that every pupil has a democratic entitlement to visit their UK Parliament and we welcome pupils with different Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Our aim is to provide an accessible and enjoyable experience of Parliament.

If you wish to discuss any adjustments that may be required for your group, please call the UK Parliament Education Service on **020 7219 4496**.

To find out more about UK Parliament SEND programmes, visit:

parliament.uk/send

SEND teaching resources can be found at: **parliament.uk/teach**



Arrival

The UK Parliament Education Centre is in Victoria Tower Gardens (marked '4' on map).

- Groups should arrive 15 minutes before their visit start time to go through an 'airport-style' security search.
- There is no parking available on the Parliamentary Estate, however there are several coach parking bays in Westminster, which are available at a charge (see [westminster.gov.uk/coach-parking](https://www.westminster.gov.uk/coach-parking) for further details).
- Coaches may drop groups on the river side of Abingdon Street, before the second zebra crossing.
- If you are running late, please call the UK Parliament Education Team on **020 7219 4496**

The following items are not permitted on the Parliamentary Estate and will be confiscated.

Please do not attempt to bring these items in.



Contact us

For more information phone **020 7219 4496** or email **engage@parliament.uk**.
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In the unlikely event of our phone line and email account being unavailable, we will publish alternative contact details on our Twitter account **[@UKParEducation](https://twitter.com/UKParEducation)**. Please also ensure you have supplied us with your emergency contact details before you visit.