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News from The Folly (Vibrant Settle Newsletter, August 2014)

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We've lots of great family activities in The Folly this month. For the whole of the school holidays we've got an exciting collection of World War 1 objects on loan from the Duke of Wellington's Regimental Museum in Halifax, all of which can be handled. There's a trench periscope, trench map, mess tins, a uniform jacket to try on and lots more besides. The collection is displayed as part of the 'War Beckons' exhibition which is attracting a great deal of interest from both local people and visitors. Come along and see whether you know any of the men and women who are featured and help us to learn more about them and their stories. Settle College students have produced some excellent work about their own family links with the war and during the course of the month we are hoping to display some of their striking pieces of artwork too.

Also with families in mind, we have three special activity days on Tuesdays, 12th, 19th and 26th August from 1-4 pm. The first involves building a giant model of Settle Station, the second, decorating and planting flowerpots and the third, helping to build the longest train in Settle. Grandparents and parents always enjoy these sessions too so come along and join in the fun.

We've been busy collecting extra stories of the Riley family and are keen to hear from as many people as possible who remember Fred, James (Jim) and Marjorie and the old days at Zion Chapel and in Upper Settle. Is there anyone out there who remembers going to one of Fred Riley's lantern slide lectures? We'd love to hear from you!

Nearly at the end of the month we have a special evening for railway enthusiasts, when Terry Hanson from Cullingworth will be helping to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the saving of the line by showing some wonderful slides and talking about the last thirty years in the life of the Leeds-Carlisle railway. Not to be missed!

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