

## Social History – School

Usually walked to school. Had to remember to bring dinner money on the Monday or get agreement to go home for lunch.

Desks had sloping, lift-up top.

Had to use a fountain pen or a pencil as there were no biro's.

Likely to get chalk thrown at you if you messed about – or the cane for more serious misdemeanours.

### School Assemblies

Bell and milk monitors (used to get free half-pint of milk a day).

Had to put your hand up to go to toilet during lesson.

Worried about catching Polio until the vaccine became available. It was known to be in ponds and rivers.

Physical Education – games such as rounders, netball and football. Had to choose your teams.

Weekly tests of arithmetic and spelling.

Exam 11plus.

Differing experiences for town and country.

Very few working mothers in those days.