Games in Agecroft- The Chessboard

It can be hard to find games and toys that survive from Tudor times. They were often well-loved and used over and over again. At Agecroft Hall, you can see reproductions like a pig’s bladder that can be used as a ball and a toy horse that kids would ride. The only game at Agecroft has in its collection that can be considered an artifact is this chessboard. Chess is a game that may date from the 6th century, and it’s still very popular today.

Agecroft’s chessboard is usually displayed in the Great Parlor. The Great Parlor is where the Dauntesey family would entertain their friends with music and games. If you visit Agecroft Hall, be sure to ask about the games the family would have enjoyed!