

# Hazard Identification for 'Introduction to Pre-history- from Stone Age to Iron Age' at Segedunum.

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Please note:

- This is **not** a risk assessment. As stated in the Department of Education's 'Safe Keeping' publication, "the group leader should carry out a risk assessment."
- In the case of an emergency, please contact a member of staff
- North East Museums highly recommends that group leaders conduct preliminary visits
- Group leaders should take the behaviour and ability of their group into consideration when compiling a risk assessment
- It is the responsibility of the group leader to monitor the behaviour and safety of their group
- This Hazard Identification highlights the everyday risks that groups may incur. Please telephone Segedunum Roman Fort & Museum on (0191) 277 1499 to enquire about possible building work taking place or hazards in temporary exhibitions.

| Hazard identification                           | Risk and to whom                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Existing control measures set up by North East Museums                                                                                                                                               | Further action to be taken by the school / group leader (add own comments)                                        |
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| Object Handling                                 | <p>Risk of materials splintering or snapping causing scratches and splinters.</p> <p>Risk of awkward and heavy objects being dropped causing bruising.</p> <p>Risk of grazes from stone, flint and ceramic objects with unfinished edges.</p> | <p>Advice on how to handle all the objects will be given and children told to use with caution especially with any items which might be sharp.</p>                                                   | <p>Adults will help to supervise activity.</p>                                                                    |
| Weaving with wooden frames                      | <p>Injury to eyes</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p>Children advised to pick one stick up at a time and to take care to keep away from their own or others' eyes.</p>                                                                                 | <p>Adults will help to supervise activity.</p>                                                                    |
| Decorating hands with Snazaroo blue face paint. | <p>Allergies to face paint</p> <p>Transfer of germs</p>                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p>Washable blue felt pens and stickers provided as an alternative.</p> <p>Disposable cotton buds to be used for a single application.</p> <p>Facilitator will give clear instructions to group.</p> | <p>Teachers to advise on any allergies.</p> <p>Teacher in control of face paint and to supervise application.</p> |