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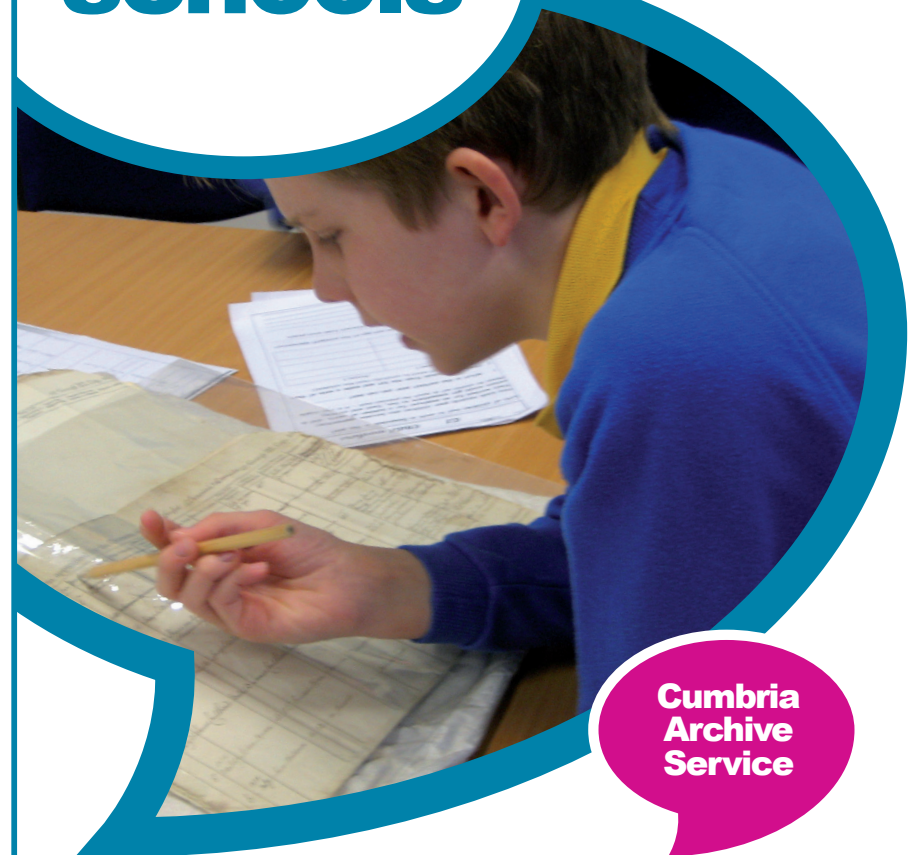
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Services to **schools**



**Cumbria
Archive
Service**



About Cumbria Archive Service

Our Archive Centres in Barrow, Carlisle, Kendal and Whitehaven look after the documentary heritage of Cumbria from the middle ages to the present day. Cumbria Archive Service can provide support to schools through free tailor-made learning sessions, and established workshops.

Using original documents develops children's investigative and deductive skills, encouraging them to find out information themselves. The children also practice literacy skills such as scanning, comprehension and learning new vocabulary.

How we can help

- providing school and college visits
- copies of original documents for use in school
- advice on sources and topics
- hosting in service training (INSET) sessions

Unique records about local people and places available:

- maps and plans
- school records
- census records
- business, industry and farming records
- newspapers
- poor law, workhouse and public health records
- trade directories
- diaries and letters
- parish registers and records
- photographs and illustrations
- records of major landed families

Key Stage 2

Cumbria Archive Service supports the local history study **with tailor-made workshops for individual schools** plus the study of an aspect or theme in British history **with workshops to support topics such as the First and Second World Wars, Tudors, Victorians** (public health, industrial heritage, crime and punishment), **and even Alfred Wainwright**.

Key Stage 3

We can provide material to support Key Stage 3 topics such as:

- the slave trade
- the industrial revolution
- social reform
- suffrage
- the First World War
- the Depression
- the Second World War
- post war society

The local history study provides opportunity to look at both these themes and other aspects of important local history, specific to the school's geographical area.

Our sources can be used creatively across the curriculum for example in drama, art, maths, science, citizenship, literacy and geography as well as in history.

