

Chorley & Leyland News

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This evening's meeting

Thanks to the Astley Hall staff for welcoming us, and to Peter Park, our speaker, for being with us again. Peter's topic "The Piecer's Twopence", concerns children's employment in the 19th century. Peter will discuss the legislation of the time, and the children's work conditions.

We hope the evening sun will shine on the Hall's courtyard so that we can enjoy our strawberries and cream outdoors!

Our August meeting takes the form of an Out Visit to St. Michael and All Angels, Croston Parish Church, Church St., Croston PR26 9SH. The visit will be hosted by Mr. Roy Websdell. More information pending.

Thanks to, Marian Crossley for arranging this visit.

Looking towards September!



The new LFHHS Chorley Family History Research Centre will offer: - Two Research Rooms with computers and fast internet access, enabling our researchers to use our CD, computer and on line internet family history resources.

A dedicated Research Library Room, housing all our data collections of fiche, CDs, books, and microfilms. These include parish records, census, wills, family history guides, occupations, maps and gazetteers, and directories.

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Two Meeting / Training
Rooms with full audio visual
facilities allowing us to run family
history courses, day seminars
and workshops, as well as events
such as One to One Meet the
Expert days. Additionally, these
rooms will be used for specially
tailored events for schools and
visiting groups, and will be made
available to other local
organisations with an
educational/charitable profile.

Fast Internet Access on our own in house network.

In House Family History Shop for all your family history needs - books, acid free products, CDs.

A Distance Research facility, enabling those who cannot get to the Centre because of distance or incapacity to access our facilities and obtain help with their research. This will utilise technology solutions like Skype and Google +, as well as email, telephone or even snail mail! We shall be working closely with schools and with youth, church, local community, pensioner and retired organisations. We aim to encourage groups with special needs to arrange visits, and we hope to provide courses that meet their specific requirements. The LFHHS Chorley Family History Research Centre will be manned by knowledgeable, enthusiastic volunteer researchers who can provide all our visitors with help and guidance. Would you like to play an active part? Contact the LFHHS Chorley Research Centre manager without

delay!

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The LFHHS Chorley Research Centre, Astley Hall Farmhouse is closed temporarily for refurbishment. Chorley Council's renovation of Astley Hall Farmhouse is taking longer to complete than initially anticipated, but we hope that we shall be able to re-open the Centre in September. Thanks to all of you for your patience!

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