

# ST. PETER'S INFANTS' SCHOOL LOG BOOK - 1898-1932

[Museum Reference – LB-02]

## *Transcriber's Notes.*

1. It's normal practice, when transcribing, to write down exactly what one sees and never correct or try to interpret what it is thought that the author intended to say. In this Log Book, the writing is reasonably easy to understand and the spelling is, generally, good so I have only added punctuation where it is obvious, to me, it should have been and will make the sense clearer - as none of the entries is of earth-shattering importance, I feel that this is acceptable.
2. I have added, in square brackets, the page numbers as an aid to quickly finding a specific entry in the original book. It is only approximate as I have tried to keep paragraphs together and avoid, as much as I could, splitting any so that part appeared on one page and part on another.
3. As with all the other St Peter's log books, this volume is split into two sections – the first section comprises pages identified with a letter of the alphabet while the second section has its pages identified numerically. The alphabetical pages, generally, carry information on the Teachers and the Staff with occasional other notes on the school. The log book records appear on the numerical headed pages.
4. The cover of the Log Book carries a label that identifies it as "St. Peter's Infants' School 1898-1932",

## *The Log Book - Alphabetical Section*

In this section, the following notes appear on the pages indicated:-

**Blank page at front:** For Details of Prize Scheme see P

**Page "A"** St Peter's Infant School No: - 2436  
New Log commenced Nov. 10th 1898  
No: on Books – 138

Dimensions: School Room 33½ ft x 18  
Class " 13 ft x 18  
Baby " 22½ ft x 18  
Accommodation 153  
Allowing 8 sq. ft. per pupil.

**Page "A" (Back of)**

Annie Barbara Maude Allfrey  
Born Apr 3rd 1881  
Burgess Hill Board School (Art 68) – 1896-1903  
St Peter's Bexhill Oct 31, 1905 (Art 68) P. 172

Oct 13th 1925 Accommodation 138

**Page "B"** Marie Theresa Burchett 15 years of age 29th Nov 1899 Page 29

Kathleen Elizabeth Barlow  
Pupil Teacher (4 years) Heathrow Board, Harlington  
Scholarship 1902.  
Birth 10th Aug 1883 Page 109  
Began work in this School, April 2nd 1903 Left, Oct. 30th 1905.

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Brands, Lillian, now Mrs Hubard, born Aug 31st 1887  
P. T. Waterloo Place Girls' Sch. Hastings 1903 – 6. Prel'y. Cert. Xmas 1906.  
Uncertified assistant at Salehurst mixed. Easter 1907 – Feb 1911.  
Began here Apr 24th 1911. P. 264 & P273

Banister, Annie Born June 1st 1892  
P. T. St. Nicholas, Skirbeck, Boston (Infants)  
Prel'y Cert. 1910  
Staniland Council, Boston.  
Began here Nov. 16th 1914 P. 312 & P. 357  
(Married name Appleby)

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Mabel Baynes Smith commenced duties as Head Teacher on July 10th 1922

**Page "C"** Margaret Hannah Cruttenden  
Commenced work as Monitress 9th September 1895  
Date of Birth 25th of Feb 1883

Ellen Clark Page 11  
Birth 18th Dec 1876  
P. T. St Leonard's. From 1891 – 1895  
Chislehurst Christ Church School.

Candy, Dorothy Page 190, 191

Caudwell, Catherine Dora Rose – 99/669 P. 168  
began here on June 19th 1905.

**Page "D"** Dumbrell, Ethel Olive Mary 6th Oct 1878  
Uncertificated 1901  
Transferred from Girls' School 1st Feb 1932 Page 498

**Page "E"** Emily, Peter Assistant Art 50  
Date of birth 28th of Dec 1871  
P. T. at St Paul's Canonbury, Backwell, Somerset.  
Scholarship 1894 – Result 2nd Class.  
Certificate 1897 " 3rd " Part I  
Page 33

Elphick, Mabel Uncertificated  
Pages 284 & 290

**Page "F"** Edith Ellen Foster  
Date of birth September 30th 1882  
Uphill, Weston-super-Mare, 1903-4 (Art 68)  
St Peter's Bexhill (Art 50) 1905 –  
Page 153 – 199

Farrar, Florence Annette P. 282 & P. 284  
date of birth Oct 24th 1886  
Baldwin's Hill Council, Lingfield, East Grinstead  
Aug 29th 1904 – Sep 1912  
(Supplementary)

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**Page "H"** Homewood, Eunice Harriett P. 239 & P. 282  
Born Aug 22nd 1887  
Began work here Sept. 6th 1909. Formerly P. T. Chailey Natl School from 1901-1904;  
and Assistant (Supplementary) teacher from 1904 – July 30th 1909  
Left 31. 10. 1912.

Hall, Florence, née Fuller pp. 295, 299  
August 21 – 1877 – p. 365, 369

**Page "J"** Miss Jelliff 18.10.1880  
P. T. at All Saints School, Winchester  
Art 50 at Chandler's Ford – 6 months  
Scholarship 1898 – 3rd Class Page 24

**Page "L"** Lewis, Lenna Mary, née Hogg (widow)  
May 8th 1870.  
S. Eanswythe's School, Folkestone, left there Nov 29th 1912.  
Formerly at All Souls', Cheriton 1904-1910  
Began in this School, Dec 2nd, 1912. Page 283.

*[Transcriber's note. This "Lenna" seems most probably to be Selena Mary Hogg, born 1870, married Edward William Lewis, in 1890 in the district of Hendon]*

**Page "M"** Moore, Emily  
Date of Birth 25th February 1879  
P. T. Westbourne Road Infnts., Barnsbury.  
Assistant " " " " till Nov 1900  
Scholarship December 1899. Result 1st class. Page 56.

Muirhead, A. R. see A. R. Tebb

Murrell, Mabel, p. 218 & p. 281  
Born 25th June 1892.  
Began work as Assistant in this School (Supplementary) on Sept. 24th, 1912

Martin, Gladys Marie  
born Aug 20th, 1895  
Began here on Oct 6th 1930

**Page "N"** Katherine May Northcott née Devereux  
Date of Birth 28th May 1879  
Pupil Teacher – Victoria Infants', Bury St Edmunds  
Scholarship 1898 Result 3rd Class Art 50  
Assistant in above school from January 1899 till Jul 1901.  
Examined at Ipswich. Page 103

**Page "O"** Offen, Doris Mabel p. 356, 359, 360. Reg. No. 19/39743  
Date of birth July 8, 1900  
P. T. St Peter's Bexhill Aug 1st 1916 – Jul 31st 1918  
Began here P. T. & as Uncertificated Assistant Aug 1st 1918  
Left 29th of April 1927

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*[The following is written on the back of Page "O", in the Alphabetical section.]*  
"This year (1898-1899) school was closed for some weeks owing to measles.  
The number of possible attendances was thus reduced to 382.

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Owing to this a lower standard was adopted, 354 attendances qualifying in the lowest prize, instead of 385 as ordinarily required.

J. M. Jones”

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Prize Scheme  
Quoted from magazine 1897

1. In order to qualify for a prize, 385 attendances must be registered during the school year.
2. On the Friday afternoon, each child, who has attended every meeting during the school week, will receive a ticket certifying full attendance.
3. The number of tickets, held by the end of the school year, will regulate the value of the prize to be given.
4. A medal, worth keeping, will be given in addition to the prize to every child attending every meeting during the year.
5. Two late marks will count equal to one absence.

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Sage, Lilian M. P. 222  
Born Feb 2nd 1888  
Pupil teacher Silverhill Council, St Leonards, 1904-7  
Assistant Willingdon 3. 6. 07 – 19. 6.08  
Passed Preliminary Certificate – March ‘07  
Began in this School, 22. 6. 08  
Left 29. 11. 12

Saunders, Hannah Goninan Page 461  
Born Nov 10th 1905  
Pupil Teacher Down Council School  
Trained Goldsmith's College 1926  
Began work here May 1st 1927

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#### **Staff**

1898-1899  
Head Teacher counts for 50  
Assistant “ “ “ 45  
Art. 68 “ “ “ 30

### **Page “T”**

Muirhead née Tebb, Ada Rushworth  
Born August 29th 1884  
Uncertificated  
Kings' Scholarship, Nottingham University, December 1903.  
Began in this School, March 4th 1907  
Last employed in Cranbrook National School, Infants'.  
Pupil teacher, in St George's Infants' school, Nottingham.  
See page 202  
Left March 31st 1909

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Turner, Daisy Emma  
 Born Nov 29th 1888.  
 Uncertificated. Preliminary Cert. Hastings P. T. Centre Apr 1907.  
 Began here April 1st 1909.  
 Last employed Frant N. Pupil teacher at Priory Rd & Sandown Schools, Hastings.

**Page "W"** Witts, Mary P. 191, 216  
 Date of birth, July 6th 1886  
 Pupil teacher, Evesham National School Infants'. (Jan. 1902 – Dec. 1904)  
 Scholarship, Burlington Gardens, London. Dec. 1904. Result 3rd Class.  
 Assistant at St Pauls, Winchmore Hill, N. Kenilworth National. Oct 1st 1905 – Sep. 28th 1906.

Whittaker, Beatrice Alice pp. 362, 365, 369.  
 Born May 12th 1893 Reg. No. 13/646  
 Pupil teacher, Peel Brow Council School, Ramsbottom, Lancs.  
 Prel. Cert. at Bury 1910-11.  
 College, Bolton, 1911-13  
 Assistant Turn Council School, Ramsbottom, 1913-1918  
 Began here Nov 18, 1918 (appointed Nov 1st)  
 Left Jan. 29th 1932

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	<b>Staff</b>	
Head Mistress		Louise M. Jones
Assistant “		Elizabeth Bright
“ “		Ellen Clarke
Monitress		Margaret Cruttenden

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**1898-9**

#### Object Lessons

Spring	Summer
The Dog	The House-fly
Uses of a Plant	Cork
The Life Boat	Fruit
An Umbrella	Bread
The Farmyard	Silk
The Tiger	Salt
Cotton	The Whale
	The Potato
Autumn	Winter
The Deer	The Cow
Coal	The Fisherman
A Carrot	A Christmas Pudding
An Egg	The Eagle
The Pig	A Chestnut
Roots	Bricks
A Looking glass	The Carpenter
Iron	Leather

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### *The Log Book - Numerical Section*

The Log Book entries start on the page preceding the numbered pages, so Page 1 is, in fact, the second page.

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## **1898**

Nov 10th A new log book was commenced today. Owing to prevalence of measles, there are but 92 present. Seventeen children are suffering from this disease and 27 are excluded in all.

An assistant teacher for the baby room is not yet appointed although several advertisements have been inserted in scholastic papers.

The babies are taught by Margaret Cruttenden in the meantime.

Nov 11th Average 95.7. No. On books 139

Nov 14th The outbreak of measles grows more serious. Today only 64 children attended, 39 are excluded and the rest are away because they are ailing or because their parents refuse to send them whilst the illness is so prevalent.

In some cases the medical order has not yet been sent.

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Nov 15th 60 present this morning. School closed by order of Medical Officer of Health.  
Average 64.

Nov 18th Order extended till December 20th

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## **1899**

Jan 2nd Re-opened today, only 80 present, in morning, 96 in afternoon.  
The examination which was prevented by the order to close school will be held this week.

Jan 6th Visited School & tested Registers, which were found correctly marked.  
W. Leighton Grane, Correspondent  
Average 97.4

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Jan 9th 119 present.  
There are many of the children still unable to return owing to the illness & weakness consequent upon it. Some of those now in attendance have been absent over three months & this bad attendance, through no fault of the children, has caused inequality of work in the classes. In order to mitigate this, the classes have been re-organised. The forward children in Class III, and the backward ones in Class II, have been placed together & so form a new class.

Thus there will in future be four classes, three of which will occupy the large room; the fourth will occupy the baby room, and if too large in the summer will be split into two classes as usual.

A new assistant is about to be appointed.

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Miss Bright has been placed in charge of the two lower classes meanwhile.

- Jan 12th A very wet morning, only 63 present. In afternoon 77. Average 104.1
- Jan 16th Only 97 present owing to weather.
- Jan 19th Visited School. Registers found correct. W Leighton Grane.  
Average 105.4
- Jan 23rd Admitted Ellen Russell and Florence Ellery. Ethel Noakes has returned after six months absence.  
120 present.
- Jan 24th Alec Ellery admitted.
- Jan 27th Average 116.1.
- Jan 30th 121 present. Reading taken in second class instead of recitation during 2nd lesson.

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- Feb 1st Maggie Cruttenden was too ill to remain at school this morning. Absent in the afternoon also.
- Feb 2nd Numbers small owing to the intense cold.
- Feb 3rd Average for the week 115.5.
- Feb 6th Mabel & James Ellis have returned today, having been absent since Nov 15th.  
Admitted Daisy and Lily Fern. The elder is 6 years old and has not previously been to school.
- Feb 8th School met this afternoon at 1 PM instead of 1.30 to enable children to go to a treat without losing an attendance. Numbers reduced to 97.
- Feb 10th New desks arrived today. Average 118.2.
- Feb 14th Miss Dunnaway commenced work here today, article 68.

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- Feb 16th Visited this school – H. G. Alington, H. M. Inspector
- Feb 17th Admitted Fred Sargent and Fred Barnes. Average 128.2.
- Feb 20th Readmitted George Dennett. Admitted Winifred Wills. John & Samuel Burge have returned after an absence of over 3 months.
- Feb 21st Admitted Dorothy Briggs.
- Feb 22nd School visited by H. M. I. (Rev H. G. Alington)
- Feb 24th Miss Bright was unable to attend school today, owing to indisposition.  
Average 133.2. On books 152.

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Feb 27th The babies class has been reduced in numbers, by the promotion of the older ones into the lower divn of the second class.

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Miss bright has been placed in charge of this division, which is a large and difficult class.

Mar 3rd Attendance this week has been very good. Average 135.6.

Mar 6th Attendance very good.

Mar 8th Mistress absent in order to attend examination at Lewes under Circular 409, Miss Bright left in charge of the school.

Mar 10th Very few children of those attending at all, have missed an attendance this week. Average 135.6. John Doggett has left the neighbourhood.

Mar 13th During the dinner hour, Samuel Bartholomew fell down in the play ground, and fractured his thigh. The bone was temporarily set by the mistress and the child sent home on a stretcher, it is reported that he is doing well.

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Mar 14th The babies class has been examined today. The recently appointed teacher has her class well in hand, and is carrying out her instructions very well. Dorothy Shoemith has returned today. According to medical testimony her brain is too active and she is therefore allowed to attend irregularly.

Mar 18th Average 133.5.

Mar 20th Miss Dunnaway was too ill to perform her duties so was sent home this morning.

Mar 21st The doctor has prescribed a few days complete rest for Miss Dunaway, who has, therefore, gone to her home at Southsea.

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Mar 21st Maggie Cruttenden is in charge of the baby room this week.

Mar 23rd Numbers diminished owing to stormy weather. Average 119.9.

Mar 27th A fairly good attendance. Nelly Eldridge arrived too late to be marked. Miss Dunnaway is still absent.

Mar 30th The classes have this week been examined in all subjects. The results show fair progress and the children are interested in their work.  
The recent promotion from the baby class has left the residue with rather poor attainments, especially as there are several new scholars in the class.  
The next class above this, are beginning to read nicely, and are working well in every subject.

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Mar 30th The upper section of this class which is taught in the large room are making good progress. The first class are doing good work; there are two very backward boys in it, this is owing to irregularity in the early part of the year on account of delicate health.  
Average 131.8  
School closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.



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- Apr 4th Reopened today. Miss Dunnaway has returned to her duties.
- Apr 5th Miss Dunaway has been obliged to give up her work today on account of her bad health.
- Apr 7th A poor attendance today as the weather was rough & stormy. Average 114.

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- Apr 10th Miss Dunnaway's resignation has been accepted by the Managers as she is certified unfit for work. Another teacher will be appointed as soon as possible.  
Admitted Ernest Noakes & Ella Glyde Willie Shoemith is suffering from fever.  
Average 126.8. On books 161.
- Apr 16th hundred and 35 present, many are away with colds and whooping cough. Admitted James Burt.
- Apr 19th Visited this school. Art. 84b. J. G. Germain. Rev G. H. S. Newbury visited this morning.
- Apr 20th Rev W. Walsh examined in Scripture. Mrs Grane and the Rev Wheeler visited the school.  
Registers not marked on account of the examination in Scripture.  
20 children were awarded certificates.

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- Apr 21st A very wet day, Numbers very small. Average 123.7.
- Apr 24th Miss Clarke began work here today. Numbers again small. An illness is prevalent among the children just now, which the parents call "glass pox". *[N.B. Several on-line dictionaries say that "glass pox" can be either chicken-pox or mild small-pox. Definition not found, however, by what I would call authoritative sources]*
- Apr 25th A very wet day caused a great reduction in numbers.
- Apr 28th Margaret Cruttenden has worked remarkably well this week with the second class.  
Average 120.8. On books 164
- May 1st 131 present. Admitted Reginald Harris, and Roy Crouch.  
Mistress absent during the afternoon owing to indisposition.

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- May 2nd Returned to duties, but unable to attend in the afternoon.
- May 3rd A poor attendance owing to showery weather; mistress at work again as usual.
- May 5th Miss Clark has been forbidden to attend school, owing to a case of diphtheria having occurred in the house in which she resides. Average 131.8
- May 8th Owing to chicken pox numbers are lessened. Miss Clarke is ordered to remain at home for a period of 10 days.
- May 10th Mr Witcomb examined today.
- May 11th A half holiday granted, Holy Thursday. Average 132.4.

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- May 15th Miss Clarke has returned to her duties. Numbers reduced owing to stormy weather. 110 present.

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- May 16th School visited by Mrs Simmons.
- May 19th Numbers are very poor owing to chicken pox; in addition to this, the weather has kept many away this week. Average 123. On bks 167.  
School closed for Whitsun vacation, 1 week.
- May 29th School reopened. 135 present. Admitted Florence Hunnisett and Harry Chantler.
- May 30th Admitted Albert Chantler. Dorothy Carter is suffering from whooping cough.
- Jun 2nd Average 138.2.
- Jun 5th A good attendance. 146 present. Admitted Ada Skinner & George Stevens, & Edith & Gladys Ballard.
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- Jun 6th Mrs Ballard sent word that her children would not attend during the present hot weather.  
Rev G. S. H. Newbury visited the school today.
- Jun 9th Average 143.8. On books 177.
- Jun 12th A good attendance, 147 present. Admitted Ivy Hunt. John Saxby & Edward Ford have removed to London.  
Nelly Crowhurst has returned after many weeks absence. The babies class is doing well under Miss Clarke's care.
- Jun 16th Average 147
- Jun 19th 148 present.
- Jun 21st Numbers reduced to 139 owing to a "Band of Hope" treat. H. M. I. Mr Germain called this afternoon. Average 146.9.
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- Jun 26th Visited the school & tested the registers which were found correct. Ernest W. Forest.
- Jun 29th Numbers much reduced owing to a local treat. The school was assembled 15 mins earlier and dismissed 15 mins sooner than usual.
- Jun 30th Examination of the three upper classes took place this morning, good progress is shown. Average 141.8.
- Jul 3rd New registers were commenced this morning. There were 3 boys admitted and 7 girls. On books 112. No. Present 105.
- Jul 3rd Visited School and checked Registers which were found correctly marked. W. L. Grane.  
Miss Bright absent to attend the Certificate examination.
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- Jul 5th Annie Heath absent with permission during the afternoon.

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- Jul 6th A thunderstorm prevented the children from attending this afternoon. Only 56 present.
- Jul 7th A poor attendance again today. Average 94.5. On bks 112.
- Jul 10th Harold Stevens was sent home with a teacher at 10.30 to ill to remain at school. Add admitted John Allcorn.
- Jul 12th Closed today for the Band of Hope Exhibition. Average 98.3.
- Jul 17th Admitted Winifred Allcorn.
- Jul 19th Mistress absent, in order to choose attendance prizes, during the latter part of the day.
- Jul 21st Average 104.2. On bks 115.

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- Jul 24th A good attendance today considering the number on books.
- Jul 25th Eva Clifton admitted. 35 children have earned attendance prizes this year. One boy has made full attendance and so receive is a medal in addition to the first prize.
- Jul 27th These were distributed by the Rector, this morning. School closes today until Sep 4th. Average in week 104.9. No. on bks 117. No. In attendance 112.

Miss Bailie has been approved head mistress of this Department and will reopen the school after vacation.

Louise M. Jones

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- Sep 4th I, Emily M. Bailie take charge of this department from this day. 106 children present. No. On books 117. Add admitted three fresh children this morning. The Rev Grane visited this afternoon.

- Sep 5th Three children admitted.

Report "The Children are happily taught by good methods."  
Staff for the ensuing year.

Head Teacher	Emily M. Bailie
Art 50(b)	E. Bright
Art 68	E. Clarke
Monitress	M. Cruttenden

Dorothy Woolley was taken ill this morning; monitress took her home.

- Sep 6th Attendance not so good this afternoon only 105 present.
- Sep 8th Average attendance 107.5. No. on books 126.

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- Sep 11th Admitted five children this morning. 112 present.
- Sep 12th Frederick Hicks was not in school the full-time so his mark was cancelled.

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- Sep 14th An alteration was made in the Time Table. In class II instead of taking reading from 2 till 2.50, that lesson was only from 2 till 2.20; 50 minutes being too long.  
From 2.20 till 2.50 Kindergarten was the lesson.
- Sep 15th Margaret Cruttenden has done good work among the backward ones in Classes I & II for Reading. Average attendance, 113.9. Number on books, 132.
- Sep 18th Admitted four children this morning.
- Sep 19th Frederick Hicks came in at 2 o'clock having been marked absent. His attendance was counted.
- Sep 20th George Wright and Ernest Gray attempted to play truant this afternoon. This is the third time these boys have done this, so they were kept in after 3.30.
- Sep 22nd Kindergarten games were taken during the afternoon lesson. Miss Duke, and Art 68, came this morning from [continued on page 21]

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### Object Lessons

1899 – 1900

The Mouse	The Potato	Summer
“ Pig	“ Daisy	Winter
“ Goat	A few Spring flowers	The Fisherman
“ Deer	Summer Flowers	“ Carpenter
“ Bear	Leather	Matches
“ Snail	Silk	Tools
“ Owl	Shells	Rice
“ Robin	A Windmill	Tea
Hen & Chickens	An Egg	The Union Jack
Camel	Maize	
The Cuckoo	Sponge	
Cat & Kittens	Plank	

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St Mark's to watch the general working of the school. Attendance has gone down much today. Only 111 present at each meeting. Average Attendance 115. No. On Books 136.

- Sep 25th Admitted William Ballard and Ada Johnson this morning.  
A poor attendance this afternoon, only 130 present.  
Three children in Class I have left district so their names were taken off the books.
- Sep 26th Attendance a little better, 119 present.
- Sep 27th A very small school this morning owing to severe thunderstorms. Only 99 present.
- Sep 28th Attendance better, 113 present.
- Sep 29th A very wet day. Heavy showers this afternoon so only 77 children present.  
Average Attendance, 108. No. On books 136.

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Oct 2nd The school was opened by the Assistant teacher this morning, the Mistress not being in attendance until 10.20.  
A very wet morning. Only 83 present. A little better school this afternoon, 105 present.

Oct 5th Mrs Grane visited the school this afternoon. Attendance very poor – only 90 present.

Oct 6th Average 101.9.

Oct 9th Admitted Florence Edghill. She is a little over the usual age for Class I but was not equal to the work of Standard I.

Oct 12th Re-admitted Charles Miles.

*[For some reason, the next date is given as Oct 11th.]*

Oct 11th Miss Bright was absent from school until 2 o'clock this afternoon with permission. The Mistress was at the Rectory this morning until 10 o'clock.  
Attendance not so good – only 110 present.

Oct 13th Jane Goldsmith struck a teacher Miss Bright this afternoon. The teacher was given permission to punish with the cane on her hand.  
Average 117.8. No. On books 142.

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Oct 16th Alfred Oliver re-admitted this morning, and admitted one boy.

Oct 17th Three children admitted today.

Oct 18th Admitted one girl. Number present 127. Clara Wilson who was admitted this morning is seven years of age but does not know any of her letters. She is putting Class II.

Oct 20th Miss Bright resigns her post as Assistant today. Miss Jelliff will succeed her on 6th of November. For the next fortnight Margaret Cruttenden will be in charge of Class II.  
Average 123.8. On Books 142.

Oct 23rd Admitted two children this morning.

Oct 24th Classes I & II were grouped for Object Lesson on "Rice" this morning.  
Rev Grane visited this afternoon.

Oct 27th Classes I & II were grouped for an Object Lesson on the "Snail" this morning.  
Average 122.7. Number on books 141.

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Oct 30th A very wet morning – only 51 children present.

Oct 31st The attendance much improved. 128 in the morning and 129 the afternoon.  
Several children are suffering from whooping cough and other complaints so are not in attendance.

Nov 3rd Average 115.5. No. On Books 144.

Nov 6th Miss Jelliff Art 50 began work here today. A very wet day only 49 children present in the morning and 79 in the afternoon.

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- Nov 7th Admitted Ward Britt. A better attendance today.
- Nov 8th A very poor attendance again today. Numbers were only 58 and 98 respectively.
- Nov 10th Average 96.2. No. On Books 145.
- Nov 13th Admitted Evelyn Ottaway.
- Nov 14th Admitted Augusta and Billy Davis.
- Nov 16th Miss Jelliff gave a kindergarten lesson in the presence of the Ahead Teacher. It was very unsatisfactory. No care was taken to see that the whole class was working. Her discipline is very poor. Arthur Tester was taken ill in school. The monitress took him home.

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- Nov 17th Average 121.2. No. On Books 148.
- Nov 20th Admitted William and Daisy Pain. Winnie Lester is able to attend school again. She has been ill for two weeks.  
Many children are still away with colds and coughs.
- Nov 24th Average 123.4. On Books 150.
- Nov 27th Admitted William Hicks.
- Nov 29th Charles Nye and Thomas Cornford are suffering from a very bad skin disease, so will not attend till well.
- Dec 1st Average 125.5. No. on Books 150.
- Dec 1st Each class has been thoroughly examine during this week and show fair progress. There are several children in the babies class

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ready to be promoted to the lower division of the Second Class, but in consequence of the weak discipline of Miss Jelliff it is advisable to defer promotion for a short while.  
There are several children in Class II who need special attention especially in reading. The results of the examination are duly recorded in the Report books.

- Dec 4th A very fair attendance.
- Dec 6th A very wet morning, only 92 present. William Pain accidentally had his fingers squeezed in the partition. They were slightly crushed, so bathed and dressed them.  
Attendance still poor – 96 present this afternoon.
- Dec 7th A little better school today. 103 present in morning, 108 in the afternoon.
- Dec 8th Average 108.2. No. on books 148.
- Dec 11th A fair attendance today, 108 being present. Mrs Chantler has written to say that owing to delicate health Herbert Chantler will probably have to be absent from school for the rest of the winter. Dora Baker's health prevents her attending school regularly.

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- Dec 13th A poor attendance this morning only 89 present, probably because the Girls' School is closed today.
- Dec 14th Tested the registers and found them correct. T. W. Forest.
- A number of children are absent suffering from influenza. A very poor school in consequence, 79 in the morning, 89 in the afternoon.
- Dec 15th Average 92.7. No. on books 148.
- Dec 18th Attendance very poor. Only 83 children present.
- Dec 19th School closed this afternoon for Christmas Holidays to re-assemble 8th January 1900.
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### **1900** [Page 028]

- Jan 8th School re-assembled this morning. Teachers at their posts in good time. 106 children present.
- A number of children are still unable to attend. Their continued absence causes inequality of work, so the most forward children in Class II are put with some of the backward ones from Class I. These are in charge of the monitress under the supervision of the Head Mistress.
- Jan 9th Mistress had to leave school at 10 o'clock through slight indisposition. Mistress resumed work in the afternoon until 3 o'clock.
- Jan 12th The Rev W Leighton Grane visited the school this afternoon, heard Classes I & II read and saw the writing in Class III. Average 108. No. on books 148.

### [Page 029]

- Jan 15th Maria Burchett began work as monitress this morning.  
A very wet afternoon, poor attendance. George Wright having met with an accident when returning from school is not able to attend. His leg is broken.
- Jan 16th A little better attendance this morning.
- Jan 19th Average attendance 86.8. No. on Books 148..
- Jan 22nd Admitted Claude Pain, re-admitted Isabel Marshall [*possibly Isabella Harriett G. Marshall, born 1896, in Battle district*]. Attendance improving.
- Jan 24th A very wet day, poor attendance.
- Jan 25th Attendance better, 115 present this afternoon. Reginald Toghill came too late this afternoon to receive his Mark. Miss Jelliff is absent today through slight indisposition. Margaret Cruttenden has charge of Class II today.
- Jan 26th Average 103.5. On books 148.

### [Page 030]

- Jan 29th Miss Jolliffe will terminate her engagement as Assistant a month hence. Admitted Maude and William Shelley. A small school owing probably to rough weather, only 99 present.

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Jan 31st Marie Burchett is absent this morning through slight indisposition. Attendance better 107 present.

Feb 1st Monitress return to duty; absent in the afternoon to attend a class for gymnastics. Mistress will leave school this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Miss Jelliff in charge.

Feb 2nd Miss Jelliff absent today with permission. Miss Clarke takes Class II.  
Average attendance 99.4. No. On books 150.

### **[Page 031]**

Feb 5th Admitted Alice Snashall. Attendance much improved. George Wright has recovered from his accident and is able to attend school.

Feb 8th Margaret Cruttenden was absent until 10 o'clock this morning with permission.

Feb 9th Average attendance 102.2. Number on books 151.

Feb 13th Re-admitted Charles and William Shoemith this afternoon.

Feb 14th Owing to very bad weather only very few children attended. The being very wet work partly dried and then sent home. School closed for the rest of the day.

Feb 15th School opened as usual. Very poor attendance.

Feb 16th Average 86.8. On books 152.

### **[Page 032]**

Feb 19th Weather very bad; children came very wet so were dismissed at 10 o'clock, very few having come. Only 23 children came this afternoon; registers not marked.

Feb 20th 101 children present. A very poor school's afternoon only 66 present.

Feb 21st Attendance improved. Miss Clarke absent today with permission. Margaret Cruttenden in charge of the babies.

Feb 23rd The Rev W. Leighton Grane visited this afternoon. Owing to the poor attendance most of the work of last week was carefully revised, instead of going on with new work this week.  
Average attendance 95. On books 150.

### **[Page 033]**

Feb 26th Admitted Eva and Dorothy Barnes; Charles Tucknott. Margaret Cruttenden left school at 2 .45.

Feb 27th M. Cruttenden absent this afternoon to consult a dentist. Miss Jelliff slightly indisposed.

Feb 28th Attendance very poor, only 80 children present.

Mar 1st Miss Emily Peter began work here this morning.

Mar 2nd A holiday given today in honour of British Victories in South Africa.  
Average attendance 101. No. On Books 153.

Mar 5th I have this day tested the Registers and found the same perfectly correct. Walter J. Smith.

Mar 8th Mistress absent this morning until 10 a.m. with a bad cold; left at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.



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Mar 9th Attendance much better. Average 113.5. On books 153.

### **[Page 034]**

Mar 12th Admitted two boys this morning. Admitted three girls this afternoon.

Mar 13th Mistress only remained at school one hour. Three children admitted. Miss Eyre visited this afternoon. Attendance improving, 126 present.

Mar 15th Miss Peter absent this afternoon with neuralgia.

Mar 16th Average attendance 124.4. On books 157.

Mar 19th Admitted two children this morning.

Mar 21st Margaret Cruttenden has done specially good work with her class – Lower division of Class I is reading this week.

Mar 23rd Average 121.9. On books 157.

Mar 26th Attendance better 125 present.

Mar 27th Admitted George Dennett this afternoon. Isabel Marshall came too late to receive her mark.

Mar 30th Average 120.4. On books 154.

### **[Page 035]**

Apr 2nd Ernest Gray is well enough to attend school but is very backward. The space in the registers at the end of the quarter is the remainder of the Christmas holidays.

Apr 5th A very wet afternoon, only 85 present.

Apr 6th Attendance better today. Average 116.8. On books 153.

Apr 9th Admitted Winifred Stevens.

Apr 10th A certificate has been received stating that Florrie Hunnisett is unable to attend school on account of ill health.

Apr 11th Annie and William Carpenter came this afternoon just as the registers were being closed. Their marks were Alford.

Apr 12th Average 116.5.  
School closed for Easter vacation until Wednesday the 18th.  
The children have been thoroughly examined this week and the results entered in the report books.

### **[Page 036]**

Apr 18th Admitted three children this morning. Attendance very poor.

Apr 19th Improvement in attendance today.

Apr 20th Average 115. On books 156.

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- Apr 23rd Admitted nine children this morning. 136 children present.
- Apr 24th Three children admitted today.
- Apr 25th Admitted one boy this morning. No. present 147. Owing to the number of fresh children this week a slight alteration has been necessary in the organisation. The new comers and the backward children – Fred Forward, A. Would & F. Hicks from Class II form a separate class. These are taught in the baby room by Margaret Cruttenden. The second division of Class I are under the supervision of the Mistress.
- Apr 27th Registers not marked owing to Scripture Examination. A holiday given in the afternoon. The Rev G. H. S. Newbury and the Misses Sewell visited. Average 139. On books 165.

### **[Page 037]**

- Apr 30th Admitted six girls and two boys this morning.
- May 1st Admitted two boys this morning.
- May 2nd Admitted one girl. Total present this morning 161.
- May 4th Average 147.7. On books 176.
- May 7th Admitted Jessie Barker. Received the Report of the Scripture Examination. "The singing was reverent and careful, and the little ones have been well taught."
- May 8th James Picknell is being medically treated and is not able to attend school.
- May 9th During the optional lesson this afternoon the children who had been somewhat slow with their embroidery were allowed to finish, the remainder were writing.
- May 11th Daisy Pain and Ivy Ball came too late to receive their mark. Average 150.4. On books 173.
- May 15th Visited this school. Art. 84b. J. G. Germain. *[The date shown is as given..]*

### **[Page 038]**

- May 14th Admitted Kate Griffiths and Frederick Barker.
- May 15th Tested the registers and found them correct.  
James Russell.
- May 16th Thomas Atwood came too late this afternoon to receive his mark.
- May 18th Average attendance 146.1. On books 168.
- May 21st Admitted William French. Re-admitted Ben Gurr.
- May 22nd Admitted Daisy Murrell.
- May 24th Registers closed at 9.15. School dismissed at 11.15 and being Ascension Day a holiday given in the afternoon.
- May 25th Average 142.8. On books 171.

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May 28th Admitted Bertha Hopper and Lily Martin. Several children are absent from school suffering from bad throats. Admitted Frank Stanley this afternoon.

May 30th Lily Wells, Ellen Hartfield and several children in Class III are absent owing to bad throats.

### **[Page 039]**

Jun 1st Average 141.5. On books 172. School closes for Whitsun Vacation. One week.

Jun 11th School re-opened. 146 present.

Visited this school Art. 84b.

H. G. Alington, H. M. Inspector

Jun 12th Admitted Winifred Freeman.

The Time table was a little altered this morning. H. M. I. Mr Alington visited. The Scripture lesson stopped at 9.40 and varied occupations were taken throughout the school during the first lesson.

Jun 13th A holiday given today to commemorate the occupation of Pretoria.

Jun 15th Winnie Murrey came too late to receive her mark. Average 135.2. On books 174

### **[Page 040]**

Jun 18th Admitted LC Gladman, Nora Elphick, Arthur Hall and Sidney Holford.

Jun 22nd Mrs W. L. Grane visited the school this afternoon.

Average 154.5. On books 186.

Jun 25th A very poor school today owing to wet weather.

Jun 27th A small school today probably on account of a holiday being given to the Girls' School.

Jun 29th Register closed at 1.25 this afternoon to enable school to be closed at 3 o'clock.

The spacing the register at the end of the quarter is for the Whitsun holiday. Average 158.9.

Jul 2nd New Registers begun this morning. Admitted 2 girls and 1 boy.

Jul 3rd Poor attendance this afternoon owing to the rain.

Jul 6th Average attendance 111.6. On books 127.

Jul 9th Form 9 received and filled in.

### **[Page 041]**

Jul 9th Admitted Hubert Christian and Clifford Ward this morning.

Jul 9th Visited School & tested Registers which were found correctly marked.

W. Leighton Grane

Jul 9th The Rev W. L. Grane visited. His attention was called to William Pain a boy who was guilty of bad conduct among the girls. The Ahead Mistress consulted the parent who promised to send him away on 25th May. However a few weeks after, he was sent to St Barnabas Boys' School, which school he is now attending.

Jul 11th Admitted Mary Lewis and Emily Freeman.

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A poor attendance this afternoon only 82 present. Reason – A circus in the town. Children assembled at 1.50. Registers closed at 2. Two children came in at 2.30. Retained in school but received no mark.

Jul 12th Marie Burchett absent today with permission.

Jul 13th Average 102.3. On books 126. Present at all 117.

### **[Page 042]**

#### **Object Lessons 1900 to 1901**

The Seasons	The Horse	Bricks
Plants grown in School	“ Sheep	Railways
The Walnut Tree	“ Cow	The Postman
“ Cork “	“ Fox	“ Miller
Cotton plant and cotton	“ Tiger	“ Grocer
Large Daisies	“ Elephant	The sea shore
Chrysanthemums	The Ostrich	Ships
A carrot	“ Duck	Salt and its uses
The Strawberry	<del>Feet of birds</del>	The Lifeboat
Wool	Bees	The Lighting of streets
Wheat	Current events	

### **[Page 043]**

Jul 27th Mistress absent from 10.45 in order to choose the attendance prizes. Average 97.2. On books 129. Present at all 119.

Jul 30th Admitted one boy.

Aug 2nd Prizes distributed this morning by Head Mistress. Two children received medals and 26 prizes. The Misses Eyre visited. Average 103.8. On books 130. P. at all 118. School closed this afternoon for Summer vacation, 5 weeks.

Sep 10th School re-opened this morning. Admitted 7 children. 106 present.

Sep 11th Admitted 3 boys and one girl. The latter, Edith Griffin though 8 years old has never been to school. Her health prevents her from attending a Girls' School. No. Present this morning 116.

### **[Page 045]**

Sep 14th Average 115.9. On books 147.

Sep 17th Admitted four children and re-admitted Charles Nye. Numbers small 126 present.

