SHREWSBURY FLAXMILL MALTINGS

Flax and Barley's Mill Mission



Ages 4-7 years

Flax and Barley, the Shrewsbury Flaxmill Maltings cats, are on a mission to learn about the amazing building they live in. Can you work with a grown up to help Flax and Barley find answers to their questions?

Make sure you look out for the pictures of them in the exhibition.

Start with the coloured plants in the entrance to the exhibition. Our cats are named after these plants! Which plant is flax and

which is barley? How are they different?





Look at the board full of dates. Which animal can be seen with the cats?



At 'The Maltings Years' sniff the barley and the malt. Which smell do you like the most?







Look in the orange box by 'Flexible Flax.' These items are all made from flax. What do they feel like?



The mill and the military

During the Second World War (1939-45) the maltings was temporarily converted into a facility for housing and training soldiers. Though it was far from luxurious, a community spirit grew amongst the troops and local people. During World War 2 soldiers called the site something animal related. **Can you find out what they called it?**



Find the model which shows how tall the main mill building is.Flax and Barley can't decide how many floors there are.How many floors you can see?

Go to the 'Workshop of Ideas.' Can you... build your own factory? build a tall tower? dress up like an apprentice ?





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The exhibition is the third use of this building, meaning the whole building has been recycled! What kind of things do you recycle at home?