

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION SHEET



**The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge explores aspects of the exciting history, geography, economics, science and philosophy of Europe, the Middle East and Asia.**

It moves through all the curriculum subjects from maths to PE and will last for a minimum of 1 or 2 days in Spring 2018 but could inform the rest of your term's curriculum if your teachers are inspired by it. The learning experience encourages reflection and response to some very topical subjects, e.g. ecology, international interfaith, intercultural, and economic relations and artistic influences, in a positive and thoughtful way.

This project is a subsidised initiative linked to two fantastic new exhibitions at The Bowes Museum which are open from the **29TH OF JULY** until the **5th of November**. These would be valuable experiences either for the school community on a school trip or for your families to go and explore for themselves.

We are really excited that you might like to participate in this Challenge. Register on our SurveyMonkey today on this fantastic opportunity for more info.

Register your interest with us and we will send you an example Thinking Kit. We are looking forward to your school participating in the Challenge!



**The deadline for registration is the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2017**

## Who is The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge project for?

- 📖 Schools: We are inviting both primary and secondary schools within a 50 mile radius of The Bowes Museum to participate.
- 📖 Pupils: The project's main focus is on pupils from Key Stages 2 and 3. However the Turkish Tulips Thinking Kits are adaptable for all ages. There are extension ideas for G&T, SEN and different abilities.
- 📖 Teachers: The educational programme will be delivered by the teachers of the schools participating in the project. The House of Fairy Tales will be providing materials as teachers' packs. We offer a CPD Training Day as well as telephone and email support. The Challenge aims to benefit your teachers as much as your students.

## How do I register my school?

- 🌸 Register [here](#).
- 🌸 This link will take you through to a survey that will ask you questions such as how many classes you think, at this stage, you would like to include in the Challenge.
- 🌸 The Challenge will cost £2.50 per child which will cover all resources, including their postage and packing and support from the Team at The House of Fairy Tales.
- 🌸 Once you have registered, we will send you an invoice for the full amount. This invoice needs to be fully paid before we can send you your Thinking Kit packages for your classes (excluding your example).

## Practical information

### TIMELINE

- ◆ **JULY 29** ~ Turkish Tulips Exhibition opens at The Bowes Museum, County Durham
- ◆ **OCTOBER 17** ~ CPD Training Day for teachers and school management
- ◆ **OCTOBER 31** ~ Last date to register your interest at special introductory price
- ◆ **5TH NOVEMBER** ~ Turkish Tulips exhibition closes at The Bowes Museum
- ◆ **EARLY MARCH** ~ The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge is run in schools
- ◆ **EARLY MARCH** ~ Schools submit pupils' creative responses to the Challenge for the competition
- ◆ **END OF MARCH** ~ HoFT judges decide the Tulip Awards for schools and students
- ◆ **SPRING 2018** ~ Workshops for the Tulip Award schools delivered by artists
- ◆ **LATE SPRING 2018** ~ Entries displayed at The Bowes Museum and online

### THE CHALLENGE PROVIDES THE SCHOOLS WITH:

- 📖 **CPD Training Day** Fun and innovative teacher and school management team training day at The Bowes Museum on 17 October.
- 📖 **The Challenge Launch** Free warm up evening of fun for all teachers and schools decision-makers.
- 📖 **Teachers Packs** The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge will include inspirational lesson plans, fun, lavishly illustrated study materials, as well as teachers' prompts for age and ability ranges.
- 📖 **The Thinking Kits** The students will have a pack of resources, all beautifully illustrated and presented. There will be newspapers, ideas sheets and other materials.
- 📖 **Back up** Organisational and logistical guidance and support to the schools' coordinators.

📖 **Competition** Pupils and schools participating will send their creative responses to The House of Fairy Tales judging panel. All schools rising to the Challenge will receive rewards. These include special presentations in our exhibitions, artists workshops within the school, art materials and other goodies.

📖 **Exhibiting** all participating schools' work in The Bowes Museum and in a London exhibition as well as on the website.

### THE SCHOOL'S PART IN THE CHALLENGE:

#### THE SCHOOL WILL:

- 🌷 **Deliver** The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge Day during which the project is run instead of the normal curriculum.
- 🌷 **Send** 1-2 teachers to participate in the CPD Training Day.
- 🌷 **Appoint** a School Coordinator who will organise the delivery of The Great Turkish Tulip Challenge curriculum during the Challenge Week in early March.
- 🌷 **Organise** a visit to The Bowes Museum's Turkish Tulips exhibition.
- 🌷 **Submit** the creative responses to the Challenge to take part in the competition.

#### COSTS AND BURSARIES

- 🌷 **PARTICIPATION FEE** Special introductory price £2.50+VAT per pupil. Discounts available for more than one class.
- 🌷 **LIMITED BURSARIES FOR FEES** It is possible to apply for a bursary from The House of Fairy Tales to cover this fee - if your school is in particular financial hardship but you would still like to participate. To apply, email a covering letter to us at

**tulips@houseoffairytales.org.**

🌷 **CPD TRAINING DAY** - £30+VAT per teacher for 6 hours daytime training day including workshops.

🌷 **THE CHALLENGE LAUNCH** free session of 3 hours.

### For further information

[www.houseoffairytales.org/TurkishTulips](http://www.houseoffairytales.org/TurkishTulips)