

# RUMBLE MUSEUM

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## ABOUT US

The Rumble Museum at Cheney is run by educational charity The Iris Project and spread throughout corridors and rooms. We run regular projects, talks and events, and have two active student Museum Councils.

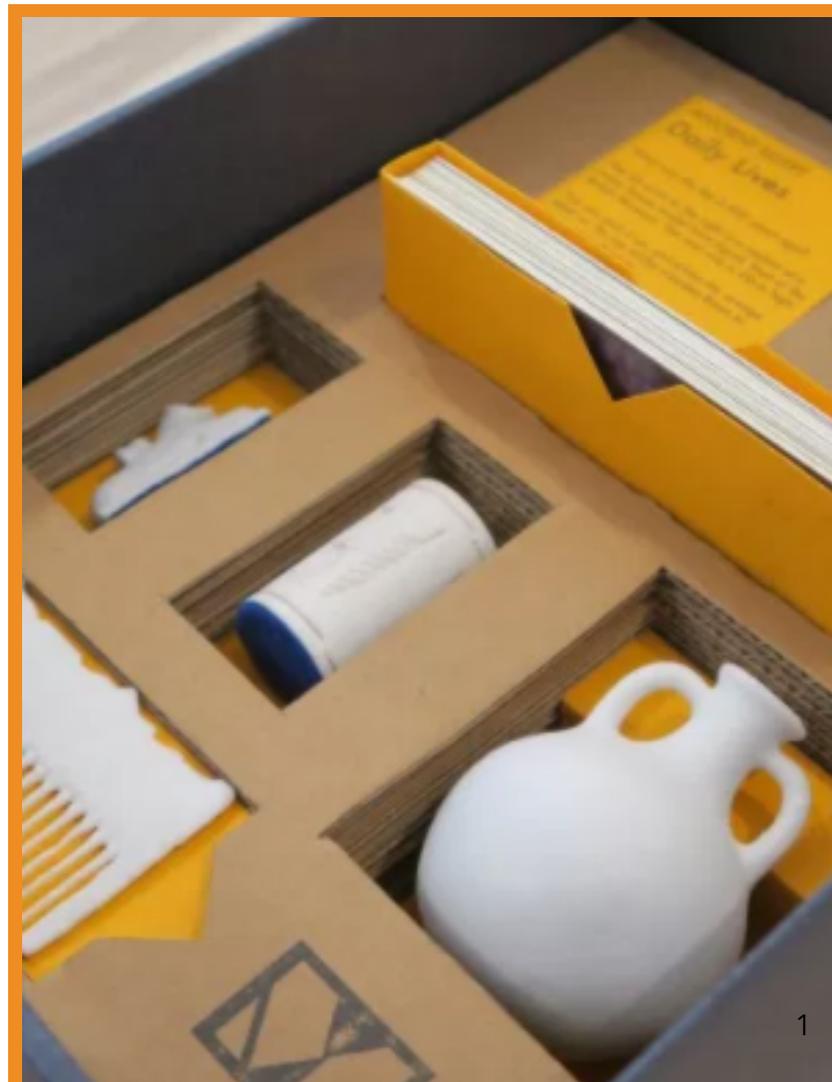
We have been awarded full Museum Accreditation by the Arts Council. Find out more at [www.rumblemuseum.org.uk](http://www.rumblemuseum.org.uk)

## VIRTUAL VISIT TO THE URE MUSEUM READING

Last week, We were delighted to welcome Claudina Romero Mayorga, Education Officer from the Ure Museum of Greek Archaeology, to give our Museum Project students a virtual tour of the site.

We looked at different types of pot up close using 3D imagery. The cabinets contain objects on a particular theme, rather than being divided into sections according to which civilisation they belonged to. This meant that there might be Egyptian mummies and Greek tombstones all in one area, where, for example, death is being explored as a theme. We also looked at a Panoply Greek Vase Project animation of a piece of pottery with Medusa on it, where the animators had imagined a little story based on the object.

We also looked at some 3D replicas of collection items which formed part of a “museum in a box” project. These items came in boxes with tags and audios, enabling someone to hear about the object while handling it. We saw some of the items from “Annie’s Box”, named after the first curator of the Ure Museum. We discussed the benefits of original over replica items, but that the replicas served a useful purpose where objects could not be handled.



## GIRAFFE IN BRIGHOUSE

Over lockdown, we have been gradually putting up new exhibits in the ground floor of Brighthouse ready for the students' return.

The latest exhibit to appear is a piece of giraffe neck bone and an almost floor to ceiling image of a beautiful African giraffe!

This piece of a giraffe neck bone was found in Kenya. The giraffe was presumed to have died of natural causes.

The neck of a giraffe is made up of seven large bones known as cervical vertebrae. At an average height of around five metres, the giraffe is the tallest land animal in the world. Many people first believed the giraffe was a cross between a leopard and a camel, which is reflected in its scientific name, "*giraffa camelopardalis*".

Giraffes mainly live in savanna areas in the sub-Saharan region of Africa. Their height allows them to eat leaves and shoots that are out of the reach of other animals.