Sep 19th Class III were given a very interesting lesson on “washing up the tea things” by Miss Clark.

Sep 20th Margaret Cruttenden has had two hours every day this week for study for the Scholarship Examination.

Sep 21st Mistress absent from School for an hour this afternoon. Average 126.1. On books 153.

Sep 24th A poor attendance this morning, only 105 present.

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Sep 27th William Ballard has been scalded very badly.

Sep 28th Average 109.8.

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Report 24th September 1900.

“The children are in good order and the instruction is well calculated to develop the intelligence and interest. Care must be taken that the number of children in the babies' class does not exceed the total for which the Mistress is qualified.”

Staff for year ending June 30th 1901.

Head Mistress	Emily M. Bailie
Assistant Art: 50	Emily S. Peter
Assistant Art: 68	Ellen Clark
Monitress	Margaret Cruttenden
Monitress	Marie Burchett

W Leighton Grane, Correspondent.

**[Page 047]**

Oct 1st Admitted Rodney Dunster.

Oct 2nd Miss Peter absent from school through slight indisposition. Margaret Cruttenden is taking Class II.

Oct 3rd Miss Peter left at 3 o'clock this afternoon to consult a dentist.

Oct 4th Marie Burchett will leave school every Thursday afternoon at 2.20 to attend a gymnastic class.

Oct 5th Average attendance hundred 17.4. On books 152.

Oct 8th Re-admitted Augusta and Billy Davis.

Oct 9th Nellie Bignell had to be punished this morning for playing truant yesterday afternoon. Some new apparatus was received this morning.

Oct 11th School will be closed tomorrow, it being the Parliamentary Election day. Average 127.1. On books 153.

**[Page 048]**

Oct 15th M. Cruttenden studied all this morning.

Oct 16th Miss Peter gave Class I and object lesson in “The Postman” while Class II will be examined in Reading. A report of this examination is found in the “Syllabus book”.

Admitted Alfred Fitt.

Oct 17th Admitted Alice Pennells.

Oct 19th Average attendance 119.8. On books 154.

Oct 22nd Attendance very poor today.

Oct 23rd The children will be photographed this morning at 9.15 a.m. in the play ground.

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- Oct 26th Being a very wet morning Classes I & II were taken together for an object lesson on "Cork".  
Class I taking writing from 11 to 11.25.  
Only 66 children present.  
A great many children got wet going home this morning, only 30 were present. These being wet played K G Games while their clothes dried and were then sent home. No registers marked.  
Average 101.2. On books 152.
- [Transcriber's note – K G games was short for Kindergarten games]
- [Page 049]
- Oct 29th Numbers are still very small.
- Oct 30th The Organising visitor, Mr Witcomb examined the school this morning. Only 53 children present due to bad weather.
- Oct 31st In the absence of a rector Miss Clarke sent in her resignation to me this morning. It will be given to one of the Managers.
- Nov 2nd Average 98.7. On books 147.
- Nov 5th Admitted Lucy Murrell. Received a new set of Reading books for Class I and other requisites.
- Nov 7th Mistress left school at 10.45 to consult the Treasurer and Secretary E. S. Douglas Esq.  
Visited this school Art. 84b. H. G. Alington, H. M. Inspector.
- Nov 9th Average 111.6. On books 149.
- [Page 050]
- Nov 13th A very poor attendance owing to the weather. Admitted Rosehetta Payne. *[sic – most likely Rosetta Payne, born 1896, in Beckley, East Sussex]*
- Nov 14th Admitted Sidney Wickerson. Number present 119.
- Nov 15th Very poor attendance this afternoon. Only 75 present.
- Nov 16th Average 100. On books 151.
- Nov 19th A better attendance this morning, 120 present.
- Nov 20th Mr W. Smith visited this morning. Readmitted Jessie Russell.
- Nov 21st The Optional lesson was taken this afternoon SL of tomorrow. All Classes were taught how to lay a "tea table"; and the removing of the same.
- Nov 23rd Miss Eyre and Miss Richardson visited this afternoon and exhibited much interest in the sewing of Class I and the singing of Classes I & II.  
Average 119.9. On books 152.
- [Page 051]
- Nov 28th Attendance very poor owing to wet weather 71 present.
- Nov 29th Re-admitted Beatrice Martin. Mistress left at 2.20 this afternoon.
- Nov 30th Miss Clark ceases her duties as Assistant Art. 68 today.

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Average attendance 110.6. On Books 145.

Dec 3rd Admitted Peter and George Carey.  
This week the babies are being taught by Margaret Cruttenden owing to a successor to Miss Clark not having been appointed.

Dec 5th Miss Peter absent from 10.30 with permission.  
Drill was taken from the last lesson instead of those stated on the Time Table.  
The very few children who came this afternoon were so wet that it was unwise to keep them long. Their coats and caps were dried and the children sent home as soon as rain ceased a little.  
No Registers marked.

Dec 6th Attendance better.

Dec 7th Average 110.5. On Books 146.

### **[Page 052]**

Dec 10th Admitted Doris Pack this afternoon. Number present 128.

Dec 11th Margaret Cruttenden will be absent this week to attend the Scholarship Examination, sitting at Hastings.  
The children will be examined this week and Miss Peter will superintend the work of the two classes not being examined.

Dec 14th Two gentlemen visited the school this afternoon. One a 'Commissioner' particularly noticed the children while marching, with a view to reporting on the health of the district.  
Leonard Eldridge was taken ill in the school this morning and the mistress was sent home with him.  
Average 111.9. On books 142.

### **[Page 053]**

Dec 17th Admitted Edward Harman.  
Visited this school this morning tested the Registers and found it perfectly correct.  
Walter J. Smith.

The Rector – The Rev T. Churton accompanied by the Rev E. W. Forest visited the school this afternoon.

Dec 18th May White fell down in the road and cut her finger. It was washed and bandaged by the head mistress and she was excused from writing today.

Dec 19th Mistress left school at 11.15 on school business. Miss Peter left in charge.  
Today the results of the individual examinations are made up and entered in the report and syllabus books of each class.  
May White hand is better.  
Optional lesson taken this afternoon instead of tomorrow.

Dec 20th Registers marked 15 minutes earlier so as to close earlier.  
Average 117.3. On books 142.

### **[Page 054]**

Dec 20th School closed this afternoon for Christmas Holidays.

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**1901**

Jan 7th Re-opened school this morning.  
The care-taker having resigned during the holidays there were no fires going. The Assistant lit the class room fire and the children were taken in that room altogether.  
'Measles' is very prevalent, and owing to the small numbers, the registers will not be marked until the Rector – Rev T. T. Churton has been consulted. Mistress left for this purpose at 9.40.  
Registers marked as usual. 65 present. A successor to Miss Clark has not yet been found. In the meantime the babies will be taught by Margaret Cruttenden.  
Attendance poor this afternoon – 68 present.

Jan 8th Only 16 children came this morning owing to a heavy fall of snow. These being very wet were sent home and school closed for the rest of the day.

**[Page 055]**

Jan 9th A poor attendance. Only 40 present. Lesson proceeded as usual. Classes I & II were taught together according to the work set for the former on the Time Table.

Jan 10th Charles Shoesmith (6) is forbidden to attend, his mother has measles.  
Thomas Atwood is suffering from whooping cough.

Jan 11th Attendance going back only 67 children present.  
Average attendance 63.8. On books 140.

Jan 14th Florence Gladman has returned after an absence of four months.  
Admitted Annie Putland.

Jan 15th Tested the Registers & found them correct.  
T. T. Churton  
(Chairman of Managers & Correspondent)

**[Page 056]**

Jan 15th Harold Stevens having a ringworm on his forehead was sent home with a teacher and his parents asked to keep him at home until it is better.

Jan 18th The Rector – The Rev T. T. Churton visited this morning and gave the Religious instruction to Class I.  
Average attendance 92.7. **On books 143.**

Jan 21st Miss more began work this morning as Art. 50.

Jan 23rd The Rector visited this morning. Arthur and Laurence Coleman are suffering from diphtheria.

Jan 24th Billy Davies came too late this morning to receive his mark.

Jan 25th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction.  
Numbers still small; only 96 present this afternoon.  
Average 100.4. On books 143.

**[Page 057]**

Jan 28th Attendance very poor – 91 present.  
Viola Osborne returned today after an absence of three weeks.



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Doris Jolliffe was taken ill immediately school opened, but as it was very wet she remained in the classroom by the fire until it was fit to go home.

Jan 29th Nora Elphick has returned after three weeks absence.  
Lily Balcombe fainted during prayers. On her recovery she complained of pain in her throat, Mistress examined it and found it swollen and very white. A mistress immediately took her home. Jessie and Fred Barker are suffering from mumps and so not attending school.  
A very poor school only 18 nine present a.m. 87 afternoon.

Jan 30th Rev Brook visited this morning.

Feb 1st The Rev Brook took Class I for Religious Instruction this morning.  
A very poor attendance – only 78 present. Average 85.6.

### **[Page 058]**

Feb 4th Admitted Violet and Lily Best.

Feb 5th Owing to a heavy snow storm only 9 children came. These were very wet; their clothes and their boots were dried, and school closed at 10 o'clock.

Feb 6th Weather still bad. Only 15 present.  
The Rector visited at 9.45. Registers not marked.

Feb 7th Only 55 present. Routine varied owing to small classes.

Feb 8th The Rector gave the Religious instruction to Class I this morning.  
Out of 50 absence enquiry forms sent out yesterday 46 returns stated children were too ill to attend.  
Average 66.1. On books 136.

Feb 11th A medical order from Dr Murdock [sic] excludes Joseph Lennard from school for 14 days.  
Jessie Russell returned this morning after an absence of eight weeks.  
Lily Balcombe and Harold Stevens are better and able to attend school.

### **[Page 059]**

Feb 11th Admitted James Clifton and earnest Adams this afternoon.

Feb 12th Jane and Ellen Goldsmith were readmitted today.

Feb 13th The school ladder was taken by someone after school yesterday afternoon and cannot be found.  
A small attendance this afternoon owing to a severe snowstorm. 82 present.

Feb 15th Registers not marked today. Only 22 children came on account of the snow.  
The Rector visited in the morning. Average 94.6. On books 140.

Feb 18th A small attendance only 91 present. Admitted Charles Caister.

Feb 20th Ash Wednesday. No Scripture lesson was taken this morning. Secular work began at 9 o'clock so as to enable children to attend Church at 11.  
A holiday in the afternoon.

Feb 22nd Mistress left school at 11.20. Will be about in the afternoon and probably on Monday owing to the illness of a relative. Miss Peter left in charge.

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- Feb 25th Mistress absent.
- Feb 26th Mistress returned to duty. The Rev J. L. Stuart visited this afternoon.
- Feb 27th Only 43 children present. Time Table varied to suit the grouping of classes.
- Feb 28th Attendance better today. Miss Sewell visited.
- Mar 1st The Rector visited this morning.  
As the attendance was so small – 64 present – Classes I & II were grouped for lessons this morning. Mistress absent from 11.15 to 11.45 on business.  
Average 87.7. On books 140.
- Mar 4th Admitted Fanny Portland. Attendance better 102 present.
- Mar 5th A very poor attendance owing to wet weather. 63 present in the morning, 53 in the afternoon.
- Mar 7th Miss Sewell visited.
- Mar 8th The Rector took the Scripture lesson this morning. Average 87.3. On books 139.
- [Page 061]**
- Mar 11th Marie Burchett absent today with permission. Attendance better 111 present.
- Mar 12th Mistress absent for 15 minutes on business.
- Mar 15th Rector visited and took Scripture Lesson. Marie Burchett still absent.  
Average 113.1. On books 143.
- Mar 18th Admitted Jessie and George Norman and Nellie Spiers. Margaret Cruttenden is now qualified as Art. 50.
- Mar 25th A medical order from Dr Kent excludes Charles Shoesmith (b) from school for 14 days.
- Mar 27th Mistress absent for two days owing to indisposition. Resumed work at 10.30 this morning.  
Miss Peter made the entry on 25th owing to a mistake in a message, sent by the Head Teacher.  
On Monday owing to a heavy snowstorm school was closed in the afternoon.
- Mar 28th Began the quarterly examination today.
- Mar 29th Average 113. On books 148.
- [Page 062]**
- Apr 1st A new class was formed this morning of the backwd chrn [**sic = 'backward children'**] from Class II and the best from Class III. There is a variety of ages in this class, but in attainments all are doing Class III work.  
On Mondays and Fridays this Class will do needlework as Classes I & II.  
The reports on the quarterly examination is entered in the syllabus books.
- Apr 3rd Miss Peter absent this afternoon and tomorrow morning with permission.
- Apr 4th School closed this morning for Easter Vacation. Re-open on 15th Apr.  
Average 98.5. On books 143.

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- Apr 15th School re-opened this morning. 127 present. Admitted 12 children.
- Apr 17th A good attendance this morning – 136 present.
- Apr 19th Registers not marked – Scripture Examination. 20 children were awarded certificates. The space in the registers for the Easter holiday will be left at the end of the quarter. Average attendance 126.4. On books 155.
- Apr 22nd Admitted five girls and four boys. Re-admitted three girls. 145 present.
- Apr 24th Admitted three children this morning. Clifford Wood has come back to school but by a medical order is only to attend half time, owing to his being subject to fits.
- Apr 25th The Time Table was a little varied this afternoon. Classes III & IV took “Ring & Stick Laying” instead of Friday afternoon when Gift III will be taken.
- Apr 26th The Rector visited this morning. Average 138.2. On books 169.

### **[Page 064]**

- Apr 29th Admitted three children. Re-admitted Bertha Hopper.
- Apr 30th Admitted Lilian Errey. A good attendance this morning – 146 present.
- May 2nd Miss Moore absent through slight indisposition this morning.
- May 3rd The Rector visited this morning. Average attendance 146.9. On the books 176.
- May 6th Marie Burchett absent with leave until 10.15 this morning.
- May 7th Registers closed at 1.30 so that children might go at 3.20.
- May 10th The Rector visited this morning. Average 141.2. On books 178.
- May 14th Admitted Alexander, Emily and Maud Browning. They are all over age for an Infant Department but owing to their delicate constitutions have not attended school before. Each will be promoted at the end of the school year.

### **[Page 065]**

- May 14th Rosehetta Payne [*sic – see Page 050, Nov 13th entry*] was taken ill during Scripture lesson and was sent home.
- May 16th Ascension Day – Children present at 9 a.m. were taken to Church; Miss Moore and monitress left in charge of remainder. Registers closed at the usual time. A poor attendance – 116 present. Holiday given this afternoon.
- May 17th The Rector visited this morning. Miss Peter was too ill to stay at school today. Average 138.1. On books 180.
- May 20th Admitted Edith Shoesmith re-admitted Eva Dalby.
- May 24th Registers closed at 9.10 and leaving out the Scripture lesson, secular work began at 9.15. Average 134.2. On books 180.

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The Rector and Mrs Churton visited this morning to distribute the Scripture certificates.  
School closed for Whitsun holiday – 1 week.

### **[Page 066]**

- Jun 3rd Admitted Lily Croft, William Barker. Fredk Dyer is too young to be admitted though his name is entered in the Admission Register.
- Jun 7th Average attendance 136.6. On the books 183.
- Jun 10th Children were given a scramble in the play ground so the optional lesson was taken this afternoon instead of Tuesday afternoon.
- Jun 13th Being too rough to have games in the play ground and not being sufficient room in the classroom, Class III v had a writing lesson instead.
- Jun 14th The Rector visited this morning and took a class for Religious Instruction.  
Average 137.2. On books 182.
- Jun 17th Admitted Robert Simms whose age cannot be entered, the parent having made a mistake in the year of birth.
- Jun 18th Checked the entries in the Register and found them quite correct. William Brook.

### **[Page 067]**

- Jun 21st The Rector visited this morning and took a class for Religious Instruction.  
Lily Best came too late to receive her Mark.  
Average attendance 133.4. On books 182.
- Jun 24th Admitted Frank Godfrey and Harold Wright.
- Jun 25th No kindergarten lesson will be given in Classes I & II this afternoon – children will finish the embroidery work. Frank and Fred Bartholomew and W. Freeman came too late this afternoon to be registered.
- Jun 26th Edward Harman fainted in school this morning; on his recovery the monitress took him home.
- Jun 27th Visited this school. Art. 84b. J. G. Germain
- Jun 28th Mistress absent for 20 minutes this morning on school business. Average 137. On books 181.
- Jun 26th Mr Germain H. M. Assistant Inspector visited this afternoon and examine to the needlework.  
*[This is the date written in the log book – out of sequence.]*

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#### List of Object Lessons For Year-ending Jun 1902

The Banana	The Camel	Coal
“ Orange	“ Rabbit	Salt
“ Blackberry	“ Fox	Slate
Apples	“ Donkey	Pins
	“ Sheep	Buttons
Cocoa	“ Pig	Soap
Milk, Cheese & Butter		A Knife & Fork
Eggs	“ Skylark	India-rubber

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Wax and Honey	“ Blackbird	
Rice	“ Swallow	Flowers in Season
Flour	Feather	Holly & Mistletoe
Currants		
Raisins		

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- Jul 1st Sent 9 Boys to Boys' School.. Sent 25 girls to Girls' School. Admitted Olive and Cecil Miller. No. present 112. On books 139. New Registers commenced today.
- Jul 3rd A holiday given today for a Sunday School treat.
- Jul 5th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Scripture. Average 112.8. On books 141. Entries made in a new Summary Form 9 received this afternoon after school.
- Jul 8th Admitted Edith & Grace Garland.
- Jul 11th Holiday given this afternoon for the Sunday School treat.
- Jul 12th The Rector visited this morning and took a Scripture Lesson. Average 106. On books 142. Sent the list of Object Lessons for H. M. I. approval.

### **[Page 070 – Note. First date is headed “June” but this should, obviously, be “July”]**

- Jul 15th School closed this afternoon owing to a neighbouring fete and circus.
- Jul 17th The Rector visited this morning.
- Jul 19th The Rector came and took a Scripture lesson. Average 103.4. On books 140.
- Jul 22nd The list of Object Lessons signed by H. M. Inspector was received this morning. A medical order excludes Ellen Ford from school for 14 days. Olive and Cecil Miller are suffering from mumps. Lottie Bristow has measles.
- Jul 26th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Scripture.

### **[Page 071]**

- Jul 29th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.
- Aug 1st School closed this afternoon for The Dictation. Average 104.5. On Books 139.
- Sep 9th School re-opened this morning. The Rector visited. Admitted two scholars. No. present 117.
- Sep 10th The Misses Eyre visited the school this morning.
- Sep 13th Average attendance 120.4. On books 152. The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious Instruction.

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- Sep 16th Admitted two children. A note was received stating that Ada Spencer's age had in almost been wrongly given. A correction was made in the Register and the child put in Class II instead of Class III.
- Sep 17th Attendance very poor today owing to wet weather.
- Sep 20th The Rector visited and took a Scripture lesson this morning. Sweets were distributed this afternoon to those children who made full attendance during the last 2 weeks.  
Average 109.7. On books 156.
- Sep 23rd Admitted Percy and Elsie banister and Jessie Ennis. Elsie Tasker is suffering from whooping cough, and will not attend school for a while.
- Sep 26th Miss Peter absent this afternoon through slight indisposition.
- Sep 27th Average 129.1. On books 159.

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- Sep 30th Admitted two children this morning.
- Oct 1st Miss Peter absent from school this afternoon with neuralgia.
- Oct 4th Miss Peter still absent. Average 120.7. On books 151.
- Oct 7th Miss Peter returned to duties this morning.
- Oct 8th Attendance poor this afternoon, owing to rain. Only 99 present.
- Oct 10th Good attendance this morning 132 present.
- Oct 11th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious Instruction.  
Average 126.9. On books 153.
- Oct 14th Admitted Samuel Isted this morning.
- Oct 17th It was too wet to take drill in the play ground this morning so reading was taken instead.
- Oct 14th Miss Moore sent in her resignation today. *[date is as given in log book]*
- Oct 19th Average 123.5. On books 144. Present at all 138.

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- Oct 21st Drill was not taken by Classes I & II this morning, as it was too wet to go in the play ground. It will be taken as soon as weather permits.
- Oct 22nd Admitted Fred Smith
- Oct 23rd Drill taken from 11.25 to 12. The Rector visited this morning and brought H. M. Inspector's Report.
- Report "The instruction in the Department is thorough and is quite interesting to the young children, who have made good progress."

Staff for the year.

Emily M. Bailie  
Emily S. Peter

Head Teacher  
Art. 50

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Margaret H. Cruttenden " 50  
Emily Moore " 50  
Marie Burchett Monitress

T. T. Churton (Correspondent for Managers).

Oct 25th The Rector took the Scripture lesson.  
Average 127.4. On books 145. Present at all 137.

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Oct 29th Drill taken in school this morning. Commenced fires in the baby room today. Examined Classes II and III in writing this morning. Both classes shown good progress.

Oct 30th Small attendances today owing to storm.

Oct 31st Ellen Nash is allowed to come to school though under age. Her mother came to ask permission owing to distressing circumstances.

Nov 1st The Rev Brook visited to say the Rector was unable to pay his usual visit.  
Average attendance 117.4.

Nov 4th Admitted four girls this morning. Nora Elphick is unable to attend school having mumps.  
Visited this school Art. 84b. H G Alington, H. M. Inspector.

Nov 5th Fires were started in the school this morning.

Nov 8th The Rector visited as usual. Average 110. On books 148.

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Nov 14th The following children are unable to attend owing to sickness: –  
Elsie Tasker, Whooping Cough  
Dorothy Shoesmith, " "  
Gladys Bathup " " and mumps.  
Arthur Hall, " "  
Frank can Lennard, Mumps.  
Albert Mullins, Whooping Cough and Croup.  
Constance Chester, Mumps.

Nov 15th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Scripture Lesson. Average 109.7. On books 150.

Nov 18th Miss Moore resigned today.

Nov 19th Drill taken in school today.

Nov 20th Attendance poor this afternoon – only 102 present.

Nov 22nd The Rev Brooke visited this morning. Average 105.6. On books 152.  
Sweets distributed to those who had not missed an attendance – 74.

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Nov 25th Monitress absent until 9.15 with permission.

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- Nov 28th Attendance going down, only 100 present this morning. Several children are absent with croup and whooping cough.
- Nov 29th The Rector visited as usual this morning. Average 103.4
- Dec 3rd A notice from the Medical Officer received this morning forbids Edith Perry attending school. Elsie Pointing is forbidden to attend by medical order.
- Dec 5th Attendance very poor today – only 82 present.
- Dec 6th Attendance still very poor. Several fresh cases of whooping cough and croup are reported. The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious Instruction, afterwards testing the Registers.  
Average 87.1. On books 146.
- [Page 078]**
- Dec 6th Examined the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.
- Dec 9th A very poor attendance today, only 72 and 69 present respectively.
- Dec 12th A very wet day, numbers greatly reduced. Only 33 40 children present.
- Dec 13th The Rector visited as usual and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Only 70 children present. Average 69.3. On books 146.
- Dec 16th Attendance still small.
- Dec 18th Mistress absent through illness.
- Dec 19th Closed this afternoon for 2 weeks – Christmas holiday. Oranges were distributed to each child this afternoon. Average 82.1.
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## **1902** [Page 079]

- Jan 6th Re-opened school this morning. 106 children present.  
Re-admitted LC Tasker, admitted Willie Eldridge.
- Jan 7th Nellie Carley will not attend school for awhile owing to whooping cough.
- Jan 8th Admitted one boy.
- Jan 9th Mistress absent during the Scripture Lesson on School business.
- Jan 10th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Scripture.  
Mr Flint the Sanitary Inspector came this morning to notify case of German measles at 37 Belle Hill. No children from the house are attending the school.  
Average 105. On the books 142.

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- Jan 13th Admitted three children, re-admitted Ernest Adams.
- Jan 14th Sidney Freeman is unable to attend school owing to chicken-pox.



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Jan 17th Percy Adams was taken ill in school this morning – monitress took him home. The Rector gave the Scripture lesson as usual and later in the morning brought a gentleman to look over the school. The Misses Eyre visited this afternoon, saw the knitting and instead of taking writing the first class had singing. Average 112.1. Ongoing books 150.

Jan 20th Attendance is poor. Only 100 present.

Jan 21st A better school today 112 present.

Jan 24th Miss Peter absent today with a bad cold. Average 104.5. On books 100.

### **[Page 081]**

Jan 27th Admitted two boys. Edwin and Willie Dennett came too late to receive a mark. Ethel Noakes has measles. Her sister came to report it.

Jan 28th A medical order received for Ethel Noakes.

Jan 31st The Rector visited and took Class I as usual. Marie Burchett absent all the week through illness. Average 91.5. On books 151.

Feb 3rd Admitted Alice and Fred Blackman.

Feb 4th Attendance is poor today. Marie Burchett still absent.

Feb 7th Attendance still poor only 86 and 90 present respectively. The Rector gave the Scripture lesson as usual. The Rector visited this afternoon. Average 99. On books 152.

### **[Page 082]**

Feb 10th Marie Burchett at work as usual.

Feb 12th a medical order received to exclude Alfred Whyborn from school. A very poor attendance this afternoon – 87 present.

Feb 13th This Peter was taken ill in school this morning – absent in the afternoon.

Feb 14th Miss Peter present as usual. The Rector visited and took Class I for Scripture. Average 98.8. On books 155.

Feb 17th Medical order received to exclude Percy Adams.

Feb 20th A new set of Reading books for Class I was started today.

Feb 21st The Rector gave the Scripture Lesson as usual. Average 100.3. On books 154.

### **[Page 083]**

Feb 24th A medical certificate was received stating that Elsie Tasker is unable to attend school.

Feb 27th Mental Arithmetic was taken in Class I and Reading in Class II instead of Drill this morning.

Feb 28th The Rector visited as usual.

Mar 5th The Misses Eyre visited this morning, so Drill was taken in Classes I & II instead of tomorrow morning. Being a very bright morning Drill was taken in the playground.

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- Mar 6th Wednesday morning's lessons for Classes I & II were taken from 11.25 until 11.55.
- Mar 7th Miss Cruttenden absent with permission this afternoon. The Rector took Class I for Scripture this morning. Average 114.4. On books 153.
- [Page 084]**
- Mar 10th Admitted Mafeking Barker.
- Mar 11th His Majesty's Inspector visited this morning.
- Mar 14th Attendance improved. Average 121. On books 155.
- Mar 17th Admitted Charles Eastwood, Maud Honeysett and re-admitted William Davis.  
Number present 123 +1.  
The Rev L. Stuart visited the school this afternoon and brought the notice for the Religious Examination, which will take place on 15th Apr at 10.30 a.m.
- Mar 18th Mistress absent until 9.45 to go to the Rectory.
- Mar 21st Tested the Registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton.
- Mar 20th Mistress examined the 3rd Class this morning, a report of which will be found in the syllabus book. *[Date appears as shown]*
- Mar 21st Class II examined. Average 126. On books 158.
- [Page 085]**
- Mar 24th Class I examined this morning. Class I were taken to church this morning instead of having a Scripture lesson 9.15 – 9.45.
- Mar 27th Class I has been to church every morning this week. School closed this morning for Easter Holidays. Average attendance 119.5. On books 159.
- Apr 8th School re-opened this morning. Mrs French commenced work as Art. 68 this morning.  
Admitted six fresh scholars, re-admitted one. Number present 133.  
Class III has now been made into two classes, the youngest children forming Class IV taught by Mrs French. Class III is taken by Miss Peter in the large room.
- Apr 11th Average attendance 133. On books 166. Present at all 145.
- [Page 086]**
- Apr 14th Admitted three boys and a girl. Number present 144.
- Apr 16th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton. *[Date is as shown in log book]*
- Apr 15th The Rev W. Walsh examined the children in Religious Knowledge this morning. Registers not marked. The Rector was present. 18 certificates were awarded.
- Apr 16th The Rector brought the Scripture Report.
- Apr 18th The Rector visited and distributed the Certificates. Average 146.3. On books 170.
- Apr 21st Admitted three scholars this morning.

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- Apr 22nd A very wet day. Attendance poor.
- Apr 23rd Admitted two boys. The attendance officer Mr. Donald visited this morning.
- Apr 25th Average 135.9. On books 176.
- Apr 28th Admitted two children.
- Apr 29th Admitted two boys and one girl.
- Apr 30th Attendance poor this afternoon owing to a circus being in the town.

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- May 2nd Average 143.5. On books 178.
- May 5th Miss Eyre and Miss Ball visited this morning. Singing was taken instead of Drill this morning because it was too cold to Drill in the play ground.
- May 6th Mr Donald called this morning and took the names of several irregular scholars. Miss Elliott visited this afternoon and stayed to see the rug-making.
- May 8th Ascension-day. The 1st and 2nd Classes went to Church this morning – 9.52 to 9.45. The Rector visited later in the morning. A Half holiday given.
- May 9th The Rector visited and saw the children painting.  
Average 147.7. On books 181.

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- May 12th Admitted Ivy Baxter this morning. Nine new pictures were put up in the room is this morning.
- May 14th Mr Donald called.
- May 15th Singing will be taken instead of Drill in Classes I, II, & III.
- May 16th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Scripture.  
Classes II & III were grouped for object lesson this morning and taken by Head Mistress.  
School closed this afternoon for Whitsun Holiday. Average for the week 135. No. on books 182.
- May 12th Miss Cruttenden absent this afternoon through slight indisposition. *[Dates are given as shown in log book]*

**[Page 089]**

- May 26th Reopened school this morning after Whitsun Holiday. 145 children present.
- May 27th Attendance good this morning. 154 present.
- May 28th Mr Donald – Attendance office of visited this morning.
- May 30th The Rector visited and heard the children sing in. A poor school owing to rain, only 120 present. Miss Peter went home at 10 a.m. through slight indisposition. Marie Burchett in charge of Class III. Miss Peter absent this afternoon.  
Average 146. On books 184.

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Jun 2nd Miss Peter at work as usual. A good attendance today 156 present.

Jun 3rd Instead of an object lesson Class I were given a lesson in "Peace".

Jun 4th His Majesty's Inspector visited the school this morning.

Jun 5th During Recreation time the children were photographed this morning.

### [Page 090]

Jun 6th The Rector visited this morning and took Class II for Religious Instruction. Average attendance – 151. No. on books 184.

Jun 9th Admitted three boys this morning. Number present 159.

Jun 11th Admitted Emily Burt. Mr Donald visited.

Jun 13th The Rector visited this morning and took Class II for Religious Instruction. The new registers were signed this morning. Average 156.2. Registers 188.

Jun 16th Examined Class III in Reading, Writing and Figures this morning. Class II was similarly examined on Friday morning.

Jun 17th Time Table not strictly kept in Class I this morning. An object lesson was given on the Apple and the rest of the morning was spent in examining Class I in Reading.

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Jun 17th Visited this school. Art. 84b. J. G. Germain

Jun 20th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I For Religious Instruction. By request of Class I rug making was taken this afternoon instead of needlework. Average 152. On books 189.

Jun 23rd Six boys were allowed to finish their rugs this afternoon instead of needlework.

Jun 24th Mistress left school before prayers this afternoon.

Jun 26th A lesson on "Disappointment" was given this morning instead of Drill.

Jun 27th The Rector visited as usual and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Average 154. **On books 189.**

Jun 30th Admitted Mary Dewsnap and Henry Picknell.

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List of Object Lessons for Year ending 30th Jun 1903

Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
A spring ramble	The Garden	The Garden	The Farm
The Garden	1 Nature and habits of plants	The Farm	The Garden
The Farm	2 Weeds, watering, cropage.	The Apple	Trees in Winter
The Sparrow	The Farm	The Spider	Evergreens
The Swallow	i) Outdoor	The Frog	Domestic

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Observations  
ii) Harvesting  
The trees in Spring    The Farmers friends    The Snake    Animals  
                                  The Farmers pests    The trees in autumn    Fruits  
                                  Butterflies & moths  
Local birds e.g. Rook, Thrush, Blackbird, Robin.  
Local Wild animals Here, rabbit, Fox, hedgehog  
The Railway  
Current events  
1st Jul 1902    These or others

### **[Page 093]**

Jul 1st    Promoted 25 boys and 21 girls this morning. Commenced the new registers this morning. 125 present. 145 on the books.

Jul 4th    The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious instruction. Average attendance 117.2

Jul 7th    Admitted Catherine Spiers

Jul 8th    Re-admitted Herbert Christian, admitted Catherine Christian. The school will be closed tomorrow for a Sunday School treat.

Jul 11th    The Rector took a class this morning as usual. Average 121.2. On books 149.

Jul 14th    Admitted one girl this morning. Number present 129.

Jul 16th    A holiday given today for the Sunday School Treat.

Jul 18th    The Rector visited this morning and took a class for Scripture as usual.

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Jul 18th    Average 121.3. On books 150.

Jul 21st    Mistress absent until 9.30 this morning.

Jul 23rd    Mistress left school at 9.45 to prepare for Sale of Children's' Needlework in the Rectory Grounds, this afternoon, for which a half holiday was given.  
  
Marie Burchett left school at 10.45 this morning, to help with the preparations. Miss Peter left in charge of the school.

Jul 25th    Mistress absent today and Monday. Miss Peter left in charge.

Jul 29th    Mistress at work as usual.

Jul 31st    School closed this afternoon for Summer holidays, two re-open on 15th September. Average 124. On books 149.

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Sep 15th    Re-opened school this morning. 128 present. Mistress takes the Object Lessons this week.

Sep 18th    Visited this school. J. G. Germain

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- Sep 19th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.  
Average attendance 131.3. On books 162.
- Sep 23rd Admitted three children this morning. Objects Lesson to Classes I & II taken by Mistress.
- Sep 26th The Rector visited this morning as usual. Henry Relf and Alfred Gurr came to school too late this afternoon to receive a mark.  
Average 137. On books 166.  
Monthly list sent into the Attendance Officer today.

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- Sep 29th The Organising Inspector visited the school this morning.
- Sep 30th The Rector visited this morning.
- Oct 1st A part of Class I went to Church at 9.15 for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service, returning at 9.55.
- Oct 3rd The Rector took Class I for Religious Instruction this morning as usual.  
The Rev King visited. Average attendance 131. On books 166.
- Oct 8th 8 Oct 1902 School visited. C. C. Hitchins
- Oct 10th Report for School year ending 13th of Jun 1902.  
"The children are in good order, happy and well taught. Good progress has been made during the year. Free arm drawing and brush work has been well begun."  
"E. French is recognised under Art. 68. T. T. Churton Correspondent for Managers"

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"Staff for the year.

Emily M. Bailie Head Mistress

Emily S. Peter

Art. 50

Margaret Cruttenden

" "

Ellen French

Art. 68

Marie Burchett Monitress

T. T. Churton, Correspondent"

- Oct 10th The Rector visited and took Class I as usual.  
Average 127.4. On books 159.
- Oct 15th Mr Donald – Attendance Officer called.  
Attendance is poor today owing to the weather.
- Oct 17th The Rector visited.  
Mr Donald came to say Reginald Smith was ill with Scarletina.  
Average 130. On books 159.  
A new letter sheet was begun this week in the Baby room and it has proved to be a great help to the children.

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- Oct 20th Attendance not so good today owing to bad weather.
- Oct 22nd Mr Donald visited this morning.

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- Oct 23rd Miss Peter absent two-day through indisposition.
- Oct 24th Clay modelling was started this afternoon with class I. The lesson was a source of great pleasure to the children.
- Oct 24th Each child was provided with a box to keep needlework and knitting in, this afternoon. Miss Thorneycroft, Barrack Hall, visited the school this afternoon. The babies were asked to sing instead of the ordinary writing lesson. Average 120.8. On books 159.
- Oct 27th Re-admitted Ellen Carey and William Russell.
- Oct 31st The Rector visited this morning. Miss Thorneycroft and a friend visited the school this afternoon and looked at the work. Average 134. On books 161.

### **[Page 099]**

- Nov 1st Elsie Donald began work as monitress today.
- Nov 4th Miss Thorneycroft and a friend visited this afternoon.
- Nov 5th Mr Donald – Attendance Officer, called this morning.
- Nov 6th Marie Burchett resigns her post as monitress today.
- Nov 7th The Rector visited as usual. Average 128.4. On books 161.
- Nov 10th Miss Hibbert and Miss Cook visited the school this afternoon.
- Nov 11th Miss Cruttenden having strained her knee is unable to attend school.
- Nov 12th The doctor has ordered Miss Cruttenden not to attend school this week. Classes I and II are taken together.
- Nov 13th Instead of writing for the 2nd. Class, drill will be taken, and while Class I are at drill, Class II will take writing, Elsie Donald being in charge.
- Nov 14th The Rector visited as usual and took Class I for Religious Instruction.

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- Nov 14th From 11.25 to 11.55 Classes I & II took singing together instead of Class II taking Figures as stated in the Time Table. Average attendance 129.5. On books 162.
- Nov 21st Tested the registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Nov 18th Admitted Bertie Willer.
- Nov 19th Classes I and II grouped for work this morning, Miss Cruttenden being absent.
- Nov 21st The Rector visited this morning and took Class I as usual. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week Miss Cruttenden was only present for half the day, Thursday and Friday present all day. Average 124.5. On books 162.

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- Nov 24th The Classes will be examined this week and the results entered in the syllabus book.
- Nov 25th Mr Donald Attendance Officer visited this morning.  
The Object Lesson to Class II was given by the Mistress this morning.
- Nov 27th Reading was taken this morning instead of Drill in Classes I & II.
- Nov 28th Average 129.8. On books 161.
- Dec 1st Messages have been received today stating Nora Elphick and Ellen Hall are suffering from measles.
- Dec 2nd Amy Harmon and Ellen Ford have measles.
- Dec 4th Uriah Barden and Violet Holland have measles. Attendance very poor today owing to bad weather.
- Dec 5th The snow keeps many away. Only 73 and 72 present respectively. The Rector visited.  
Average 101. On books 159.
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- Dec 5th Mistress will be absent until 10 o'clock on Monday morning to interview an assistant.
- Dec 8th The outbreak of measles grows more serious only 77 present today.
- Dec 9th Only 71 present this morning. The attendance office of visited this morning.
- Dec 10th The Sanitary Inspector sent certificates for the children who are absent through measles.
- Dec 12th Numbers are much lower today, only 68 and 65 present respectively.  
Average 73. On the books 159.
- Dec 12th An order was received from the Medical Officer of health this afternoon to close the school for one month to reopen on 12th of January 1903.
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## **1903** [Page 103]

- Jan 19th The medical order was extended until today. School reopened. 115 and 122 present respectively.  
Mrs Northcott began work today as an Art. 50.
- Jan 20th Tested the registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Jan 21st Mr Donald visited this morning.
- Jan 23rd Average attendance 120.1. On the books 159.
- Jan 26th Re-admitted Ellen Wilson
- Jan 28th Kindergarten was taken by Class I this afternoon by mistake, so needlework will be taken tomorrow. Mr Donald called this morning.
- Jan 30th Average attendance 129. On the books 156.



