

Supporting the Primary Curriculum: Source material at Derbyshire Record Office

The document is intended as a summary guide to the collections held at Derbyshire Record Office that are particularly suited to supporting learning in the History and Geography curriculums from 2014. Periodic updates will be made to the content.

Use of archive and local studies sources involves a cross-curricular approach in the teaching of History and Geography, bringing in arts and craft, literacy and numeracy, science and PSHE.

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Guide to Archive Collections – www.derbyshire.gov.uk/resources/RecordOfficeGuide/Pages/SearchForm

Archive Catalogue - <http://calmview.derbyshire.gov.uk/calmview>

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History Key Stage One

	Theme	Source Material
Changes in Living Memory	My School / School Life	log books, admission registers, trade directories, punishment books, exercise books, photographs, plans, memoirs, town/village histories
	Shopping – from General Store to Supermarket	photographs, maps and plans, published histories, town guides, trade and telephone directories, newspapers, advertisements and leaflets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Scrapbook of the 1950s</i>
	Technology	20 th century letters, postcards, telegrams, trade and telephone directories, newspapers, photographs, scrapbooks, trade catalogues
	Local development	maps and plans, published histories, memoirs, diaries, photographs, newspapers, town guides, sale catalogues
	Leisure and Tourism	photographs, newspapers, travel diaries, local tourism guides, scouts & guides, handbills, programmes, posters/advertisements, postcards, guide books <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Bower (1986) <i>Work and Play from a collection of old postcards of Derbyshire</i> • Train and tramway tickets
Events beyond living memory of national/global significance	World War One	diaries and letters from the Front, photographs, newspapers, war memorials and rolls of honour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absent Voter Electoral Register, 1918 – soldiers from Chesterfield and West Derbyshire districts only • Ration book, 1918
	Slavery and the Slave Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of slaves, valuation, and lists of those sent to Blue Mountain and Grange Hill, 1769 • Slavery campaign poster, c1820s • Petition to Parliamentary representatives of Derbyshire Northern Division about abolition of slavery, c1830
	Child Labour in the UK	photographs, newspaper reports, published histories, business records <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registers and certificates of children employed at Belper Mills • J. Waller – <i>The real Oliver Twist</i>, and other books relating to Robert Blincoe • E. Eisenberg <i>Child Slaves of Derbyshire's satanic mills</i>

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	Transport – railways and canals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parliamentary Report - Children’s Employment Commission maps and plans, photographs, published histories, memoirs, goods and traffic accounts, newspapers
	English Civil War	letters and diaries of local soldiers, including to and from national leaders including Sir Thomas Fairfax and the Earls of Essex and Manchester, publications and propaganda presentments to local courts of individuals of recusants (i.e. Roman Catholics), applications of wounded soldiers and war widows for support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B. Stone <i>Derbyshire in the Civil War</i> Map showing Derbyshire’s Royalist, Parliamentarian & neutral families Letter against the actions of the soldiers and the breaking of Swarkestone Bridge
Significant individuals who contributed to national and international achievements	Florence Nightingale	personal letters, photographs portrait, Nightingale family papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letters from Florence Nightingale to Christopher Blencoe Noble Dunn, surgeon, of Crich, 1876-1890 Printed extract from Derby Mercury: ‘Miss Nightingale and her works’, 1860
	Derbyshire’s Industrialists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Richard Arkwright and Company: Lumford Mill wages books, 1786-1811 RB Schofield, <i>Benjamin Outram</i> 2000
	Suffragettes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "<i>Hannah Maria Mitchell: Radical Suffragist - Her Life and Writings</i>" (born Hope Woodlands)
	British Monarch’s	photographs, accounts of visits to Derbyshire, newspapers, ephemera relating to coronation, jubilees and death of Queen Victoria, original wax seals of various monarchs including Queen Elizabeth I, Charles II, Queen Victoria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pardon by Queen Victoria with signature, 18 Aug 1862
Significant historical events, people and places in own locality	See above for Florence Nightingale, Derbyshire’s industrialists, suffragettes	
	My local church	registers, photographs and illustrations, parish magazines, plans, histories
	Large houses and estates	sources, including photographs, household accounts, letters, diaries, plans and illustrations, for Tissington Hall, Calke Abbey, Eyam Hall, Allestree Hall, Foremark Hall, and others across the county
	Alison Uttley, author	published works including <i>A Traveller in Time</i> , <i>The Farm on the Hill</i> , <i>Country World: Memories of Childhood</i>

