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OF THE

Bingbrooke Upper (Mixed)
and Infant Council

SCHOOLS

Jan 7 1 : 1907

To be kept by the Principal Teacher.

~~Frank H Wright~~
William J. Wright
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Laurence F. Oliver.
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Bugbrooke Council Schools
(Upper and Infant)

The following is the

"Personnel"

of the Schools, its Officers, etc. on the present date

Local Committee

1 The Rev. Ernest W. Harrison, M.A. (Chairman)
2 Messrs (Dr) P. White
3 " W. Adams
4 " Revd. W. Adams.
5 " W. Long
6 " Chas. Lovell

(Upper School) —
Head Teacher: Frank H Wright
Assistants: M. Lane: K. Wright
(Infant School)
Head Teacher: — Alice E. Wright
Assistants: F. Macgirr: Monitress: L. Davis
Attendance Officer: E. Brown, Duston

1907

Jany 7 Re-opened School after a fortnight Xmas Holiday. - A meeting of the Local Managers was held on Saturday every, the 5th inst. - W. Holding, junr., was about the pre-mises measuring the grounds, yard, etc., the greater part of

Jany 21 the morning. - W. E. Brown (A.O.) visited

Jany 28. I hast visited the school to-day & found everything satisfactory W. H. Long.

28 Received official intimation that the Schools were to be closed for Easter Holidays after School Hours on March 28 and to re-open on April 8th.

Also on Ash Wednesday - Feb 13th -

Feb 6 W. E. Brown - (Attendance Officer) - visited the Schools ~~on~~ to-day.

13 (Ash Wednesday) - School closed.

19th Examined the registers & found them quite correct. Chairman

21 W. E. Brown - (attendance Officer) - visited. All children present in the Upper Room: - i.e. 90 out of 90.

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1907

Feb 21 Have received the Kindergarten table (from Birmingham) for use in the Infant Room.

25 I was absent from School this morning, unwell

27 This school-room was hired by the Rev. S.W. Harris on Saturday evening last, and by W.J.O. Adams for this evening (Wed)

March 5 County Council Election Day. School closed.

6 The Counting took place this morning. School re-opened in afternoon.

11 Have filled up (& forwarded) Form 11 S

12 Have made out Requisition Lists for Upper & Lower Department

13 Have filled up (and returned) Forms S.A 10 and S.A 11. - These were the Attendance Claims for the Scholars for the Year ending March 31st, 1905; but the Forms were not given into my hands until Monday last. - W. E. Brown visited to-day - The Wesley family have been telegraphed for to return to London through the illness of their father.

1907

March 20 A meeting of the Local Managers, which was attended by W. Holland, (Sec^y of Education) was held last evening, to examine the Plans of the proposed new School-and class rooms.

25 The School was closed to-day, in consequence of a Parish Council Election.

March 27 W. Harrison, H.M.I., visited all day

28 Closed to-day for the usual Easter vacation

April 8 Re-opened School. - There are now 105 on the Registers of the Upper School. - Mrs Brookes called upon me this evening to inform me that she was had arranged to send her son to Northampton under private tuition

12 Have sent in the List for Honours and 1st class attendances for the whole School. -

16 Acting on H.M.I. advice I frequently transpose the Geog or History lesson (due at 11) to 10.15, to give me a better opportunity of correcting the resumé

5 1907

April 22 W Wallace Macgirr, - a scholar here in about the Year 1894-5, - now in the South African Constabulary, visited the Schools to-day

29 W. E Brown (A.G) called

May 1 May Day. School closed.