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Sidney Saunders was taken ill in school this afternoon so the monitress took him home.

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- Feb 3rd Admitted three boys this morning. A curtain has been put up to divide the gallery in the baby room.
- Feb 4th The Sanitary Inspector Mr Flint called this afternoon.
- Feb 6th Head Mistress took the babies today, Mrs French having a very bad cold. The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Mr Donald called this morning. Average 126.5. On the books 158.
- Feb 9th A telegram was received this morning to the effect that Mrs French was ill and unable to attend school. Mrs Northcott will take the babies class.
- Feb 11th A medical certificate came this morning stating Mrs French is suffering from Scarlet fever. The Rector visited the school this morning.
- Feb 13th Mr Donald called this morning. Average 111.2. On books 159.

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- Feb 16th A poor attendance this morning – only 113 present.
- Feb 19th Mr Donald, Attendance Officer, called this morning.
- Feb 20th The Rector came this morning and took Class I as usual. Average attendance 116. On the books 160.
- Feb 23rd Re-admitted Myrtle Avender.
- Feb 25th Class I were taken to Church at 9.15 this morning by Head Mistress. The Rev King visited this afternoon.
- Feb 26th Mr Donald called this morning.
- Feb 27th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Head Mistress took Class II Object Lesson this morning. Average 123. On books 161.

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- Mar 2nd A very wet day and a poor attendance in consequence. 79 and 57 present respectively.
- Mar 4th Notice was received this morning that the examination in Religious Knowledge would be held on Apr 3rd 1903.
- Mar 5th Attendance is poor today owing to rain. 105, 103 present respectively.
- Mar 6th The Rector came as usual to take Class I for Scripture. Mr Donald visited. The Mistress gave the object lesson to Class II this morning. The Blackbird. Average 114. On books 161.

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- Mar 9th Attendance much improved. 130 present.

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- Mar 10th Mistress gave the object lesson to Class II and also Class I.
- Mar 11th Mr Donald called this morning. Miss Thorneycroft came in this afternoon.
- Mar 12th Information was received this morning to the effect that Mrs French will not be able to resume duties in this school.
- Mar 13th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Mr Donald came back and took the names of all absent children. Average attendance 127. On books 162.
- Mar 16th Admitted to fresh scholars this morning.
- Mar 17th School was closed today owing to the Parliamentary Election.
- Mar 18th Attendance not very good this morning owing to stormy weather.
- Mar 19th Miss Thorneycroft visited this afternoon and distributed sweets to Classes I, III, & IV.
- Mar 20th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Mr Donald came in this morning. Average 120.3. On books 164.

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- Mar 25th Admitted two boys this morning. The Rector visited this morning.
- Mar 26th Classes I & II were taken for Singing instead of Drill this morning as it was too rough to drill in the play ground.
- Mar 27th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Mr Donald called this morning. Average 129.2. On books 163.
- Mar 30th Mistress left school at 11.30 to go to the Rectory about the appointment of a successor to Mrs French.
- Mar 31st Mr Donald, Attendance Officer called this morning.

- Apr 1st Attendance poor this afternoon owing to the bad weather.

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- Apr 2nd Miss Barlow commenced work as Art. 68 this morning.
- Apr 3rd Registers not marked this morning owing to Scripture Examination. Average attendance 129.7. On books 163.
- Apr 6th Part of Class I will be taken to Church every morning this week at 9.15. Examined Class II this afternoon. Report entered in the syllabus books.
- Apr 7th Examination of classes continued.
- Apr 8th Finished Examination. Results entered in Report books.
- Apr 9th School closed this morning for Easter Holidays to re-open on 20th April. Average 132.4. On books 163.

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- Apr 20th Re-opened school this morning. Admitted 7 fresh scholars. No. Present 136.
- Apr 21st Three children admitted. Present 147.
- Apr 23rd Two children admitted.
- Apr 24th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Elsie Donald is unable to attend school owing to influenza.  
Average attendance 142.5. On books 175. Present at all 159.
- Apr 27th Admitted three children. Elsie Donald present.
- Apr 28th One boy admitted this morning.
- Apr 29th Mr Donald called this morning.
- Apr 30th Drill was taken in school this morning, it being too cold to take the children out.
- May 1st Average 145.5. On books 180. Present at all 163.

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- May 4th Attendance not as good this morning. Only 142 present.
- May 5th Admitted five fresh scholars.
- May 6th Very good attendance today 158 and 159 present respectively.
- May 8th Poor school owing to wet weather. Mr Donald Attendance Officer called. The Rector visited and took Class I as usual. Class I started Copy Books this afternoon. Average 143. On books 188.
- May 11th Admitted two fresh scholars today.
- May 13th Lily Hollands came too late to be marked this afternoon. Mr Flint – Sanitary Inspector was here this morning to examine the Offices.
- May 15th Mr Donald called this morning. Average attendance 153. On books 188. Present at all 172.

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- May 18th Admitted for fresh scholars this morning.
- May 20th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.  
Mr Donald called this morning.
- May 21st Class I will be taken to Church this morning during the Religious Instruction time 9.15 to 9.45.  
Holiday given in the afternoon.
- May 22nd The Rector visited this morning and distributed the Certificates awarded for Religious Knowledge. Average attendance 155.4. On Books 193.
- May 25th A good attendance this morning 155 present.
- May 27th Examined Class I, and Classes I & II in needlework.
- May 28th Examined Class II. Mr Donald called.

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May 29th Examined Class III. Average 149.4. On books 191.  
School closed for Whitsun holiday – 1 week.

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Jun 8th Re-opened school this morning. 155 present.

11 June 1903

School visited.

There is a pool of water at the gate into  
which the children step on entering the playground,  
& the road water escapes into the playground  
making the approach to the school door  
very wet.

C. W. Hitchins

Jun 9th Mr Donald visited this morning.

Jun 11th H. M. I. Mr Hitchins visited the school this morning.

Jun 12th Average attendance 151.5. On books 193.

Jun 16th Admitted one boy this morning.

Jun 18th Admitted one girl today.

Jun 19th Miss Thorneycroft visited the school this afternoon and distributed sweets.  
A poor attendance today owing to bad weather.  
Average 143.3. On books 195.

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Jun 20th The Rector visited this morning. Mr Donald, Attendance Officer, called this morning.

Jun 26th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I for Religious Instruction. The new Registers  
were signed.  
Average attendance 153.3. On books 195.

Jun 30th The children were photographed this afternoon in the play ground during Recreation time and  
the Optional lesson.  
Average 155. On books 195. Average attendance for the year 129.

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Jul 1st The List of Objects Lessons for the year ending 30th of June 1904 will be same as those of the  
previous year, as approved by H. M. I. Mr Hitchins on his last visit. Promoted classes today.

Jul 2nd The Rector and Miss Miller visited this morning. Form 9 received, filled in and returned.

Jul 3rd The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction.  
Average attendance 119.8. On books 151.

Jul 7th The Rector visited this morning.

Jul 8th A holiday was given this afternoon for a Sunday School treat.

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Jul 10th Mistress absent this afternoon with permission. The Rector came this morning as usual and took Class I for Religious Instruction.  
Average 122.5. On books 151.

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Jul 13th Mistress returned to duty at 10.30 this morning. Miss Cruttenden left in charge during absence of mistress.

Jul 15th A holiday given today for Sunday School treats.

Jul 16th Only 118 children present this morning.

Jul 17th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I. Mr Donald called.  
Average 125. On books 151.

Jul 22nd Attendance is poor today owing to "Treats".

Jul 23rd Mr Donald – Attendance Officer visited this morning.

Jul 24th The Rector visited and took Class I as usual. Average 116. On books 150.

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Jul 28th A very poor school this afternoon owing to heavy rain. Only 89 present.

Jul 29th Examined Classes today. Results entered in Report Books.

Jul 30th Mr Donald visited this morning. Average 114. On books 150.  
School closed this afternoon for Summer Holidays. To re-open September 7th.

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Sep 7th Re-opened school this morning. 110 children present.  
The Rector visited this morning.

Sep 9th Attendance not so good this morning owing to heavy rain. Only 105 present.

Sep 10th Elsie Donald absent from school – suffering from toothache.  
Mr Donald Attendance Officer came this morning.

Sep 11th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction. Elsie Donald still absent.  
Average attendance 119.2. On books 161.  
16th of September 1903 visited. A. Gardener.  
22 Sep 03 School visited. C. W. Hitchins.

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Sep 16th H. M. Inspector visited the school this morning.

Sep 17th Mr Donald, Attendance Officer came this morning.

Sep 18th The Rector visited and took Class I as usual. Mistress left school at 11.30 to see plumbers about a waste water pipe, the faults of which caused the coal house to be flooded.  
Average attendance 129.6. On books 159.

Sep 23rd Tested registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton

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Sep 22nd H. M. Inspector Mr Hitchens visited the school this morning.

Sep 24th Mr Donald called.

Sep 25th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I as usual.  
Average 135.2. On books 167.

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Sep 28th Admitted four children this morning.

Sep 29th The monthly examination of children begins today. The results entered in the Syllabus and report books.

Oct 2nd The Rector and Miss Cochrane visited this morning. The Rector took Class Are as usual. The monthly list of irregular scholars sent to Mr Donald, Attendance Officer.  
Average attendance 139.6. On books 173.

Oct 5th Only 16 nine children present this morning owing to bad weather. 98 this afternoon.

Oct 6th Mistress left school at 3.20 this afternoon on business.

Oct 7th Part of Class I were taken to Church this morning at 9.154 Harvest Festival Service.

Oct 9th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I as usual. Mr Donald called.  
Average 126.7. On books 172.

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Oct 12th Mistress absent until 10 o'clock with permission. Admitted Archibald Matthews.

Oct 12th I have this day visited this school tested the register and found it correct. H. A. M. Dunn Manager.

Oct 15th Miss Cruttenden absent today through indisposition.  
George Gaston's exact date of birth could not be given on his admission, hence the reason for his name remaining on the Fourth Class register after his fifth birthday.

Oct 16th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I as usual.  
Mr Donald called this morning.  
Harold Stanley came to school too late this afternoon to receive his mark.  
A story was read to Class I during the needlework lesson this afternoon. Children seemed to enjoy it.  
Average 135.3. On books 173.

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Oct 19th The Registers were kept open until 2 o'clock owing to heavy rain at 1.30. Many children came in at 2 o'clock.

Oct 20th A note was received from Mrs Creasey to say Thomas would not be able to attend school this week owing to illness.

Oct 21st A file was made in the baby room today. Average 132.4. On books 173.

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- Oct 22nd Mr Donald called this morning.
- Oct 26th A medical certificate to the effect that George Owers will not be able to attend school was received this morning. No definite period stated.  
Mabel Graves came too late this afternoon to receive her mark.
- Oct 28th Examined Class I today. Admitted Catherine Spiers today.
- Oct 29th Mrs Noakes called this afternoon.
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- Oct 29th Examined Class II today.
- Oct 30th Examined Class III today.  
Reports on the examinations are entered in the Syllabus and Report books.  
Elsie Donald left school at 2.45 this afternoon to attend a Confirmation Class.  
Average 140.5. On books 174.
- Nov 2nd School closed today for Bye [sic] Election.
- Nov 4th Miss Thorneycroft came in this afternoon.
- Nov 6th Mr Donald called this morning. Average 140.5. On books 174.
- Nov 13th The Rector visited and took Class I as usual.  
Mr Donald called.  
Average 145.9. On books 170.
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- Nov 16th Elsie Donald left school this morning at 11 o'clock. She will be absent this afternoon to attend the Confirmation.
- Nov 17th Elsie Donald present as usual.
- Nov 18th Mr Donald, Attendance Officer, called this morning.
- Nov 20th The Rector visited this morning and took Class I as usual. Attendance 141. On books 170.
- Nov 23rd A small attendance this morning probably owing to a holiday having been given to the Girls' Department. Only 110 present.
- Nov 24th Mr Donald called this morning.
- Nov 26th Mrs Northcott left the school at 9.30 this morning to consult a doctor about her throat. She is ordered to be absent from school until Monday.  
Miss Barlow takes Class III.
- Nov 27th Average 126.5. On books 169.
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- Dec 1st Attendance not so good today owing to snow. Mistress left school at 11 oh clock, suffering from sore throat. Mistress absent this afternoon.
- Dec 2nd Mistress present as usual.

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Results of monthly examinations entered in Report Books.

- Dec 3rd Mr Donald called this morning. Average attendance 131.4. On books 171.
- Nov 30th Mrs Northcott returns to work as usual. *[This entry appears at this point in the Log Book]*
- Dec 7th Stephen Pellet, Thomas Creasey and Edwin Dennett came to school at 10 o'clock. The Registers were closed. Very wet afternoon – only 90 present.
- Dec 8th Attendance better this morning 140 present.
- Dec 9th Very wet only 62 in morning and 102 in afternoon.
- Dec 10th Mr Donald visited this morning.
- Dec 11th A medical certificate excludes William Stevens from school for 7 days.  
A medical certificate has been received stating that Harry Neale will not be able to attend for two or three months – “suffering from Tubercular Claims of the neck”.  
Children have not been taking recreation this week in afternoon as stated in the Time Table. A short recreation follows the first lesson after Registers are closed, and then the last lesson is taken, because children have been unable to see properly after 3.15. For the last 10 minutes games, recitation or singing have been taken. Average 120.6. On books 171.
- Dec 14th Mistress left school at 9.10 to go to the Rectory on business. Miss Cruttenden left in charge.
- Dec 15th The Quarterly Examination of Scholars begins today. Class I is examined first.
- Dec 17th Class II examined today.
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- Dec 17th Mr Donald called this morning.
- Dec 18th Class III examine today. Average attendance 136.9. On books 171.
- Dec 23rd School closed this afternoon for Christmas Holidays.  
Elsie Donald will not resumed duties as monitress when school reopens on Jan 11th 1904.  
Average 114. On books 170.
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- Jan 11th School re-opened this morning. 133 children present.
- Jan 13th The Rector visited this morning.
- Jan 14th Mr Donald, Attendance Officer called this morning.
- Jan 15th The Rector visited and took Class I for Religious Instruction, and intimated that the school year would end 31st of March instead of 30th of June.  
Average 129.1. On books 174.
- Jan 18th Miss Thorneycroft of visited this morning.
- Jan 19th Mr Donald called.



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Jan 20th A medical certificate received excludes Edith Whybourn for 14 days. Dorothy Taylor will not be able to attend school for some time being too delicate.

Jan 22nd The Rector came as usual. Average 134.6. On books 173.

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Jan 25th Admitted Robert Wood.

Jan 26th Miss Thorneycroft and friends visited this afternoon and distributed sweets to the children.

Jan 27th Mr Donald called.

Jan 29th The Rector visited and took Class I as usual and distributed Certificates to 3 children who had not missed an attendance since October 1903. Seven children received a certificate. The usual monthly examination will take place next week, so many being absent this week owing to wet weather.  
Average 115.6. On books 173.

Feb 1st To keep the numbers down in the Baby room the forward children Class III are promoted to Division II Class II with the backward ones of Class II. Division I of Class II is formed from those put down from Class I and those promoted from Class II. This division is taught by Miss Barlow in large room and Division II as usual by Miss Cruttenden, Class I being taken by Head Mistress.  
Knitting has been taken off the Syllabus of Division II Class II.

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Feb 3rd Visited. C. Garland.

Feb 4th Mr Donald called this morning.

Feb 5th Average attendance 133.6. On books 173.

Feb 8th Mistress left school at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Miss Cruttenden left in charge.

Feb 10th The Rector visited this morning.

Feb 11th Mr Donald called.

Feb 12th The Rector came and took Class I as usual. Average 128.4. On books 174.

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Feb 16th Mr Donald, Attendance Officer, called this morning.

Feb 17th Being Ash Wednesday Class I were taken to Church this morning during the Scripture Lesson. Owing to good's stated in Requisition List early in January, not being received Class I have to return to writing on slates.  
Kindergarten free cutting has had to be discontinued there being no paper and brush drawing will also have to stop for the same reason.

Feb 19th The Rector came and took Class I as usual. Average 132.1. On books 175.

Feb 23rd Mistress left school this morning at 11 o'clock owing to the illness of her mother. Miss Cruttenden left in charge.

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Feb 26th Average attendance 132.5. The Rector came in as usual this morning.

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Mar 2nd Registers not marked today. Very few children present owing to the snow.

Mar 4th A holiday given today owing to Election. Average 101.8.

Mar 7th Mistress returned to duties this morning. Goods from E. S. A. Came this morning.

Mar 9th Tested the Registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton

Mar 10th Mr Donald called this morning.

Mar 11th The Rector came this morning and took Class I as usual. Average 132.7. On books 177.

Mar 14th Medical certificate was received for Mabel Graves and May White.

Mar 16th Mr Donald called this morning.

Mar 18th Average 140.9. On books 178.

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Mar 21st Admitted Olive Burt.

Mar 23rd Mr Donald called.

Mar 24th Mistress left school at 9.45 and returned at 10.15.

Mar 25th The Rector came and took Class I as usual. Average 139.1. On books 179.

Mar 28th Classes I & II were taken to Church this morning in place of Scripture Lesson.

Mar 29th Small school this morning owing to heavy rain, only 111 present. The church, scripture lesson taken as usual.

Mar 30th Classes I & II went to church at this morning. Average 135.3. On books 178.  
Miss Preece has been appointed Head Mistress of this school, and will re-open after Easter holidays – 11th April. Emily M. Baillie.

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Apr 11th I, Ada E. Preece, took charge of this Department today as Head Mistress. School re-opened after Easter Holidays. No. present 162. Admitted 14 new children.

Apr 19th Diocesan Inspection this morning. 161 children present. 24 Certificates given. 8 Very Good, 16 Good. A half-holiday this afternoon.

Apr 20th Mr Dunlop brought the Scripture report this morning.

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No. present	–	161
Old Testament	–	Excellent
New Testament	–	Excellent
Catechism	–	Excellent
<u>Repetition of</u>		

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Scripture – Very Good  
Hymns, Collects, etc. – Very Good  
Catechism – Very Good

General Report - The Infants sang well and great credit is due to their teacher.

Walter Walsh, Diocesan Inspector.

T. T. Churton, Manager

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- Apr 20th Transferred 18 children. Six boys to the Boys' School and 12 girls to the Girls' School. Re-organised all classes, Miss Barlow takes Class IV and assists with Class I were in the former are grouped with Class III for oral lessons.  
I am working now by a Test Times Table; the times for Registration and Religious Instruction on the old one have not been altered.
- Apr 26th Class I were taken for a Country Walk for Nature Lesson by the Head Mistress, according to the new Test Time Table, from 2.45 to 3.30.
- May 2nd A very wet windy day. Many children absent. Attendance in the morning 132, afternoon 107.

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- May 4th The Rector visited school this morning. Class I were taken for a Country walk this afternoon as it was too wet on Monday.
- May 6th The Rector visited school this morning gave a Scripture lesson to Class I and distributed the Certificates given by the Diocesan Inspector.  
No. on books 179. Average 151.
- May 12th Class I were taken to Church this morning (Ascension Day) and returned at 9.55. A half-holiday was given this afternoon.
- May 13th The Rector came this morning and gave a Scripture Lesson to Class I.  
No. on books 181. Average 157.8.
- May 17th Miss Miller and her sister visited school this morning.
- May 20th Mrs Northcott and leave from 3.0 this afternoon.

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- May 20th Closed school this afternoon 3.304 Wits Holidays – one week.  
No. on books 182. Average 160.
- May 30th School re-opened after Whitsun holiday. 156 present. Admitted 6 new children.
- Jun 1st Visited the schools.  
P. Sherwin  
John D. Atching  
Gestur Gray  
Geo. P. Longman
- Jun 3rd Tested the Registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton.
- Jun 3rd Average for the week 146.1. No. on books 188. Tuesday & Wednesday this week were very wet – many children absent. The Rector gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning.

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- Jun 6th Class I were taken for the usual Country walk for Nature Lesson by Miss Barlow.
- Jun 10th Examined Classes I, II, & III this week. The Rector gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning. No. on books 196. Average 167
- Jun 17th The Rector gave permission for a strip of the playground to be used as plots for school gardening and kindly gave 1/- to buy seeds for the same, and also promised to give a prize for the best garden. He gave the usual Scripture Lesson.
- No. on books 197. Average 163.2.
- Jun 20th Part of Class I worked at the garden plots for the last hour this afternoon while the rest were taken down to the sea shore by Miss Barlow.

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#### List of Object Lessons for 1904-5 Classes I & II

##### First Term – July, September, October.

Cherry: The Seashore: The Dandelion: Bees: The Sunflower: Corn: The Herring: The Rabbit: The Wind & Weather-vane: Apples: The Dog: Nuts.

##### Second Term – November, December, January.

Tree Life in Autumn: The Horse: Bulbs: Carrots & Turnips: Coal: A Lamp: A Plum Pudding: Snow: Sheep & Wool: Tree Life in Winter: The Sparrow.

##### Third Term – February, March.

The Wind: Clouds & Rain: Moon & Stars: Leather & Cobbler: Snowdrops: The Sun: The Rook: The Earthworm.

#### Classes III & IV

##### First Term

The Duck: A Potato: Ship: Peas: Plum: Canary: Goldfish: Sponges:

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A Book: Slate & Pencil: Chalk: The School Bell.

##### Second Term

Boots & Shoes: An Umbrella: A Room: The Furniture: The Clock: Holly: Plum: Pudding: The Cat: A Tablecloth: Knife & Fork.

##### Third Term

An Egg: The Shrimp: A Brick: Window & Glass: Soap: The Postman: What makes the plants grow: The Crocus.

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- Jun 24th A great many children are absent this week with chickenpox.  
The Rector gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning and signed the new Registers.  
No. on books 196. Average 156.4.

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- Jun 27th Mistress absent owing to illness.
- Jun 28th Mistress returned to school today. Mrs Wise called to say that Doris had sprained her arm very badly, and was not able to attend school this week.
- Jun 29th Poor attendance today owing to a Sunday School treat. (Congregational)  
138:140
- Jul 1st Transferred 51 children to the Upper Schools – 25 Girls and 26 Boys. Re-organised the school.  
Class I - Miss Cruttenden.

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Class II - Mrs Northcott  
Class III – Miss Barlow.  
Mistress will assist with Classes I & II.  
Average for week 150.1. No. on books 197.

- Jul 6th A Half-holiday given today for St Peter's Sunday School treat.
- Jul 8th Average for week 112.4. No. on books 146.
- Jul 13th School closed for the day for a school treat.
- Jul 16th Average for the week 116.8. No. on books 144.  
The Rector gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.
- Jul 22nd The Rector gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 116.2. No. on books 144.
- Jul 29th The Rector did not come this morning to give the usual Scripture Lesson.  
Closed school this afternoon for five week's summer holiday. Re-open Sept 5th/04.  
Average for the week 112.2. On books 148
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- Sep 5th Re-opened school after summer holidays. 128 present. Admitted 7 new scholars.  
The schoolroom and cloakrooms have been painted and the floor of the cloakroom re-made.  
The Rector visited school this morning.
- Sep 9th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 124.9. Number on the books 156.
- Sep 16th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 130. Number on the books 155.
- Sep 20th Two children in Class II - Annie Clarke and Kathleen Ball were brought to me by the teacher to see that dirty state of their heads. They were sent home with a note to their mothers requesting them to clean the children's heads thoroughly.

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- Sep 21st Copy of Government Report 1904

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"Miss Bailie left at Easter and was succeeded by Miss Preece. I found that the children under good discipline and instruction at each of my visits."

Amount of Grant £116 9s 0d.

T. T. Churton.

Sep 22nd Mistress left school at 2.0 p.m. this afternoon.

Sep 23rd The Rector came this morning and gave the usual Scripture Lesson.  
Average for the week 133.3. Number on the books 155.

Kathleen Ball and Annie Clarke have not yet returned to school.

Ivy Groves, Emily Groves, and Willie Groves came to school this morning after the registers were closed.

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Sep 30th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.

Sep 28th Classes I & II were taken to Church this morning from 9.0 to 9.50 for the Harvest Festival.

Sep 30th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 137.5. Number on books 158.

Oct 3rd A wet morning. Many children absent. Number present 116.

Oct 5th Mr Garland H. M. Sub-Inspector visited school today, and took away specimens of Class I hemming. There was to have been a half-holiday in the afternoon but it has been postponed until Friday afternoon.  
Attendance not so good this afternoon owing probably to the expected holidays. No. Present 124.

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Oct 5th Visited. C. Garland.

Oct 7th Very inclement weather, windy and raining. Only 54 children present. Registers not marked this morning. No children sent home.  
A Half-holiday given this afternoon instead of last Wednesday as arranged.  
Average for the week 131.3. Number on books 156. Percentage 84.2.

Oct 14th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 137.7. Number on Books 159. Percentage 86.8.

Oct 17th A very wet and windy morning. Only 93 children present.  
Mrs Northcott absent with neuralgia.

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Oct 19th Mrs Northcott still absent with an abscess in her face.

Oct 21st The children were photographed this morning in five groups.  
The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 133.5. Number on books 158. Percentage 84.4.  
The Attendance since Monday has been excellent – 146 being present twice.

Oct 24th Mrs Northcott returned to school today.

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Oct 27th Sent Thomas Wells home this morning with a ringworm on his forehead.

Oct 28th The Rector came this morning and gave the usual Scripture Lesson.  
Average for the week 141.3. Number on books 159. Percentage 88.8.

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Oct 28th Began the First Term's examination on Wednesday of this week.

Nov 1st A whole day's holiday given for the Municipal Election.

Nov 2nd Attendance not so good today – the weather being damp and drizzling.

Nov 4th The Rector came this morning and gave the usual Scripture lesson. Miss Barlow works very hard with Classes III & IV and manages the little ones nicely. They have made good progress in all subjects.  
Average for the week 132.2. Number on books 160. Percentage 82.6.

Nov 7th Thomas Wells returned to school today. The ringworm is killed.

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Nov 9th A very wet and windy morning. Only 110 children present.

Nov 11th The Rector sent word to say he cannot come for the Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 131.5. No. on books 158. Percentage 83.2.

Nov 14th The children who have gardens planted bulbs in them this afternoon Hyacinth, Narcissus, crocus, snowdrops and daffodils.

Nov 18th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 134.5. No. on books 159. Percentage 84.5.

Nov 22nd Mistress wasn't able to be at school this morning through indisposition but came in the afternoon.

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Nov 25th The Rector did not come for the Scripture lesson this morning.  
The Attendance has not been good this week especially in the lower classes, owing to the sharp frost probably. Many children are suffering from bad colds and coughs.  
Average for the week 122.7. No. on books 157. Percentage 78.1.

Dec 2nd The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson today. Several children have had tickets for free breakfasts and dinners which have been provided from the Mayor's Fund.

Dec 6th The Attendance is falling rapidly through whooping cough, bad colds

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Dec 6th A very rough and wet morning. Number present 85 (morning), 70 (afternoon).

Dec 8th Miss Thorneycroft and Mrs Brooke visited school this afternoon, heard the children sing and recite, and kindly gave each child a packet of sweets on dismissal.

Dec 9th The Rector did not give the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.

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Mr Donald sent to say that Jessie and Alfred Gurr were to be transferred to St Barnabas School to see if a change of route will prevent them from truancing and loitering.  
Average for the week, 93.5; Number on books, 157; Percentage, 59.6.

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- Dec 12th Mrs Northcott away from school today with face-ache.
- Dec 13th Mrs Northcott returns to school today.
- Dec 16th The Rector did not come to give the usual Scripture Lesson today.  
Average for the week, 81.3; Number on books, 154; Percentage, 52.7.  
The low attendance is due to cases of whooping cough and bad colds. The bad weather has also prevented many children from attending school this week.
- Dec 20th School closed at 9.0 this morning by order of the Sanitary Authority until Jan 9th.
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- Jan 9th Open school this morning after the Christmas holidays.  
Number present 107. On Books 154. Admitted Amy Carey aged 6.  
Miss Edith Ellen Foster began work here today as Supplementary Assistant pending the result of the Scholarship Examination.
- Jan 11th Received a parcel from the Clerk to the Education Committee, containing Five Manuals on Moral Instruction and Five Manuals on Physical Exercises, the latter being those recommended by the Board of Education. The Rector asked for and took away one of the manuals on Moral Instruction.
- Jan 13th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.

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- Jan 13th Average for the week 107. Number on Books 154. Percentage 69.4.
- Jan 16th A very cold, snowy day – poor attendance. 95 in the morning 89 in the afternoon.
- Jan 18th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Jan 20th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning. He took away one of the Moral Instruction Manuals.  
Average for the week 105. Number on books 151. Percentage 69.5.
- Jan 23rd Sent Harold Stanley home as he had a bad ring worm on his face.

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- Jan 27th The Rector did not come for the Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 110.4. Number on books 150. Percentage 75.6.
- Jan 30th Began the Second Term's examination this morning.  
Several children return to school who have been away with whooping cough.
- Feb 3rd The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning also heard Class II recite.  
Average for the week 113.1. Number on books 151. Percentage 74.9.



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Harold Wright truanted this week.

Feb 7th Ivy and Willie Groves, Reginald and Leonard Barker, and Fred Tickner came to school at 3.30 this afternoon. I found that they had all been truanting after being at the free dinners. All were punished and notes sent to the parents.

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Feb 10th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 117.2. Number on books 152. Percentage 77.1.

Feb 16th Mrs Lethbridge, a member of the Brighton Education Committee, called and wished to see the school.

Feb 17th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 115.5. Number on books 153. Percentage 75.4.

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Feb 22nd Brush work was begun in Class II this afternoon so that the children will be familiar with the brush and eight positions of "blobs" on entering Class I. This will be continued every Wednesday afternoon until the end of the year, the lesson on Gift III being omitted.

Feb 24th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 105.8. Number on books 152. Percentage 69.6.  
The cold north-east winds of this week have seriously affected the attendance.

Feb 27th Miss Foster is absent from school today through ill-health.

Feb 28th Miss Foster returned to school today. She received the result of the Scholarship Examination on Friday last Feb 24th and has been placed in the Second Class, Fourth Division.

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Mar 2nd Miss Foster came to school today looking very ill, and said she had suffered great pain in her head and ear all night. I sent her home to see the Doctor who said she must go home at once and see a Specialist about her ears and throat. He gave her a Certificate to the effect that she was not in a fit state to continue her duties and required two month's rest.

Mar 3rd The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning. He authorised me to advertise at once for a Supply Teacher – probable permanency.  
Average for the week 121.8. Number on books 157. Percentage 77.5.

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Mar 8th Ash Wednesday Class I and part of Class II were taken to church this morning at 9.0 and returned by 10 o'clock.

Mar 9th The blackboard of Class I was renovated this afternoon by a man who call. Charge 2/-.

Mar 10th The Rector did not come for the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 122.1. Number on books 157. Percentage 77.7.

Mar 16th Mrs F. Hall began work this morning as Supply Uncertificated Assistant during Miss Foster's absence through illness. She is an ex P. T. Art. 50 and holds a Kindergarten Certificate.

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- Mar 17th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning. Three girls in Class I are absent with ringworm. Average for the week 117.2. Number on books 158. Percentage 74.1.
- Mar 24th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning. Average for the week 128.8. Number on books 160. Percentage 80.5.
- Mar 27th A very wet morning. Only 107 children present. Began the term's examination in Class II.
- Mar 31st The Rector did not come to give the usual Scripture Lesson this morning.

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- Mar 31st Average for the week 129.1. Number on books 163. Percentage 79.2.
- Apr 3rd Began a new educational year this morning. Transferred eight children to the Upper Department, six girls and two boys. There is no room at present for any more. Admitted three new children in Class IV. Number now on books 158. Number present 141.
- Apr 7th A very wet windy day. The attendance fell 2 114. The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture Lesson this morning. Average for the week 137.1. Number on books 160. Percentage 85.6. Tickets for a week's perfect attendance were given to 104 children this afternoon, according to the new scheme issued by the Education Committee.

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- Apr 10th 10th April 1905. Visited. G. Gardner
- Apr 13th Diocesan Inspection held this morning. The Rector came with the Inspector. 146 children present. Certificates awarded V[ery]. Good 9, Good 18. A half-holiday given this afternoon.
- Apr 14th The Rector did not come to give the usual Scripture lesson this morning. Average for the week 134.8. Number on books 162. Percentage 83.2.

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- Apr 17th Diocesan Report 1905
- Scripture report received this morning.  
Number present 146.
- |               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Old Testament | Excellent. |
| New Testament | Excellent. |
| Catechism     | Excellent. |
- Repetition of
- |                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Scripture            | Very Good  |
| Hymns, Collects, etc | Very Good  |
| Catechism            | Very Good. |

### General Report

Great credit is due to Miss Preece and the teaching staff. The little ones sang nicely.  
Walter Walsh, Diocesan Inspector.

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Apr 17th Class I were taken to church this morning at 9.0 a.m. Returned at 9.50.  
I sent to Mrs Hall (Assistant on supply) home this morning. She is very unwell and been in bed all the week end.

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Apr 19th Class I did not go to church this morning as it rained. Closed school this afternoon for the Easter holidays.

May 1st Re-opened school after the Easter holidays. Number present 142. Admitted 10 new children and re-admitted three. Miss Foster returned to school today in good health.

May 6th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning. Annie Clarke was sent home on Wednesday with a dirty head and has not been to school since.  
Average for the week 146.2. Number on books 171. Percentage 85.4.

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May 12th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Number on books 176. Average 158.1. Percentage 89.8.  
Five new children have been admitted this week.

May 15th Admitted Florence Williams aged 8 as there is no room in the Girl's School and she is backward in attainments. Also admitted Percy Abbott and George Smart.  
Mrs Churton came this morning at 11.30 a.m. and distributed the Scripture Certificates.

May 16th A heavy shower came on during the dinner hour today and kept several children away in the afternoon.

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May 19th The Rector came and gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Number on books 177. Average 159.1. Percentage 89.8.

May 22nd Admitted Eva Neve eight 6 and Dorothy Deness age 5 both of whom have never been to school before.

May 26th The Rector did not come for the Scripture lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 163.6. Number on books 177. Percentage 92.4.

May 29th Colin Dixon has left – returned to London.

Jun 1st Class I was taken to church this morning (Ascension Day). A half-holiday given in the afternoon.

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Jun 2nd The Rector did not come to give the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Average for the week 160.6. Number on books 174. Percentage 92.3.

Jun 5th A very wet day. Only 121 children present.

Jun 9th Tested the Registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton.

Jun 9th A very wet week. The attendance has suffered through it. The Rector came & gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning.  
Number on books 174. Average for week 136. Percentage 78.8.

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Closed school this afternoon for Whitsun holidays.

Miss Caudwell has been appointed Head Mistress of this school and will re-open after the holidays.

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- Jun 19th Began work as Head Mistress of the School. C. D. R. Caudwell.  
The School was opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.
- Jun 30th The Rector gave the usual Scripture lesson this morning. Only 132 children present this morning owing to the wet weather.
- Jul 11th The Rector came in this morning.
- Jul 14th The Rector came this morning to give the usual Scripture lesson.  
Government Report received.  
"I can also report favourably on the condition of the infants' Department. A good Syllabus is arranged and the Subjects of instruction are well correlated."  
T. T. Churton.

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- Jul 26th A holiday today for the School Treats.
- Jul 28th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Aug 2nd A half-holiday is given today for the Boys' Schools' Sports.
- Aug 3rd The attendance is very low today, owing to the wet weather.  
Morning 123, afternoon 109.
- Aug 4th The school broke up this afternoon for the summer holiday.
- Sep 11th The Rector came in this morning.
- Sep 15th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.

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- Sep 21st A series of monthly "Model" lessons began this afternoon, with a lesson at 3.40.
- Sep 22nd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Sep 28th The Head Mistress has been away since Monday, unwell, but returned to the school this morning. Dr Wills, chairman of the Education Committee, visited the school yesterday morning.
- Sep 29th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Oct 4th The children were taken to a Service at St Peters Church this morning, today being observed as the Harvest Festival. The Service was held during the Scripture lesson time.
- Oct 6th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning. Miss Candy visited the school this morning.

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- Oct 13th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.

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- Oct 13th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Oct 16th Visited the school. E. M. Miller.
- Oct 17th Miss Barlow was unwell this morning and was obliged to go home at 10.15.
- Oct 18th Miss Barlow returned to the School this morning.
- Oct 20th The Rector did not give the Scripture lesson this morning, but came in later.  
Miss Candy came in at 10.45, to pay a visit of observation.  
A "Model lesson" was given yesterday afternoon at 3.40.

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- Oct 24th Mrs Drayton, Education Secretary for Bexhill, came in this morning.
- Oct 27th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
Four weeks ending Oct 27th: –  
Average numbers on books = 160.5  
Average attendance = 141.1  
Percentage attendance = 87.9
- Oct 30th Miss Barlow's work as Assistant teacher in the School ends today.
- Oct 31st Miss Allfrey begins work here today.
- Nov 9th A half-holiday was given today being Lord Mayor's day.
- Nov 10th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.  
The Misses Sewell came to visit the School this morning.

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- Nov 10th The Head Mistress left school at 2.45 this afternoon.
- Nov 20th The heating apparatus is defective and the rooms are very cold. The head teacher left the school at 10.20 to see about repairs and returned at 10.40.
- Nov 23rd Miss Foster was faint in School this morning and was not able to do any work today.  
A model writing lesson was given at 3.50 this afternoon.  
Miss Candy visited the school this afternoon & remained for the Model lesson.
- Nov 24th Miss Foster is still unwell and an able to be back at school.  
Very wet & cold weather yesterday has lowered the attendance this week.

