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Shildon Memories Project

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Do you remember visiting 'Jacques' the toyshop on Church Street as a child or shaking in the dentist chair at 'Nelsons' on St. Johns Road? Do you remember going into 'Grahams' on Byerley Road to buy a delicious loaf of bread or fresh cream cake? Over the summer the Shildon Memories Project is exploring the theme of 'Shopping in Shildon'. "We need your memories, photographs and any memorabilia related to all the shops that used to exist in Shildon", pleads Brenda Alexander. "We are holding two 'Shildon History Days' at the Locomotion museum on Wednesday 5 August and Wednesday 19 August 2009 from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm. Please do come along if you can, we would love to hear your stories. There will be something for everyone. You could test your memory in our 'Shops and Businesses from Shildon Past' Quiz or design your very own shop front. There will be lots of shopping related memorabilia for you to explore and reminisce over.

We are also holding coffee mornings in August on the theme of 'Shopping in Shildon'. The first is at Shildon Library on Thursday 13 August 10 am til 12 noon and at Locomotion in the Welcome Building on 18 August also 10 am til 12 noon. Please join us in sharing memories and photographs of all the wonderful shops of Shildon.

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Further information

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