

MY PLACE



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



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Winter Term Update

It's been a fantastic start to Year Two of the My Place project. With Christmas just around the corner, we would like to wish all our students and teachers a restful and relaxing holiday. In the New Year, we'll be working with more schools exploring local heritage and the positive impact that young people can have for future generations.

Want to volunteer with the My Place project? There are lots of opportunities to help out with archaeological activities or contribute to our bank of oral history interviews. Volunteering is a great way to get some work experience and we even pay travel expenses! If you are interested, we would love to hear from. Please get in touch with the project team via the contact details at the very bottom of this newsletter.

SCHOOL SESSIONS SINCE NOVEMBER

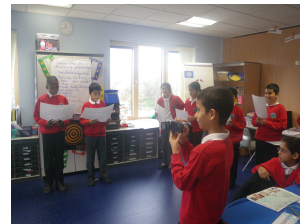
Since October half term, Rachel and Hayley have worked with over 200 students at the following schools across Bradford and Keighley:

In Bradford - Brackenhill Primary Year 5 and Newby Primary Year 4

In Keighley - Ingrow Primary Year 4, Oldfield Primary Years 4-6, Our Lady of Victories Primary Year 4, University Academy Keighley Year 7, Worth Valley Primary Year 4

It has been a real pleasure working with all students exploring Health & Hygiene, the Mill Trade, Servants & Workers, Homes & Buildings, Clothes as a Clue, Holidays & Festivities, and Identity. Here are some facts we have found out about where we live:

- The mill trade employed the most people in Bradford and Keighley. It made Bradford into a city and its population increased by 90,000 over 50 years in the height of the Industrial Revolution.
- If you lived in Bradford or Keighley in the Industrial Revolution, you would need to survive water-borne diseases, smoke-polluted air, keeping out of the workhouse and loom machine accidents.
- There were many servants who worked at Cliffe Castle and Bolling Hall. It was their job to run the household for the Butterfield and Tempest families, including cleaning, cooking, teaching the children and keeping the gardens tidy.
- Sir Richard Tempest, who was the Master of Bolling Hall, died in prison in 1537 after confronting King Henry VIII on the dissolution of the monasteries.
- Keighley is making history in the summer - part of the area will be on the route for the Tour de France!



SCHOOL SPACES STILL LEFT BUT GOING FAST!

We have currently got 15 schools signed-up to take part in the second year of the My Place project including (plus the schools listed above):

BRADFORD

Laisterdyke Business & Enterprise College
Low Moor CE Primary
Newhall Park Primary
St Columba's Primary
Worthinghead Primary

KEIGHLEY

Haworth Primary
James Youth Group

Victoria Primary

This means that we have spaces for three more Bradford schools and two more Keighley schools. Don't forget that your students will receive 5 days of heritage workshops, one day of archaeology workshops and one day of a professional archaeological excavation - and it won't cost your school a penny! If you would like more information, please contact Rachel (Bradford area) on (0113) 393 9775 or Hayley (Keighley area) on (0113) 393 9822.

BRAND NEW HERITAGE TOPIC: MEDIA & MARKETING

The My Place team has added a brand new topic to the heritage workshops being delivered in school. This new topic - Media & Marketing - will concentrate on how publicity and marketing has changed over time. Starting by exploring the ornate and decorative advertising schemes of the Victorian period, students can follow the trail right through to modern day social media campaigns. For schools that pick this topic, your students will have the opportunity to re-brand the My Place project - the best work will be shortlisted and the winner chosen via our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.

MY PLACE PUBLICITY

Due to the success of the My Place project, word is spreading about the work we're doing! Since the last newsletter in September, we have had a journal article published in *The Archaeologist*, have presented at the Archaeological Day School at the Royal Armouries and have appeared as a feature on BCB Radio Bradford. This month, the project is being used as an example of effective heritage engagement in GEM's (Groups of Educators in Museum) *Case Studies* magazine. It is thanks to all young people, teachers, volunteers, partners and community groups that My Place has gained renown. Thank you for helping us get the recognition that Bradford and Keighley heritage deserves!

The next My Place e-newsletter will go out in March. 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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