RESOURCES IN LAOIS EDUCATION CENTRE
FOR EMO COURT PROJECT

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• Feehan, John  Laois  Introduction: On Teaching the Local Environment
• Attingham Trust Report 2004  Opening Doors - Learning in the Historic Environment
• National Trust - Vision for Learning, and the Guardianship Scheme
• Learning Outside the Classroom Manifesto DfES 2006
• OPW Heritage Sites of Ireland 2008 booklet
• Heritage in Schools Scheme 2005/6 INTO & Heritage Council

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• Lewis, S  Topographical Dictionary 1837 Queen's County, Emo and Coolbanagher entries
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• Parliamentary Papers on Ireland 1827 Accounts for Coolbanagher parish
• Parliamentary Gazetteer for Ireland 1844/5 Coolbanagher
• Bulletins & Other State Intelligence 1846 3rd Earl’s sisters elevated
• Article on Borough of Portarlington 1830s
• Joseph Boruwlaski (dwarf who visited Portarlington) published 1820
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• Queen’s Co Militia 1793 - 98 Article (1st Earl of Portarlington Colonel)
• List of MPs, Deputy Lieutenants, Magistrates etc Queen’s Co 19th century
• Laois Heritage Society Journal 2004 No 2: 3 related articles
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• Feehan, John et al  The Great Heath
• Mathews, Ronald  Portarlington, The Inside Story (Imperial Print n.d.)
• Donegal County Archives Pack on using archives (on general shelving)
• *How Irish Houses looked 100 years ago* - article on the Georgian Society Records by Robert O’Byrne in the Irish Times 19 July 08
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• Maxwell, Constantia *Dublin under the Georges* (Faber & Faber 1956) RD

**Geography**

• Dunne, T (ed) *Geographical Exploration: investigating Ireland’s heritage* Study of a Landed Estate pp145 - 156
• Heaney, Roisín *Changing Land Use in a Rural Setting: Leaving Cert Geography Field Study at Ballyfin Co Laois*

**Transition Year**

• Tourism Awareness programme  Teacher’s Resource Manual + CD
• Cross-curricular work - see Curriculum file
• Aldo Papone Award and Teen Travel Essay - see Curriculum file
• Organising Local Historical Heritage Studies - see Curriculum file
• A History Newsletter - see Curriculum file

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• Bence Jones, Mark *Burke’s Guide to Country Houses Vol 1 Ireland* (1978)
• De Breffny, B and ffolliott, R  *The Houses of Ireland*
• Bateman, J *Great Landowners of Great Britain* (1883) extracts
• Griffiths, R Valuation 1845 - 1865 for Emo Park
• *Landowners of Ireland* 1876
• Coote, Sir Charles *Survey of the Queen’s County* 1801 pp130 -138
• Lyons, M C *Illustrated Incumbered Estates Ireland*  Sale of Emo Park 1852
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• Irish Arts Review Winter 2004 *Emo Court: Portrait of a Survival* article by Judith Hill
• Country Life May 1974 *Emo Court Co Leix* 2 articles Edward McParland
• Ireland of the Welcomes Vol 55 no 3 May-June 2006 article *The Gift of Emo Court*
• Irish Roots 2003 no 4 *Our Heritage in Stone* article by Olive Sharkey
• 1901 Census of Ireland: Emo Court House and Demesne
• 1911 Census of Ireland: Emo Court House and Demesne
• Irish Georgian Society Bulletin 1973: *7 Houses in Co Leix*
• Paper by Lord Walker Fitzgerald c1900 *Emo* (Nat Lib Ms18.864)
• Sketch Emo Court house 1808 by P Neale in Famous Houses of Gt Britain and Ireland (NLI) - nb house without dome - in black folder book
• Photo back Emo Court ca 1908 Eason Collection (NLI) - in black folder book
• DVD Emo Court: The Story of a House (Loopline Films)
• DVD Images of Emo Court OPW on grounds (2 copies)
• Plans of the House
• Workmen’s Account Books from the National Archives (also CD)
• List of photographs of Emo Court in National Photographic Archive
• List of prints and drawings relating to Emo Court in National Library
• List of Dawson Damer papers M6188 in National Archives
• Guinness, D & Ryan, W Irish Houses and Castles 1971 RD
• Hudson’s Historic Houses and Gardens (National Trust) RD