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- Nov 27th Miss Foster is better and back again this morning.
- Nov 28th Miss Burdett visited the school this morning.
- Dec 1st Five weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books = 166.4  
Average attendance = 144.1  
Percentage attendance = 86.5

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- Dec 4th 4th Dec '05. Visited. C. Garland
- Dec 4th A new boiler is being fitted to supply the hot water pipes and the heating apparatus cannot therefore be used today. Oil stoves have been obtained, but the rooms are very cold & therefore the afternoon registers were closed at 1.45 and the children dismissed at 3.15. In the morning, the children of classes I & II were marching & drilling for the first half-hour to keep themselves warm.
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- Dec 5th The school room is very cold: the Head Teacher left at 10.5 to see about getting another stove & and returned at 11.38.
- Dec 6th The Rector came in this morning.
- Dec 7th The Sanitary Inspector came this morning to enquire how far the epidemic of measles at Sidley is affecting this school: at present there are only three cases from among these children.
- Dec 8th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
Three more cases of measles are reported.  
The wet stormy weather this morning has lowered the attendance which is 131; this afternoon, 121.
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- Dec 10th The Head teacher left the school at 11.30 to consult the doctor about isolation from measles. Mr Drayton visited the school.
- Dec 12th The attendance is only 123 this morning owing to the increase in the cases of measles. Six children showing symptoms of measles was sent home. The Sanitary Inspector visited the School.
- Dec 13th The attendance fell 2 99 this morning: three children were sent home.  
The Rector came in this morning to say the School is to be closed this afternoon under an order of the Medical Officer of Health, & to re-open on Jan 15th next.  
Miss Thorneycroft & Miss Adam came in this afternoon, and gave each child a bag of sweets.
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- Jan 15th The school re-opened this morning, only 65 children were present: this low attendance is probably due to the Girls' School being still closed and also to the prevalence of measles. The Sanitary Inspector came in this morning to enquire as to the number of children present.
- Jan 16th Mr Donald, the Attendance Officer, came in this morning.  
P. Drayton Esq, the Education Secretary, came in this afternoon.
- Jan 18th The attendance, which rose to 91 yesterday, fell to 60 this afternoon, owing to the very wet and stormy weather.
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- Jan 19th The Rector and Miss Thorneycroft came in this morning.  
The average this week, owing to the causes named above, is very low: 81.6, percentage, 49.1.

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- Jan 22nd The attendance this morning has risen two 124.
- Jan 25th Only 75 children are present this morning owing to the wet and stormy weather. Mr Donald came in this morning.
- Feb 2nd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson and afterwards distributed the terminal Attendance Certificates.
- Feb 9th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
Three members of the Bexhill Education Committee visited the School at 3.45 yesterday afternoon.

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- Feb 14th Miss Allfrey has three days leave of absence (on account of her mother's illness) dating from this morning.  
P. Drayton Esq came in this afternoon.
- Feb 16th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
The wet weather this morning has lowered the attendance, which is 119 : 148 is the highest this week.
- Feb 19th Miss Allfrey returned to the School this morning.
- Feb 26th Miss Foster is unwell and absent from school today.
- Feb 27th Miss Foster is back again today.
- Feb 28th Today, being Ash Wednesday, the children in class I and some of those in class II were taken to church during the Scripture lesson time, returning by 10 a.m. The registers were closed rather later than usual.

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- Mar 2nd Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Mar 2nd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Mar 2nd Averages for the month end in today: –  
On roll, 159.7  
Attendance 134.4  
Percentage 84.1  
The Head Teacher has a leave of absence on Monday morning until 10.45.
- Mar 11th The Had Teacher has been away since Tuesday afternoon suffering from influenza and returned to the school this morning.  
The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson last Friday.

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- Mar 14th The Rector came in this morning.
- Mar 23rd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Mar 27th A letter received by the Managers was forwarded to the School this morning: the following extract concerns this school –

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"I reported to the Education Committee, at their meeting on Thursday last, the result of an interview, which I had with the Chief Inspector of the Board of Education for this district with regard to the insufficient accommodation in the Girls' Department of the St Peter's Schools, and that the Inspectors had made the following recommendations with a view to overcoming the difficulty, viz: –

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- 1) That the Stan. I children (Girls) should be retained in the Infants' Department instead of being transferred to the Girls' School, at the commencement of the new School year on April 2nd.
- 2) That no additional children under 5 years of age should be admitted until the completion of the new Council School and
- 3) That all girls seeking admission to the Girls' School should be admitted as soon as possible.

The Committee have adopted the recommendations of the Inspector and I am instructed to request the Managers to give instruction to the Head Teachers for the same to be carried out."

**Mar 28th** Mr Drayton came in this afternoon.

**Mar 30th** The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.  
Mr Drayton came in this afternoon.

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**Apr 2nd** today, being the first day of the School year, the children are promoted and the School is re-organised –

Miss Foster takes Standard I  
Miss Allfrey 1st class Infants  
Mrs Northcott 2nd class, and  
Miss Cruttenden 3rd class.  
Only 4 children, girls, was sent to the Upper School.

**Apr 6th** The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

**Apr 9th** This week being Holy Week, the children in the first class are being taken to Church each morning during the Scripture lesson time.  
Miss Foster is absent today, unwell.

**Apr 10th** Miss Foster is still away, suffering from an ulcerated throat and will not be able to return to the School until after the Easter holiday.

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**Apr 11th** The school closes this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

**Apr 23rd** The school was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. Miss Foster returned to the school this morning.

**Apr 25th** 25th April 1906. Visited. G. Gardner

**Apr 26th** The Examination in the Religious Knowledge was held this morning at 9.10 by the Rev C. W. G. Wilson.  
The children were dismissed at 10.40. 18 Certificates were granted.



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The Rev R. B. Dunlop was present during the Examination.  
The rest of the day is a holiday.

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- Apr 27th Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 168.3  
Average Attendance, 150.8  
Percentage Attendance, 89.5
- May 4th Miss Allfrey is unwell and left school about 10.30 this morning.
- May 18th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.  
Miss Foster left the school soon after 10, this morning, unwell.
- May 25th On Tuesday afternoon, at 2.0 o'clock, Mrs Churton, accompanied by the Rector, came to give away the Scripture Certificates.  
On Thursday, being Ascension Day, the older children were taken to Church at 9.15. In addition to the usual half-holiday on this day, a half-holiday was given in the morning in honour of "Empire Day".  
The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

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- Jun 1st Miss Cruttenden is suffering from a relaxed throat, and has been away from School yesterday afternoon & today. The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.  
Five weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 176.8  
Average attendance, 157  
Percentage attendance, 88.7
- Jun 11th The school re-assembled this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.  
Miss Cruttenden returned to the School this morning.
- Jun 15th Miss Foster was unwell this morning & unable to do more than an hours work.  
The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.

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- Jun 18th Miss Allfrey had leave of absence this afternoon.
- Jun 22nd The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Jun 29th Owing to the wet weather the attendance fell 2 130 this morning.  
Three weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 183  
Average attendance, 162.7  
Percentage attendance, 88.9
- Jul 9th The Head Teacher was late at School this morning, arriving at 10.30.  
Mrs Northcott has been placed in charge.

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- Jul 11th A whole holiday was given today for the School Treats.
- Jul 13th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

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Jul 16th The Rector came in this morning.  
The attendance fell this afternoon to 134 owing to the arrival of a Circus in the town.

Jul 20th The terminal examination began today.

Jul 20th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Jul 20th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

Jul 27th Visited. Edward G. Baker

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Jul 27th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson, and the Head Mistress afterwards went back with him to the Rectory and was absent in all about half an hour.  
A. G. Baker, Esq, Drawing Inspector came in this morning & looked at the children's drawings.  
A man named Frankie called and gave an estimate for renovating and ruling blackboards.

Aug 3rd Miss Allfrey's engagement as Assistant Teacher in this School ends today.  
The man is renovating for blackboards this afternoon.  
Five weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, hundred 78.8  
Average attendance, hundred and 55.9  
Percentage attendance, 87.1  
A Mr Harris called this morning to make a list of repairs to be done.

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Aug 3rd The school breaks up this afternoon for the five weeks Summer holiday.

Sep 10th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday – 144 children present.  
The new assistant teacher has not yet begun work: the Head Mistress is teaching Class II in her absence.

Sep 12th The Rector came in this morning.

Sep 20th A half-holiday is given today for the Boys' School's Sports.

Sep 25th No teacher has yet been appointed in Miss Allfrey's place: Miss Dorothy Candy, qualified under Art. 50, began work this morning as a "Supply" teacher. She is teaching Class II.  
Mrs Northcott left the school this morning owing to the death of her father: she is to be away for the rest of the week: the Head Mistress is taking her class.

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Sep 27th This morning the children in Standard I were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time for a Harvest Festival Service. Mr Drayton came in this afternoon.

Sep 28th Three weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 185.6  
Average percentage attendance, 85.1  
Average attendance, 158.2

Oct 1st Miss Mary Witts, qualified as an Uncertificated teacher, began work today in Miss Allfrey's place. Miss Witts is taking charge of the Babies Room, and Miss Cruttenden of Class II.  
Mrs Northcott returned to the School this morning.

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Miss Candy's engagement as "Supply" teacher ends this afternoon.

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- Oct 2nd The Head Teacher is suffering from a relaxed throat, and is not able to do any teaching today.
- Oct 5th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
The Had Teacher is not yet able to use her voice & has not been able to teach since Monday.
- Oct 10th Visited the school & inspected repairs.  
P. Shurway, John D. Atchison.
- Oct 11th Mr Drayton came in this afternoon.
- Oct 12th Visited. C. H. Stevens
- Oct 12th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
C. H. Stevens Esq H. M. I. Spent the morning in the school and heard Miss Candy teach in view of her taking the Scholarship Examination at Christmas.. Scratch that

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- Oct 16th Fires were begun this morning throughout the School.
- Oct 19th The Rector came in this morning and gave the usual Scripture lesson.
- Oct 25th The Head Teacher left the school at 9.10 this morning and returned at 10.50.  
Miss Dorothy Candy, who is coming to this school for practice in teaching, on Thursday mornings and Tuesday afternoons, began work this morning.
- Oct 26th The Rector came this morning and gave the usual Scripture lesson.  
The Head Teacher afterwards went up with him and was absent about 15 minutes.
- Oct 31st The Rector came in this morning. The Head Teacher has leave of absence during the afternoons until further notice as her Mother is dangerously ill. Mrs Northcott will be in charge of the school during the afternoons.

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- Nov 2nd The Head Teacher has leave to be away from the School for about an hour this morning, and left at 9.25.  
Several wet days this week have lowered the average attendance, which is 158.2.  
Five weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 184.4  
Average percentage attendance, 88.9  
Average attendance, 164
- Nov 5th The ordinary lessons were suspended this morning between 11 and 12, and the time given to photographing the children in groups.

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- Nov 9th The Rector came this morning to give the usual Scripture lesson.
- Nov 14th Mrs Northcott was absent from school today, unwell.

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- Nov 15th The Head Teacher returned to the School this morning, having been absent a week owing to the death of her Mother.  
Mrs Northcott is still away not being well enough to teach today.
- Nov 16th Mrs Northcott is back at school this morning. The Rector came today to give the Scripture lesson.
- Nov 19th Miss Witts is away today suffering from a swollen face.
- Nov 20th Miss Witts is still away: Miss Cruttenden is teaching Class III and the Head Teacher, Class II, in her absence.

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- Nov 21st The attendance fell 2 123 this morning, owing to the wet weather.  
Miss Witts is still away.
- Nov 22nd Miss Witts is better and back again today.
- Nov 28th Miss Witts is unwell this morning and went home at playtime.
- Nov 29th Miss Witts came back this afternoon at 1.30.
- Nov 30th The Rector came for a Scripture lesson this morning.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 181.5  
Average attendance, 159.6  
Percentage attendance, 87.1

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- Dec 5th Mr Drayton visited the School this afternoon.
- Dec 7th The Rector came in this morning but could not stay to give the usual lesson.
- Dec 10th The Head Teacher left the School at 11.45 this morning.
- Dec 14th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Dec 14th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. Mrs Sherwin came in this morning.
- Dec 18th Miss Foster is away today with a sore throat.
- Dec 19th Miss Foster returned to the school this afternoon.

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- Dec 20th G. Gardner, esq., H. M. I. came in this morning.
- Dec 21st The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holidays. In the afternoon the children have Songs together, and receive sweets, instead of the ordinary lessons.  
Three weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 180  
Average attendance, 158.1  
Percentage attendance, 87.8

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- Jan 7th The School re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday.
- Jan 17th The Had Teacher was absent this morning, visiting an Infants' School in Hastings.
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- Jan 23rd The attendance today is considerably lower than usual (125 and 118, in morning & afternoon, respectively) owing to the severe weather.
- Jan 25th The severe weather this week accounts for the low average attendance, 123. Many children are away with colds.
- Jan 30th The Head Mistress was absent from the school for about an hour this morning & for the same time this afternoon on school business.
- Jan 31st Miss Foster's engagement as Assistant teacher in this school ends today.
- Feb 1st The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
4 weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 179.5  
Average attendance, 139.7  
Percentage attendance, 77.8
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- Feb 4th Miss Mason, qualified as an un-certificated Assistant, began work as a "Supply" teacher today. Mrs Northcott is ill & unable to be at the school this week.
- Feb 8th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
The Miss Thorneycrofts came yesterday afternoon at 3 & heard the children sing & gave each child a bag of sweets.
- Feb 11th Mrs Northcott is still away.
- Feb 12th Miss Butler, formally an Art. 68 teacher in Evershot School, Dorset, is engaged to take Mrs Northcott's class in her absence & is beginning work here today.
- Feb 15th The Rector came this morning to take the usual Scripture lesson.  
Last Wednesday, being Ash Wednesday, the children in the first class were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.
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- Feb 19th Mrs Northcott returned to the School this morning and Miss Butler left this afternoon.
- Feb 21st Visit with Mr Garland. F. G. S. Freeland, H. M. I.
- Feb 22nd The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.
- Feb 27th F. A. S. Freeland Esq H. M. I. Visited the school this morning.
- Mar 1st Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton.
- Mar 4th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

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Miss Mason's work as temporary teacher ends this afternoon.

4 weeks ending today: –

Average number on books, 178.5

Average attendance, 151.5

Percentage attendance, 84.8

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- Mar 4th Miss Jebb began work this morning as an Uncertificated Assistant.
- Mar 8th The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.  
38 children have left this week to go to the new Council School; 13 new children have been admitted here.
- Mar 13th The Head Mistress left the School at 3.5 this afternoon.
- Mar 22nd The Rector came this morning to give the usual Scripture lesson.
- Mar 27th This week being Holy Week, the children in Classes I and II have been taken to Church each morning.  
F. Freeland, Esq & C. Garland, Esq came in this morning.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

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- Mar 27th Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 150.7  
Average attendance, 135.5  
Percentage attendance, 89.8.
- Apr 8th The school was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 67 children from Standard I and 1st class infants were transferred today to the upper schools: 7 new children were admitted here: the number on the roll is now 91.
- Apr 10th The Head Mistress has a leave of absence for tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday.
- Apr 15th This school being now over-staffed, Miss M. H. Cruttenden is today transferred to the Down Council School: she is however to be reckoned on the staff of this School until May 1st.

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- Apr 19th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Apr 26th The attendance this morning was 86, and this afternoon 66, owing to the very wet weather.
- May 3rd The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 95  
Average attendance, 87.5  
Percentage attendance, 92.1
- May 9th Today, being Ascension Day, the children in the first class were taken to Church in the first hour. A holiday is given in the afternoon.
- May 10th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
Visited the school & found everything satisfactory.  
P. Sherwin, John D. Atchison

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- May 17th This morning the Diocesan Inspector, the Reverend C. W. G. Wilson held the Examination in Religious Knowledge at 9.10 a.m. The Rev R. Be. Dunlop was present. The Examination ended at 10.30 and the School then broke up for the Whitsuntide holiday. The Registers had not been marked.
- May 27th The School was re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.
- May 29th Mrs Sherwin came in this morning.
- May 31st The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.

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- May 31st Three weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 102.6  
Average attendance, 92.9  
Percentage attendance, 90.4
- Jun 7th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Jun 13th The Head Mistress has leave of absence this afternoon until 2.4 5 p.m.
- Jun 14th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson, and again at 11.15 with Mrs Churton, who distributed the Scripture certificates. 26 Certificates were given, of which 9 were “Very Good”.
- Jun 21st The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. Mr Drayton came in this afternoon.
- Jun 24th The Head Mistress has leave of absence for tomorrow morning, to enable her to visit a School at Hastings.

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- Jun 25th The Rector came in this morning.
- Jun 28th Miss Witts has been away from the School both yesterday and today, unwell.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Percentage Attendance, 86.3  
Average Attendance, 92.6  
Average number on Roll, 107.2
- Jul 1st Miss Witts is better and back again this morning.
- Jul 5th The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.
- Jul 9th The Head Teacher was away from the School all day yesterday and this morning, unwell – she returned this afternoon.

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- Jul 9th The Diocesan Report was received yesterday & is as follows: –  
“I was again much pleased with my visit to this School. In all divisions the little ones answered very well and it is evident that these simple truths of our Religion are clearly brought home to them and impressed upon them. The singing was satisfactory and the children sent the Repetition very well.”

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(Signed) C. W. P. Wilson

Jul 12th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

Jul 19th A holiday was given on Wednesday for the Sunday School Treat.  
The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

Aug 2nd The school breaks this afternoon for the Summer holiday.  
Miss Witts has leave of absence today.

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Aug 2nd Five weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, 112.8  
Average attendance, 95.5  
Percentage attendance, 84.6

Sep 9th The school was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. 107 children were present.

Sep 20th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Sep 20th The Rector came this morning to give the usual Scripture lesson.

Sep 27th Miss Witts was away from the school or day on Tuesday, unwell.  
On Thursday morning the elder children were taken to Church for a Harvest Thanksgiving Service.  
The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

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Oct 1st F. A. S. Freeland, Esq, H. M. I. came in this afternoon and signed the new time table.

Oct 4th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

Oct 8th A very wet morning: only 64 children were present.

Oct 11th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

Oct 14th This morning Miss Witts took five children to get acorns for a Nature lesson – the walk lasted half an hour.  
The Head Mistress did not reach the school until 2.20 this afternoon owing to an accident.

Oct 18th The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.  
Wet weather & several cases of whooping cough have reduced the attendance this week: the average is 97.7.

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Oct 25th There are a few more cases of whooping cough – the average attendance is 90.9.  
The Medical Officer & the Sanitary Inspector visited the school today.

Oct 29th Miss Witts has been away yesterday & today, unwell.

Oct 30th Miss wits returned to the school today.

Nov 7th The Head Teacher left the School at 3.5 on Monday, to go to the Rectory on business. She was away on Tuesday & Wednesday, unwell, and returned to the School this morning.



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Mrs Sherwin came into the School on Tuesday morning.

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- Nov 8th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Nov 14th The Head Teacher returned to the School this morning, having been absent three days, unwell.
- Nov 15th The Rector came to give the usual lesson this morning.
- Nov 21st The ordinary lessons were interrupted for three quarters of an hour this morning, as the children were being photographed.
- Nov 22nd The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
Miss Witts is unwell & unable to do any work today.
- Nov 29th C. Garland Esq H. M. I. came in this morning.  
Very wet weather this week has affected the attendance: the average is 79.1

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- Dec 6th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Dec 13th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.  
The Head Teacher was away from the School, unwell, the first part of Wednesday afternoon.  
She left the School at 3.10 this afternoon.
- Dec 20th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday.  
Mrs Northcott has leave of absence this afternoon.
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- Jan 6th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday.
- Jan 10th Miss Jebb was away unwell on Monday. Mrs Northcott was away on Tuesday, unwell, and has not been well enough to return yet. Miss Witts is suffering from a severe chill & has been away yesterday & today. A big girl from the Girls' School has been in to help today.  
The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.
- Jan 13th Miss Witts returned to the School this morning but Mrs Northcott will not be able to resume work for some days.
- Jan 17th The Head Mistress has been away, unwell on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday this week. Mrs Northcott is still away.

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- Jan 24th Mrs Northcott is still away and will probably not be able to return for some time.
- Jan 31st The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 113  
Average attendance, 83.5  
Percentage attendance, 73.8

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Feb 7th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
Mr Lawson, the Education Secretary came in this afternoon.

Feb 15th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
Mr Garland, H. M. I. came in on Monday morning.

Feb 18th Miss Jebb is away today, unwell.

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Feb 20th Miss Witts was away this morning, unwell. A big girl came from the Girls' School to help.

Feb 21st The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
Miss Witts engagement as Assistant teacher here terminates today.

Feb 28th Miss Crawley, qualified as an Uncertificated teacher began work on Monday as temporary teacher in Mrs Northcott's place, the latter being away ill.  
4 weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, hundred and 20.7  
Average attendance, 88.9  
Percentage attendance, 73.7

Mar 4th Ash Wednesday. The children were not taken to Church this morning as usual, as a snowstorm came on about 9 o'clock.

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Mar 6th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

Mar 9th Mrs Northcott returned to the School this morning. Miss Crawley left on Friday last, the 6th.

Mar 11th Mrs Northcott is ill & unable to come this morning. Miss Crawley is taking her place.

Mar 13th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

Mar 18th The Head Teacher was away ill on Monday & Tuesday, but returned to the School this morning.  
Miss Crawley came to take the first class on Tuesday. Mrs Northcott returned to the School on Monday.

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Mar 20th The Rector came for the usual lesson this morning.  
Mabel Murrell began work as a paid Monitor in the School on March 9th.

Mar 24th The Diocesan Scripture Examination was held by the Rev C. W. G. Wilson this morning, from 9.15 to 10.30. 105 children were present. The registers were not marked & the rest of the day is a holiday. The Rector and the Rev R. B. Dunlop came to the Examination.

Mar 27th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Mar 27th The Rector came in this morning

Mar 31st The Rector came this morning to give the certificates for Scriptures.

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Apr 1st Today, being the first day of the new School year, 31 boys and 29 girls were transferred to the Upper Schools.

Apr 15th Miss Jebb has leave of absence this afternoon.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday. The children have not been taken to Church this week, as there are still a few cases of whooping cough about.

Apr 27th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday.  
The Diocesan Report was received today, & is as follows: –  
“I can only repeat what I said last year. The work of the School is carried on in a most conscientious and careful manner & the little ones are very well taught.”  
(Signed) C. W. G. Wilson.

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May 1st Mrs Northcott was taken ill in school this morning & went home at about 10.30.  
Three weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 69.6  
Average attendance, 57.3  
Percentage attendance, 80.8.

May 5th The Head Mistress left the school at 2.35 this afternoon to go to the Office on business.

May 8th Mrs Northcott has resigned owing to ill health & has not been at this School this week. Mabel Murrell has had charge of the babies class.  
The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

May 11th Visited by the Education Visiting Sub-Committee & everything found satisfactory.  
E. M. Miller, John W. Atchison, A. F. Bryan.

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May 15th Miss Elsie Stapleton, qualified as an Uncertificated teacher, began work as “Supply” teacher on Monday last.

May 19th The Head Mistress will be absent on School business this afternoon.

May 22nd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. Mr Lawson came in this morning.

May 25th A half-holiday is given today to celebrate Empire Day. Lessons to encourage patriotism were given from 11 to 12.

May 28th Today, being Ascension Day, the children from classes I & II went to Church from 9.15 – 9.45, & a half-holiday is given in the afternoon.

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May 29th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
4 weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 82.2  
Average attendance, 76.4  
Percentage attendance, 88.2

Jun 5th The School breaks up today for the Whitsuntide holiday.

Jun 15th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.

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- Jun 19th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
Miss Stapleton's work as "Supply" teacher ends today.
- Jun 22nd Miss Lilian Sage began work as an Uncertificated Assistant teacher this morning.
- Jun 25th The Head Teacher has leave of absence for tomorrow, Friday & for Monday next.
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- Jun 26th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Jul 3rd F. Freeland Esq & C. Garland Esq, H. M. I. came in on Tuesday morning.  
4 weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, 82.7  
Average Attendance, 73.7  
Percentage attendance, 89.1
- Jul 7th Visited by Visiting Sub-Committee of the Education Com. & everything found satisfactory.  
John W. Atchison
- Jul 10th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Jul 16th A whole holiday is given today for the Sunday School Treats.
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- Jul 17th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
Miss Sage & Mabel Murrell have leave of absence this afternoon to go to a rehearsal of the Pevensey Pageant.
- Jul 24th Yesterday afternoon a party was given at the School to the children's' Mothers. The children went through a programme of "occupations" games, drilling & singing, from 2.30 to 3.15, when the Mothers were entertained to tea in the play ground. The party ended at 3.45. The Rector & Mrs Churton were present.  
The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.
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- Jul 31st The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.  
The school breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holiday. Miss Jebb has a leave of absence this afternoon.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, 84.5  
Average attendance, 75.6  
Percentage attendance, 89.1
- Sep 7th The school was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. Mr Lawson came in.
- Sep 11th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Sep 18th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.
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- Sep 25th Mr Hallidie came yesterday afternoon to test children's eyesight.

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The rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

- Oct 2nd 4 weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, 88.7  
Average attendance, 77.5  
Percentage attendance, 87.9  
The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Oct 9th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.
- Oct 15th 15th Oct '08  
16th visited  
F. A. S. Freeland H. M. I. C. Garland
- Oct 16th On Tuesday last, the 13th, Dr Osborne came to examine eight children.
- Oct 21st Mrs Muirhead was absent from School yesterday afternoon & this morning, unwell.  
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- Oct 22nd Visited by Sub-committee. Colour washing in Office, lobbies, passages unsatisfactory.  
A. F. Bryan
- Oct 23rd The rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. Mrs Muirhead has been away all today unwell.
- Oct 30th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
Mrs Muirhead has been away two days this week suffering from bad eyesight.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 89.2  
Average attendance, 80  
Percentage attendance, 89.6
- Nov 6th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
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- Nov 9th The Had Mistress had leave of absence this morning.
- Nov 20th The Rector came to give the usual lesson this morning.
- Nov 27th The Head Teacher returned to this school this morning after being away three days, unwell. Mrs Muirhead was in charge. The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson this morning.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 92.2  
Average attendance, 84.3  
Percentage attendance, 91.3  
  
Tested the registers. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came to give the usual lesson this morning.
- Dec 11th The Rector came for the Scripture lesson this morning.  
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- Dec 23rd The School breaks up for the Christmas holiday this afternoon.

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Jan 11th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday.

Jan 15th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

Jan 22nd The Rector came for the Scripture lesson this morning.

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Jan 26th The Government Report was received & is as follows –

“The average attendance has fallen from 138 in 1907 to 85 this year & there is now spare space. The general atmosphere of the School is very Satisfactory & the children evidently enjoy their school life. The curriculum is on the whole suitable. The nature & object lessons given with due regard to the Seasons & R connected with Drawing, recitation, and simple & interesting stories. It is desirable that the girls should share the clay modelling now done by the boys. Methods are satisfactory, except in Reading way too much is done for the children by the Teachers; much more use might be made of the Black Board in this subject.”

T. T. Churton

Jan 29th Three weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 92  
Average attendance, 73.8  
Percentage attendance, 80.1

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Feb 5th The Head Mistress was away on Wednesday & Thursday this week, unwell.  
Mrs Muirhead left the School at playtime this morning, unwell.  
The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

Feb 12th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
Mrs Muirhead returned to the School on Monday morning.

Feb 19th The Rector came to give the Scripture lesson today.

Feb 26th The Rector came for the usual lesson this morning.  
Wednesday being Ash Wednesday the children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 91.2  
Average attendance, 69.1  
Percentage attendance, 75.7

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Mar 3rd Owing to the severe weather, only 47 children were present this morning & as only 27 came in the afternoon, the afternoon registers were not marked & the children were sent home.

Mar 4th The snow is very thick & only 25 children came this morning and they were sent home without being marked.

Mar 8th Only ten children came to School on Friday morning: they were not marked & were sent home – the School being closed until this morning, when it is re-opened.

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Mar 17th The Head Mistress has been away since Monday unwell & returned to this School this morning.

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Mar 30th Today is the day of the Scripture Examination, which lasted from 9 to 10.30 and was conducted by the Rev C. W. G. Wilson. The Rector and the Rev A. Johnson were present. The Registers were not marked & the children were sent home at 10.30.

Mar 31st Mrs Muirhead's engagement as Assistant teacher ends today. Miss Daisy Turner has been appointed in her place & begins work as an Uncertificated teacher tomorrow.

Apr 1st Six children, two girls & four boys were transferred to the Upper Schools today as they are rather older **than** the other children. The remainder of the first class children form a class corresponding to the lowest group in the Upper Schools – they are being taught by the Head Teacher. Miss Turner is teaching the first class infants & Miss Sage the second class, which at present include to the children under 5.

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Apr 2nd 5 weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 91  
Average attendance, 70.9  
Percentage attendance, 78.3

Apr 5th Today, being Monday in Holy Week, the elder children were taken to Church in the Scripture lesson time. They are to go each morning this week. Miss Sage is away today, ill.

Apr 7th The school breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday. Miss Sage is still away.

Apr 19th The School is re-opened today after the Easter holiday. Miss Sage is back at work today.

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Apr 30th Three weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 93  
Average attendance, 84.6  
Percentage attendance, 89.2

Diocesan Report:

“I was as usual very pleased with my visit to this school, for the little ones are very carefully taught a new were bright & ready in answering. The children in the middle division were not quite as quick as the others but the work of the school taken as a whole was, in my opinion, all that can be desired.”

C. W. G. Wilson – Diocesan Inspector

May 10th Mr Hallidie came this afternoon to test children's eyesight.

May 20th Today, being Ascension Day, the children in the first & second classes were taken to church in the Scripture lesson time, and a holiday was given in the afternoon.

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- May 21st This morning at 9.30 Mrs Churton, accompanied by the Rector, came to give away the Certificates for Scripture & for Attendance.  
The Head Mistress was away the greater part of this day, unwell.
- May 24th Today, being Empire Day, the children had special lessons on the subject and went through a short programme of singing & marching with flags. A holiday is given in the afternoon.
- May 26th Dr Osborne came this afternoon at 2.30 p.m. to examine some of the children.
- May 27th The Class-room was lent to the Girls from the Upper School, this afternoon for the Medical Examination. The Time Table was consequently re-arranged.

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- May 28th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 94.2  
Average attendance, 83.4  
Percentage attendance, 88.5
- Jun 7th The school was re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.
- Jun 11th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Jun 11th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.
- Jun 15th The Head Mistress was away from the School yesterday, unwell, she returned this morning.
- Jun 18th The Rector came for the usual lesson this morning.

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- Jun 25th The Rector came for the usual Scripture lesson this morning.
- Jul 2nd Four weeks ending today: –  
Average on books, 98.2  
Average attendance, 89.4  
Percentage attendance, 90.8
- Jul 6th Visited by visiting Sub-committee. All satisfactory.  
Fire drill 70 secs.  
A. F. Bryan  
John D. Atchison  
E. M. Miller  
C. M. Richardson
- Jul 9th The Rector came for the usual lesson this morning.  
Miss Turner has been away for days this week having lost her voice.
- Jul 13th Miss Turner returned to work yesterday. A holiday is given tomorrow for the Sunday School Treats.
- Jul 16th The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.

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Jul 25th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson. Mabel Murrell has been away a Day & a half this week, unwell.

Jul 30th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holidays.  
Miss Turner's engagement as Assistant teacher in this School ends today.  
4 weeks ending today: –  
Average number on books, 97  
Average attendance, 88.3  
Percentage attendance, 88.2

Sep 6th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holidays.  
Miss Eunice Homewood, qualified as a Supplementary teacher began work in the School this morning: she is in charge of the babies class, together with class III (five-year old children)

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Sep 17th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Sep 17th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

Sep 24th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson. Mr Lawson came in at noon. Miss Sage was away on Monday, unwell.

Sep 29th The Head Mistress was away yesterday, unwell, but returned to the School at playtime this morning.

Oct 1st Four weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 96  
Average attendance, 88.2  
Percentage attendance, 91.8

Oct 8th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson. Miss Sage is away today, to disinfect herself after exposure to infection.

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Oct 15th The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.

Oct 20th Painting & repairs examined. A. F. Bryan, Chairman sub-com.

Oct 29th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
Four weeks ending today: –  
Average number on roll, 94.7  
Average attendance, 88.8  
Percentage attendance, 93.7

Nov 5th Fire drill was taken this morning – the rooms were cleared in one minute.

Nov 12th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

Nov 19th The Rev R. B. Dunlop came in yesterday.

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Nov 29th The Head Mistress was away on Friday afternoon, unwell.  
Miss Sage is away all this week for the Certificate Exam.  
The Rector came in this afternoon.

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- Dec 7th Today & for the remainder of this week, the children are being taken to a Mission Service at the Church during the Scripture lesson time.  
Five weeks ending last Friday: –  
Average number on roll, 95.6  
Average attendance, 88.5  
Percentage attendance, 92.5
- Dec 17th Mabel Murrell was away from the School yesterday, unwell.
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- Feb 21st The School was reopened on January 10th after the Christmas holiday. The Head Teacher of being unwell & having six week's leave of absence, Miss Sage was in charge.  
*[Note. The above entry is dated, in the school log book, as shown]*
- Jan 20th The School is closed today for the election.
- Jan 21st The Rector came & gave his usual Scripture lesson.
- Jan 28th Three weeks ending today: –  
Average on roll, 97.3  
Average attendance, 89  
Percentage attendance, 84
- Feb 4th The Rector came & gave the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Feb 9th Today, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children went to Church, during the Scripture lesson time. Fire drill was taken & the room cleared in one minute.
- Feb 21st The Head Teacher returned to the School this morning.

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- Feb 25th Four weeks ending today: –  
Average attendance, 84.9  
Average on roll, 99.7  
Percentage attendance, 85.1
- Mar 9th Today being the day of the Scripture Examination, the Registers were not marked & the children were dismissed at 11. The Revs R. Jameson & C. Matthews inspected & the Rev A. N. Johnson came in.

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- Mar 17th The Rector came in this morning & read the Report of Religious Instruction to the children, which is as follows:  
"The Infants' Department is quite excellent in every way. Care is being taken with the teaching to make it cheerful and interesting, with the result that the children answer readily & very accurately. Mr Matthews was delighted with the Babies & the first class. A good selection of lessons has been made, & they were all thoroughly well known. I was also pleased with the Middle division where the Bible stories have been earnestly & simply explained. The Repetition of Scripture passages & the Commandments was said well & reverently by all the children."  
(Signed) R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector

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- Mar 17th Tested Registers and found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Mar 18th The Rector came this morning and distributed the Diocesan Certificates for Scripture. 23 children had gained certificates.  
E. J. Baker Esq came in to inspect drawing this morning.

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- Mar 23rd This week being Horny Week, the elder children have been to Church each morning during the Scripture lesson time.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 4th The School is re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday.  
25 children, 15 boys & 10 girls were transferred today to the Upper Schools. 8 children were admitted here.
- Apr 11th The Head Mistress was away three days last week with an attack of influenza. She returned to the School this morning.
- May 5th Today, being Ascension Day, the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time, and a holiday is given in the afternoon.

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- May 6th Miss Sage is absent today – unwell.
- May 9th Miss Sage returned to work this morning.
- May 13th Miss Sage has been absent four days this week, unwell. The School breaks up today for the Whitsuntide holiday.
- May 23rd The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday. Miss Sage returned to work.
- May 27th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.
- Jun 3rd The Rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.
- Jun 10th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

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- Jun 13th The Head Teacher was absent this morning, unwell, but returned to the School this afternoon.
- Jun 20th There are two cases of diphtheria & one of diphtheric throat from the School – the Medical Officer of Health came in this morning, & looked over the School premises.  
The photographer came this morning for an hour.
- Jun 21st There is another case of diphtheria; the Medical Officer & the Sanitary Inspector came in this morning.
- Jun 22nd The Education Secretary came in this morning to say that the 2nd class children were to be given a week's holiday owing to 3 cases of diphtheria in that class. The classroom is to be disinfected. The children were therefore sent home.

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- Jun 24th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

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- Jun 24th The class room was disinfected yesterday. The Rector came in this morning.
- Jun 27th Fire drill, 70 seconds. The Sanitary Inspector came in this morning.
- Jun 28th Fire drill, 60 sec. Mr Lawson came in today.
- Jun 29th Three boys from the 1st class are leaving the School at 2.5 p.m. to take part in an Empire Pageant. As it is an Educational Entertainment, their attendances are not being cancelled. Owing to the slight outbreak of diphtheria, the timetable has been departed from for the past week, & will be for the present, to enable the children to get longer & more frequent times in the play ground.

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- Jul 8th The Sub-committee visits the school to examine the state of repair of the premises.  
A. F. Bryan (chairman), John W. Atchison, J. Gurney, C. Ashlin
- Jul 13th A holiday is given today for the Sunday School Treats.
- Jul 19th Miss Homewood was absent this morning, unwell.

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- Jul 22nd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson. The Medical Officer is attending at the School three afternoons this week to examine children & as the small classroom has been set apart for his use, it has not been possible to keep to the Time table.
- Jul 28th The Head Mistress was absent from the School for about an hour this afternoon, buying prices for the children.
- Jul 29th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson – he afterwards distributed Attendance certificates & other rewards to the children. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holiday.
- Sep 5th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday.
- Sep 15th The Head Mistress was away yesterday & this morning, unwell.

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- Sep 16th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Sep 16th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson & also tested the registers. Miss Homewood was absent this afternoon with a sore throat.
- Sep 22nd The Rector came this morning & gave a Scripture lesson.
- Sep 28th Dr Osborne came in this afternoon & examined some of the children as there are two fresh cases of diphtheria from the School.
- Sep 29th today, being the day of the Harvest Thanksgiving, the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.
- Oct 3rd Dr Osborne & Mr Flint came in this morning & inspected the School premises. There is one more case of diphtheria.

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- Oct 5th The Visiting Committee came to the School this afternoon & inspected the repairs done.
- Oct 6th Dr Osborne came in this morning: there is one more case of diphtheria.
- Oct 7th The Rector came this morning & gave the Scripture lesson.
- Oct 10th In accordance with an order of the Medical Officer, all the children under 5 was sent home this morning for 14 days, as a measure of precaution in view of the continued cases of diphtheria. Dr Osborne came in this morning & looked at many of the children's throats.

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- Oct 11th Miss Homewood had leave of absence for this afternoon.
- Oct 14th The attendances have been very low this week partly because the babies are excluded & partly because of the very wet weather. This morning only 50 children were present.
- Oct 17th Miss Homewood has leave of absence for this afternoon.
- Oct 20th It is a very wet again today, only 30 children came in the morning & 49 in the afternoon. Miss Homewood & Miss Sage each had half a day's leave of absence. The Rector came in in the morning also Mr Garland.
- Oct 21st It is still very wet; 59 children were present in the morning.