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History Key Stage Two

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<p><i>Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age</i></p>	<p>Archaeological Reports, Photographs, Slides and plans relating to finds at Derbyshire sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Stone <i>Exploring History in and around Derbyshire</i> • Excavation report re Unstone – a Stone Age site
<p><i>Roman Empire and its impact on Britain</i></p>	<p>Archaeological Reports, Photographs, Slides and plans relating to finds at Derbyshire sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J.J. Anderson <i>Roman Derbyshire – The roman colonisation of Derbyshire</i> • Ordnance Survey – <i>Map of Roman Britain</i> • K. Branigan – <i>A Gazetteer of Roman-British cave sites and their finds</i> • <i>Discovering Early Chesterfield 1973</i>
<p><i>Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots</i></p>	<p>Archaeological Reports, Photographs, Slides and plans relating to finds at Derbyshire sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Bunting – <i>Anglo-Saxon and Viking Derbyshire</i>
<p><i>Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England</i></p>	<p>Archaeological Reports, Photographs, Slides and plans relating to finds at Derbyshire sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Bunting – <i>Anglo-Saxon and Viking Derbyshire</i> • B.M. Marsden <i>The Vikings in Derbyshire part 2 – Britain's last barrow?</i>
<p><i>A local history study</i></p>	<p>school records, trade directories, online census returns, census statistics, maps and plans, sale catalogues, newspapers, church registers, memoirs, printed town/village histories, photographs, letters, diaries, sources relating to businesses, industries, societies, hospitals and workhouses, police and courts, and charities across Derby and Derbyshire, including brochures, photographs, rules, programmes, members lists, newsletters, scrapbooks, newscuttings</p> <p>sources relating to the Eyam Plague and village fatalities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Bunting <i>Tales of Bakewell Workhouse</i>, Peak Advertiser 6 Dec 2004 pp20-24 • <i>Children's History of Derbyshire</i>

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A study of an aspect or theme in British history	changing power of monarchs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the <i>Magna Carta</i> • Indexes and transcripts of the <i>Domesday Book</i> for Derbyshire
	changes in an aspect of social history	<p>local sources relating to leisure and tourism, crime and punishment, feudalism to council housing, food and drink, including recipes 17th-20th century,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Wiltshire & S. Woore – <i>Medieval Parks of Derbyshire: A Gazetteer with maps, illustrations and historical notes</i>
	legacy of Greek or Roman culture	<p>Derbyshire's baths and hydropathic establishments: photographs, ephemera, menus, newspapers, plans, histories, brochures, letters of patients, rules and regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caroline Smedley (1862) <i>Ladies Manual of Practical Hydropathy for Female Diseases</i>, born Wirksworth <p>Democracy in Derbyshire: election posters, poll books, electoral registers, sources relating to extension of franchise in the 19th and 20th centuries, medieval and early modern jury lists</p> <p>Theatre: programmes, photographs, brochures, newspapers, plays written and performed by Derbyshire locals</p>
	significant turning point in British history	<p>original and published sources relating to the industrial revolution and the world's first industrialists, railways, canals, Victorian Britain, abolition of slavery, World War One and World War Two, English Civil War</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Waller – <i>The real Oliver Twist</i>, and other books relating to Robert Blincoe • Derbyshire War Agriculture Committee: correspondence with farmers, posters, survey of farms

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Geography Key Stages One and Two

	Theme	Source Material
<i>Locational knowledge</i>	Derbyshire: human and physical characteristics, key features, land-use patterns; changes	maps and plans of Derbyshire and surrounding area, aerial photographs, census statistics, photographs, Land Use Surveys, 1949, 1962
<i>Place knowledge</i>	human and physical geography of a small area of Derbyshire	maps and plans, aerial photographs, school plans, trade directories Natural history newscuttings: golden eagle, geology, fluorspar radium and Blue John, visit to a limestone quarry earthquake, floods Land Use Surveys, 1949, 1962
<i>Human and physical geography</i>	Weather Observations	farming and other local diaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rainfall Observation Charts for Derwent Valley Water Board area, 1900-1964 • L. Markham – <i>The Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Weather Book</i>
	Flooding	photographs, newspaper reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matlock Floods Pack – photocopies of newscuttings, etc. concerning Matlock floods, various dates • PG Snell – <i>Floods in Derby: details of recorded floods 1587-1987</i>,
	Flooded villages and reservoirs	photographs, records regarding construction of dams, viaducts and reservoirs in Derwent Valley
	Industry and traffic	Sources relating to industries and their impact on the environment and/or are possible due to the environment, e.g. coal and lead mining, quarries, water-powered factories, farming and agriculture Land Use Surveys, 1949, 1962 Traffic surveys for selected towns/villages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Farey – <i>General View on the Agriculture of Derbyshire</i> • Probable lines of prehistoric movement and trade in South Derbyshire
<i>Geographical skills and fieldwork</i>		photographs 19 th -21 st century, maps and plans 19 th -21 st century, 18 th century and earlier maps for the county and selected towns/villages showing the changes in map-making over time

(Ask us about Explore More... Investigating the town of Matlock - developed by Derbyshire Record Office and Derbyshire Environmental Studies Service to enable pupils and teachers to access original source material and carry out related practical fieldwork activities in the local area)