

The Penny Summerfield Childhood and Schooling Archive and Oral History of Childhood and Schooling in Lancashire, 1910-1950

Interviews with c.100 males and females who attended secondary schools in six Lancashire towns: Morecambe, Lancaster, Preston, Blackburn, Burnley and Clitheroe. Collected in 1985-6. Project funded by the Manpower Services Commission.

Contents of the archive:

- Background information on the project
- Includes materials used for an exhibition in 1986 (with photographs)
- One box of transcripts of interviews (females). Separate files for each school
- One box of transcripts of interviews (males). Separate files for each school
- Labelled tape - recorded interviews (c.100)
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