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- Oct 21st The Rector came this morning & gave his Scripture lesson. Mr Lawson came in.
- Oct 28th The Rector came for the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Nov 4th The Rector came & gave his lesson this morning.
- Nov 7th Miss's age had leave of absence for this morning.
- Nov 8th The Head Teacher left the School before play time this afternoon.
- Nov 11th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.
- Nov 18th The Rector came in this morning & Miss Richardson came in this afternoon.
- Nov 21st Dr Osborne came in this morning.

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- Nov 23rd The Head Mistress was away from the School yesterday, unwell, & returned at 11.15 this morning.  
In accordance with an order of the Medical Officer, the children aged 5 & under, were yesterday excluded for a month. This is owing to the continuance of diphtheria among the children.
- Nov 25th The Head Mistress was absent from the School this afternoon.
- Nov 29th The Head Mistress came into the School for a short time this afternoon having been absent yesterday & today, unwell. Dr Osborne came in yesterday morning.

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- Dec 2nd Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came & gave the Scripture lesson this morning.
- Dec 9th The Rector came for his lesson this morning.
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- Dec 9th The Rev A. N. Johnson came in this afternoon. A holiday is to be given next Monday, the 12th,  
for the Election.
- Dec 13th Miss Homewood has leave **of** absence for this morning.
- Dec 16th The weather being unusually wet & stormy this morning, only 37 children came to school. The  
registers were not marked & they were sent home again. In the afternoon only 33 came and they  
were not kept.
- Dec 19th The Head Mistress was absent this morning unwell. She returned to the School this afternoon.
- Dec 22nd Mr Lawson came in this morning. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas  
holiday.
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## **1911** **[Page 258]**

- Jan 9th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday.
- Jan 13th The Rector came & gave his usual lesson this morning.
- Jan 20th The Rector came this morning for the usual Scripture lesson.
- Jan 27th Miss Clementson has been in the School three days this week to observe methods of class  
teaching.
- Feb 7th The Head Mistress was absent, unwell, this morning & returned to the school this afternoon.
- Feb 8th The Rector came in this morning.
- Feb 10th The Rector came this morning & gave his usual lesson.
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- Feb 17th The Rector came to give his usual lesson this morning.
- Feb 24th The Head Teacher has been away three days this week, unwell & returned to the School this  
morning.
- Mar 1st today being Ash Wednesday the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson  
time.
- Mar 6th Miss Sage has leave of absence for this morning.
- Mar 7th The Head Mistress was absent this morning, unwell.
- Mar 8th today, being the day of the Scripture Examination, the registers were not marked & the children  
were sent home at 10.15, the rest of the day being they holiday.

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The Rev R. B. Jameson and C. H. S. Matthews conducted the Exam and the Rev R. B. Dunlop was present.

Mar 9th owing to the very hot weather & also to the prevalence of mumps only 58 children were at school this morning.  
Dr Osborne came in this morning.

Mar 10th The Rector came this morning & gave the first class a lesson.

Mar 13th This morning being cold & wet only 48 children came to school & the registers were not marked. There are many cases of mumps.  
The children were all sent home; in the afternoon 60 came & school was held as usual.

Mar 14th Miss Sage is absent today with a stiff neck. Only 60 children have been present in School today.

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Mar 15th Miss Sage is better & back today. F. A. S. Freeland Esq H. M. I. visited the School this morning.

Mar 16th Diocesan Report of Religious Instruction received:  
"The school has been re—organised during the year & the individual attention hitherto given to each class is now less possible but the usual cheery & conscientious spirit is everywhere apparent & the children's interest in their lessons has been in no way diminished.  
Mr Matthews pronounced the work in class I to be excellent in all respects & the younger children answered readily & accurately.  
The Repetition of the Catechism was reverently & distinctly said & in the Lower Class the Texts & hymns were repeated both individually & collectively."  
R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector.

The Rector came in this morning & brought the Diocesan Report. F. A. S. Freeland Esq visited the school again this afternoon.

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Mar 20th Dr Osborne came in this morning.

Mar 30th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Apr 3rd This morning being the first day of the new School year, 21 boys & 23 girls were transferred to the Upper Schools.

Apr 5th Owing to the severe weather only 35 children came to school this morning & 17 this afternoon. The registers were not marked either time & the children were sent home.

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Apr 6th The weather is still very severe; only 28 children came to school this morning & they were kept in school but the registers were not marked. 42 children came in the afternoon & the registers were marked.

Apr 7th The Rector came in this morning.

Apr 10th This week being Holy Week the elder children are being taken to church at 9.15, the registers been marked & closed when they return and 10 a.m.

Apr 12th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

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Apr 24th The School is re-opened today after the Easter holiday.

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Apr 24th Miss Brands, qualified as an Uncertificated Assistant began work this morning as a temporary teacher in Miss Homewood's place. Miss Homewood is away this term, working for an exam.

Apr 25th In accordance with an order from the Education Committee, the School was closed this morning. The instructions received state that "this step is taken with the view of trying, if possible, to prevent an epidemic of measles which has every appearance of breaking out amongst the Scholars."

The School is to re-open on Monday, May 22nd.

Jun 12th The School was re-opened this morning having been closed for an additional fortnight from May 22nd & then for a week at Whitsuntide as usual.

The School therefore has not been open, except for one day (Apr 25th) for eight weeks.

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Jun 15th The Rector came in this morning.

Jun 16th The Rector came this morning & gave his usual lesson.

Jun 20th F. A. S. Freeland Esq came in this morning & again this afternoon.

Jun 21st The School breaks up this morning, until the 29th instant, for the Coronation holiday.

Jun 29th The School was re-opened this morning after the Coronation holiday.

Jun 30th The Head Mistress was absent yesterday afternoon, unwell.

Jun 30th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

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Jul 3rd The Rev R. B. Dunlop came in this morning.

Jul 7th The Rector came to give his lesson this morning.

Jul 10th The Had Mistress was absent this morning, unwell.

Jul 11th Visiting Committee visited School & found everything satisfactory.

A. F. Bryan, John De Atchison

Jul 14th A holiday was given on Wednesday last for the Sunday School Treats.

The Rector came this morning & gave the Scripture lesson as usual.

This afternoon, at 2.45, the First Class children went to play in the Rectory Hayfield. They were accompanied by teachers & had games & stories there instead of in School.

Jul 28th The Rector came in this morning.

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Aug 4th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holidays. Miss Brand's engagement as temporary Assistant ends today.



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Sep 11th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday. Miss Homewood resumed her work this morning.

Sep 15th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson. The doctor has been at the School three afternoons this week for the medical inspection of the children. At those times the lessons were necessarily re-arranged.

Sep 29th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

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Sep 29th The Rector came & gave his usual lesson this morning. The doctor came again on Tuesday afternoon for the medical inspection.

Oct 6th Wednesday in this week being the day of the Harvest Festival, the elder children went to Church during the Scripture lesson time.

Oct 17th The Head Mistress has leave of absence this afternoon to attend a funeral & left this School at 2 o'clock.

Oct 20th The weather being very wet and stormy this morning, the attendance was smaller than usual; about 20 children being absent on that account.

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Oct 24th Visited this school. John D. Atchison, John Gurney, James Rodgers.

Oct 26th The weather is very stormy & wet this afternoon – 20 children are absent on that account.

Oct 27th The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson. The weather is again very wet this afternoon; 21 children are away from School.

Nov 3rd The Rector came and gave his usual lesson this morning.

Nov 6th F. A. S. Freeland Esq visited the School in the morning & in the afternoon today.

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Nov 8th This morning being a very wet morning only 59 children came to School. Lessons were taken as usual but the registers were not marked.

Nov 10th The Rector came this morning and gave his usual lesson.

Nov 23rd The Rector came in this morning.

Nov 24th The Rector came & gave his usual lesson today.

Nov 27th The Head Mistress was absent, unwell.

Nov 30th Government Report received.

“There is a very pleasing tone about this Infants' School and the influence of the Had Mistress is everywhere noticeable. The points mentioned in the last report have received attention.”

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“The elementary subjects are taught by good methods and the occupations and lessons on the common things of life are made interesting and attractive.

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The babies are very well managed and are bright and communicative. For want of space in the Senior Schools a Class of 37 children has been retained in this Department. It would be well that the Head Mistresses of the two Departments consulted as to the Scheme of work of this class." T. T. Churton

Dec 1st Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning and gave his usual lesson.

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Dec 7th The weather being very wet & stormy this morning, there is a very small school – only 59 present. The registers were therefore not marked.

Dec 15th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

Dec 21st The School broke up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday.

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## **1912**

Jan 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.

Jan 12th The Rector came in this morning.

Jan 15th Miss Homewood is absent today, unwell.

Jan 19th Miss Sage has been absent yesterday and today, unwell.

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Jan 19th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.

Jan 23rd Miss Sage is still away ill. The Had Mistress was also away yesterday, unwell, but returned to work this morning. Two teachers from the Girls' School have been in to help, one each day.

Jan 24th Miss Lilian Brands, (Uncertificated) began work today as Supply teacher.

Feb 5th Miss Lilian Brands engagement as Supply Teacher ends this afternoon.

Feb 6th Miss Sage returned to the school this morning.

Feb 9th The Head Mistress has leave of absence for the last hour this afternoon.

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Feb 12th Mrs Mears, Secretary of the Children's Care Committee, came in this afternoon.

Feb 19th The doctor came this morning and examined to children.

Feb 21st Today, being Ash Wednesday, some of the elder children were taken to Church in the Scripture lesson time.

Feb 23rd Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Feb 23rd The Rector came this morning and gave his Scripture lesson.

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Mar 1st The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.

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Mar 7th Today, being the day of the Scripture Examination, the registers were not marked & the children went home at about 11 oh clock.  
The Revds. R. B. Jameson and C. H. S. Matthews examined, and the Rector and the Rev R. B. Dunlop and a. Johnson were present (full report see page 285).

Mar 8th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.  
The Head Mistress was absent on Tuesday & Wednesday, this week, unwell.

Mar 13th Miss Richardson came in this afternoon.

Mar 18th The Head Mistress left the School at 11.45 this morning to go to the dentists & will be absent, therefore, this afternoon.

Mar 21st The weather was very wet this morning; nearly half the children were absent, 51 were present.  
The lessons went on, but the registers were not marked.

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Apr 1st This week being Holy Week, the elder children are being taken to Church each morning in the Scripture lesson time.

Apr 3rd The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 15th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday.

Apr 25th The Rector came in this morning.

May 3rd The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

May 16th This morning, as it is Ascension Day, the elder children went to Church in the Scripture lesson time; And a holiday is given in the afternoon.

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May 17th Miss Sage was absent on Tuesday, unwell.

May 17th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

May 21st The Had Mistress was absent yesterday & this morning, unwell; & returned to the school this afternoon.

May 22nd This afternoon the time-table was suspended and at 30 clock Mrs Churton came to distribute the prizes and certificates gained by the children. Miss Richardson was present and many of the parents.

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May 24th today is Empire Day. The children went out at 10 o'clock to salute the flag. At 10.30 the Rev A. N. Johnson came in and Miss Richardson, and the Coronation banner, was presented to the School. The morning was spent in simple lessons on Patrick Chisholm.  
The School broke up this morning for the Whitsuntide holiday.

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Jun 3rd The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday. The time-table is being re-arranged today & the two following days to enable the children to practice for a Concert.

Jun 7th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson.

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Jun 10th The Head Teacher left the School at 2.50 this afternoon.

Jun 21st The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson. The Head Mistress was absent yesterday, unwell.

Jun 28th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.

Jul 4th Fire drill, 90 secs.

Jul 9th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell.

Jul 9th School inspected by visiting com. to consider repairs, etc. A. F. Bryan

Jul 10th A holiday is given today for the Sunday School treats.

Jul 11th W. F. Giller Esq visited the School this morning.

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Jul 12th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

Jul 19th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

Jul 22nd Miss Homewood is absent today, unwell.

Jul 24th Miss Homewood return to the School this afternoon.

Aug 2nd The School breaks up today for the Summer holidays.

Sep 9th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday.

Sep 20th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning & gave his usual lesson.  
The School Medical Officer has been at the School afternoons this week & three last week, for the annual medical exam of the children. The time-table on those days was necessarily re-arranged.

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Sep 30th Thursday last being the day of the Harvest Thanksgiving the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.  
The Head Mistress was absent on Friday, unwell.  
The Rector came on Friday to give the usual Scripture lesson.  
This morning there are only 44 children present owing to the wet & stormy weather. Lessons are being taken as usual but the registers have not been marked.  
Miss Mabel Murrell began work as a Supplementary teacher on Sept 24th.  
The Visiting Committee came in this afternoon to inspect repairs.  
Only 76 children came this afternoon, lessons were taken again but no registers marked.

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- Sep 9th Miss Sage is absent today, unwell.
- Sep 11th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.
- Sep 14th The Head Mistress was absent on Friday afternoon & also today, unwell.
- Nov 1st Miss Homewood's engagement as Assistant teacher ended yesterday. Miss Farrar began work this morning.  
The Head Mistress was absent on Monday, ill.
- Nov 8th The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.

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- Nov 12th the School dentist attended here this afternoon & examined about 30 children.
- Nov 13th Miss Farrar has leave of absence this afternoon.
- Nov 22nd The Rector came this morning & gave his usual lesson.
- Nov 29th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.  
Miss Sage's engagement as Uncertificated Assistant teacher ends today.
- Dec 2nd Mrs Lewis began work as Assistant (Supplementary) teacher this morning.
- Dec 13th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

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- Dec 13th Miss Murrell was absent, unwell, on Tuesday this week and Miss Farrar absent on Thursday for the same reason. Miss Farrar's engagement as Assistant teacher ends today.  
The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.
- Dec 16th Miss Elphick began work as an Uncertificated Assistant this morning.
- Dec 20th C. Garland Esq., H. M. I., spent the day in the School on Tuesday & came in again on Thursday.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holidays.
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## **1913**

- Jan 6th The School re-assembled this morning after the Christmas holidays.

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- Jan 6th The Rector came in this morning.
- Jan 10th The Rector came for his usual lesson this morning.
- Jan 17th The Rector came & gave the usual lesson this morning.
- Jan 28th The Head Mistress was absent yesterday & this morning, unwell. She returned to the School at 2.15 this afternoon.

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Feb 7th Wednesday in this week been Ash Wednesday, the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson hour.  
The Rector came this morning to give the Scripture lesson.  
The Diocesan Inspector's Report for 1911-12 is as follows:  
"The Infants are being admirably trained. In each class the answers have been readily & cheerfully given, and that there are no signs of shyness. A full & useful selection of Scripture passages has been made for the Repetition & it was very reverently said by individual children. An unusually good feature of the work was the teaching of the Baptismal Covenant, which has been explained in a simple & interesting manner. The Bible narratives have also been carefully taught with the help of pictures. Miss Caldwell & her Assistance must be complemented on the happy appearance of their children & the good results of the year's work."  
(Signed) R. B. Jameson – Diocesan Inspector

Feb 14th The rector came this morning to give the usual lesson.

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Feb 21st Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.  
Boutflower, Esq, H. M. I., came in for about an hour yesterday afternoon.

Feb 28th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

Mar 4th The Head Mistress was absent yesterday, unwell; she returned to the school at 1.30 today.

Mar 14th Tuesday in this week was the day of the Diocesan Scripture Exam. The Rev R. B. Jameson examined the children & the Rector was present. The children were dismissed at 10.30: the registers were not marked.  
The Head Mistress was absent on Wednesday, unwell.

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Mar 19th This week being Poorly Week, the elder children were taken to Church on Monday & Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. On Wednesday it was too wet to go. Miss Elphick has been absent unwell all this week. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 1st The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. The Rector came in this morning & brought the Diocesan Report, which is as follows: –

"The Infants had been most carefully taught in each class. I have been pleased with their knowledge of the Bible narratives & their readiness to answer the questions. All, including the Babies are receiving there instruction with evident signs of interest & a very reverent tone is noticeable. The truths contained in the early part of the Catechism had been simply taught by means of question & answer & the Repetition of Scripture was said most distinctly and accurately."  
R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector.

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Apr 11th The Rector came in yesterday morning.

Apr 16th The weather being very wet & stormy this morning only 65 children were present at School. The usual lessons were taken but the registers were not marked. The same thing occurred in the afternoon, only 62 children been at school.

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Apr 25th Miss Elphick has been absent the day & a half this week, unwell; Miss Murrell is away today, not well. The Rector came this morning for the Scripture lesson. Miss Elphick's engagement ends today.

May 1st Today, being Ascension Day, the elder children were taken to Church during the first hour; & a holiday was given in the afternoon.

May 2nd The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

May 9th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday. Mrs Hall's engagement as Supply teacher ends today.

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May 19th The School re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday. Miss Hawes began work as an Uncertificated Assistant today.

May 23rd Today (Friday) is being observed as Empire Day in the Schools. The morning time-table was suspended the time being spent in saluting the flank & in songs, marches, drilling, suitable occupations. Several of the children's mothers visited School. A holiday is given in the afternoon.

May 30th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell.

Jun 6th The School Medical Officer has attended here three afternoons this week to examine children. On those days the time-table has necessarily been re-arranged.

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Jun 13th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Jun 13th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

Jun 23rd The Head Teacher was absent last Friday, unwell. The Rector came that morning for his usual lesson. Today, being the day of the Prize-giving, the lessons are re-arranged.

Jun 27th The Rector and Mrs Churton came on Monday afternoon for the Prize-giving at 3 o'clock. A number of the children's parents were present.  
The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson.

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Jul 1st The Rector came in this morning.

Jul 7th Miss Hawes was absent this morning.

Jul 10th The Rector came in this morning. This afternoon the attendance fell to 89 on account of the very wet weather. 5 children were sent home with wet feet, making 84 present.

Jul 11th The Rector came this morning for the usual lesson. A holiday was given on Wednesday this week for the School Treats.

Jul 15th The weather being unusually wet this morning, 45 children were absent. Only 70 were present. The classes had to be re-arranged: the registers were not marked.

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Jul 18th The weather being very wet this morning, 34 children were absent. The Rector came for the usual lesson.  
On Wednesday morning the Head Teacher was absent, unwell.  
A holiday was given on Wednesday afternoon for the Parish Sunday School Treat.

Jul 25th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

Aug 1st The School closes this afternoon for the Summer holiday.

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Sep 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. Eight children were admitted.  
Miss Hawes was absent all day.

Sep 9th Miss Hawes having written to say she is not returning to the School, Mrs Hall began work as Supply teacher this morning.

Sep 19th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.  
Amy Carey began work as Monitor on Tuesday morning.

Sep 26th Yesterday, being the day of the Harvest Thanksgiving, the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.  
The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

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Oct 3rd The Head Teacher was absent on Monday, unwell, & returned to the School on Tuesday.  
Mrs Hall was absent on Thursday, suffering from a relaxed throat: her engagement as "Supply" teacher ends today.

Oct 6th Miss Martin began work as Uncertificated Assistant today.

Oct 7th This morning the weather being unusually wet, only 61 children were present: the registers were not marked & the classes grouped for work.

Oct 15th The Head Mistress was not at School until 10.30 this morning.

Oct 21st The weather is unusually wet this morning; the attendance fell to 73.

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Oct 30th Tested Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton  
The Rector came this morning & gave a Scripture lesson.

Nov 7th The weather being very wet yesterday morning, only 67 children were at School. The registers were not marked but work went on as usual as far as was possible.  
The Head Teacher has been absent two days this week, ill.  
The Rector came this morning & gave his usual lesson.

Nov 14th Owing to the very wet weather, the attendance fell to 62 this morning; the classes were grouped for work, the registers not been marked.  
The Rector came & gave his usual Scripture lesson.

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- Nov 17th E Baker Esq & C. Boutflower, Esq visited the School this afternoon at 1.30 & saw the children at their drawing & modelling.
- Nov 21st The Rector came for his usual lesson.
- Nov 28th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell.
- Dec 10th Dr Weston came in this morning & saw two children.
- Dec 16th The Had Teacher was away ill **on** Friday and did not return to the School until Tuesday morning.
- Dec 17th Dr Weston came in this morning.
- Dec 19th The School broke up this afternoon for the Christmas holidays. The time table was suspended in the afternoon, carols was sung, and sweets distributed. Mrs Lewis engagement as Assistant teacher ended today.
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### **1914** [Page 299]

- Jan 5th The School was opened this morning after the holidays. Mrs Hall began work as temporary Assistant.
- Jan 6th Mrs Meade's came in this afternoon.
- Jan 16th The Head Mistress has been away two days this week, Tuesday & Wednesday, owing to her father's serious illness.  
The Rector came this morning & gave his usual Scripture lesson.  
The attendances have been very low this week owing to the severe weather.

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- Jan 23rd Miss Murrel has been absent today, unwell. The weather has been severely cold this week & the attendances therefore unusually low. Mrs Meade's, miss Creswell, and miss Thornton have called this week, respecting the milk given in the School daily by the Bexhill Care Committee.
- Feb 2nd The Head Teacher was absent last Friday, not being well.
- Feb 6th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.  
The Head Mistress was unwell & away from School yesterday.
- Feb 10th Miss Murrell has leave of absence for today.
- Feb 13th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Feb 13th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

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- Feb 20th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.
- Feb 25th This morning, being Ash Wednesday morning, the elder children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.
- Feb 27th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.

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A photographer came this afternoon. The lessons were interrupted for about half an hour while he photographed the children.

Mar 1st Mrs Hall is today appointed Assistant.

Mar 6th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson.

Mar 13th On Tuesday last day Scripture Examination was held that 9.15. The Rev R. G. Jameson and W. C. Soughton came to examine and the Rector was present. The registers were not marked & after 10.45 a holiday was given. This morning the Rector came to give his usual lesson.

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Mar 16th Diocesan Inspectors Report received: –

“This Department is in excellent order & the children are eager & happy. In every class care is plainly being taken to make the Religious lessons interesting & beneficial & the children have responded most heartily, no shyness being perceptible.

Mr Soughton & I were pleased with the knowledge of the Bible Narratives displayed by the children (the Babies included) and with the character of the Repetition, which was everywhere subdued & Rev.” R. B. Jamison, Diocesan Inspector.

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Mar 20th The attendances today have been very low owing to the very wet weather – 66 in the morning, 75 in the afternoon.

Mar 25th Visited the School. C. Boutflower

Mar 27th The Rector came this morning for his usual lesson. The Had Mistress had leave of absence for a short time in the afternoon & left at the School at 2.10 – returning at 3.5 p.m.

Apr 3rd The Head Teacher left the School at 2.15 on Tuesday, unwell, & was absent or day on Thursday for the same reason.

The Rector came this morning for his weekly lesson.

Ten boys & seven girls were transferred to the Upper Department's on Wednesday.

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Apr 6th This week being Holy Week, the children are being taken to Church for a short service each morning.

Apr 8th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 20th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday.

Apr 28th The Head Teacher was absent this morning with a bad headache, but returned to the School for the afternoon's work.

May 22nd The Head Teacher was absent, unwell on Monday.

The Rector came to teach the children some Church music at 9.15 on Wednesday.

Thursday being Ascension Day the elder children went to church during the first hour & in the afternoon a holiday was given.

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May 22nd Today being "kept as Empire day", the timetable was suspended & the morning devoted to patriotically exercises: in the afternoon a holiday is being given.

May 29th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.

Jun 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.

Jun 10th Mr bout flowers report (H. M. I.) was received; it is as follows,

"The Head Mistress is very painstaking but in some ways she is over-anxious & inconsequence a certain atmosphere of formality is apparent at times in the methods employed and the

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discipline is apt to be mechanical. The children, however, are communicative and the work as a whole shows satisfactory progress."

"The classification in three groups instead of four for all work other than reading, writing, & arithmetic is not a wholly satisfactory arrangement."

"Reading is making good progress in the two upper classes; in the two lower classes the subject is not made sufficiently interesting."

"Writing is satisfactory as far as it goes in Standard I but the better children could safely be allowed to advance more rapidly. The upper half of Standard I answered well in Mental Arithmetic."

"The Geometry lesson in the top group was not very brightly given and the teacher concerned ought to endeavour to adopt a more lively manner in all her work."

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"The lowest class is sympathetically taught, a daily number lesson at this stage ought not to be necessary since the syllabus does not extend beyond 6."

"The Marching of the children has attention throughout."

"Suggestions which will know doubt receive careful attention had been made recently by the Diocesan Inspector in regard to the Drawing & Modelling."

"The practice of promoting once a year to the Boys Department & three times a year to the Girls Department is not a very convenient one and it is suggested that it would be better to promote twice a year (in both Departments)."

"Premises: -"

"The Surface of the playground is unsatisfactory."

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Jun 18th The Had Mistress has been absent two days, unwell, and return to the School this morning.

Jun 19th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton

Jun 19th The Rector came this morning to give a Scripture lesson.

Jun 26th The very low average attendance this week (81.5) is due to an epidemic of measles.

Jul 3rd There are many more cases of measles: the average this week has fallen two 68.5.  
The Visiting Committee came to inspect the School premises this week (on Tuesday afternoon).  
The School doctor has paid several visits lately.  
On Monday last, S. Peters day, some of the elder children were taken to church at 9 o'clock.

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- Jul 10th The average attendance this week's 70.7. Dr Weston came in on Monday & on Thursday. A whole holiday was given on Wednesday in view of the Sunday School treats taking place that day.
- Jul 17th The Rector came this morning to give his Scripture lesson. A half-holiday was given on Wednesday for S. Peter's Sunday School treat. The average attendance this week is still low – 80.4.
- Jul 24th The Rector came this morning to give his usual lesson.
- Jul 31st The School broke up this afternoon for the Summer holiday.

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- Sep 7th The School was re-opened this morning after the holidays. Miss Martin having resigned during the holidays, her last day of work here was July 31st. Her place is not yet filled.
- Sep 17th Tested the Registers & found them correct. T. T. Churton
- Sep 18th The Rector came in yesterday. The Head Teacher was absent on Tuesday & on Wednesday morning, unwell. Classes II & III are being taught together pending the appointment of a teacher.
- Sep 25th The elder children were taken to Church yesterday for a Harvest Thanksgiving Service during the Scripture lesson time. The Rector came this morning & gave a Scripture lesson.

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- Oct 2nd This morning the elder children were taken to Church for a short Service on account of the war. This was held from 9.15 to 9.40 a.m.
- Oct 9th The elder children were taken to Church this morning at 9.15.
- Oct 16th The Rector came in yesterday morning. This morning the elder children went to Church again at 9.15.
- Oct 23rd The elder children went to Church again this morning.
- Oct 30th The elder children went to church today at 9 o'clock.
- Nov 2nd The Head Mistress has only been in the school for a short time this afternoon, having been unwell. She has leave of absence for tomorrow, to go to a wedding.

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- Nov 6th The Rector came in yesterday and gave a Scripture lesson. The elder children went to Church as usual this morning.
- Nov 13th The Rector came & gave a Scripture lesson yesterday morning. Some of the elder children went to Church this morning.
- Nov 20th The School Dr has been at the School three afternoons this week for Medical Inspection. The time-table on those days was re-arranged. Miss Annie Bannister began work as Uncertificated Assistant on Monday last Nov 16th. This morning the elder children went to church again at 9 o'clock.

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- Nov 27th The Rector came yesterday to give his usual lesson. The elder children went to Church again this morning.
- Dec 4th The elder children went to Church as usual this morning.  
The Head Mistress was absent, not well, on Tuesday afternoon & Wednesday morning, this week.
- Dec 11th The elder children went to Church again this morning.  
Miss Murrell was absent, unwell, on Monday; The Head Teacher was absent on Wednesday for the same reason. Miss Murrell had leave of absence this on Thursday & on Friday to attend and Examination at Lewes.
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- Dec 17th Tested the Registers & found a slight error which has been rectified. T. T. Churton
- Dec 18th The Rector came in yesterday morning. The children did not go to Church this morning as the weather was very bad.
- Dec 23rd The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday.
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- Jan 11th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday. Six boys were transferred to the Boys' School.
- Jan 15th The elder children went to Church as usual this morning.
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- Jan 21st Mr Bradnam, the School Dentist was at the School Tuesday & inspected the teeth of 40 children. The Head Teacher was absent, unwell, yesterday.
- Jan 22nd The elder children went to Church again this morning at 10 oh clock. Mr Bradnam came to continue the dental inspection; he concluded about 10.45. The time-table was necessarily re-arranged.
- Jan 29th The elder children went to Church again this morning.  
Miss Murrell was absent yesterday, unwell.  
Coughs & cold's are prevalent due to the severe cold & the average attendance has fallen two 70.6 this week.
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- Feb 5th Miss Bannister has been absent yesterday & today, unwell. The elder children went to Church again this morning.
- Feb 12th The elder children went to Church again today.
- Feb 19th The elder children went to Church this morning, returning, as usual, by 9.45. They are going every Friday morning during the War. On Ash Wednesday they were not able to go owing to the very wet weather: the attendances on that day were very low, 45 and 51.
- Mar 1st The Head Mistress was absent on Monday morning & on Thursday & Friday, last week, unwell. Mrs Hall was absent on Monday & Tuesday last week, on account of illness at home.

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- Mar 4th The Scripture Examination was held this morning by the Rev R. B. Jameson & the Rev Martin Johns. The Rector came in. The Examination concluded about 11 AM & the children were then dismissed. No registers were marked & they holiday is given in the afternoon.
- Mar 11th The Rector came this morning & gave a Scripture lesson.  
The Diocesan and Inspector's Report was received this morning: it is as follows:  
"The religious training is being given in the same careful & cheery manner as in past years. I was much struck with the quiet & reverent way in which everything is taught. In the Babies class an outline of simple religious truths has been explained, illustrated by Scripture stories and texts."

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"These very little children seem to be very happy & some of them answered quite eagerly."  
"The children of the Middle Group were rather quiet at first, but presently answered heartily. A baptism has been simply described and the Gospel Story reverently taught."  
"My Assistant found a cheerful set of children in the Upper Class, well up in their lessons & quite ready to show their knowledge. All has been sympathetically taught & the Scripture passages & Hymns for repetition have been very wisely chosen."  
R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector

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- Mar 29th The Head Mistress was absent owing to illness, on Wednesday last week & on Friday afternoon. She returned to work this (Monday) morning.  
This week being Holy Week the elder children are going to Church each morning at 9.15.
- Mar 30th Examined Registers & found them correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Mar 31st The School broke up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 12th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.
- Apr 16th C. Garland Esq., H. M. I., spent the day in the School on Tuesday last.
- Apr 23 The Head Mistress was absent on Wednesday & Thursday this week, as she was not too well. Dr Weston came in this afternoon.

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- Apr 29th The Head Mistress was absent yesterday, unwell. Miss Murrell was absent this afternoon, unwell.
- May 13th Today being Ascension Day, some of the elder children were taken to church at 9 AM & the rain being heavy returning from Church, the children were sent home, as their clothes were very wet. No registers were marked. A half-holiday is given as usual in that afternoon.
- May 19th Miss Murrell was absent yesterday afternoon, unwell.

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- May 21st The average Attendance this week has been lowered by the very wet weather on two days: on Monday morning only 52 children were present. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.

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- May 31st The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.
- Jun 3rd The Head Teacher did not arrive at the School until 2 p.m. this morning having been at the dentist's in the dinner hour.
- Jun 8th Some of the elder children went to Church this morning to a Requiem Service for the Rector. This was held at 9.15 a.m.

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- Jun 25th A medical inspection was held on Wednesday afternoon, when 21 children were examined by the School doctor. The timetable was re-arranged on that day.
- Jun 30th Examined Registers & found them correct. H. Norman King.
- Jun 29th Today being St Peters day some of the elder children were taken to Church at 9 a.m.
- Jul 2nd The Visiting Sub-Committee inspected the School premises yesterday afternoon. Miss Murrell was absent from School this morning, unwell, but was back at work this afternoon.

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- Jul 5th The Had Mistress was absent this morning having been well. She was at school in the afternoon as usual.
- Jul 16th A whole holiday was given last Wednesday for the School Treats.
- Jul 23rd The Had Teacher was absent all day on Wednesday, unwell, and returned to the School on Thursday and 10.15 a.m.
- Jul 30th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holidays.
- Sep 6th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday.
- Sep 16th The Head Teacher was absent on Monday, unwell. A holiday is to be given tomorrow (Friday) to celebrate Miss Yale's marriage.

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- Sep 28th Examine Registers & found them correct. H. Norman King.
- Oct 1st Miss Murrell has been absent three days, unwell, this week.
- Oct 8th The Rev H. W. Maycock came in on Monday afternoon.
- Oct 15th The Head Mistress was absent, unwell, on Tuesday last. The percentage (attendances) is very low this week, 65, owing to many cases of whooping cough.
- Oct 25th The Head Mistress was absent or day on Friday, unwell. The weather being unusually wet & stormy this morning, only 62 children were present: the registers were not marked.

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Oct 29th The weather yesterday being extremely wet & whooping cough being still prevalent the attendance fell to 42 in the morning & 44 in the afternoon. Lessons were taken as usual as far as possible but no registers were marked  
Miss Cook, H. M. I. spent the day in the School yesterday.

Nov 1st Today being very wet & cold & many children absent through illness, the attendance fell to 57 in the morning & 63 in the afternoon. The usual lessons were taken but no registers were marked.

Nov 5th The attendances gain are very low this week, owing to illness among the children. The percentage is only 51.4.

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Nov 8th The School was closed this morning at 12 oh clock for medical reasons; the children to re-assemble on the 22nd inst.

Nov 22nd The School was re-opened this morning at 9 o'clock.

Dec 3rd C. Garland Esq, H. M. I., visited the School on Tuesday morning last, and looked at the registers.  
The Head Mistress was absent or day on Wednesday, unwell & returned to work on Thursday morning at 10.30.

Dec 6th Owing to bad weather the attendance this morning fell 2 64: the registers were not marked but the usual lessons were taken.

Dec 15th Only 59 children are present this afternoon owing to the wet weather. The registers were not marked but the lessons are being taken as usual.

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Dec 16th Examined Registers & found them correct. H. Norman King.

Dec 17th The Rector came in this afternoon.

Dec 21st A wet cold morning; only 55 children were present, the registers were not marked.

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Jan 10th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays; having been closed on the afternoon of Dec 22nd.

Jan 24th Attendance good, little sickness, work proceeding well. Verified registers. H. W. Maycock

Jan 28th The Rector came in on Monday afternoon & again on Wednesday morning to give a Scripture lesson.  
The children went to Church at 9 this morning, for the usual fortnightly War Intercession

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Feb 9th Miss Murrell was absent this afternoon, unwell.

Feb 18th The Had Teacher has been away ill all this week, but returned to the School at 10.30 this morning (Friday). On Wednesday morning owing to very heavy rain, the attendance fell to 50 & the registers were not marked.



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The Rector came in on Thursday morning.

- Feb 23rd Owing to snow we weather, the attendance fell this morning to 61; the registers were not marked.
- Feb 24th After a heavy fall of snow, only 46 children present this morning, the registers are not being marked.
- Feb 25th It is snowing this afternoon; only 63 children are at school; the registers not marked.

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- Mar 3rd The Diocesan Examination in Religious Knowledge is being held this morning by the Rev R. Jameson assisted by the Rev Soughton. The Rector came in. No registers were marked & the children were dismissed for the day about 11 a.m.
- Mar 6th Mrs Hall is absent today, unwell.
- Mar 8th today, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children should have gone to Church but were prevented by the snow, which is lying thick on the roads. Only 54 children are at School & the registers are therefore not marked this morning. 58 children present this afternoon, no registers were marked.
- Mar 13th The Head Teacher was absent on Thursday afternoon & Friday with a slight attack of influenza. She returned to work this (Monday) morning.

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The Rector came in on Thursday afternoon & brought the Diocesan Inspectors Report, which is as follows: –

“The Infants continued to be affectionately and devoutly taught. The elder children with Standard I are thoroughly well up in their lessons, which have been simply & clearly explained. They answered questions very cheerfully and repeated Scripture passages & prayers in a quiet and reverent tone.”

“The Middle Class children are well grounded and the lessons were very satisfactorily understood. Mr Soughton thinks that these children are quite capable of learning a little more of the early Catechism.”

“The Babies are very happy and their training is being given by kind and suitable methods. All but those just admitted could answer questions and repeat texts of Scripture.”

(Signed) R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector.

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- Mar 13th And exceptionally heavy rainfall between 9.30 & 10 a.m. reduced the attendance this morning to 64. No registers were marked.
- Mar 31st Miss Murrell had leave of absence on Monday afternoon to go to a funeral.
- Apr 3rd The Had Teacher left the School at 2.50 this afternoon to attend a funeral. She returned at 3.30.
- Apr 4th The Rev H. W. Maycock came in this morning.

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- Apr 19th This week being Horny Week the elder children have been to Church each morning during the Scripture lesson time.

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The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

- May 5th The School was re-opened on Monday last, after the holiday. The Head Mistress did not return until Wednesday morning owing to serious illness in her family.
- May 17th Visited school & verified register. Attendance of children good. H. W. Maycock
- May 24th Today being "Empire Day", the morning is given up to patriotically teaching of celebration; and the afternoon is a holiday. No registers are being marked throughout the day.

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- May 31st The Head Teacher was absent last Thursday & Friday, unwell. Miss Murrell was absent on Monday for the same reason.
- Jun 2nd Thursday in this week being Ascension day, the elder children went to Church in the Scripture lesson time; and a half holiday was given in the afternoon.
- Jun 8th Mrs Hall was absent or day on Tuesday, unwell.
- Jun 9th Three School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.
- Jun 23rd The School was re-opened on Monday last after the holiday. Yesterday the school doctor came & inspected 16 children: classes were grouped & the time-table modified for the afternoon. This morning the elder children were taken to the usual War Intercession Service. This afternoon the Head Teacher was absent from school for the first hour, not coming in until 2.45.

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- Jun 29th Today, being St Peters day, the elder children went to Church during the first hour in the morning.
- Jul 3rd C. Garland Esq, H. M. I., is spending the day in the School today.
- Jul 4th Dr Weston, the School Dr concluded his medical inspection this afternoon. Classes were necessarily re-arranged & time-table suspended during his visit. The Visiting Committee with Mr Lawson, Secretary, also came in this afternoon to make a list of repairs needed.

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- Jul 7th Today, the weather being wet, the attendance fell considerably, being only 71 in the morning, and 88 in the afternoon. One child was sent home in the morning with wet feet.
- Jul 12th A holiday is given today for the School Treats.
- Jul 28th Miss Bannister was absent on Monday, unwell.
- Aug 1st The Head Mistress was absent today, unwell.
- Aug 4th Verified Registers. H. W. Maycock
- Aug 4th The Rector came in this morning. The School breaks up this afternoon for 5 weeks holiday.
- Sep 11th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday.

