

CARBOLIC SOAP



Introduction

In England it was used in state schools at least up until the 1970s; in Scottish state schools its use continued at least until the late 1980s. The smell is evocative for generations of children. In the 1960s teachers in England were allowed to use corporal punishment in the classroom, so along with the cane, a child who swore in class might be made to wash their mouth out with carbolic soap.

It has a very distinctive smell and the older generation will certainly remember it! In England it was used in state schools up until the 1970s.



A bar of Carbolic Soap was on every washroom sink!

Because of its disinfectant properties the soap has uses as a hand or bathing soap, it has also been proven effective against stubborn grease and embedded dirt. It is also widely used for laundry cleaning.

Joan M

I remember the smell of it in the boy's washroom and the streaks of red left on the sinks after you'd used it. You were clean but smelt funny.



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