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Local community discovers Wintringham's past



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Our first Heritage Day was really well received, and it was lovely to chat with residents and neighbours about all the work that has gone into discovering the history beneath our feet. We will hold follow up events each year as the archaeological digs continue and are already working on ideas for activities during next summer's Festival of Archaeology."

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Urban&Civic teamed up with Oxford Archaeology East and St Neots Museum to help residents and local communities discover what life would have been like for our ancient ancestors living in the area during the Iron Age and early Roman period.

Over 150 residents, neighbours and members of the surrounding community delved into the past at Wintringham's first Heritage Day at Wintringham Primary Academy – a round, timber building that pays tribute to the roundhouses of Wintringham's earliest Iron Age settlers.

To bring the evidence to life, Urban&Civic commissioned a model of Wintringham roundhouses during the Iron Age and re-enactors used a range of replicas to demonstrate how people would have lived; from weapons that would have been used to hunt and defend themselves to early cooking utensils and the clothing of the time.

In addition to the information and artefacts on displays, there was plenty to keep the children amused. As well as colouring sheets and an activity pack, Experience the Iron Age also brought along a range of themed games and activities for the whole family to enjoy.



