

Kirkham Treasures

Celebrating Kirkham's Heritage

Create a Heritage Treasure Map of Kirkham

Kirkham is a town with a rich heritage: its history goes back far in time to the late Bronze Age and the Roman Occupation. The name Kirkham, is first mentioned in the Domesday Book.

Its landscape provides many clues to different eras and the people who lived there, such as the Romans. A Royal Charter tells us that a medieval market existed, and the fish stones have become protected heritage. During the Victorian era, when the textile industry was thriving the town once had eleven mills, busy manufacturing cloth to make sail cloth and linen.

The town also boasts a number of interesting buildings, including St Michael's, a church which is a Grade II* listed building and the United Reformed Church, also a listed building. There is also a Victorian building that was once a school for poor girls, provided by a wealthy benefactor who wanted to do some good. This building was built in 1860 and would later become the Trustee Savings Bank. Maybe you know of other interesting buildings or industries you could include on your map.

Draw a Heritage Treasure Map of Kirkham

Before you begin make sure you have the following equipment.

- Pencils, felt pens, crayons and a rubber.
- A sheet of paper, size A4 or A3 depending how big you want to make it - perhaps you want to make a bigger map, that rolls up.
- Paints.
- Glue – if you want to stick pictures on to your map.

Now before you start to draw your map, think about the town's history, who lived in Kirkham over the centuries and what symbol could you use to represent them on the map?

- Which industries have existed in Kirkham over the years? Again, what symbols could you use to represent them?
- Which interesting buildings exist in Kirkham? Do you know when they were built? How could you represent them on the map?

Draw your Heritage Treasure Map

Now you have thought about Kirkham's Heritage and how you could represent it on your map, you are ready to make your Treasure Map of Kirkham. You can draw, paint, use felt tip pens or use collage techniques, or whatever you want to make your amazing treasure map.

Once you have completed your map do not forget to get your parent/guardian to take a photograph and submit it to our online gallery where it will go on display. All submissions will be awarded a certificate for their super artwork. A number deemed to deserve extra merit will receive a £10 book token.

Use the attached template or make your own map.

Parents and guardians should only submit the child's full name if they are happy for it to be displayed along with their work. A pseudonym may be provided.