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- Sep 18th Owing to a very wet weather, the attendance fell this morning to 78; this afternoon it is 88. C. Garland Esq., H. M. I. came in this afternoon & looked at the registers.
- Sep 22nd The elder children went to Church this morning for War Prayers returning by 9.50.
- Sep 28th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday & this morning, unwell, returning this afternoon at 2.15.
- Sep 29th Today, being a wet day, the attendance fell to 77 in the morning & 78 in the afternoon. A few of the elder children went to Church for a special Service for Michaelmas day.
- Oct 4th Today is very wet; the attendance fell to 74 in the morning and to 78 in the afternoon.

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- Oct 27th The Head Teacher was absent on Monday afternoon and did not return until Thursday morning, being unwell.
- Oct 30th The weather being unusually wet & stormy this morning, the attendance fell to 70.
- Nov 20th Owing to the very wet weather, the attendance fell this morning to 85 & to 89 this afternoon. Seven children were sent home this afternoon having arrived at School with their feet very wet.
- Nov 24th The Services of the National Mission having been held this week, the elder children have been taken to Church each morning at 9 o'clock. On Monday there was no Service as it was very wet.

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- Nov 27th A half-holiday was given this morning.
- Dec 8th The Head Teacher was sent for on Monday, as her brother was leaving for France the next day. She caught a chill on the journey & was laid up & unable to get back to the School until yesterday (Thursday) afternoon. The Rector came in this afternoon tested the registers.
- Dec 21st The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday. The weather was very bad this morning: the attendance fell to 70.
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## **1917**

- Jan 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday.

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- Jan 18th Verified registers – work proceeding well. H. W. Maycock.
- Jan 19th The school timetable was somewhat interrupted on Tuesday morning, when the Nurse came in to inspect each child – and again on Wednesday morning when the School dentist spent the morning examining the children's teeth. Miss Murrell was absent or day on Wednesday, unwell.
- Jan 23rd The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell.
- Jan 24th This morning, a very cold morning, the furnace heating the pipes was not burning properly (the temperature in the two rooms were 40° & 42°). The Head Teacher went to the School Managers,

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who sent all the children home & ordered the sweep. No registers had been marked & the children were told to have a day's holiday.

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- Jan 31st Owing to a heavy snowfall, only 25 children came to School this morning, 3 of these were sent home again with wet feet. The others were kept & did some lessons altogether. No registers were marked. 27 children came this afternoon: no registers were marked. Mrs Hall had leave of absence this afternoon.
- Feb 1st 51 children came this morning: the snow is still fairly thick on the ground. No registers were marked. 57 children were present this afternoon; no registers were marked.
- Feb 2nd 60 children present this morning: no registers are marked today. 62 children came this afternoon.

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- Feb 5th A heavy snowfall last night reduced the attendance to 19 children this morning. No registers were marked & Miss Murrell had leave of absence.  
31 children came this afternoon: no registers were marked. Miss Bannister had leave of absence.
- Feb 6th 48 children only present this morning: no registers were marked & Miss Bannister was excused. 49 children in the afternoon, the registers were not marked & Mrs Hall was excused.
- Feb 7th 61 children came this morning, the registers were marked – but the classes were grouped again & miss Murrell was excused.
- Feb 21st Today, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children went to Church for a short Service during the Scripture lesson time. Miss Richardson visited the school during the morning.

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- Mar 2nd The Reverends R. B. Jamison (Diocesan Inspector) & W. Soughton conducted the yearly Examination in Religious Knowledge this morning, from pneumonia .302 10.30. At 10.30 the children were sent home. The Rev H. W. Maycock came in. No registers are marked today.
- Mar 8th The Had Teacher has been absent, ill, this week, until this (Thursday) afternoon. The Diocesan Inspector's report was received on Mar 6th & is as follows: –

“The Infants are being trained in a very genial & successful manner. Those of the Upper Group have an excellent knowledge of the chief Christian truths and the selected Bible lessons.

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The answering was most accurate and hearty. In the Middle group the children are also efficiently instructed. They showed a cheerful interest in their lessons & repeated the Scripture passages & Prayers very nicely. Mr Soughton was pleased with the Babies. Many of them answered questions quite freely and a gratifying feature is the quiet & developed character of the teaching.

R. B. Jameson, Diocesan Inspector.  
H. W. Maycock.

- Mar 26th The Head Teacher was absent, unwell, on Friday last, the 23rd. The Rev H. W. Maycock came in this morning.

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Apr 2nd 16 boys and 15 girls were transferred to the Upper Schools this morning, leaving 96 on the roll here. Only 53 children were present, owing to the bad weather. Mrs Hall is absent this week owing to the serious illness of her husband.

Apr 4th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday. This week being Holy Week, a children's Service has been held each morning at 9 a.m. except on Monday, when the weather was very bad. The elder children have been taken to church.

Apr 16th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday. 52 children only are present. A measles epidemic accounts for the absence of at least 22 children & probably more.

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Mrs Hall is excused from work today, & all the mornings this week.  
The Rector came in this afternoon.

Apr 17th The attendance fell to 48 this morning (50%). The School was not opened this afternoon, the children been sent home under the School doctor's order until April 30th.

Apr 30th 43 children only came this morning: the registers were not marked, and the School was closed for another week.

May 7th The School was re-opened this morning, with 56 children present. The Rector and the Rev T Mackesy came in.

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May 18th Yesterday, being Ascension day, a few of the elder children were taken to Church at 9.15. The others had her Scripture lesson, and marching with flags. All were dismissed at 10.30 for the day – no registers having been marked.  
The Head Teacher has been absent 3 days this week, unwell, but returned yesterday morning.

May 23rd tomorrow, it being Empire day, the elder children are going to celebrate today in the Park; the infants are marching with flags and saluting the Union Jack this afternoon at 3 p.m. after this, the School is to be closed for the Whitsuntide holiday.

Jun 4th The School was re-opened this morning after the holiday.

Jun 8th The Rector came in this morning and tested the registers.

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Jun 18th H. M. I., C. Garland Esq spent the day in the School, today.

Jun 29th The School doctor spent Wednesday & Thursday afternoon in the School this week & medically inspected 38 children: the School Nurse being also present. The time-table was necessarily re-arranged during his visit and also in the mornings, while the children were being weighed and measured & notices were being written. Today, being St Peter's day, a few of the elder children were taken to the Church during the first hour.

Jul 4th A very wet morning: the attendance fell to 61. The Head Mistress returned to the School this morning after two days absence through illness. A half-holiday is being given this afternoon for the various Sunday School Treats.

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Jul 23rd The Head Teacher was absent on Friday last (20th) unwell.

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Jul 27th The Rector came in on Wednesday afternoon, and tested the registers. Yesterday, the Head Teacher had leave of absence to go to a funeral at a distance, and left the School at 11 a.m.

Aug 1st A very wet morning: the attendance fell to 66. It is still very wet this afternoon: only 52 children are present and the registers have not been marked.

Aug 3rd The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holidays.

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Nov 5th The Head Teacher returned after two months leave, owing to ill health. The School had been re-opened after the Summer holidays, on Sept 10th and the children have been taught in 3 groups, since that date.

Mr ball came in on Sept 13th to look over repairs done.

The Rector came in on Oct 2nd. The Rev T. L. Mackesy came in on Sep 18th and on Sep 21st.

Nov 7th Mrs Meads came in this afternoon.

Nov 16th The Rector came in on Monday morning (12th). Miss M. Murrell has been absent from the School yesterday and today, unwell.

Nov 23rd Miss Murrell has been absent all this week, a medical certificate ordering her a week's leave of absence. The Head Teacher was absent on Wednesday and on Thursday, unwell.

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Nov 28th Miss Murrell return to work this morning. Mrs Hall has been absent, unwell, since midday on the 26th.

Nov 29th Mrs Hall returned this morning.

Dec 13th Visited school, tested registers, gave Miss Bannister leave of absence for her marriage. H. W. Maycock.

Dec 14th The Head Teacher was absent on Tuesday and on Wednesday unwell. Miss Banister was given leave of absence yesterday at noon, until the end of this term (22nd inst.).  
The Rector came in yesterday.

Dec 17th Owing to snowy weather, the attendance fell this morning to 53; no registers were marked.

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Dec 19th H. M. I., C. Garland, Esq, came in this afternoon and examined the registers.

Dec 20th The School broke up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday. The Rector came in.

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## **1918**

Jan 7th The School was re-opened this morning after the holidays.

Jan 8th Owing to a heavy fall of snow the attendance fell this morning to 65: this afternoon, 74.

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Jan 9th The temperature of the large room this morning was 32.5° at 8.45, and 36.5° at 11 a.m. The room could not be used (except for games) and all the children were seated in the class-room. The timetable was suspended.

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Jan 9th 58 children only, came this afternoon; no registers were marked; the children were grouped together in the classroom again, the timetable being suspended.

Jan 14th After a heavy snowfall, only 27 children are present this morning; no registers been marked & the timetable is suspended. The Clerk from the Education Office called to say the school is to be closed this afternoon.

Jan 18th The weather was again very bad yesterday: the attendance fell 2 36 in the morning and 32 in the afternoon. The Registers were not marked all day. The Head Teacher has been absent unwell two days this week (16th & 17th) and returned to the School this morning.

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Jan 28th The Head Teacher was absent, ill, last Thursday & Friday and return to the School this morning.

Feb 5th Mrs Appleby is absent today, unwell.

Feb 12th The children are given a half-holiday this afternoon to free the teachers to assist the Food Control Committee.

Feb 14th A half-holiday is being given again this afternoon, the teachers' services being again requisitioned. Yesterday, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children went to Church during the first hour, as usual.

Feb 15th Another half-holiday is given this afternoon, to free the teachers again.

Feb 22nd This morning, & every Friday in Lent, the elder children are going to a Short Service in Church at 9.5 a.m.

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Mar 6th Mrs Hall has been absent unwell, two days, & returned to the School this morning – but is excused work this afternoon.

Mar 11th The Head Teacher was absent last Thursday & Friday, unwell, & returned to work this (Monday) morning.

Mar 20th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday & this morning with a severe headache & came in about 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Mar 27th The School breaks up this afternoon at 3.30 for the Easter holiday. This week being Holy Week, the children have been to Church each morning during the first hour.

Apr 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 11 boys and 15 girls were transferred to Upper Department's this morning. 5 children were admitted.

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Apr 12th Miss Murrell was absent, unwell, on Wednesday this week.

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- Apr 19th Some of the elder children went to Church on Wednesday for an Intercession Service for Soldiers & Sailors: returning at 9.40 a.m.
- May 2nd The Head Mistress was sent for last Thursday afternoon owing to the dangerous illness of her brother: she returned to the School this morning having been absent from the School four days.
- May 10th Yesterday was Ascension day: the children assembled for Church & Scripture lesson is at 8.50, and were dismissed after this – No registers were marked all day – a holiday being given. This afternoon the School breaks up for the Whitsuntide holiday.

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- May 23rd The School re-opened yesterday morning (Wednesday) after the holiday. Today the children have saluted the flag & have had simple lessons in patriotism in preparation for Empire day tomorrow, where a whole holiday is given.
- Jun 14th On Monday 10th the Head Teacher left the School at 10.30 to see Mr Lawson (Education Secretary) at the Town Hall. She returned about 11.15.  
On Tuesday (11th) Miss Dons' Office was transferred to this Department from the Girls', to complete her practical training as a pupil teacher. On Wednesday a half-holiday was given in the afternoon.

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On that day the Head Teacher was absent, unwell, and she did not return until this (Friday) morning. Mrs Hall was absent this morning owing to the serious illness of her mother, but returned this afternoon. Mrs Appleby is engagement as Uncertificated teacher in this school ends today.

- Jun 21st Mrs Hall has been absent all this week, owing to the death of her mother last Sunday. The Medical Inspection took place on Tuesday & Wednesday afternoon. A half-holiday was given on Thursday, to enable the teachers to assist the Food Control Committee. The ordinary Time-table has been completely suspended this week.

This (Friday) morning the elder children went to Church during the first hour.

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- Jun 28th The School was closed on Tuesday & Wednesday afternoon to free the teachers, as before. On Wednesday morning the Head Teacher was obliged to go into the town and to the Rectory about the appointment of an Assistant teacher: and was absent from 10 oh clock until 11.30. Two children were taken into the Girls' School on Thursday afternoon to be examined by the doctor.
- Jul 5th A holiday was given yesterday for a Teachers Conference, convened by the Diocesan Inspector of Schools.  
This morning some of the elder children went to Church during the first hour.
- Jul 12th The Head Teacher was obliged to go to the Rectory at 9.45 this morning on School business. She returned soon after 10.

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- Jul 12th Visited School & verified Registers, all going well. H. W. Maycock.
- Jul 18th Doris Offen was given leave of absence yesterday afternoon to attend a prize giving at Lewes. A half-holiday is being given this afternoon.



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Jul 23rd A very wet day to day; only 56 children came in the morning, and 72 in the afternoon. The classes were grouped the greater part of the day.

Jul 26th The Head Teacher went out at 10 a.m. to see the Education Secretary and returned by 10.50.

Aug 2nd The elder children went to Church this morning at 9 o'clock. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holiday.

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Sep 9th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. The Reverent T. L. Mackesy came in. Miss Doris Offen began work today as an Uncertificated assistant.

Sep 13th The Head Teacher was absent, unwell, yesterday and this morning, & returned this afternoon at 2.30.

Sep 18th A half-holiday is given this afternoon for the Military Athletic Sports.

Sep 23rd The afternoon session today is being taken from 1 to 3 p.m. that the children may go to a Circus in the town.

Oct 2nd The Head Teacher left the School at 10.5 this morning on School business, and returned by 10.50.

Oct 3rd The Head Teacher was obliged to go up to the Rector came this morning, about the appointment of a teacher. She left that 10, and returned by 10.40.

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Oct 10th The School is closed this afternoon to free the teachers to assist the local Food Committee.

Oct 15th The School is closed again this afternoon, to free the teachers, as before.

Oct 17th The School is closed to gain this afternoon, for the same reason as before.

Oct 23rd The Had Teacher was absent on Monday & Tuesday this week been laid up, and return to the School this (Wednesday) morning.  
On Monday morning, the weather being unusually wet, the attendance fell 2 58: The registers were not marked on that morning.

Oct 24th The Rector came in this afternoon.

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Oct 28th The School is closed this morning for a fortnight, owing to the prevalence of influenza.

Oct 31st Mrs Hall's engagement as Assistant teacher in this School terminates today.

Nov 1st The School was re-opened this morning but only 75 children were present. Acting on instructions from the Education Office, no registers were marked pending the Medical Offices decision as to keeping the School open.

Miss B. A. Whittaker began work as Assistant teacher (Trained & Certificated) today, her appointment dating from Nov 1st. Nurse Dudley came in this morning. At 11.30 a message came from the Medical Officer that the School is to be closed until the 18th inst.

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Nov 18th The School was re-opened this morning with 81 children present.

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- Nov 26th The Head Teacher was absent, unwell, yesterday and this morning, and return to the School at 1.50 this afternoon.
- Nov 27th Miss Cooke, H. M. I., spent the day until 3 p.m. in this school.
- Nov 29th Miss Offen has been absent, unwell, yesterday & and today.
- Dec 6th Miss Offen has been absent all this week, suffering from influenza. Miss Murrel was also absent unwell, on Tuesday & Wednesday.
- Dec 9th Verified Registers. All going well & attendance good.

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- Dec 17th Miss Offen was still absent all last week, but returned to work yesterday (Monday). On Thursday, Miss Murrell developed influenza & was absent, and on Friday the Head Teacher was laid up, and only Miss Whittaker present. The School was therefore closed for that one day but re-opened yesterday morning as usual all the staff, except Miss Murrell, being present.
- Dec 20th The School closes this afternoon for the Christmas holiday. Miss Murrell is still absent.
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## **1919**

- Jan 6th The School is re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday: all the teachers being present.
- Jan 8th The Rev T. L. Mackesy came in this morning.
- Jan 10th A very wet morning: only 74 children are present.

### **[Page 365]**

- Jan 24th The Head Teacher was absent on Monday, unwell.
- Jan 29th and on Monday & Tuesday this week she was again absent, being laid up – returning to the School this morning (29th).
- Jan 30th Miss Whittaker is absent today unwell.
- Feb 4th Miss Whittaker is absent this afternoon, unwell, and is excused attendance at School until she has seen the doctor, which she is to do tomorrow afternoon.
- Feb 20th The Head Teacher returned to the School this morning, having been absent since Feb 5th – laid up with influenza.  
Miss Whittaker has been ordered a month's leave of absence, by the doctor. Mrs Hall came as Supply teacher on Feb 10th & is remaining until Miss Whittaker's return, taking the Babies class. The attendance is poor at present, owing to the prevalence of influenza, and colds.

### **[Page 366]**

- Mar 5th Today, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children went to Church during the first hour.
- Mar 17th The School rooms being found without fires this morning, the Head Teacher consulted the Education Secretary as to sending the children home. No registers were marked and the children were sent home at 10 a.m. until tomorrow morning.

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Mar 18th The School was opened as usual today.

Mar 24th The Head Teacher returned to the School this morning, after 3 days absence, through being unwell.

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Mar 24th The pipes in the School rooms not being heated this morning, the temperatures were 40° when the children came in. Acting on instructions from the Chairman of Managers, all the children were sent home at 9.15 – no registers having been marked.

Mar 25th The School was re-opened this morning, the pipes being heated, but as there was no call for the classroom fire, the third class was placed in the large room, the time table being disregarded for the time being.

Mar 27th Verified registers. Attendance down owing to bad weather. H. W. Maycock

Mar 28th The School Medical Officer came in yesterday about some special cases and again this morning with the Town Sanitary Inspector to examine the sanitary conditions of the School.

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Apr 14th A very wet and stormy morning: only 44 children present: the classes were grouped, and the registers marked. 55 children came in the afternoon, and the registers were marked.

Apr 16th This week been Holy Week, the children of the first Group have been to Church each morning during the first hour, except on Monday, when the weather was very bad. The School breaks up this (Wednesday) afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 29th The School was re-opened yesterday morning after the Easter holiday, but the registers were not marked throughout the day as owing to the very bad weather the attendance fell to 33 in the morning and 42 in the afternoon.

The Head Mistress was absent being unwell, but came into the School this afternoon. Today the attendance is better and the registers are marked as usual.

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Apr 30th Mrs Hall's engagement as "Supply" teacher ends at the close of the afternoon session today.

May 1st Miss Whittaker, absent since Feb 4th on sick leave, resumed work here this morning.

May 16th The Head Teacher was absent, unwell, on Wednesday & Thursday this week, returning to work this (Friday) morning.

May 23rd Today (Friday) is being kept as Empire day. The timetable is suspended in the morning & a half-holiday is given by the Committee this afternoon.

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The elder children went to Church at 9 o'clock: on their return, after closing registers, all the children saluted the Flag, the rest of the morning being spent in Songs & occupations of a patriotic character. The Rector and Mrs Maycock, are many of the parents, came in to hear the children sing.

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May 30th Yesterday, being Ascension Day, the elder children went to Church at nine, and the younger ones had a religious lesson, followed by free play. All were dismissed for the day when the Church Service was over, no registers been marked.  
Dr Weston came in this morning.

Jun 6th Visited School & tested registers. H. W. Maycock.

Jun 6th The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.  
The Rector came in this morning

### **[Page 371]**

Jun 23rd The School was re-opened last Monday (after the Whitsuntide holiday).  
On Tuesday & Wednesday (17th & 18th) the School doctor inspected the children aged 5 to 6, in the afternoons. The Timetable was necessarily re-arranged on those days.  
The Head Teacher was absent with a bad headache on Friday. On Monday, today, she is leaving the School at 2.45 to hear Miss Evelyn Fox speak at Hastings.  
On Friday the elder children went to Church at 9 a.m.

Jul 2nd A half-holiday is given this afternoon for a Fête in the Rectory grounds.

Jul 8th The Visiting Committee came in this afternoon to consider various repairs.  
A holiday is given tomorrow, the 9th, for the Sunday School Treats in the town.

### **[Page 372]**

Jul 16th The Head Teacher left the School on Monday (14th) at 2 p.m. with a bad headache and returned at 10.30 this morning.  
A half-holiday was given yesterday afternoon for the Girl Guides' Display.

Jul 17th The School is to be closed all day tomorrow (Friday) for a Children's Treat, in connection with the Peace Celebrations.

Jul 30th Visited School & Tested Register. Charles P. King.

Jul 30th The Rector and C. P. King, Esq, came in this afternoon.

Aug 1st The School breaks up this afternoon for the summer holiday – six weeks this year.

Sep 15th The School was re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday – the Rev T. L. Mackesy.

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Sep 18th The Head Teacher was absent on Tuesday & Wednesday, unwell, and return to work at 9.30 this morning.

Sep 23rd Miss Cooke, H. M. I., spent the afternoon in the School today. Mr Garland, H. M. I. Also came in for a short time.

Sep 30th Today is the day of the Diocesan Inspection, and registers are not to be marked. At the last moment the Inspector could not come, owing to the Railway Strike. The Children were dismissed for today.

Oct 1st Two boys and four girls were transferred to the Upper Department this morning, being the first day of the half year.

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- Oct 3rd Miss Whittaker was absent today, unwell.
- Oct 10th Miss Whittaker has been absent all this week, suffering from a relaxed throat.
- Oct 14th Miss Whitaker return to work yesterday (Monday). The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell.
- Oct 15th Today being the day of the Diocesan Exam in Religious Knowledge, no registers were marked. The children were dismissed at 10.45.  
The Reverend Leslie Wright inspected the School: the Rev. T. L. Mackesy came in.
- Oct 16th The Rector came in this afternoon, and brought the Diocesan Inspectors' Report, which is as follows:  
  
"This is an excellent little School, and will, I think, do very good work along the lines of the new Syllabus. The teaching in the Upper Groups is good."  
  
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The Head Teacher's work is most pleasing, and marked by an earnest & devout tone. In the middle group I thought it good, gentle, & most promising. In the Babies room it is rather weak. The little ones are nicely behaved, and the attention is readily held."  
  
Leslie Wright, Diocesan Inspector.
- Oct 27th The School was closed today as owing to defects in the furnace the pipes were not heated, the temperature being only 40°, the Head Teacher consulted the Chairman of the Managers & the Children were all sent home soon after 9, no registers having been marked.
- Oct 28th The School was re-opened as usual this morning.
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- Oct 29th A very cold & wet afternoon today reduced the afternoon attendance to 63. The large room was badly heated & very cold.
- Oct 31st The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, suffering from a chill: she returned to the School this morning.
- Nov 5th The Rev Leslie Wright came in about 9.30 this morning and spent about 10 minutes explaining the Scripture Syllabus.
- Nov 10th The Head Teacher was absent on Thursday afternoon, and on Friday: unwell.  
This afternoon the large room cannot be used: one end is very smoky: the children are in the two classrooms, & I being dismissed at 3.15. The Time table is suspended for the afternoon.  
The Rector came in this morning for a few minutes.
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- Nov 12th The main room was very smoky this morning: the children were kept in the to class rooms until 10 oh clock, when the smoke had cleared off. The registers were then marked & closed: & the classes arranged as usual. The larger classroom is very cold; temperature 43° at 9, 48° at 1.30.
- Nov 14th The temperature of the large room and babies room being only 42° this morning, the Head Teacher wrote to the Chairman of Managers and then sent to the children home, until the afternoon. She then went to explain matters to Mr Lawson.

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At 1.30 the temperatures had risen two 47°: the School was opened as usual but only 70 children were present.

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Nov 19th A wet day: only 74 children present in the morning & 17 the afternoon. 8 children are absent, owing to chicken-pox.

Nov 21st Copy of report received today:  
(See note below)

“The children are well cared for but their progress in the elementary subjects is unusually slow.”  
“The older children, who should correspond to a Standard I Class, are at least a year behind hand in this respect. This is not the fault of the Class teacher, but is due to the fact that the Head Mistress schemes definitely limit the work attempted. There is not the slightest doubt that much quicker progress would be possible if the Class teacher were given more freedom. The Head Teacher is most anxious about her School, but action in this respect is certainly ill-judge and restricts progress quite unnecessarily. There is not a sufficient supply of Reading books of Standard I difficulty in the School. One wall of the main room is cracking rather badly.”

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H. W. Maycock, Correspondent

Note This Report is here with entered in the log-book (in accordance with Art. 23 of the Code) but they managers have been requested to send it to the Board of Education, for re-considering.

C. D. R. Caudwell

Nov 25th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday (Monday) & this morning, unwell.

Dec 1st C. P. King, Esq, visited the School this morning & inspected the cracked wall.  
Today is very wet: the attendance fell to 72 in the morning & to 54 in the afternoon. 4 children were sent home (before the registers were marked) with wet feet.

Dec 2nd This morning is again very wet: and the attendance is only 60, in consequence.

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Dec 2nd Visited School and tested the Registers. Charles P. King.

Dec 3rd The Rector came in this morning.

Dec 9th The Rector came in this morning.

Dec 11th A very wet & windy morning: the attendance has fallen to 59.

Dec 19th The Head Teacher was away, unwell on Wednesday & returned at 11.30 on Thursday morning.  
On Thursday afternoon at 2.45 there was a short programme of singing and recitation & dancing. Many of the parents attended. Today, Friday, the School breaks up for the Christmas holiday. The day was spent in suitable occupations & toys were given in the afternoon.

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## **1920** [Page 381]

Jan 5th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays, with 85 children present. Owing to very low temperature in the classroom (38°) it could not be used until 11 a.m. Classes I, II, & III had to be grouped in the main room & the timetable suspended until that hour.

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Jan 6th A very cold morning: as the school rooms were all insufficiently heated (temperatures 44°, 37°, 41°) the Had Teacher wrote to the Chairman of Managers and the children were sent home, no registers having been marked.  
At 1.30 the rooms were still cold (45°, 41°, 46°) & the children were sent home again.

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Jan 7th Still very cold: the class-room at 39° could not be used & lessons were interrupted to exercise the children and tried to keep them warm. At 9.50 the Head Mistress left the School to go to the Rector and the Education Secretary on the question of heating the room is efficiently. She returned at 11.20.

Jan 15th The main room was full of smoke at 9 o'clock this morning & the children were assembled in the class-room, while measures were taken to attempt to clear the air. The registers were not marked until 10 oh clock as there was some doubt whether the children could be kept in school. Mr Lawson was asked to come in & looked at the heating apparatus and he came about 9.45.

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Jan 19th the School is closed today (Monday) until Wednesday morning next jury alterations to the heating apparatus.

Jan 22nd The School was re-opened this morning: the alterations not being completed yesterday. The Head Teacher was absent this morning, unwell, & returned at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A new boiler has been put in and the rooms are now warm.

Jan 23rd The Rector came in this afternoon.

Feb 20th The Head Teacher was absent on Monday, unwell. Miss Whittaker was suffering from a relaxed throat on Wednesday and could not do her usual work. She was absent on Thursday & today, by the doctors advice.

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Feb 20th Wednesday being Ash Wednesday the elder children went to Church at 9 a.m. The School Medical Officer came in the afternoon & inspected drains & ventilating bricks.  
This morning the elder children went to church at 9 a.m... They are to go every Friday in Lent, and that hour.

Feb 25th Miss Whittaker returned to work this morning.

Mar 12th (Friday) Miss Murrell was absent on Tuesday & Wednesday this week, unwell. On Wednesday, 10th, Mr Boutflower and Miss Cooke, H. M. I. Inspected the School.

Mar 16th Visited school and tested registers. Charles P. King.

Mar 19th Miss Murrell is absent today, unwell.

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Mar 26th The Had Mistress was absent on Monday morning, unwell & returned at 1.30 on that day.

Mar 30th The Head Teacher returned to work this afternoon at 1.30, having been absent yesterday, and this morning, unwell.

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Mar 31st The children have been to Church each morning this week as it is Holy Week. The School breaks up this (Wednesday) afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 12th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 7 boys and 16 girls were transferred to the Upper Dept this morning.

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Apr 16th Government Report received:

“The Head Mistress has evidently tried to speed up the progress in the Elementary subjects, Reading is much more advanced and there are signs of progress in Number and Writing. In the main more suitable work has been arranged for Standard I and there is less grouping of this Class with the Upper Infants : in certain directions, however, such as Composition, Geography & Hand work, more advanced work could be attempted.”

“The children are inclined to chatter when left alone, even though supplied with work: the teachers do too much for them, and more training in self-reliance is necessary.”

“The simple apparatus which has been prepared for individual work is a step in the right direction.”

Note. See note appended to last Report.

Apr 19th The Rector came in this morning.

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Apr 23rd The Head Mistress has been away at Brighton for days this week to see Montessori methods in certain Schools there.

May 7th Miss Murrell has been absent all this week: She has developed diphtheria: Miss Whittaker, lodging in the same house, was yesterday placed in quarantine. The attendance is very low owing to measles. Dr Weston came in this morning to enquire as to the number of measles cases, and of diphtheria. This afternoon a letter was sent say the School is closed until after the Whitsuntide holiday week.

May 31st The School was re-opened this morning, with 70 children present. Miss Murrell is still absent which necessitates grouping the classes.

### **[Page 388]**

Jun 11th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly returns, (4 quarters ended 31 March 1920) & found one mistake which was rectified (this did not alter the yearly Av. Att.). H. Norman King, Clerk.

Jun 16th The Head Teacher returned to work this morning, having been absent two days, unwell. Mrs Hall is taking the Babies' Class (“on Supply”) this week and until Miss Murrell returns. The Rector and the School doctor came in yesterday.

Jun 24th The Head Teacher has been absent, laid up, on Tuesday & Wednesday, & returned to work this (Thursday) morning at 11 oh clock.

Jun 28th Visited School. All going well, attendance good. H. W. Maycock

Jul 5th The Head Teacher was absent, ill, on Thursday & Friday last & returned to the School this (Monday) morning.

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- Jul 5th The School was closed last Wednesday afternoon (June 30th) as they were Special Sports in the Park.
- Jul 13 The Head Teacher was absent yesterday and this morning suffering from severe headache, and returned to the School this afternoon at 1.30. Yesterday morning, the attendance fell to 33, owing to heavy rain and a thunderstorm, just before 9. No registers were marked.
- Jul 15th A holiday was given all day yesterday for the Sunday School treats.
- Jul 16th The Head Teacher was absent all day today, unwell.
- Jul 23rd On Monday & Tuesday afternoon this week the School doctor conducted the yearly Medical Inspection of the children. The Time Table was necessarily suspended on those afternoons.

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- Jul 29th Visited school. Verified register. Found children interested in their work. H. W. Maycock.
- Jul 30th The School breaks up this afternoon for 5 weeks' Summer holiday.
- Sep 6th The School was re-opened this morning by Miss Whittaker, the Head Teacher having leave of absence on account of the illness of her father.
- Sep 15th The School was closed this morning at noon, to enable various repairs to ventilators to be carried out. This closure is by the School doctor.
- Sep 27th The School was re-opened after 10 days' closure, by the Head Teacher.

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- Oct 8th Miss Offen has been absent all this week, ill. It has therefore been impossible to adhere strictly to the Time Tabled this week.
- Oct 11th Miss Offen is still absent, and Mrs Hall has come as "Supply" teacher this morning, to take her class.
- Oct 19th Miss Offen returned to the School yesterday. The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell, and return to work at 2 p.m. today.
- Oct 21st Miss Offen was yesterday ordered 10 days' further rest by her doctor. She left the School at 2.30. Mrs Hall has come again this morning as "Supply" teacher.

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- Oct 21st Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Register, checked quarterly Returns (2 quarters ended 30 Sept '20) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Oct 25th The Rector came in this morning.
- Oct 29th Visited School and checked the Registers. Charles P. King
- Nov 5th The Rev G. C. Scarlin came in this morning. On Monday last, STS day, the elder children went to Church during the first hour (9 - 10). Miss Offen returned to work on that morning.
- Nov 11th Today being "Armistice day" the elder children went to Church for a Special Service at 9 o'clock, returning by 9.50.

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- Nov 16th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell, and returned to work at 1.30 today. Miss Offen has been granted a fortnight's leave of absence, prior to her sitting through the Certificate Exam., & She will also be absent for the week ending Dec 3rd during which the Exam. is held. Mrs Hall came yesterday as Supply teacher, to take her class for the 3 weeks.
- Nov 30th The Head Teacher was absent yesterday, unwell, and return to work at 10 a.m. this morning.
- Dec 2nd The weather was unusually wet and stormy this morning and in consequence the attendance fell to 55.
- Dec 3rd Mrs Hall's engagement as "Supply" teacher ends this afternoon.

### **[Page 394]**

- Dec 16th Owing to a heavy snowfall this morning, the attendance fell 2 36. The ordinary lessons could not be taken and the registers were not marked. Only 34 children came in the afternoon, no registers were marked.
- Dec 17th The weather is less severe, but the roads are very bad. 49 children are here this morning & the classes are grouped. Registers are marked.  
(Afternoon) 56 children present. The registers are marked.
- Dec 20th (Monday) The School is to break up for Christmas on the 22nd inst. and the timetable is being suspended his last three days for Christmas handwork, Carol singing and some dressing up and a little treat.
- Dec 22nd The Rector came in this morning. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday.
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## **1921** **[Page 395]**

- Jan 6th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holiday. As the furnace was not let, the rooms were very cold in the babies were sent into the Third Class Room, where there is a fire. Much time was spent in running to get warm & all were dismissed at 11.15., Registers having been closed at 9.45. The pipes began to be heated by 1.30 & so afternoon School proceeded as usual.
- Jan 18th The Head Mistress was absent with a severe headache yesterday and returned to the school at 1.30 today.
- Jan 21st Miss Murrell was unable to be at School yesterday afternoon, being unwell, and she is still absent today.

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- Jan 24th Miss Murrell is still absent with influenza: Miss Offen is also absent today with an influenza cold. A Supply Teacher – Mrs Pettman came this afternoon to take the younger infants.
- Jan 26th Miss Offen is better, and return to work today.
- Jan 31st (Monday) Miss Whittaker is absent, ill. Miss Murrell is still absent. Mrs Patman is continuing as Supply teacher this week.

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Feb 4th (Friday) Neither Miss Whittaker nor Miss Murrell has been able to resume work. Classes I & II are grouped.

Feb 4th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers checked quarterly Returns (1 quarter ended 31 Dec 1920) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

### **[Page 397]**

Feb 9th Visited the School (a.m.) B. F. Cooke

Feb 9th Miss Murrell returned to work on Monday morning (7th). The Head Teacher has been absent ill, on Monday & Tuesday, & only came in for a short time this afternoon.

Feb 10th The Head Teacher returned to work this morning.

Feb 14th Miss Whittaker returned to her class this morning. Mrs Pettman's work as Supply teacher ended on Friday last (11th). Miss Murrell is recommencing with her own class this morning.

Feb 25th Returning from Church this morning, the children in classes I & II were held up by a shower, did not reach the school until 10.15.

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Mar 4th The Head Teacher was laid up the first three days of this week and did not return to the School until 9.45 on Thursday morning. The Rector came in on Tuesday.

Mar 8th Visited School, tested Registers and found the same correct. Charles P. King, Manager.

Mar 11th Miss Offen this morning received and intimation of her having passed the Certificate Exam & she is granted leave of absence this afternoon, as a congratulation.

Mar 17th Today, being the day of the Inspectors in religious teaching, no registers are being marked. The children assembled as usual, and are being sent home at 10.30. The rest of the day is a holiday.

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Mar 23rd This week, being Holy Week, the elder children have been to Church every day at 9 o'clock. The children have been rehearsing two little plays this week, and the timetable has therefore been a good deal disregarded. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 4th The School re-assembled this morning after the Easter holiday. 6 boys & 11 girls were transferred to the Upper Department. A little Entertainment in which all the School is taking part is being given tomorrow afternoon & with rehearsing & the room is really-arranged the usual lessons are not being given these two days.

The Diocesan Inspectors Report was received by the Managers on Mar 24th & is as follows:

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"It is my candid opinion that the religious instruction in this Department is given with the greatest fault and with a deep sense of responsibility: the work is well planned out and is quite accurate according to the grading of the children. In classes 1, 2 & 3 the quietness of the children & their attention is markedly good. The teaching in these classes is excellent. The head mistresses work is exceedingly careful & devout. In class 3 the teacher has made very considerable progress since the last inspection, both in the manner of handling the material & in the method. She should, with experience, may Excellent infant teacher. In the babies room the work is still rather thin & the method defective. This, of necessity, re-acts upon the children."

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- Apr 7th Visited School. Tested Registers etc.H. W. Maycock.
- Apr 15th The Head Teacher was absent, unwell yesterday & this morning, returning to the School at 1.30 today.
- Apr 21st Miss Murrell is absent today, unwell.
- May 6th (Friday) The Head Teacher was absent on Tuesday & Wednesday unwell, and returned to work on Thursday.  
Yesterday, being Ascension day, the elder children went to Church at 9 and all were dismissed for the day at 10.15, no registers having been marked.  
Today a half holiday is given by the Education Committee as the percentage of attendance for April was over 94.

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- May 13th (Friday) The Head Teacher was laid up on Monday & Tuesday this week, & unable to be at School until Wednesday. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide holiday.
- May 23rd The School was re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday. Miss Dorothy Frost, attached as pupil teacher to the Girls' School, is spending half days in this Department from today until the end of term to gain experience in Infants' teaching.
- May 27th (Friday) Tuesday last (24th), being Empire day, the timetable was suspended in the morning to allow the lessons on Patrick Chisholm, and saluting the flank. The children were dismissed at 11.20 & in the afternoon a half-holiday was given.  
On Wednesday afternoon the Head Teacher was absent with a severe headache, & did not return to work until 2.30 on Thursday.

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- Jun 1st (Wednesday) As there is a Circus in the town this afternoon the school was opened at 1.20 & some of the children dismissed at 2.55.
- Jun 6th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Register checked quarterly Returns (qtr ended 31/III/21) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Jun 10th (Friday) The Head Teacher was absent on Monday, unwell. On Wednesday & Thursday afternoons the School doctor conducted a Medical Inspection of 39 children. The Time Table was necessarily somewhat re-arranged in consequence.

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- Jun 10th A half-holiday is given this afternoon, for 94% attendance this month.
- Jun 15th (Wednesday) As there is a Circus in the town this afternoon, the afternoon session began at 1 o'clock, registers were closed at 1.15 and the School closed at 3 o'clock.
- Jun 17th (Friday) The Rector came in yesterday morning.
- Jun 30th (Thursday) The Head Teacher was absent last Friday, unwell. She had leave of absence on Monday and Tuesday this week. On Wednesday the School was closed, a holiday being given for the various 'Treats' in the town.

