



Queen Kathleen's Big Day Out



Activity

Queen Kathleen was Southend's Carnival Queen in 1929.

Ask your students to imagine what the carnival would look like to Queen Kathleen if she could time travel to Southend today.

- What would the people look like to her?
- What differences would there be between the costumes in 1929 to the costumes of 2013?
- How much do you think carnival has changed since 1929?

Step 1

Ask the children to click on the example on the Carnival Archive website of Queen Kathleen's Big Day Out. They will see a short film made from using images on the Archive website.

Step 2

Once they have seen the film, ask the children to close the example and click on Queen Kathleen's Big Day Out for Children. The children will find lots of photographs which they can arrange in the software of your choice.

You can use the following software tools which will enable the children to make their own film.

- Microsoft Moviemaker
The children can use the caption option which is on the toolbar on the MovieMaker page. They can then add comments to make a story about Queen Kathleen and what she would have seen along the carnival procession route today.
- Apple iMovie
- Apple Keynote
- Microsoft PowerPoint

OR

The children could even be given printed out versions of Queen Kathleen and other carnival images, which would allow you to use a paper based version of the project.

Evaluation

Ask the children to give examples of the changes that have been made in the carnival and society, since 1929.



Curriculum Area

English

- Planning and drafting

PSHE (Key stage 2)

- to think about the lives of people living in other places and times, and people with different values and customs

ICT

- Exchanging and sharing information