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A series of FREE lectures on local history and education in East Cleveland

History lecture series
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As part of its 450th anniversary celebrations, Prior Pursglove College is pleased to be able to host a series of history lectures by leading local historians on Guisborough through the ages.

These lectures will open your eyes to the history of Guisborough and East Cleveland. They are designed to be of interest to any member of the general public and do not presuppose any historical knowledge.

The lectures will be held in the Eric Middleton Lecture Theatre at Prior Pursglove College, between 5pm – 6pm on the dates specified overleaf.

All members of the public are warmly invited.

Come along on the night or, for groups of 10 or more, please notify us in advance on 01287 280800 or email ppc.exec@prior.pursglove.ac.uk

Prior Pursglove College would like to thank Teesside University for sponsoring this event

Thursday 31st March, 5 – 6pm

Professor A.J. Pollard: **Unwillingly to School? Education and Society in Cleveland in the Later Middle Ages**

Tony Pollard is a specialist in late-medieval English history and a leading historian of the north-east in that era. He will explore the social and ecclesiastical roots from which the school grew.



Thursday 7th April, 5 – 6pm

Dr. Diana Newton: **Prior Pursglove and the Reformation**

Diana Newton, who specialises in the history of north-east England and the Reformation at Teesside University, will talk about Robert Pursglove against the background of northern England in the Tudor age and the historical context within which the original Guisborough Grammar School was founded in 1561.



Wednesday 27th April, 5 – 6pm

Dr. Tony Nicholson: **The Great Stepping Stone: Educational Opportunity in a Changing World**

Tony Nicholson is a leading authority on the history of Cleveland. He will look at how the dramatic changes that were taking place in Guisborough and its surrounding area during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries helped breathe 'new life into an ancient endowment'.



Thursday 5th May, 5 – 6pm

Baroness Estelle Morris of Yardley

The former Secretary of State for Education and current Chancellor of the University of Sunderland will talk about her vision of education and the challenges facing us in the contemporary setting.

