

Moria Gallagher 1908 – 1995

Moria Gallagher was trained as an infant teacher and inducted into modern methods of play and activity by the Froebel trained infant mistress Miss Isobel Little. She later became an Infant Advisor. In 1943 she attended the Department of Education's Education conference planning the blueprint for postwar years. In 1945 she was appointed to the Consultative Committee of Preschool Education that wrote the report for postwar preschool provision with kindergartens. In 1948 C. E Beeby appointed her as the Department of Education's first Preschool Officer, a position she held until her retirement in 1965.



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