Colloquium on Children’s Traces: Draft programme

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Friday 29th June 2018: 9-5:30pm

Online registration required by 25th June 2018:
https://www.oxforduniversitystores.co.uk/short-courses/history-faculty/history-faculty-events/childrens-traces-a-oneday-colloquium

Draft programme:

9:00-9:20: Registration in the Summer Common Room

9:20-9:30: Welcome

9:30-11:00: Session 1: Making sense of children’s traces: chair Nick Stargardt

Anna Davin: Finding lost children in the archives

Hester Barron (Sussex): ‘An anthropology of themselves’: children’s writing in 1930s Britain

11:00-11:15: Tea/Coffee

11:15-12:45: Session 2: Education: chair Laurence Brockliss


Lyn Stevens, Danielle Howarth, and Morgan Boharski (Edinburgh Museum of Childhood): Whispers of children in the archives

12:45-2:00: Lunch in Hall

2:00-3:30: Session 3: Welfare: chair tbc

Olwen Purdue (Queen’s, Belfast): Tracing the children of the poor law in the industrial city, 1880-1914

Claudia Soares (Queen Mary, UL): Children’s voices, presence and experience of institutional care, 1850-1914

3:30-3:45 Tea/Coffee

3:45-5:15: Session 4: Playing and dreaming: chair tbc

Max Gawlich (Heidelberg): Sources and methodological attempts at histories of early childhood in 1970s Germany

Alice Sage (Goldsmiths, UL): Dream daddies and the traces of desire around 1920

5:15-5:30: Closing discussion