9 (Holy Thursday). - School closed

14 After heavy rains, the brook has swollen to such an extent that about 30 children in the upper room are unable to reach School - In the afternoon, only 19 attended out of 98 (Upper School), and 44 out of 62 (Infant Dept)

15 W. D. Elliott. (C. I.) visited to-day.

17 Closed to day for the usual Whitsun week Holiday

27 Re-opened School. - Miss Lane absent until June 4th - through indisposition.

June 4 W. E. Brown (attendance officer) visited Received Medical Certificate excusing Lottie Rutledge from School at present

11 A meeting of the Local Managers has been arranged to take place this (Tuesday) evening to study the Plans of the new Class Rm

14 The above meeting was postponed till this evening (Friday)

1907
June 19

W Brown (A.O.) visited, and brought me the

Report of H.M. Inspector

"The work is still carried on in very unsatisfactory premises, but the discipline is good, the teachers work assiduously, and secure what, under the circumstances, may be regarded as satisfactory progress. There are some good points in the work, but the Syllabus should be drawn up in sufficient detail to furnish guidance to the Staff and secure more definite aim in the lessons, and arrangements should be made by which the written exercises can be more satisfactorily corrected.

The Infants:-83 on the books- are in charge of a certificated teacher assisted by an uncertificated teacher and a monitress, but the Infant room is invaded thrice weekly by the girls

June 19th

H.M. Inspector's Report (Continued)

from the Missed Department for instruction in Needlework and a class of Infants is then relegated to a tiny class room generally used by the older scholars. The accommodation for older girls in the Infant room is even more unsuitable than is ordinarily the case. Arrangements should at once* be made for the instruction of these girls in their own room. The Infants are kindly and carefully taught, and, though the efforts of the teachers are seriously impeded by two badly designed galleries, the general progress of the older Infants is satisfactory; but the arrangement made for the instruction of the youngest scholars is altogether unsuitable

See note

Some new hoppers have been provided during the year, but there are as yet no other improvements to report on these inconvenient premises

Signed { Ernest N Harrison
Chairman

* Note to the Report by the School-master.

I beg respectfully to submit that:-

——— It is impossible for me to make this change "at once"* ; in fact, not till the new classrooms are finished.

See below

I have not room in my School for 50 girls (more or less) to carry on their needlework plus 40 boys (more or less) to work at their drawing.- Even if the girls were in this room, it is impossible for me to place the Lower Group (St II & III) of Boys in the Class-room to continue their drawing, as the group contains 21- boys more or less, and the room can only accommodate 15. J H Wright
Head teacher

(* Afternoon) The girls remain in the mixed room for needlework.

June 21 Miss MacGor is absent (indisposed) to-day.

24 I find that the Foders have left the village for Stores

28 Received further stationery from Leeds

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1907
July 2 The usual annual "June" Church Holiday is held this (Tuesday) afternoon.

July 2 Examined the registers and found them quite correct. Ernest. L. Hannin.

9 James Webb has applied for a labour certificate

11 Miss Macgirr has applied for leave of absence all day to attend W. Wallace Macgirr's wedding; and Miss Lane has applied for the afternoon.

15 Fredk Tarry has applied for a labour certificate.

18 W. A. Cartwright, H.M.I., visited this afternoon from 2 till 3.15

25 I have written to the Attendance Officer for further information as to Olive Clarke's continued absence from school.

29 An outbreak of Measles has occurred. I wrote to W. Long, and after conferring with him on the matter, a letter giving the facts was at once posted off to D. Percival.

1907
July 29. This morning I visited the School & found a very small proportion of Scholars present owing to an outbreak of measles. I wrote to Mr Percival & on his instructions Mr Wright is to close the School till Aug 12th.

W. H. Long.

Augst 12 (Monday) Re-opened school. There are still several children ill from measles in the village, especially little ones. — (Miss Olive Russell, of 64, St. Andrews Road, Northampton, has been attached here as a P. T. from the North^n Centre, to attend here on Mondays and Friday.

14 Mr. E. Brown (A.O.) visited to-day.

21 Received Medical Certificate to the effect that Ernest Barnes is suffering from otitis & cannot attend school.

22 Received communication relative to the proposed engagement of Miss Olive Russell as P. T. as from Augst 1st.

Miss Noble, of the Barnardo Home, visited this afternoon.

