

## MY PLACE



*Working with the young people of Bradford and Keighley to bring local history alive for the whole community*



### Project E-newsletter 2 - April 2013

#### Spring Term Project Update

It's been a busy Spring Term for the My Place project team. So far we have delivered over 100 sessions to 500 pupils in schools across Bradford and Keighley. The sessions are all focussed on local heritage, celebrating what Bradford and Keighley has to offer and, most importantly, why recording our daily lives is so important for generations to come.

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### SPRING TERM SESSIONS IN BRADFORD AND KEIGHLEY SCHOOLS

For Spring Term 2013, the My Place project team has been out and about delivering a whole host of local history sessions in 16 Bradford and Keighley schools. Here is a list of the topics we have covered so far:

#### Census Work

- What is a census and what can it tell us?
- Exploring local census returns of who lived at Bolling Hall, Bradford and Cliffe Castle, Keighley.

#### Mapping & Migration

- Using 19th and 20th century maps to show how Bradford and Keighley have changed over time.
- Looking at the people and communities that have moved into these areas, contributing to further change and diversity.

#### Homes & Buildings

- What was it like to live at Bolling Hall or Cliffe Castle? What did they look like? What were the rooms like?
- Creation of 3D historical room models.

#### Clothes as a Clue

- What do clothes tell us about someone's profession and social status?
- Dating clothing through Tudor and Victorian times, and through 20th century fashions.

#### The World of Work

- What was it like to work in Victorian times?
- Students choose which jobs they would like to do when they are older and identify which skills they will need to do these jobs.

#### Servants & Workers

- The families at Bolling Hall and Cliffe Castle both employed servants. What was life like as a servant?
- What was a servant's daily routine? What did they get paid?

#### Mill Trade

- What was it like to work in a mill, like so many did in Bradford and Keighley?
- Risks and dangers of mill work, along with a debate of the rights and wrongs of child labour.

#### Health & Hygiene

- Exploring the difference diseases that were rife in Victorian times. What symptoms would you have?
- How were outbreaks of disease controlled or cured?

#### Identity

- Interpreting photographs by reconstructing historical images.
- Investigating our own identities through sculpture and self portraiture.

### BRADFORD AND KEIGHLEY COUNCILLORS EXPERIENCE SCHOOL HERITAGE SESSIONS FOR THEMSELVES

It has been a pleasure to welcome the following local councillors and MPs along to some of our schools sessions. They have been attending classes to find out what the project is delivering and what the students are learning about.

Kris Hopkins MP - Clothes as a Clue and Servants & Workers sessions at Worth Valley Primary and Victoria Primary, both Keighley

Councillor Kaneez Akthar - The World of Work session at Victoria Primary, Keighley

Councillor Jan Smithies - Health & Hygiene session at Ingrow Primary, Keighley

Councillor Russell Brown - Census Work session at Oxenhope Primary, Keighley

Councillor Joanne Dodds - Servants & Workers session at Brackenhill Primary, Bradford



#### WHAT'S COMING UP:

During the Summer Term, the My Place team will continue to deliver local heritage sessions in Bradford and Keighley schools. However, starting in June, the project is inviting participating schools to take part in an exciting day of archaeological digging at Bolling Hall or Cliffe Castle. In the next e-newsletter, we will be reporting on these digs along with any historical artefacts that the students have unearthed.

Want to get in touch in the meantime? You can keep up with our activities here (or please do not hesitate to email either Hayley or Rachel below):

- My Place West Yorkshire Facebook page ([link](#))
- [@MyPlaceWY](#) Twitter account
- [My Place WY blog](#)

The next My Place e-newsletter will go out in June. Please feel free to pass on to anyone who may be interested. If you would like to subscribe to this e-newsletter, please do contact one of the project officers below:

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