Earls of Portarlington
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• Life of Viscount Carlow 1907 - 1944, founder of the Corvinus Press
• Viscount Carlow’s Diary c1912 - a memoir written in the 1920s
• Laois Heritage Society Journal No 1 2003 article by J Powell
• Funeral Expenses of Lady Portarlington February 1874
• Powell, John Shot a Buck - the Emo Estate 1798 - 1852
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• Powell, John The Family who Lived Here: the Dawson-Damers of Emo Court (2 copies)
• Powell, John Lady Portarlington’s Society and Lord Portarlington’s War
• Portraits of the Earls of Portarlington from 7th Earl - black folder
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• Coat of Arms of the Dawson-Damer Family

James Gandon
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• McParland, Edward James Gandon, Vitruvius Hibernicus (excerpts)
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• Maxwell, Constantia Dublin under the Georges (Faber 1956) section on Gandon
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- Irish Georgian Society Newsletter Spring 1986 Article on the Temple
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- Meagher, Niall *A Gandon Drawing of the Portico at Emo* Journal of the Co Kildare Archaeological Society Vol XIV 1969 no 4
- Photo of Michael Scott’s plans for attic extension 1954
- Irish Architectural Archive Biographical Index: Vulliamy, Caldbeck, A, M and J Williamson
- The Classical Portico
- Article on Palladio, life and work, Sunday Times, February 2009

**Maps**
- 1777 Portarlington Taylor and Skinner map of roads of Ireland
- Ordnance Survey 1829 -41 Emo Court Demesne & Coolbanagher
- Ordnance Survey 1907 Emo Court Demesne & Coolbanagher
- Grand Canal Dublin – Shannon Harbour (Fr K Laheen Tullabeg)
- Laois Baronies 1837
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**Literature and Emo Court**
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• O'Meara John  *The Singing Masters*  (Lilliput 1990)
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• Articles on Benedict Kiely and John O'Meara
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**Art and Emo Court**
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• Jonathan Fisher  article in Irish Arts Review Spring 2008
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• Batoni, Pompeo articles
• Bonhams Catalogue 2007  Sale of ormolu amethyst quartz vases c1772 originally from Emo Court
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**Emo Court Garden and Environment**
• Red Squirrels Education Pack  Northern Ireland EHS
• Discover Bats! DVD, video and worksheets
• The Irish Squirrel Survey 2007
• All-Ireland Species Action Plan Red Squirrel May 2008
• Red Squirrel Conservation Symposium 2005 report
• Bat Survey Emo Court  Scott Cawley
• Heron, Marianne  *The Gardens of Ireland*  (Dublin 1999) entry on Emo
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• Whaley, Jack  *The Gardens of Ireland* entry on Emo
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• Tree Council of Ireland  List of County Champion Trees
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• An Taisce  LEAF Project  Forestry education as a cross-curricular education tool
• Armstrong, Thomas *Multiple Intelligences in the Classroom - Teaching Strategies for the Naturalist Intelligence*
• Statues in Garden - notes
• Sculpture Trail
• Discover Primary Science information
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• Letter to parents prior to son’s admission
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• Selection of photos from the Father Browne collection - black folder
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**Mr Cholmeley-Harrison**
• DVD 1995 *The Story of a House* (Loopline Films)
• 1995 Transcript of interview with CH about Emo Court
• Irish Times article by Sylvia Thompson September 1995
• Advertisement of Sale of Emo Court September 1969
• Sir Albert Richardson architect and specialist in Georgian renovation, article
• Burke’s Irish Families: Cholmeley Harrison family entry
• Obituaries from newspapers
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• Extracts from “Blue Book”: government report on schools in the Dioceses of Kildare and Leighlin 1824
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• Castle Coole Enniskillen Co Fermanagh Teachers’ Resource Book
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**Articles from the Irish Times 1861 - 1923 concerning Earls of Portarlington**

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