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Jul 6th (Wednesday) The Head Teacher has been absent the last two days, unwell, and returned to work this morning.

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Jul 8th Miss Offen has leave of absence this afternoon.

Jul 14th (Thursday) Yesterday the School was closed, a whole holiday being given for St Peter's Sunday School Treat.  
Visited school & Verified register, H. W. Maycock.

Jul 18th (Monday) The Head Teacher was absent on Friday last, not being well.

Jul 21st Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers checked quarterly Returns (1 qtr ended 30 June 1921) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Jul 29th (Friday) The Rector came in last Monday afternoon. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Summer holidays.

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Sep 7th The School was re-opened after the Summer holidays on Monday morning last, the 5th, by Miss Whittaker, the Head Mistress being absent, unwell, until this morning when she returned to the School. Having been given leave of absence to go to London this afternoon she left the school again soon after 11 a.m.

Sep 8th The Head Mistress returned to the School at 11.40 this morning.

Sep 9th (Friday) Miss Murrell was absent on Tuesday afternoon, unwell.

Sep 16th The Rector and the Rev C. Tottenham came in on Tuesday morning.

Oct 4th (Tuesday) The Head Teacher was absent yesterday and this morning, unwell, and returned to work at 1.30 today.

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Oct 21st (Friday) The Head teacher was absent, unwell, on Monday & Tuesday this week, and returned to the School on Wednesday morning.

Oct 27th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Returns (1 qtr ended 30 Sept 1921) & found them correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Oct 31st (Monday) The Head teacher returned to the school this morning having been absent, ill, since midday on Tuesday last: the 25th inst.

Nov 4th (Friday) The Rector came in yesterday afternoon. A half holiday is given this afternoon, for 94% attendance during the past month.

Nov 22nd (Tuesday) The Head Teacher has been absent, unwell, yesterday & today – only being in School for half an hour this afternoon.

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Nov 28th (Monday) There are 8 cases of Whooping cough and the School doctor having excluded 18 more children, & a few being absent, unwell, the attendance this morning fell to 53, afternoon 54.

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- Nov 29th Morning attendance, 52: afternoon 48.
- Nov 30th Morning 48, afternoon, 45.
- Dec 1st Morning 43, which is only 49%: the registers were not marked. Afternoon, 41. No registers marked
- Dec 2nd Morning, 43. No registers marked. Afternoon, 43. No registers marked.  
On Tuesday morning Mr Stevens, of the Bexhill Education Committee visited the School & saw each class at work.
- Dec 9th (Friday). The Rector came in on Monday morning and tested the registers. Dr Weston also came in. The Head Mistress left the School at 11 on Monday morning, unwell, and did not return until 9.30 a.m. on Thursday.

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Dr Weston came in again on Tuesday to investigate cases of whooping cough. The attendance this week averages 53.5 only, so many children being absent with colds and coughs. Classes were grouped for some lessons.

- Dec 19th (Monday) The Head Mistress was absent on Friday last, unwell. The average attendance for last week was again very low, 51.7. Classes grouped as before.
- Dec 22nd Yesterday afternoon a programme of Songs, dancing and Carols was given by the children to their parents. Mrs Maycock & the Rev G. S. Tottenham also came in.  
The School breaks up this afternoon for the Christmas holidays – there are Games, and a 'toy shop' this afternoon. The rector came in this morning.

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## **1922** [Page 410]

- Jan 9th (Monday) The School was re-opened this morning, with 56 children present. Miss Whittaker has not yet returned not being fully recovered from influenza.
- Jan 11th The Rector came in this morning. Dr Weston came into enquire about cases of whooping-cough and about the ventilation of the rooms.
- Jan 12th Miss Whitaker return to work this morning.
- Jan 16th (Monday) The Head Mistress was absent, unwell, this morning, but returned to work at 1.30.
- Jan 17th The pipes being nearly cold this morning, the children were dismissed at 11.45; and the rooms being still cold at 1.30, all were sent home early, and 3.10 p.m. The usual lessons were somewhat interrupted.

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- Jan 19th A very wet morning: only 36 children present. No registers marked.
- Jan 26th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31 Dec 1921) & found all correct.
- Feb 1st Miss Cuming, H. M. I. spent today in the School. H. Norman King, Clerk.

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Feb 10th (Friday) Miss Offen was absent yesterday afternoon, unwell, but was back at work this morning. Influenza & bad colds are prevalent – only 43 children were present this morning, no registers were marked. This afternoon 44 present, no registers marked.

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Feb 13th Government report received:  
“Inspected on 1st Feb 1922.”  
“Report by Miss E. L. Cuming, H. M. I.”  
“Since the date of the last report some changes in methods of teaching have been made in order to admit of freer individual progress in all classes. The results as seen today are sufficiently good to encourage the teachers to develop still further on similar lines.”  
“In Standard I the children read with fluency and intelligence and their Writing, Composition, and Arithmetic reach a satisfactory standard.”  
“The average age of the class is high; however, it is therefore important the work of the older children should steadily advance to more nearly conform to that of Standard II.”  
“In all classes the children & teacher’s work happily together; but the teachers in their zeal must beware of helping too much, and of making too little demand upon the children’s powers to overcome difficulties for themselves.”  
H. W. Maycock

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Feb 21st The Head Mistress was absent, ill on Friday last, & yesterday, and returned to the School at 10 a.m. this (Tuesday) morning.

Mar 1st A holiday was given yesterday to celebrate the Princess Mary’s wedding-day. Today, being Ash Wednesday, the elder children went to Church at 9 o’clock.

Mar 5th Visited school, verified registers, etc. H. W. Maycock.  
A great Gale was blowing this morning, with heavy rain, only 47 children came. The Head Mistress was delayed by the weather and did not reach the School until 10.45. 52 children were present in the afternoon. The Rector came in.

Mar 22nd Owing to a Gale, and fall of snow, the attendance fell this morning to 41: no registers were marked. In the afternoon, 51 children came & the registers were marked as usual.

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Mar 28th The Diocesan Inspector, the Rev Leslie Wright, inspected the School in Religious Knowledge at 10.15 this morning: no registers were marked & the children were dismissed for the day at 11.20. Miss Murrell was absent, unwell.

Mar 31st The Rector and the Rev G. E. Tottenham came in this afternoon.  
My work as Had Teacher of this School ends today. C. D. R. Caudwell.  
(Miss Whittaker, Head Assistant, will be in charge of the School, until Miss Baynes-Smith who has been appointed, arrives.

Apr 3rd 14 boys and 17 girls were transferred to the Upper Schools this morning leaving 63 on the roll here. 4 children were admitted. Only 46 children were present in the morning and 41 in the afternoon owing to the bad weather.

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Apr 10th Miss Murrell is absent this afternoon having had permission to visit her new school at Catsfield.

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- Apr 12th This week being Holy Week, the elder children have been to Church each morning during the first hour. The School breaks up this afternoon for the Easter holiday. The Rector came in this morning.
- Apr 24th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 5 children were admitted making the number on roll 72.
- Apr 28th Miss Murrell's engagement as Assistant Teacher in this school terminates today.

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- May 1st The School has now been worked in 2 groups. Miss Cuming, H. M. I. came in school for a few minutes this afternoon.
- May 3rd Mr Lawson came in this morning.
- May 4th The Rector came in this afternoon.
- May 11th Mr Davidson, A. M. I. spent the afternoon until 2.50 p.m. in this school.
- May 16th The Rector came in this afternoon.
- May 17th A wet afternoon: the attendance has fallen to 49.

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- May 22nd Visited School. Presented Diocesan report & verified registers. H. W. Maycock  
The Diocesan Inspector's Report is as follows:  
"The discipline and religious atmosphere of this Department all that can be desired. The teaching in the Babies room, as I saw it, is quite well done and the H. 2's group is excellent. In the middle group the teacher is growing into a skilled and valued teacher. The work is well planned and a really high standard is reached and sustained. There is very good attention in all groups and the children are adequately informed. The pictures support and more often of a better kind are sadly wanted."  
Leslie Wright, Diocesan Inspector.
- May 22nd The Rector came in this afternoon.
- May 24th Today, being Empire Day, the timetable has been suspended to allow the lessons on Patrick Chisholm and saluting the flag. The children have been dismissed at 11.30 and this afternoon a half-holiday is given. Mr Stevens came in this morning.

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- May 26th Yesterday, being Ascension Day, the elder children went to church at 9 and were dismissed for the day when church service was over; no registers been marked.
- May 29th Dr Weston came in this afternoon to enquire about cases of measles.
- May 31st Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (1 qtr ended 31/3/1922) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Jun 2nd The School breaks up this afternoon for the Whitsuntide Holiday.
- Jun 12th The School re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday. I began my work here as Head Mistress of the school. M. Baynes-Smith.
- Jun 14th The Rector came in this morning.



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- Jun 19th The head mistress has had to return to her late school until the new head can begin duty there.
- Jul 7th The school has a half-holiday this afternoon as the percentage of attendance for June was 94.
- Jul 10th The Head Mistress returned this morning.
- Jul 12th The school will be closed for Sunday School Treats.
- Jul 13th Dr Weston came in this morning to enquire about the cases of measles. 23 children were absent.
- Jul 17th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (1 qtr ended 30 Jun 1922) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Jul 19th a whole day holiday has been granted by the Education Committee upon the occasion of the Equitable Friendly Society Outing.
- Jul 20th Dr Weston came in this morning to enquire about the cases of measles – 29 children are absent.
- Jul 21st The percentage of attendance for the week is 64.
- Jul 24th The attendance this morning fell to 39. Dr Weston came in and closed the school until after the Summer Holiday.

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- Sep 11th The school was re-opened this morning after the summer holidays. 60 children were present. Rev C. Tottenham came in this afternoon.
- Sep 15th The Rector came in school this afternoon and checked the registers.
- Sep 25th The Rev C. Tottenham came in this morning and took the Upper Division in Religious Knowledge.
- Oct 2nd The Rev C. Tottenham again took the Upper Division in Religious Knowledge.
- Oct 11th The School Medical Inspection was carried out on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, the 10th and 11th. The classes and the Timetable were rearranged in consequence.
- Oct 18th The afternoon session commenced at 1 o'clock and closed at 3 o'clock to enable Boy Scouts and Girl Guides to attend a Demonstration in Egerton Park at 3.30 p.m.
- Oct 31st The stock requisitioned in September arrived afternoon.

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- Nov 10th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 30/9/22) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk
- Nov 15th The school was closed all day for purposes of the General Election.
- Nov 16th The Rector came in this afternoon as the children were being dismissed.
- Nov 24th Many of the children are this week suffering from bad coughs and colds and so the attendance has been poor.

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- Nov 27th It is necessary to re-arrange the afternoon Time-table for the remainder of the term as the light is so poor at the close of the afternoon.
- Dec 1st The attendance this morning very low; 19 children being absent with bad coughs and colds.
- Dec 4th The Head Mistress had leave of absence to go home to see her father who was very ill. The Rev C. Tottenham came in as usual to take the Scripture lesson with the top division.
- Dec 5th The Dentist and Nurse visited the school to inspect the children's teeth. The Time-table had to be slightly re-arranged in consequence.
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- Dec 14th The Rector came in this afternoon and tested the registers. The attendance still continues low.
- Dec 21st The Time-table suspended for the afternoon and at the close of the afternoon the school was closed for the Christmas Holidays.
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## **1923**

- Jan 8th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays. 64 children were present.
- Jan 17th Compared entries in in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/12/22) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Jan 26th The children went to church as usual this morning, returning about 9.45 a.m. Miss Cuming, H. M. I. came in about 9.40 a.m. and spent the remainder of the morning in the school.
- Feb 5th The Rev C. Tottenham came in at 9.15 a.m. to take the Scripture lesson with the top division.
- Feb 28th The Rector came in this morning.
- Mar 5th Miss Cuming, H. M. I., came in this afternoon at 3.20 p.m. and examined the Attendance Registers, the Admission Registers and Summary.
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- Mar 6th Nurse came in this afternoon instead of yesterday.
- Mar 16th As it is the Diocesan Inspection this morning no registers are being marked. The children assembled at 9.55 a.m. and was sent home at 11 a.m. The rest of the day was a holiday.
- Mar 22nd The Rector came in this afternoon and checked the registers.
- Mar 28th This week being Holy Week the elder children have been to church each morning during the time set apart for Religious Instruction. The school closes this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 9th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter Holiday. 10 girls and 12 boys were transferred to the Upper Departments. Ronald and Winifred Carter were transferred to St Mary Magdalene School. 10 children were admitted.
- Apr 20th The older children were taken to Church this morning as usual.
- Apr 23rd Miss Offen is ill and has sent a doctor's certificate saying she will be away for a few days.

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- Apr 26th In compliance with the wish of His Majesty the King a day holiday has been granted to all schools upon the occasion of the Wedding of H. R. H., The Duke of York.
- Apr 30th The Rector came in this morning and brought to the Diocesan Inspector's Report. The Report is as follows: –  
“This Department maintains its very high standard of religious work. The tone and discipline are excellent and there is a nice and happy atmosphere about the school.”  
John H. Gurney, Diocesan Inspector  
H. W. Maycock, Correspondent.
- May 2nd At a meeting of the Board of Managers held at the Rectory, the Head teacher was present with the Class Record Books which were duly inspected. H. W. Maycock.
- May 3rd Miss Offen returned to work this morning (Thursday).
- May 4th The attendance this week has been very poor, owing to many of the children suffering from whooping-cough. The percentage is 70 for the week.

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- May 11th Yesterday was Ascension Day; the children assembled for Church and were dismissed after the service. No registers were marked – a holiday being given.
- May 17th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/3/23) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- May 18th “Empire Day” has been celebrated in the school this morning. The Time-table was suspended and the lessons were given on Empire Day, and the Flag saluted. This afternoon is a half-holiday and the school will be closed next week for the Whitsuntide holiday.
- May 28th The school was re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide Holidays.
- Jun 13th Visited school. Verified registers. H. W. Maycock.
- Jun 16th The stock requisitioned in May arrived this afternoon.
- Jun 29th The children went to Church this morning, returning to school at 10 a.m.
- Jul 2nd The second quarter in the registers was commenced this morning. As the numbers in the third class under Miss Offen had increased so much, some of the older and more advanced children were transferred to the second class.

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- Jul 4th The afternoon session will commence at 1 a.m. and close at 3 p.m. in order that Girl guides may attend their Annual Rally.
- Jul 16th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (ended 30 Jun 1923) & found them correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary.
- Jul 19th On July 11th the school was closed for the day for the Sunday School Treats, and this afternoon the school will be closed in order that the children may take part in the Sports arranged in connection with the National Fire Brigade Fête.
- Jul 20th The afternoon session commenced at 1 p.m. and closed at 3 p.m. in order that “Brownies” on the

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registers could attend their annual Party.

- Aug 3rd The school closed this afternoon for the summer holidays.
- Sep 10th The school re-opened this morning after the summer holidays. During the holidays the cloakrooms have been colour-washed and painted and a new stove fitted in the babies room.

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- Sep 28th Examine to Registers & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Sep 28th Nurse came in on Wednesday afternoon to weigh and measure the children in readiness for the Medical inspection next week. The percentage of attendance for the month of September is 85.6.
- Oct 1st 8 children have been transferred from Miss Offen's class to the 2nd Class, leaving Miss Offen with the Babies class only. On the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons this week, the School Doctor and nurse are conducting the Medical Inspection of the children. It is necessary to re-arrange the Time-table on those afternoons.
- Oct 12th Owing to the very mild weather this morning the attendance fell to 54 and this afternoon to 62. The percentage for the week is 69. This is due to a large number of the children suffering from severe colds.
- Oct 17th Miss Whitaker has been absent today suffering from a very severe cold.

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- Oct 19th Miss Whitaker return to school this morning.
- Oct 23rd The weather being very stormy when the children were returning for the afternoon school, only 59 children were present.
- Oct 26th The weather was again very stormy this morning and only 64 children were present. The percentage for the week was 75.
- Nov 7th The temperature of two of the rooms was only 46° this morning, due to cold pipes, and on investigation found the fire out. The temperature did not rise higher than 52 all day, as the weather was so very cold.
- Nov 15th Two teachers from Halton Infants' School, Hastings came today to see our Individual Work on the recommendation of Miss Cuming, H. M. I. The time-table was re-arranged to give extra time to the Individual work.
- Nov 21st Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 30/ix/23) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Nov 26th The temperature of the school is very low today. This morning when school opened the main room was 52°, the small room, 46°, and the babies room 35°. The attendance is very poor – 64 children beam present the whole day, are many of those are suffering from bad colds and coughs.

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- Nov 29th owing to the dark afternoons it is necessary to re-arrange the time-table for the upper classes, so that the lessons requiring a good light may be taken early in the afternoon. This will be continued for a few weeks.

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- Dec 5th The school will be closed all day tomorrow, December 6th, on the occasion of the General Election.
- Dec 10th J. W. Veysey, H. M. I. visited the School this morning.
- Dec 20th On Thursday afternoon at 2.30 there was a short programme of songs, recitations, dances and carols. Many of the parents attended.
- Dec 21st The school breaks up for the Christmas holidays at the close of this afternoon's session.
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## **1924**

- Jan 7th The school re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays. Four children were admitted. The temperature in all the rooms was very low – 45°, 46°, 47°.

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- Jan 9th A very cold day, snow falling continuously, the school was very cold at 9 a.m. (temperatures 45°, 46°, 46°.
- Jan 16th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/12/23) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.
- Jan 28th The Diocesan Scripture Inspection took place this morning at 9.15 a.m. At 10.30 a.m. the children were dismissed for the day.
- Feb 8th Mr Cane visited the school this morning and expressed his regret that the step was still in need of repair. The children went to church this morning at 9 a.m. The attendance this week has been very poor due to illness among the children. The percentage for the week is 69.
- Feb 13th The weather was very cold this morning and the school was very cold, and many of the children in the lowest class suffered very much.
- Feb 14th The weather is again very severe and the school throughout is only 45°.

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- Feb 15th The cold weather still continues and the temperature of the school's 49°, 46°, 45°. One of the girls in Std. I had to be sent home this morning owing to sickness due to the cold. The men came this afternoon to make the new step.
- Feb 18th The temperature of the room at 9 AM was 44°, 44°, 43°. The Rector came in this afternoon with the Diocesan report, which is as follows: –  
“This is a distinctly pleasing school to visit and in all aspects reaches an excellent standard.”  
“The Devotional Exercises are adapted to the needs and intelligence of the children, and help to create that conspicuously religious atmosphere in which the work is done. The teaching is sound and there is a happy and intelligent response from the children.”  
John H. Gurney, Diocesan Inspector.  
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- Feb 19th The school was again very cold this morning. The pipes in the main room and small classroom were barely warm. The temperatures 48°, 45°, 44°.

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Mr Westington came in at 11 a.m. to see how the school was, and the temperature was still low although all windows were closed. Mr Walters visited the school on Thursday, Feb 14th to enquire about the heat of the school. In the babies room many of the children had cold hands.

- Feb 20th Although the morning was a little warmer, the school was very cold. The main room and small class-room were only 45° and the pipes were quite cold.
- Feb 21st The school was very cold this morning the temperatures were 45°, 44°, 42°. The babies room was very unpleasant all day, due to fumes from the stove. Mr Cane came in to see it at 3.30 p.m.
- Feb 22nd The babies room this morning was full of smoke and fumes from the stove and the children had to be moved into the main room, so the time-table had to be altered accordingly. Mr Walters, the Chairman of the Education Committee, came to the school at noon and said the room must not be used.

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- Feb 29th The babies have had to continue in the main room as their own room was unfettered for use. The children went to Church this morning.
- Mar 3rd The babies room is not yet ready to be used so today the babies went in the small classroom and the first and second classes in the main room.
- Mar 5th today being Ash Wednesday the children were taken to Church during the Scripture lesson time.
- Mar 6th The stock requisitioned in January came this afternoon.
- Mar 7th This morning the elder children went to Church at 9.00. They are to go every Friday in Lent.
- Mar 21st At 8.30 a.m. the main room was full of smoke, and it was found to be coming from the boiler-house where a heap of paper was on fire. The main room could not be used until 10 a.m.
- Mar 24th Miss Offen is away under Medical orders.
- Mar 25th Miss Pennicott, the supply teacher, came up at 9 a.m. to act for Miss Offen.
- Mar 27th Miss Offen returned this afternoon.
- Mar 31st Mr Walters, the Chairman of the Education Committee, Mr Cane and Mr Lawson came in this afternoon and discussed the question of desks, which were asked for in September 1923.

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16 boys was sent to the Boys School under the charge of Miss Withers, at the close of the afternoon school.

- Apr 1st 8 girls were transferred to the Girls' School and 1 child was admitted. The number on books this morning being 86 and 69 were present.
- Apr 4th The children did not go to Church this morning as the weather was very unsettled and many of the children are suffering from colds.
- Apr 10th The Rector came in this morning to sign the Registers and New Summary.
- Apr 14th The older children are going to Church each morning this week for the first hour.
- Apr 15th it is to wed this morning for the children to go to Church.

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Apr 16th the attendance this week has been very poor – 65% – due to bad coughs. The school closed this afternoon for the Easter holiday.

Apr 28th The school was re-opened this morning after the Easter holidays. Owing to the stormy weather, the attendance was poor. 16 children were admitted.

May 1st Mr Cane came in this morning.

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May 9th The older children went to Church this morning. The attendance this week has been much better. The percentage of attendance for the week been 91.

May 15th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/3/24) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

May 23rd The older children went to Church and when they returned the Time-table was suspended and suitable lessons given on “Empire Day”. The morning closed with the singing of Patriotic Songs, saluting of the Flag, and the National Anthem. This afternoon is a half-holiday.

May 30th Yesterday, being Ascension Day, the children went to the Church at 9 a.m. and on their return went home for the rest of the day. This afternoon the Time-table has been somewhat re-arranged for the Dental Inspection, 44 children and their teeth examined.

Jun 2nd During the afternoons of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week the time-table has been rearranged as the classes are grouped owing to the Medical Inspection. The Rector came in this afternoon to check the registers.

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Jun 4th Owing to a rapid development of measles the Medical Officer close the school at the close of this afternoons session. The Medical Inspection will be finished at a future date.

Jun 16th The children assembled this morning at 9 a.m. There were only 49 present, as the Medical Officer closed the school until June 30th.

Jun 30th The school open this morning. The percentage of attendance being 64.

Jul 4th S. Rossiter, H. M. I., spent the afternoon in this school.

Jul 9th The school will be closed on this date for Sunday School Treats.

Jul 14th The school will be closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 15th and 16th, for the scholars' visit to the British Empire Exhibition.

Jul 17th Mr Walters, the Chairman of the Education Committee visited the school this morning.

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Jul 30th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 30/6/1924) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Aug 1st The School closed this afternoon for the Summer Holidays.

Sep 8th The school re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. The new desks for the Std. I came during the holiday, so before school was assembled they were arranged ready for the children.

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- Sep 10th Mr Walters, the Chairman, paid a short visit this morning.
- Sep 15th The Rector came in this afternoon and checked the registers.
- Oct 8th This afternoon the Medical Inspection was finished. The classes were grouped and the Time-table was re-arranged.
- Oct 20th The school was heated this morning.
- Oct 21st Mr Cane visited the school this afternoon.
- Oct 22nd Mr Walters came in this morning. It had just been discovered that the cistern was overflowing. He suggested the Caretaker should report it at once. A workman came and soon put it right again.

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- Oct 29th The school will be closed for the purposes of a Parliamentary Election.
- Oct 31st The new stock came this afternoon. Knitting needles and a perforated rod were missing.
- Nov 11th Today being "Armistice Day" the children assembled in the large room at 10.55 a.m. in readiness for the "two minutes silence". After the silence the National Anthem was sung before returning to their classes, when the work on the Time-table was continued.
- Nov 18th Nellie Burt was sent home, as "mumps" was suspected.
- Nov 19th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 30/9/24) & found all correct. H. Norman Keen, Clerk.
- Dec 1st The Head Mistress was away from school from November 25th two December 1st having lost her voice, and recommended by her doctor not to try to use the voice.
- Dec 9th Mr Cane visited the school this afternoon.
- Dec 11th No registers are being marked day, as it is the Inspection in Religious teaching. The children assembled that 9.30 a.m., and was sent home at 10.30 a.m. The remainder of the day is a holiday.

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- Dec 17th The Rev E. B. Somerset came in this morning with the Diocesan Report.  
Copy  
"This is a particularly pleasing school to visit: the tone, discipline and religious atmosphere are all alike excellent. The teaching is sympathetic, and deals with the natural religious needs and interests of young children. On the part of the children there is a very general and intelligent response."

John H. Gurney, Diocesan Inspector  
H. W. Maycock.

The lady inspector of Physical Exercises for the Board of Education visited the school this afternoon and saw the Physical Exercises and Games of the two highest groups.

- Dec 19th Mr F. Smith came to the school this afternoon as Father Christmas and distributed toys to the children.



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Dec 23rd Mr Walters came in this afternoon and signed the registers. The school closed for the Christmas holidays at the close of the afternoon.

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Jan 7th The school re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays with an attendance of 90.

Jan 13th Several fresh cases of mumps and to chickenpox cases had been reported this week.

Jan 27th The attendance is low this morning as many of the children have severe colds.

Jan 30th The percentage of attendance this afternoon was 50, due to influenza.

Feb 6th The attendance this week has still been low. The percentage for the week being 55.

Feb 12th The percentage attendance this afternoon was 44, due to sickness and cold weather.

Feb 13thj The attendance today has been poor. The percentage present being 49. Percentage 53 for the week.

Feb 10th Medical Officer visited to investigate on account of two cases of diphtheria.  
[sic]

Feb 20th The temperature throughout the school has not been as high as usual as the caretaker is ill and unable to attend to his duties. Two mornings the babies room was below 50°. The attendance this week has been a little better, 62 p.c.

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Feb 23rd The temperature of the main room and small classroom was only 48° due to the fire having gone out during the night and being a bitterly cold morning. The temperature gradually increased and the rooms were much warmer by 11 a.m.

Mar 4th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/ix/24) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Mar 18th The rector came in this morning. He signed the new registers ready for April 1st.

Mar 20th The children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

Mar 23rd Nurse came in this afternoon and excluded two children suffering from Chicken-pox.

Mar 26th The babies room was very cold this morning. There was a north-east wind and the fire would not burn, and the room was full of fumes from the stove. Mr Squirrel came this afternoon to examine the above.

Mar 27th As it was a very cold morning the children did not go to Church at 9 a.m. The Rector came in this afternoon to check & the Registers.

Mar 30th No fire had been lit in the babies room as the stove was repaired on the previous Saturday. The babies had to come in the main room for the morning.

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- Apr 1st The new school year was commenced this morning. 64 children were present. 98 children on the registers.
- Apr 6th Miss Whitaker is absent this morning. Std I and Class I, are being worked together, and Class II have joined the Babies' Class. Two children were found to be suffering from Chicken-pox this afternoon when Nurse paid her weekly visit.
- Apr 8th The school closed this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 20th The school re-opened this morning after the holidays. Miss Whitaker return to school this morning.
- Apr 21st Doctor Weston and Nurse came in this morning. A boy was found suffering from chicken-pox and was sent home until May 4th.
- May 1st The children did not go to Church this morning as it was very wet and stormy.
- May 4th Nurse came in this afternoon and examine all the children's heads.
- May 15th The percentage of attendance continues to be low – 81 due to the prevalence of Chicken-pox.
- May 11th Mr Davidson, H. M. I., visited the school. He arrived at 9.4 5 a.m. and remained till 2.30 p.m.

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- May 22nd Yesterday was Ascension Day. The children assembled them were taken to Church, and after the Service were dismissed for the day. No registers were marked.  
Today is being observed as Empire Day, the time-table has been suspended; no registers marked, but the children talked about the flag and the meaning of Empire, saying their Empire and Flag songs and closed by saluting the flag and the singing of the National Anthem. The afternoon was a half-holiday.
- May 27th "Government Report" received.  
Inspected May 11th 1925.  
Report by H. M. I., Mr E. F. Davidson.  
"The present Head Teacher took charge about three years ago, and has maintained the efficiency and the pleasant atmosphere of the School."  
"The organisation is handicapped by the awkward size of the rooms, and by the galleries. If the Gallery in the sunless room now used by the Babies were removed, and suitable desks was supplied, it might be used by the older Infants; the more cheerful room now occupied by them would, if supplied with chairs and tables, make a good room for the babies."

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"The Standard I children are well advanced in the elementary subjects, and talk regularly. The Upper Infants are apt to be indistinct, and need much practice and clear and continuous narration and description. The Babies Class would be better with a less formal time-table and plenty of opportunities for language training and free movement."

"The work is carefully planned; periodical written reports on all classes should be made by the Head Teacher."

H. W. Maycock.

- May 28th The Rector came in school this morning.
- May 29th The school closed this afternoon for the Whitsuntide Holidays. Percentage 74 this week. Nine new cases of Chicken-pox.

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Jun 8th The school re-opened this morning. 7 children were admitted. As the weather is so hot, as many lessons as possible are being taken on the grass under the trees.

Jun 12th Half-holiday this afternoon for attendance.

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Jun 17th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 31/3/25) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Jun 23rd Visited School. Verified Registers, etc. H. W. Maycock

Jun 22nd The stock requisitioned in in April was delivered in the week-end.

Jun 24th The afternoons of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the Dr and Nurse were present for the Medical Inspection – 58 children being examined. The time-table was slightly altered as the children had to be grouped to relieve the Head-teacher free.

Jul 7th The School closed all day tomorrow for the Sunday-school Treats.

Jul 15th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked quarterly Return (qtr ended 30/6/25) & found all correct. H. Norman King, Clerk.

Jul 17th The school has a half-holiday this afternoon for attendance.

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Jul 23rd Two teachers from the Infant Division of the St Matthew's School, St Leonards-on-Sea, came this morning on the recommendation of Miss Cummins, H. M. I. to see the working of the school on Individual lines. This afternoon Mr Meades visited the school.

Jul 30th The morning was very stormy. 85 children were present.

Jul 31st This morning it rained heavily, only 65 children were present, and as the bad weather continued 73 were present in the afternoon. The school closed for the Summer holiday at the close of the afternoon session.

Sep 7th The school re-opened after the Summer Holiday. All the walls have been distempered, making the school brighter and lighter. Miss E. R. Westington commenced her training as Student teacher today. On Friday each week, she will attend the County Secondary School for Girls, Lewes.

Sep 11th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

Sep 21st Nurse came in school this afternoon, and examined the children's heads.

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Sep 25th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

Oct 1st 10 children were transferred from the lower class to Class II this morning.

Oct 9th The stove in the Babies room was used for the first time this morning as it was a cold morning. The older children went as usual to Church at 9 a.m.

Oct 13th Miss Cummins, H. M. I. Visited this school at 11.30 a.m.

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- Oct 20th Miss Blackman from Compton Place Infants' School, Eastbourne, spent the day with us to see the Individual work.
- Oct 23rd The day has been very stormy. The percentage of attendance was 59.
- Oct 30th Miss Offen has a severe cold so did not come to school today. Miss Oxford, the Supply teacher came at 10.35 a.m. to take the Babies Class.
- Nov 2nd Miss Offen returned to school this morning.
- Nov 6th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked Return, Quarter ended 30/9/25, & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary, Education Com.

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- Nov 11th Being "Armistice Day" the older children went to Church at 9 a.m. and at 10.55 the whole school assembled in readiness for the "two minutes' silence".
- Nov 25th The weather was too bad to allow the children to go to Church this morning.
- Nov 27th After a short talk on the life of Alexandra, the late Queen Mother, the children stood for a "two minutes' silence" at 11.30.
- Dec 3rd The children assembled this morning at 9.30 a.m. for the Diocesan Inspection. They were dismissed at 10 a.m. No registers were marked all day.
- Dec 4th The percentage of attendance this week is very low – 74.5 – oh into the wintry weather and sickness.
- Dec 9th The Diocesan Report received today is as follows: –  
"This school was visited by the Rev. A. W. Mills, Assistant Diocesan Inspector, who makes the following report:"  
"This is a very delightful school in every way. Worship constitutes a very definite feature and the whole tone and atmosphere of the school is excellent. The instruction given is thoroughly interesting and cause out the best powers of the children: it is definite and practical, and the little ones are receiving an influence of exactly the right type."  
John H. Gurney, Diocesan Inspector  
H. W. Maycock
- Dec 10th Visited school. Verified registers. Had good report of Miss E. R. Westington, student teacher. H. W. Maycock
- Dec 22nd Mrs Meads visited the school this afternoon. Mr F. Smith came at 3 p.m. to represent Father Christmas and distributed toys to the children, who affectionately saying several carols. Mrs Maycock and Miss Clementson were present.
- Dec 23rd The children had a nut scramble at 3.15 p.m. and then went home full of the Christmas spirit.

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## **1926**

- Jan 11th Re-opened school after the Christmas holidays. 94% present.
- Jan 14th The attendance very low this afternoon due to the snow.

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- Jan 15th The percentage of attendance is 86 for the week.
- Jan 23rd The percentage of attendance has dropped to 76 this week. Many of the children are suffering from bad coughs.
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- Jan 26th Miss Westington was absent from school this afternoon. She went to Lewes for an interview in reference to College.
- Feb 9th Lilian Finch came to school with her sister this morning to go to the Clinic to see the doctor before being admitted. She returned to school after the registers were closed, so as she is of school age she will be placed on the registers this afternoon.
- Feb 16th The piano was taken away this morning for repairs.
- Feb 17th The older children went to Church this morning as it was Ash Wednesday. They will go every Wednesday morning during the Lent season.
- Feb 19th Josef Sheffield came to school after the registers were closed this afternoon. The bus was late.
- Feb 24th The children went to Church this morning.
- Mar 3rd The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Mar 5th The stock requisitioned in January came last evening after school was over.
- Mar 14th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, Quarter ended 31st of December 1925, & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary.
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- Mar 18th The Rector visited the school's afternoon and checked and signed the Registers.
- Mar 26th The Rector visited the School this morning and signed the new registers in readiness for the New Year.
- Mar 30th John Godfrey returned to school this afternoon to relate to obtain a Mark.
- Mar 31st The school closed this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 12th The school re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 11 boys have been transferred to the Boys' Department, and 16 girls to the Girls' Department. 7 children have been admitted today. Albert Britt, one of the new children had a nasty accident. He had his thumb crushed in a door. He was sent at once to the Clinic, but he had to be sent to a doctor for treatment.
- Apr 15th We had the Dental Inspection this afternoon. 40 children were examined.
- Apr 21st Came in school this afternoon and examined the children's heads.
- Apr 28th The weather was so bad this morning the children did not go to Church. The attendance was poor – 74.3.
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- May 5th Gwennie Brooks was taken to the Clinic for Dental treatment, and did not arrive at school until 10 a.m. Her attendance was then marked in the register.

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- May 7th Miss Mockford, the Supply teacher, came this morning to help during the preparation for the Medical Inspection.
- May 11th The Medical Inspection will be held on the afternoon of the 11th, 12th, and 17th. The timetable will be suspended and lessons will be given of a quiet nature. The Supply teacher would take one class on the Downs for a Nature walk and games.
- May 12th Tomorrow, being Ascension Day, the older children will assemble at 8.55 a.m. Church. The rest of the day will be a holiday. No registers will be marked.
- May 21st This afternoon was kept as Empire Day. The children had lessons on the Empire and Union Jack, sang their songs and saluted the Flag. At the close of the afternoon the prizes were distributed and the National Anthem sung. The school then closed for the Whitsuntide holidays.
- May 31st The school re-opened this morning. Six children were admitted.
- Jun 1st The Rector came in this afternoon and checked the registers.
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- Jun 9th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m. This afternoon the school will be closed as the school gained a percentage half-holiday for the period ending 30th April.
- Jun 14th Josef Sheffield returned to school at 1.47. The register was closed at 1.45, and he was marked absent, but the bus was late, so his attendance was marked.
- Jun 17th Miss Mockford came to this school at 9 a.m. for the morning. 9 children from the lower class have been removed to Class I, as the class was too big.
- Jun 21st Miss Mockford came this morning to stay the day. She took the Head Teacher's class.
- Jun 22nd Miss Mockford came again today, taking Class I.
- Jun 23rd The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.
- Jun 24th This afternoon the school will be closed as the school obtained a percentage half-holiday for May. Miss Mockford was here this morning.
- Jun 25th Miss Mockford has been here today.
- Jun 29th Part of the stock came this afternoon. One parcel has still to come.
- Jul 5th Members of the Education Committee visited the school this morning.
- Jul 14th The school will be closed all day tomorrow for the Sunday Schools Summer Treats.
- Jul 16th The Rector came in this afternoon and checked the registers.
- Jul 21st The school will be closed this afternoon for good attendance in June.
- Jul 28th The older children went to Church as usual this morning.
- Jul 30th The School breaks up this afternoon for the summer holiday. The percentage of attendance for July is 92 – a record for many months.  
The Student Teacher finished her year's work in this school yesterday – 29th of July.

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- Sep 6th The school was re-opened after the summer holiday this morning. During the holiday the exterior of the school was painted.
- Sep 7th The Rector visited the school this morning.
- Sep 17th Two children – Ernest Hepton and Richard Cook arrived at school had 1.55 p.m. they had been marked absent, but they were allowed to stay at school.
- Sep 24th There is a half-holiday this afternoon for good attendance in the Borough for the month of July.

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- Sep 29th The older children went to Church this morning as it was the Festival of St Michael and All Angels. We did not return until 9.55 a.m. Miss Cuming, H. M. I., came at 9.30 a.m. and stayed until 3.25 p.m.
- Oct 13th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.
- Oct 18th The school was heated this morning for the first time this winter, as the temperature throughout the school was very low.
- Oct 29th The Head Teacher has examined Std I this week. Miss Whittaker took Class I for the necessary lessons when the Head was with her class.  
Four weeks ending Oct 29th: –  
Average number on roll, 139  
Average attendance, 123  
Percentage attendance, 88%
- Nov 1st Being All Saints Day, the older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.  
This afternoon Nurse examined all children to see whether they had been vaccinated.  
The new stock came during the afternoon.

