

Stockport Town of Culture

Vernon Mill Remembers



Thank you to all of the children and staff of year 5 and 6 for the wonderful work you created during our research into the history of Vernon Mill and the cotton industry in Stockport. Your wonderful artwork and written work were on display during our celebration weekend earlier in the year, on 8th to 10 March, 2024.

Your written work and some of your artwork has been produced as a book, which will be placed in Stockport's archives for people of the future to enjoy. It is very

important to remember the cotton industry and our heritage so that it is not lost over time. Well done for the part you have played in that memory! There is a book for each of you to keep as a reminder of your contribution to our Vernon Mill Memories.

Thank you,

Pauline Wood, a member of Vernon Mill Artists.

Joan of Art

We have built up a happy relationship between Vernon Mill and Vernon Park Primary School during Stockport's Town of Culture year of 2024.

One of Vernon Mill's special artists was Joan Bradley, who had a studio in Vernon Mill and spent most days there. Art was a special and important part of her life. Art WAS her life. When she died in 2023, her fellow artists knew that her life's work needed to be acknowledged and we resolved to create a special legacy for her. The artefacts in her studio were sold and money was collected.

Joan Bradley's Art Legacy

Joan's legacy will be to give opportunities to children, which were not available to her as a child. It will fund a meaningful art activity for children in her local primary school to enhance what the school can normally afford to offer. We would like the children to have a wonderful art experience to inspire artists of the future.

Joan's family would like Vernon Park Primary School to receive Joan's legacy and to have a wonderful time!