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Ref: Sch/Visits and Activities/Y3/4 Derby Silk Mill (JB)

8<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Y3/4 'Where's Wally Topic' – Derby Silk Mill**

**Year 3 - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Year 4 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

As part of our Where's Wally topic this term, we have arranged a visit to Derby Silk Mill to explore one of Derby's most significant historical landmarks. During the trip, the children will engage in a multi-sensory experience; exploring the museum, using census information, photos from the past and other sources to playfully discover what life was like for children employed at Derby Silk Mill over 150 years ago. Learners will take on the role of a silk winder and make some twisted 'silk' ropes of a variety of different colours, fashionable in Georgian and Victorian times.

Children should arrive at school at normal time **8.40 am**, in their school uniform. We will be travelling to and from the venue on foot; therefore, please ensure your child is wearing sensible walking shoes, sun screen and a sun hat. Please also consider a light jacket depending on the weather.

All children need to bring with them a refillable water bottle (no glass bottles, cans or fizzy drinks please) and a packed lunch in a **small** named backpack (the children will be carrying this on their backs for the duration of the trip). If your child is entitled to a free school meal and you would like school to provide a packed lunch, please email the School Office by Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025; [admin@markeaton.derby.sch.uk](mailto:admin@markeaton.derby.sch.uk) with "Derby Silk Mill" in the subject line. Should you require a school packed lunch, please bring a small empty backpack to carry it in.

If you are able to help on this trip, please contact [admin@markeaton.derby.sch.uk](mailto:admin@markeaton.derby.sch.uk) with 'Y3/4 Silk Mill' in the subject line quoting your child's name and class. Your child's class teacher will contact you should your assistance be required.

The cost of this trip is **£7.80** per child which can be made via our IRIS ParentMail system. We would be very grateful to receive your voluntary contribution no later than **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025**. We have set this trip up on ParentMail to allow donations; should you wish to pay a bit extra, please follow the simple instructions at checkout.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 3/4 (LKS2) Team