Fields to Factories; local history session

Session takes approx. 90 mins

Aim: To discover the cycles of change that have turned Harrow from rural, to industrial, to a service economy. Learn more about the amazing Whitefriars factory and how its influence spread worldwide. Focus in on a specific area around your school and discover change through archival materials.

Session breakdown

Whole class: Presentation and discussion about the changes that have happened in Harrow.

Object handling (half the class): After discussion with the booking school we will choose materials from the Local History Archive for the children to examine. Can they use the photos to highlight change?

Creative activity (half the class): Focus in on the Whitefriars factory stained glass window making. See original artefacts and create a ‘stained glass’ window to take home!

Curriculum Links:

- History: a study of an aspect of history or a site dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality
- A significant turning point in British history, for example, the first railways
- Historical questioning skills.
- Change and continuity
- Art: use a range of materials to design and make products