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- Nov 8th The attendance fell to 68% this afternoon due to the heavy rain.
- Nov 10th Betty Creswell in Std I was marked absent at 1.45 p.m., but at 1.47 p.m. she came to school so was given her attendance mark.
- Nov 11th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m. as it was Armistice Day. At 10.55 a.m. the whole school assembled for the “two minutes” silence and was followed by the singing of one verse of the National Anthem.
- Nov 15th At 9 a.m. the temperature throughout the school was 50°. The Caretaker could not get the heating apparatus to work due to their heavy rain on the previous Saturday so the pipes were quite cold, and there was no anthracite from the stove in the Babies room. At 9.30 a.m. some small coal arrived to be tried in the anthracite stove, and the caretaker at once made of fire, but the room was so full of smoke and fumes that the little ones had to come in the main room all the morning. In the afternoon the room was used although the air was very unpleasant.
- Nov 17th All day yesterday the fumes from the anthracite stove made the Babies room very disagreeable, and this was reported to the Secretary.

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At 8.45 a.m. this morning, the anthracite stove was not burning properly, and the room was full of bad-smelling fumes. The Head Teacher went to see the Rector and the Secretary. It was

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impossible to use the room so the little ones again had to spend the day in the main room, so that the fire could burn itself out.

- Nov 18th Some anthracite was received last evening and the anthracite stove was again in use today. The atmosphere was not pleasant, but was an improvement on yesterday.
- Nov 24th The older [sic] went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Nov 26th The percentage of attendance for the month of Nov is only 76. This is due to many of the children suffering from Whooping Cough.
- Nov 30th The Rector came in this morning and checked the Registers.
- Dec 3rd The attendance has been very poor this week. The percentage for the week is 66.
- Dec 8th The older children went as usual to Church this morning.

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- Dec 8th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked Returns, three quarters ended 30/9/26, & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary
- Dec 22nd As it was snowing at 9 AM the children did not go to Church as usual.
- Dec 23rd The school closed this afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Miss Offen has been away all day with Influenza. The percentage for December is 64.

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## **1927**

- Jan 10th The School was re-opened this morning with 120 children present. 4 new children were admitted.
- Jan 14th The Diocesan Inspector, the Rev J. H. Gurney inspected the school in Religious Knowledge and 9.30 a.m. No registers were marked and the children were dismissed for the day and 10.30 a.m. 116 present.
- Jan 17th The Diocesan Report is as follows: –  
“The religious tone and atmosphere of this school maintain a conspicuously good character, and there is a real spirit of worship in the opening devotional exercises. The children are being handled with tact and sympathy; their religious knowledge is pleasing, and their response on the whole quite prompt and natural. The increase in numbers here is creating a big problem for the staff, and it is difficult to see how the religious teaching can be carried on easily with less than three groups.”  
H. W. Maycock
- Jan 27th The Rector visited the school and checked the registers.
- Feb 14th The Head Mistress was ill with Influenza and was absent from school from Jan 28th to Feb 14th. She returned in the afternoon.
- Feb 1st Miss Wilding, from the Downs Council Infants School came to help during the absence of the Head Teacher. She stayed to the 4th.
- Feb 9th Mrs Matthews came in this afternoon and stayed until the Head Teacher returned.



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- Feb 16th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.
- Mar 2nd Today, being Ash Wednesday, the children were taken to Church this morning for a service at 9 a.m. returning at 9.40 a.m.
- Mar 3rd The new stock was received this afternoon.
- Mar 9th The older children went to Church this morning. During Lent they go to Church each Wednesday.
- Mar 10th owing to urgent business, Miss Offen left school this afternoon at 3 p.m.
- Mar 16th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked Returns Quarter ended 31/12/1926, & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson
- Mar 18th Miss Mowton, teacher in the Girls' School spent the morning of last Tuesday and part of Wednesday afternoon with Miss Whittaker in the Standard I room for observation.
- Mar 23rd The weather was very unsettled this morning as the children did not go to Church as usual.
- Mar 30th The older children went to Church as usual this morning.

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- Apr 1st The new school year commenced this morning & children have been transferred – 22 to the Boys' Department and 15 to the Girls' Department. There are now 103 children on the registers.
- Apr 6th This was kept as a holiday: as the town of Hastings was being visited by H. R. H. The Prince of Wales.
- Apr 11th This week being Holy Week, the elder children will be taken to Church each morning at 9 a.m.
- Apr 15th The school closed this afternoon for the Easter holiday.
- Apr 25th The school re-opened this morning after the holiday. 10 children were admitted.
- Apr 25th The Rector came in school this morning.
- Apr 29th Miss Offen's engagement as Certificated teacher in this school ends today.
- May 1st Miss Saunders began work as Certificated Assistant this morning.
- May 13th T's School was closed this afternoon as a percentage half-holiday was gained for April.
- May 24th "Empire Day" was celebrated in school this afternoon. Patriarch songs were sung and was followed by the saluting of the flag. The school will be closed all day on Wednesday the 25th May as Empire Day is being celebrated in Bexhill by a demonstration in the Park, kindly arranged by the His Worship the Mayor.
- Jun 3rd The school closed this afternoon for the Whitsuntide Holiday.
- Jun 13th The school re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.
- Jun 15th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked Return Quarter ended 31/3/27, & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary.

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Jun 15th On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons Class I was grouped with Std I and the timetable was re-arranged on account of the medical inspection.

Jun 17th The school will be closed this afternoon for a good attendance during May.

Jun 21th Checked Registers & found all correct. Arthur B. Lawson, Secretary

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Jun 29th The children did not go to Church this morning as the weather was too uncertain.

Jul 1st The attendance today was very poor owing to the stormy weather.

Jul 12th The School will be closed tomorrow for the annual Sunday-School Treats.

Jul 15th Nurse came in this afternoon to inspect head.

Jul 19th The School will be closed all day tomorrow, Wednesday the 20th July, upon the occasion of the Incorporation Anniversary Celebrations.

Jul 29th The School closed at noon today for the Summer Holiday. Miss Saunders was so unwell that it was thought advisable to send her home about 10 o'clock.

Sep 5th The school reopened-open this morning after the Summer holiday. 2 children were admitted, and 6 children under five years of age were refused for the present. Miss Hatton came at 9.45 a.m. for the Children's National Savings.

Sep 14th The older children went to Church as usual this morning and 9 o'clock. As the weather was uncertain the children with out Coates remained at school. Mr Davidson, H. M. I. Arrived about 9.30 a.m. and spent the morning in the school.

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Sep 19th Miss Hatten came as usual this morning for the National Savings.

Sep 21st Philip Spiers in Class II had to be sent home this morning. His attendance was cancelled.

Sep 26th Miss Hatten collected the children's National Savings this morning.

Sep 29th The older children went to Church this morning as it was the Feast of St Michael and All Angels.

Oct 3rd 15 children from the 2nd Class have been transferred to 1st class, leaving thirty children in the former group.

Oct 4th Miss Saunders has been away today unwell. The 1st and 2nd Classes were grouped.

Oct 5th Miss Saunders returned today at 9.30 a.m. Miss Hatten came for the savings this morning instead of Monday morning.

Oct 10th Miss Hatten came as usual this morning. The Dental Inspection took place this afternoon. 80 children were inspected.

Oct 12th Bernard Carey has been absent in himself from school lately. It occurred again this afternoon but his mother brought him to school at 2.15 p.m. He was allowed to stay, although marked absent.

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- Oct 12th The school was heated this morning for the first time this year.
- Oct 14th A percentage half-holiday has been gained for September and will be taken this afternoon.
- Oct 17th Miss Hatten came as usual this morning for the National Savings.
- Oct 26th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Oct 31st Miss Hatten came as usual to take the National Savings.
- Nov 1st As it is Saints Day, the older children went to Church this morning, and 9 a.m.
- Nov 4th The new stock came this morning.
- Nov 11th There is a holiday this afternoon for the good attendance in October. At 11 a.m. "two minutes" silence was kept by all the children. The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Nov 23rd The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Nov 29th The weather today, has been very bad and the attendance has been poor. Chicken-box has broken out in Class I.
- Dec 7th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Dec 21st As it was stormy the children did not go to Church.
- Dec 22nd At 2:30 p.m. the children assembled in the main room, and after the singing of carols, crackers were distributed.

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- Dec 23rd The school closed at noon for the Christmas holidays. (This includes the percentage half-holiday gained for the period ended 25th November 1927).

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## **1928**

- Jan 9th The school re-opened this morning. 5 new children were admitted.
- Jan 18th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Jan 27th The percentage for the month of January is 88. There are still several cases of Chicken-pox.
- Jan 31st The pipes were not heated this morning and the temperatures were 46°, 47° and 48° when the children assembled. The Head Teacher visited the Secretary at the Town Hall and was told to carry on and keep the children warm with frequent exercises, and keeping close together and something would be done. The Attendance Officer came about 10.30 a.m. to light the boiler fire, and when the children assembled in the afternoon the rooms were nearly normal 54°, 57° & 58°.
- Feb 3rd Owing to the illness of the caretaker at the school has not been kept in his usual condition, but the teachers have dusted their rooms each day.

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- Feb 6th The temperatures were low this morning into rooms – 46° & 47°.
- Feb 8th The anthracite stove has been out all day. The temperature was 56° in the morning but dropped to 51 in the afternoon.
- Feb 9th The anthracite stove has been out again all day, but the temperature was higher – 58 and 9 a.m. and 56° at noon.
- Feb 10th There was no heat in the school this morning. The Head Teacher went to the Rectory to report. The Rector recommended someone to carry on, but he did not arrive until 12.30. As the school was too cold for the children to sit for long, the time-table was dis-regarded and organised games in the play ground work automated with short periods in school for lessons.
- Feb 15th The older children did not go to Church this morning for it had been very wet and was still unsettled.
- Feb 17th The children assembled as usual this morning for the Diocesan Inspection. They were dismissed at 10 a.m. No registers will be marked today.
- Feb 22nd Being Ash Wednesday the children went to Church at 9 a.m. The Rector checked the registers in the afternoon on Monday.

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- Feb 28th Miss Whitaker was absent this afternoon to visit St Philip's Inf. School, Eastbourne. Std I and CI I were taken together.
- Mar 2nd Physical Exercises could not be taken in the playground easy yesterday or today owing to the bad conditions of the ground due to the rain.

- Mar 5th The Diocesan Report was received on Friday afternoon.

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This school was visited by the Rev A. Miles, Assistant Diocesan Inspector, who makes the following report: –

“The tone and atmosphere of the school continued to be very pleasing indeed, and the religion teaching proceeds throughout into resting and practical lines. The opening devotions are still a very valuable feature in the religious training of the children. A new teacher has recently taken charge of the babies and promises to do well with them as she gains inexperience. As this ripens, both attention and activity will probably develop more fully, especially as the teacher has quite a sympathetic touch with her class. The Middle group maintains excellent attention and is a bright and responsive class.

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The Bible work in this group appears to have been well taught, and the method and style of the teaching calls out the full activity of the children. The upper group retains its excellent character and there is no doubt that the instruction which is given here with utmost sincerity and thoroughness is of a very valuable type. It is gratifying to ask that in spite of certain difficulties the suggestion as to grouping made in the last report has been carried out.”

H. W. Maycock, Rector                      John H. Gurney, Diocesan Inspector

- Mar 7th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Mar 12th The Had Teacher will be examining the children this week, so that time-table may be somewhat disregarded.

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- Mar 26th The Rector came in school this afternoon.
- Mar 30th 44 children are being transferred to the Upper Departments – 23 to the Boys' and 21 to the Girls'.
- Apr 2nd The new School year began in this morning with 85 children on the books. Being Holy Week, the children will go to Church each morning.

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- Apr 4th As it was very wet this morning the children did not go to Church. 4 new children have been admitted this week. The school closes this afternoon for the Easter Holidays.
- Apr 16th The School was re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday.
- Apr 25th The older children were taken to Church at 9 a.m.
- Apr 30th Miss Whittaker is unwell and absent from school today.
- May 2nd Miss Whitaker return to school yesterday afternoon.
- May 15th Nurse weighed and measured all the children who had to be medically examined next week.
- May 16th Tomorrow being Ascension Day, the school will be closed all day. The older children will go to Church at 9 a.m.
- May 22nd Monday and Tuesday afternoons this week the Medical Inspection was held. 23 children were examined on Monday and 27 on Tuesday. Class I was divided between Std. I and Class III.
- May 23rd Miss Wollaston, H. M. I. came to this School 2.15 p.m. and stayed until 3.30 p.m.

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- May 23rd The School will be closed tomorrow or day to celebrate Empire Day.
- May 25th Miss Wollaston, H. M. I., visited the school this morning from 9.45 a.m. to 12.
- Jun 4th The School re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday. Two children were admitted. The attendance was poor, especially in the lowest class where there are several cases of whooping cough.
- Jun 19th The Rector came in this afternoon and checked the registers. He also brought the Government Report, which reads as follows: –  
“Inspected 23rd and 25th May 1928.”  
“Report by Miss C. I. J. Wollaston”  
“The work of the school is handicapped by the inconvenient nature of the premises, one room being almost filled by a gallery and the Babies Room being so small that the numbers in the class must be kept very low.”  
“The children are very bright and responsive and in the top class they're attainments, considering that the school year began only at Easter, a very satisfactory especially in Composition; some of them are also well advanced in Number and express themselves readily. Recitation is well known, but in all classes there is a tendency to say it in an expression this way.”  
The teacher of the lowest class is not trained for Infant work, but she is present with the young children and is encouraging them to speak clearly.

H. W. Maycock

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- Jun 29th As it is St Peter's Day, the older children attended Church at 9 a.m. The percentage for the month of June is 82. This is due to measles and whooping cough among the younger children.
- Jul 5th A Sub-Committee visited the School this afternoon to decide upon renovations and repairs to be executed during the Summer Holiday.
- Jul 10th The School will be closed all day tomorrow for the School Treats.
- Jul 17th His Worship the Mayor entertained the children this afternoon at the Down Council School.

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- Jul 18th The older children attended Church at 9 a.m.
- Aug 1st The children did not go to Church this morning as the weather was so uncertain.
- Aug 3rd Prizes were distributed this afternoon. At the close of the afternoon the school closed for the summer holidays. The attendance in the two lower classes has been very poor for two weeks due to whooping cough and measles.
- Sep 18th The school re-opened this morning with 104 children in attendance – 11 children were admitted.
- Sep 26th The Rector came in school this morning and checked the registers. The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.
- Oct 17th The weather was so uncertain this morning the children did not go to Church.
- Oct 30th Mr Markham, H. M. I., paid a school visit this morning to inspect the building.
- Oct 31st The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Nov 7th The school will be closed for an attendance holiday this afternoon.
- Nov 14th The older children went to Church as usual this morning.

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- Nov 16th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers. Checked returns quarters ended 30th Sep 1928 and found all correct. C. E. Dallaway, S. A. O. - 16-11-1928.
- Dec 5th The Rector visited the school this afternoon and checked the registers. The older children went to church this morning at 9 a.m.
- Dec 20th Several visitors came this afternoon to hear the children say recitations and seen Carols. Mr F. Smith came to distribute toys to the children.
- Dec 21st The School closes this afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

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## **1929**

- Jan 7th The School re-open this morning after the Christmas holidays.

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- Jan 16th The children did not go to Church this morning as it was snowing.
- Jan 25th The attendance this week in Std I and Babies has been very poor due to several cases of Measles.
- Feb 1st The attendance continues very poor in Std I and Babies.
- Feb 4th The playground is in such a dirty condition it could not be used at all today for drill all play.
- Feb 8th The attendance this week is lower again in all classes. 75% for the school.
- Feb 13th The older children did not go to Church this morning as so many children are ill with Measles.
- Feb 15th The percentage this week has fallen two 64.
- Feb 22nd The attendance still continues very low, 63% for the week. The attendance seen Std I has been only 51%. The piano was tuned at the close of the afternoon session.
- Mar 1st The attendance is still low this week. Fresh cases of measles have been notified in Class I. The percentage for the month of February is 67.
- Mar 18th Mrs Sansom came in school this afternoon at 3.25 and signed the registers.
- Mar 22nd The School closed this afternoon for the Easter Holidays.

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- Apr 8th The School re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 36 children have been transferred to Upper Departments and one girl has left to go to the Downs. 11 children have been admitted.
- Apr 17th The older children went to Church this morning at the usual time.
- Apr 29th At the Dental Inspection this afternoon, 58 children were inspected. The boys and girls from the other departments came in with their teachers afterwards so that the Std I and Class I were grouped in the main room.
- May 1st The older children went to Church this morning at the usual time.
- May 9th The School will be closed all day as it is Ascension Date. The older children assembled at 9 a.m. and went to Church.
- May 17th The School will be closed this afternoon for an attendance holiday for April and all next week for Whitsuntide.
- May 27th The school re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday.
- May 29th The School will be closed all day tomorrow for the General Election.

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- Jun 3rd The School will be closed this afternoon for the Empire Day Celebrations.
- Jun 7th Laura Gower, Marjory and Doris Ball were brought to school at 2.30 this afternoon. They had been sent to school but had stopped to gather flowers.
- Jun 19th The older children went to Church as usual and 9 a.m.

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- Jun 21st The children assembled this morning for the Diocesan Inspection, and were dismissed at the close of the inspection. They had a holiday in the afternoon.
- Jun 25th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, checked Return quarter ended 31st Mar 1929 & found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.
- Jun 26th A half-holiday has been given to the Schools this afternoon, upon the occasion of the "Girl Guides Rally".
- Jul 2nd Three little boys arrived at school this afternoon at 2 o'clock, too late further attendance mark.
- Jul 3rd The older children went to church at 9 a.m.
- Jul 4th A Sub-committee visited the School this afternoon to decide upon the renovations and repairs to be executed during the Summer Holidays.

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- Jul 9th The School will be closed all day tomorrow for Sunday School Treats.
- Jul 12th The following Diocesan report was received this morning.  
Copy:-  
"The inspection of the School this year came during the first term of work, and as a result conditions were rather different from those existing at the last inspection. The effect was naturally most noticeable in the lowest group where quite a number of the children had only been at school for a short time. The children, however, were keen in following their teachers lesson, which was given in a way certain to fix their attention. One is sure that great progress will be made by this class within a term or so."  
"The middle group forms a very bright class. The children answered thoughtfully and intelligently. They are evidently well taught and should be a source of gratification to their head teacher."  
"The top group retains fully its former excellent standard. The children are quite responsive and free, and they show very clear evidences of thorough and sound Christian teaching on definite Church lines."

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"A suggestion was made that, to avoid too much repetition and to incite freshness, the syllabus in the school might be enlarged and developed so as to include simple lessons preparatory to the middle course. The top-class of this school is well fitted for such a development on right lines."  
"As usual, the opening devotional exercises are extremely well and reverently carried out."

Arthur Miles, Diocesan Inspector. H. W. Maycock.

- Jul 17th The School will be closed this afternoon.
- Jul 30th The Rector visited the School this afternoon and checked the registers.
- Aug 2nd The School closed this afternoon for the Summer holiday.
- Sep 9th The School re-opened this morning after the Summer holiday. Decorations have been carried out, the walls been painted or distempered and the ceilings whitewashed.

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- Sep 10th The Rector came in this afternoon. Lilian K. Crisp commenced her training as Student Teacher yesterday. She will attend the Bexhill County Secondary School on Fridays.



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- Sep 13th Nurse came in this afternoon for the measuring and weighing of the children to be inspected at the Medical Inspection to be held later in the month.
- Sep 20th A percentage half-holiday has been gained for the period ending 2nd August and is to be taken this afternoon.
- Sep 23rd The Medical Inspection is being held this afternoon, and will be combined on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If the weather is favourable, Class I will spend part of the afternoon in the play ground having games and stories and the remainder of the afternoon with Std. I.
- Sep 26th 25 children were inspected on Monday, 22 on Tuesday, and 24 on Wednesday. The older children went to Church today at 9 p.m.
- Oct 9th The older children went to church at 9 a.m.

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- Oct 9th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily attendance Registers, checked Return Quarters ended 30th June and 30th September 1929 and found all correct. Wm Jas. Hague, Sec.
- Oct 10th The Rector came in School this morning.
- Oct 11th The Student teacher, Miss L. Chrisp, will in future attend the Bexhill County Secondary School on Tuesday instead of Friday as previously arranged.
- Oct 18th A percentage half-holiday has been gained for September and will be taken this afternoon.
- Oct 23rd The older children went to Church this morning and 9 a.m. The heating apparatus has been in use today. The chimney was repaired yesterday.
- Nov 6th The children did not go to Church this morning as the weather was too uncertain.
- Nov 11th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m. and at 11 a.m. observed the two-minute Silence.
- Nov 20th Miss Wollaston, H. M. I. came in at 11.15 a.m. and stayed until 11.40.
- Nov 22nd A percentage half-holiday was gained for October and will be taken this afternoon.

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- Dec 4th As the weather was unsettled this morning we did not go to Church.
- Dec 16th The Rector came in school this morning and checked the registers.
- Dec 17th Mr Hague came in this morning.
- Dec 19th At 2.15 p.m. the children assembled for the singing of carols. Mr Tupper kindly gave the children selections on his gramophone. Christmas crackers were then distributed, and the children quickly donned the caps etc found within, and were dismissed about 3.45 p.m.
- Dec 20th A half-holiday was gained for attendance in November, as the School closed at 12 o'clock for the Christmas Holiday.

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**1930**

Jan 6th The School re-opened this morning after the Christmas Holidays. 4 children were admitted. Nine children are ill with Chicken-pox and one with mumps.

Jan 8th The Medical Officer came in this morning to enquire about the cases of chicken-pox.

Jan 13th Grace Wood was taken to the Clinic by Student teacher and was afterwards sent home and she was suffering from Chicken-pox.

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Jan 20th Betty Leppard was sent to the Clinic and was found to be suffering from Chicken-box. Lily Ivenden was also sent home as she resided in the same house.

Jan 24th The attendance in the two lowest classes has been very poor with [sic] week due to bad colds and chicken-pox.

Jan 31st Leonard Moore and David Reeves have been excluded on account of sores. The percentage in the lowest class was only 57 this week.

Feb 12th The children did not go to Church this morning on account of the bad weather.

Feb 21st The School will be closed all day tomorrow, Friday, and this includes the percentage half-holiday for January.

Feb 28th The attendance this week has been very good, the percentage for the week being 96. Std I obtained 99%.

Mar 5th The older children went to Church this morning as it was Ash Wednesday.

Mar 9th The attendance continues to be good. The percentage this week being 97. The lowest class obtained new were 99%.

Mar 12th This morning there was a record attendance of 100%.

Mar 14th There was a 100% attendance both sessions today. The percentage for the week being 98.

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Mar 19th As it was snowing heavily, the children did not go to Church this morning. The attendance was very low, 69 per cent.

Mar 20th Checked Registers and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague. Sec.

Mar 20th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers, Checked return Quarter ending 31 week 1929 and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.

Mar 26th The older children went to Church this morning.

Apr 1st 24 boys and 11 girls have been transferred to the Upper Departments. Four children were admitted this morning. 89 children are now on the registers.

Apr 8th Miss Saunders was so unwell, she was sent home this afternoon.

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Apr 10th Miss Saunders returned to duties this morning. The older children went to Church yesterday morning at 9 o'clock.

Apr 16th This week being Holy Week, the older children have been to Church at 9 a.m. each day. The School closed at the end of the afternoon session for the Easter Holiday.

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Apr 28th The School re-opened this morning after the Easter Holiday. 2 children were admitted.

Apr 30th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily Attendance Registers Checked Return quarter ending 31st March 1930 & found all correct. Wm. Jas Hague, Secy.

May 7th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.

May 8th The School will be closed tomorrow, May 9th, to enable the teachers to attend Refresher Courses.

May 13th The Medical Officer will attend this afternoon and again tomorrow afternoon for the Medical Inspection. The time-table will be altered to enable the classes to be re--arranged.

May 21st The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.

May 28th Tomorrow is Ascension Day, the children will assemble and go to church at 9 a.m. They will then go home for the day.

May 30th Owing to numerous cases of Measles the percentage this week has fallen to 85.

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Jun 5th Kathleen Stanley in Class I is suffering from Scarlet Fever.

Jun 6th The prizes are to be distributed at the close of the afternoon. The School will then be dismissed for the Whitsuntide holiday.

Jun 16th The School re-opened this morning after the Whitsuntide holiday. Four children were admitted and one re-admitted.

Jun 18th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

Jun 25th The School will be closed this afternoon for the Girl Guide Rally.

Jul 2nd The older children went to Church at 9 a.m. The School has been granted a half-holiday this afternoon.

Jul 3rd The afternoon session commenced at 1 p.m. and closed at 3 p.m. so as to allow the children to attend the afternoon performance of the Circus.

Jul 8th The School will be closed tomorrow for Sunday School Treats.

Jul 16th The children did not go to Church this morning as it was too wet.

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Jul 23rd At the Handicraft Exhibition held this afternoon, 15 entries were sent in. The results were as follows: –

Models in any material	Marjory Fuller	1st Prize
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	Desmond Bates	1st	“
	Joyce Leigh	2nd	“
	Alice Morris	2nd	“
Raffia Work	Phyllis Matt	1st	“
Decorations on Canvas	Kathleen Elphick	1st	“
	Joan Fenner	2nd	“
Plain Needlework	Dorothy Small	1st	“ )
	Joan Fenner	1st	“ )
	Joan Fenner	2nd	“
Models in Meccano	Willie Green	3rd	“.

Jul 28th The Rector checked the registers this morning.

Jul 30th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

August The School closes this afternoon for the Summer holiday.

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Sep 23rd The Caretaker heated the pipes this morning. The anthracite stove was taken away for repair and has not yet returned.

Oct 1st The children went to Church at 9 a.m.

Oct 6th The anthracite stove was returned during the week-end.

Oct 22nd The children went to Church at 9 a.m. The School closed at noon today for H. R. H. The Duke of York's visit to Bexhill.

Nov 4th The School was closed yesterday for the mid-term holiday.

Nov 11th As it was “Armistice Day” the older children went to Church at 9 a.m.  
At 11 a.m. “two minutes” silence was kept by the assembled school.  
This afternoon Nurse and Doctor attended for the Re-inspection of children, 20 children were inspected.

Nov 27th Visited school & verified registers. H. W. Maycock

Nov 28th Had to Teacher left school on the 26th at 2.15 p.m. to visit Doctor and attend Hospital for X-ray & was also absent or day on Thursday. This morning the children assembled at 9 a.m. for the Diocesan Inspection. They were dismissed at 10 p.m. for the day.

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Dec 19th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily attendance Registers, Checked Return quarters ended 30th June and 30th Sept 1930 and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.

Dec 1th The Head Teacher absent with a doctor's certificate. Mrs Samuels came this morning acting as a supply teacher.

Dec 2nd Mr Squirrel inspected the tanks in the lavatories.

Dec 3rd Started collection for Hospital Children's Cot.

Dec 10th The children did not go to Church this morning as it was too foggy.

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- Dec 11th Very wet day. 73 present in the afternoon.
- Dec 18th Head Teacher returned to School.
- Dec 22nd The children assembled at 2 p.m. for selections on the gramophone, kindly given by Mr Tupper. Father Christmas visited the School and presented the children present with a toy.
- Dec 23rd The School closed for the Christmas holidays this afternoon.
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- Jan 7th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays.
- Jan 12th Nurse was in this afternoon and examined all heads.
- Jan 21st The older children went to church at 9 a.m.
- Jan 26th Nurse re-inspected the head of nine children.
- Feb 3rd Mr Bradman and Nurse came in at 10.45 a.m. for Dental Inspection. 92 children were inspected.
- Feb 4th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Feb 11th The children did not attend Church today (Ash Wednesday) owing to the bad conditions of the roads following snow.
- Feb 25th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Mar 4th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m. The Diocesan Report was received this morning, which is as follows: –

“The devotional exercises are carried out with their accustomed care, and the little ones showed a real spirit of devotion.”

“The top-class was very keen in answering and showed quite good ability to follow out a train of religious teaching. The practical application of the teaching to their everyday life was secured quite easily and naturally.”

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“No lesson was given in the middle group as the teacher was far from well, but the children proved to be very responsive, and will quite ready to talk freely even with a stranger. The teaching has been on practical lines and the children have assimilated a good deal. The teaching on the life of our Lord, on St Peter, and St Francis was all easily recalled and the practical learnings easily brought out.”

“The lowest group is naturally in some ways the most difficult, but the teacher secured very good attention by bright and interesting teaching. The discipline of these little folk is not an easy matter, but there is no lack of keenness, and willingness to express themselves.”

Arthur Miles, Diocesan Inspector

H. W. Maycock.

- Mar 9th Miss Saunders left the school at 9 a.m. to visit the doctor as she had a swollen gland. She returned at 9.45 to say it was not mumps.
- Mar 11th Miss Saunders is absent today suffering from mumps. 8 children in the class have been reported for mumps this week.

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- Mar 12th Mrs Samuels came this morning to act during Miss Saunders absence.
- Mar 13th The percentage of attendance in the lowest class is 48 for this week. The percentage for the school is 73.
- Mar 18th The older children went to church at 9 a.m. Mrs Samuels was left in charge of the younger children.
- Mar 19th Miss Whitaker has been absent this afternoon suffering from an Influenza cold. Std. I and Class I will put together, and 2nd Class and Babies were left with Mrs Samuels.
- Mar 24th Miss Whitaker returned to School this afternoon.
- Mar 25th Miss Whitaker is again absent, suffering from Influenza. The older children went to Church and 9 a.m.
- Mar 26th The School will be closed all day tomorrow (Friday) for the Annual Schools' Examination.
- Mar 30th Miss Saunders returned to School this morning. As there were many new cases of mumps it was thought desirable not to take the older children to Church this week.
- Mar 31st 18 girls have been transferred to the Girls' Department and 15 boys to the Boys' Department.
- Apr 1st A new year was commenced this morning with 75 children on the books. 49 children were present.

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- Apr 1st The School closes at the end of the afternoon session for the Easter Holidays.
- Apr 13th The School re-opened this morning. Miss Whittaker return to School this morning.
- Apr 25th The older children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.
- May 6th The older children went to church at 9 a.m.
- May 7th The School will be closed all day tomorrow (Friday) in order that the teachers may attend the Refresher Courses.
- May 13th Tomorrow is Ascension Day. The children will attend Church at 9 a.m. and the rest of the day will be a holiday.
- May 20th The Mayor (Alderman Mrs C. J. Meads) visited the school this afternoon and signed the registers.
- May 22nd The Rector came in school this morning and checked the registers. Empire Day is being celebrated today in the school. Simple lessons on the Flag and Empire have been given and at the close of the afternoon Patriarch to songs and the National Anthem will be sung. The school wall then closed for the Whitsuntide Holidays. The prizes were distributed during the afternoon.

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- Jun 1st The School re-opened this morning after the Whitsun holidays.
- Jun 4th Nurse came this afternoon to weigh and measure children for the Medical Inspection.

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- Jun 5th The School will be closed this afternoon for the Sports.
- Jun 10th The Medical Officer of Health attended in the afternoons, yesterday and today, for the Medical Inspection. 31 children were inspected and 2 toddlers. The inspection will be completed next week.
- Jun 16th The Medical Official attended in the afternoons of yesterday and today to finish the Medical Inspection. 66 children and 6 toddlers were inspected in all. 5 were absent and will be inspected later at the Clinic.
- Jun 24th The School has been granted a half-holiday this afternoon for the Girl Guides' Rally. The attendance this morning is low as it is very wet, 75 p.c.
- Jun 26th The School assembles today at 1.15 p.m. for the afternoon session, and will be dismissed at 3 p.m.

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- Jul 1st The children assembled at 1.15 p.m. for the afternoon session and dismissed at 3 p.m. to enable them to go to the Police Sports.
- Jul 7th The School will be closed tomorrow or day for the Sunday-School Treats.
- Jul 28th Checked registers & found all correct.
- Jul 28th Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily attendance Registers, Checked To return quarter ending 30th June 1931 and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.
- Jul 31st The School closes at the end of the afternoon session for the Summer Holiday.
- Sep 7th The School re-opened this morning after the Summer Holiday. As the attendance in the lowest class was much improved and 5 new children were admitted it was necessary to transfer 5 children to the 2nd Class.
- Sep 16th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m. today.

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- Sep 30th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Oct 1st Another 5 children were transferred today from the lowest class to Class 2.
- Oct 6th Miss Jones, H. M. I. Visited us this afternoon. She arrived at 1.20 p.m. and left at 3.30 p.m.
- Oct 7th The older children went to church this morning at 9.
- Oct 21st The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Nov 3rd The School was closed all day yesterday for the mid-term holiday.
- Nov 5th 61 children were supplied with bottles of milk in the morning break. The children who pay will continue the milk daily.
- Nov 11th At 10.55 a.m. the children assembled in the main room in readiness for the "two minutes' silence".

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- Nov 24th The Dr and Nurse came this afternoon for the Medical Re-inspection. 34 children were re-inspected.
- Nov 26th The caretaker reported this morning that last evening he found the boiler, which heats the main room and small classroom, was burst. He had at once reported the matter to the Secretary. The temperature of the two rooms was 59° and 60°. Nurse came in this afternoon to inspect heads.
- Nov 27th The two rooms were called this morning and it was necessary for the children to wear their coats. The temperatures had fallen to 55° and 52°.
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- Nov 30th The temperatures were still lower this morning and this was reported to the Medical Officer and to the Secretary. On the suggestion of Head Teacher, oil stoves were borrowed and three placed in each room, the committee providing the oil.
- Dec 4th The Rector came in this morning and checked the registers.
- Dec 16th The older children went to Church and 9 a.m.
- Dec 17th The new boiler was used for the first time today and was greatly appreciated owing to the low temperature. The attendance is poor in all classes due to severe colds and coughs.
- Dec 22nd Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily attendance Registers Checked Return quarter ended 30th Sept 1931 and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.
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## **1932**

- Jan 11th The School was re-opened this morning after the Christmas holidays.
- Jan 13th The attendance is very poor this morning owing to the stormy weather and bad colds among the children.
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- Jan 18th Nurse came this afternoon for head inspection.
- Jan 20th the older children went to Church at 9 a.m.
- Jan 25th Nurse came in this afternoon.
- Jan 29th Miss Whitaker engagement as Certificated Assistant in this School ended today.
- Feb 1st Miss Dumbrell has been transferred to this Department from the Girls' until another post in a Senior School is vacant.
- Feb 3rd The older children went to church at 9 a.m.
- Feb 5th The Diocesan Inspection was held that 9 a.m. today. At 10 a.m. the children were dismissed for the rest of the day.
- Feb 10th The children did not go to Church this morning because of the wintry weather.
- Feb 17th The older children went to Church at 9 a.m.



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Feb 22nd The Diocesan Report was received this morning, which is as follows: –

### “Babies”

“For these very little people, a more deliberate and slower manner of presentation would be an advantage. The expression work of a guided kind, to which a small proportion of time is now given, it should be developed.”

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### “Classes I and II”

“it was understood that this teacher was only beginning work with Infants after a considerable experience with a Senior Standard. In presentation of the subject matter to these little people, every available avenue should be used e.g. through Eye-gate as well as Ear-gate. In this connexion, the possibilities of the black board in this lesson are often overlooked. Cf Black board Self-teaching for Teachers, price 4d C. E. S. S. I. by V. Peake. “Leading the Children”, by B. Russell 2/- C.E.S.S.I. would be invaluable for helping the Assistant staff in Method in these lessons.”

*[Transcriber's Note - The abbreviation cf. means confer and derives from the Latin - in English it is commonly read as "compare" and, basically, advises readers to consult other material, usually for the purpose of drawing a contrast.]*

### “Standard I”

“Good work is evidently being maintained here. In oral discussion the children were alert and responsive; their memory of the ground covered in second lessons was rather above the average.”

“Under the discretion of the Head Teacher the opening act of worship was reverently and suitably conducted. The general order and arrangements of the school seemed excellent.”

“(Signed) H. E. Stewart, Diocesan Inspector.”

“H. W. Maycock.”

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Feb 24th The children went to Church this morning at 9 a.m.

Mar 9th The older children went to Church as usual.

Mar 22nd Compared entries in Summary with entries in Daily attendance Registers, Checked Return quarter ended 31st December, 1931, and found all correct. Wm. Jas. Hague, Sec.

Mar 23rd The older children have been taken to Church each morning this week being Poorly Week. The School closes at the end of the afternoon for the Easter Holiday.

Apr 4th The School re-opened this morning after the Easter holiday. 15 girls have been transferred to the Girls' Department. The boys are being retained in this Department for the time and will be worked as Std. II. 2 children were admitted.

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Apr 14th Nurse came in this afternoon to weigh and measure children in readiness for the Medical Inspection.

Apr 18th The Medical Inspection began this afternoon and will be continued on the afternoons of Tuesday & Wednesday the 19th & 20th. As the classes are disorganised in consequence the time-tables will be suspended.

Apr 25th The Medical Inspection finish this afternoon. 67 children have been inspected and 16 toddlers.

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- May 5th The older children will go to Church this morning at nine and as it is Ascension Day the rest of the day will be a holiday.
- May 13th The prizes were distributed at the close of the afternoon session and then the school closed for the Whitsun Holiday.
- May 23rd School re-open this morning after the Whitsun Holiday. Nurse came in for a few moments this afternoon.
- Jun 1st The older children went to Church as usual and 9 a.m.
- Jun 7th The School Dentist and Nurse came this morning at 10.45 to inspect the children's teeth. 91 were inspected, 7 what absent.
- Jun 8th The School be closed this afternoon for the Bexhill District Schools Athletic Sports.
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- Jun 9th The School will be closed all day tomorrow to enable the Staff to attend the Refresher Course at Lewes.
- Jun 14th Miss Dumbrell, who was in charge of the children having dinners at school, had an accident and on my return thought it advisable that should see a doctor at once.
- Jun 16th Miss Dumbrell reported this afternoon that she had a fracture in the rest and unable to attend school. Her class has been taken with Class I and until we have helped will remain there.
- Jun 20th The Rector came in this morning to check the registers.
- Jun 29th St Peter's Day. The older children went to church at 9 a.m. The School will be closed this afternoon for the Girl Guide Rally.
- Jul 4th A Sub-committee visited the School about 11.50 a.m. in order to decide upon repairs to be executed during the holidays.
- Jul 6th Miss Dumbrell returned to work this morning.
- Jul 7th Miss Dumbrell left School at 2.30 p.m. to visit the Hospital for treatment.
- Jul 12th Miss Dumbrell left School at 2.30 p.m. today to visit the hospital for treatment. The School will be closed all day tomorrow for Sunday School Treats.

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**End of Log Book**