**Third Network Meeting and Manuscript Workshop, Balliol College, Oxford - Friday 24th May 2013**

The network's third annual meeting was held at the archives of Balliol College, Oxford, housed in the Historic Collections Centre at St Cross Church, Holywell. Members of the network from backgrounds in Archaeology, English, History and Music attended a fascinating afternoon workshop run by Anna Sander, college archivist and manuscripts curator.

We were given the opportunity to examine a wide range of extremely interesting manuscripts from the college’s collection, all of which had been selected because they contained a variety of material, including letters, illustrations and technical diagrams.  Of particular interest to network members were the following items: the college’s Royal Charter of Incorporation of Elizabeth I, (1588) which was found rolled up in a broom cupboard, the commonplace book of a London citizen and grocer containing card tricks, logic puzzles and recipes for medicines and a book of hours which had been found hidden in the thatch of a house.

We would like to thank Anna Sander for her careful selection of relevant manuscripts and for facilitating the workshop.