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1907
Aug 26 Almost all my elder boys are absent to-day on a Choir excursion.

30 Late Harvest.. Closed School to-day for the usual month's vacation

Sep 30 Re-opened School to-day.- While ringing the bell for School at ½ to 9 A.M. the tongue, weighing several pounds, suddenly fell out, striking the ground within a foot of me, but fortunately missed my head.

Have received instructions to have the bell repaired.

A Certificate has been gained in Nature Study by this School at an Exhibition in Lincoln in July last.- I have received permission to have it framed

Oct. 7 (Feast Monday) School closed.- The Rev E W Harrison (Chairman) visited, bringing with him Mr Woods, Master of the Temple, and Mr Paget.

Oct 8 Have sent a Report re School Drainage to the Secretary of Educatn (Northampton)

1907

Have received several Labour Certificates for children who have attained age during the holidays. It is thinning the ranks of my First Class, which I regret.

Friday (Oct 11) The coals, coke, dry wood for lighting fires, have now come, and, as we have not nearly sufficient accommodation to store the lot, we have been obliged to store the wood in the porch, leaving only a portion of the load and one ton of coke outside

11 W. Elliott, C.C. Inspector, called this morning, and examined the Science Syllabus, and Record Books

21 James Nye has returned to school after several weeks' absence.

25 Mrs Bates (School Cleaner) is ill. Her duties are being undertaken temporarily by Mrs. Ireland

Nov 1 Loftus T. Munro Esq., H.M.I. visited the Schools from 1 pm to 3.15 this afternoon (Friday)

13 1907

Nov 11th School visited to day by T. Harrison, Esq. H.M.I., who spent the whole day in the work of inspection in both rooms.

+ — Mr. Elliott, C.C. Inspector, visited the Schools during the Inspection.

14 Nature Study: — I am making arrangements (clouds permitting) for the elder scholars to see the transit of Mercury at 10.20 a.m., with telescopes, blackened glasses, etc.

Results: — Very cloudy: Sun invisible all the day; consequently disappointed.

15 Mr. Craven (C.C. Lecturer) gave a Lesson on the Heart in my School this morning from 9.30 to 10.15. The lecture was highly instructive.

20 I have sent the written accounts of the above Lecture to Mr. Craven, the original work of about thirty scholars

22 Mr. E. Brown (A.B.) visited.

27 Have written for (and obtained) a fresh supply of coals and coke.

1907

Nov 28 Fred^k Joyce has left School on L.C.

Dec 2 Rev. E.W. Harrison (Chairman) visited the Schools this afternoon.

3 Walter Tarry and family leave Bingbrooke to-day. Have admitted David Young from the Barnardo Home. – Have leave of absence to-day for an hour on School business.

5 The Floods are out, and several children cannot get to school. – At the conclusion of this ~~evening~~ afternoon's meeting we presented the MacGirr children with a quantity of hosiery, and also a little silver, as a token of kindness on the part of the school children to the little children, who are leaving to night for L'pool en route for Halifax, and Battle Creek U.S.A. We wish the seven children a safe voyage under the care of their mother

1907 Dec 10 Mr Elliott, C.C.I., visited the schools to-day

12 Mr E Brown, Att: Off:, visited to-day

17 My two supplementary teachers, Miss M. Lane and Miss K. Wright, are absent this p.m under examination at Weedon, and on the

19th 20th under examination at Wolverton.

20th Closed school to-day for the usual fortnight's Christmas vacation.

1908 Jan 6th Re-opened school to day. There is a good attendance.

14 (Tuesday) A meeting of the Local Managers was held this evening, when it was resolved "that the "School-master for the future orders "the cleaning out of the school-cisterns "whenever he thinks it is required, "without waiting for instructions to "do so; but afterwards to report the "fact that it has been done"