



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Saxon Murder Mystery

Date: Wednesday 30 October, 10:30am, 11:15am and 12pm

Cost: £3 - booking essential

Can you solve the mystery of an ancient Saxon burial? Put your archaeological skills to the test to work out who was buried over 1000 years ago and why, then follow in the Anglo-Saxons footsteps by making a clay amulet to take home. 45 minute sessions - suitable for ages 7+.

Traditional Christmas Decorations

Date: Saturday 7 December, 11.00am - 3.00pm

Cost: £1 - booking advised

Children can create an authentic Elizabethan Christmas decoration to take home. The Pomander is a traditional fragrant ornament using oranges and cloves. Suitable for ages 6 - 12.

EXPLORE ARCHAEOLOGY

Worcestershire Archaeology Day 2019

Date: Saturday 26 October, 10.00am - 5.00pm

Venue: The Hive **Cost:** £20

Join us for our annual archaeology day, featuring talks about finds, projects and discoveries from our archaeologists and from guest speakers. This year we will be in The Hive.

MARKET GARDENING HERITAGE

We're halfway through this exciting project, which we're running with local partners to record, preserve and celebrate the market gardening heritage of the Vale of Evesham. Funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, between now and summer 2020 the project will:

- Survey the rapidly disappearing market gardening sheds (locally known as 'hovels') & restore three as public heritage sites
- Record local memories and stories of market gardening
- Create educational resources
- Run guided walks, open days and other events - so keep an eye out!

To be added to the project mailing list or enquire about volunteering, please get in touch.

For further events details and news, check the website: www.explorethepast.co.uk/projects

Open Day

Date: Saturday 21 September, 11.00am - 4.00pm

Venue: Field Barn, Cleeve Prior, WR11 8JX

Come along to discover the story of the time capsule hovel, which is one of three being restored. Find out more about market gardening, bring apples for pressing (and bottles!), go on a bug hunt, see specialist tools of the trade and join a guided walk. Check website for further details and timings.



SERVICES FOR GROUPS

Talks and Behind the Scenes Tours

We are happy to arrange talks and behind-the-scenes tours for groups on a date and venue of your choosing.

School Workshops


Give your lessons a local slant with one of our school workshops. We run a number of workshops on different topics using archives in our collections and information uncovered by our archaeologists, to give a local flavour to topics.

To discuss please ring 01905 766352 or email explorethepast@worcestershire.gov.uk

How to Book

Unless stated, places need to be booked in advance. This can be done through The Hive website www.thehiveworcester.org and going to the Explore the Past page of the events section where you can book and pay online. If you would like to be added to our mailing list and receive details of our events and our newsletter please send us your e-mail address.

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Explore the Past

EVENTS AUTUMN 2019



**Worcestershire
Archive &
Archaeology
Service**

These courses are run by our experts, and are designed to aid your research and introduce you to the wide range of resources we hold. All events are held here in The Hive and need to be booked in advance unless stated. Information on how to book is given on the back cover.

EXPLORE YOUR FAMILY HISTORY



Starting Family History workshops

Dates: Thursday 10, 17 & 24 October, 2pm - 4pm
Venue: The Hive **Cost:** £20.00

Want to know how to begin tracing your ancestors and building your family tree? Our popular three-part workshop will explain how to get started, key tips, the main sources you will need and a chance to put it into practice by having a go online during the sessions.

First steps in Family History

Dates: Thursday 19 September, 3 October, 7 November & 5 December, 11.30am
Cost: £6.00 per person

These 1 hour introductions will guide you round the most useful family history resources we hold on the Explore the Past floor and give you some tips on getting started. The sessions take up to 5 people and are £6 per person.

EXPLORE LOCAL HISTORY

First steps in House History

Dates: Thursday 19 September, 3 October, 7 November & 5 December, 10.00am
Cost: £6.00 per person

These 1 hour introductions will guide you round the most useful local or house history resources we hold on the Explore the Past floor and give you some tips on getting started. The sessions take up to 5 people and are £6 per person.

Explore House History

Date: Wednesday 23 October, 10.00am - 1.00pm
Cost: £16.00

Are you interested in discovering more about the house you live in, or another historic building? Book onto this 3 hour workshop to find out about the resources we hold that can help you discover more about a building's past.



Explore Maps

Date: Monday 4 November, 10.00am - 3.00pm
Cost: £20.00

It is said that all good adventures begin with a map! Join us for a workshop on maps, find out about the different types we hold, the information they reveal and how to search for and use them here in The Hive.

Oral History Taster

Date: Saturday 2 November, 11.00am - 12.30pm
Cost: FREE

Have you wondered what oral history is and how it can help local history, or even recording your own family's stories? Thinking of carrying out an oral history project but don't know where to begin? Come along to this taster – hear clips from our own projects to discover why it's so fascinating and listen to some of the stories collected, followed by pointers for starting to record oral histories or putting together your own project.

EXPLORE BEHIND THE SCENES

Hive Archaeology Tour

Date: Wednesday 6 November, 2.00pm - 3.45pm
Cost: £6.00

Come on this tour in and around The Hive to discover how the site has changed over time, from a Roman street to Civil War defences and a Victorian cattle market. See finds from the excavation and explore the history features hidden within the building's design.



Behind the Scenes tour - Civil War Worcestershire

Date: Friday 22 November, 10.30am - 12.00pm
Cost: £6.00

Come with us behind the scenes to explore parts of The Hive you don't normally get to visit, as well as seeing documents and archaeological finds from our collection that are all about the Civil War.

EXPLORE ARCHIVES

Introduction to Reading Latin in Documents

Date: Monday 18 November, 10.00am - 1.00pm
Cost: £15.00

A workshop for those beginning to read Latin documents for their research. It's led by one of our archivists using the more common manorial court records. As well as looking at some of the background to the records and the use of Latin, the workshop will also give participants the chance to have a go at translating some typical manorial court records.

The session will focus on reading the documents rather than teaching Latin, so participants should already have some basic Latin knowledge.

Document Conservation Workshop

Date: Saturday 23 November, 10.00am - 1.00pm
Cost: £40.00 including materials

A practical introduction with our conservator on how to clean and store your own documents to ensure they last as long as possible. Bring along papers from your own collection to start cleaning and caring for them under expert guidance, using supplied materials.