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1917 (Coal & Firing continued)

Jany 30 to be lighted at 8 a.m. My experience of the hot-water pipes is this. Their "general" heat is welcome, searching into every corner of the room alike, but the heat raised is only 10° higher than the outside temperature, let that be what it may. FMW

Feb 6 Wm Panter called.

9 It is many years since we have experienced such intense cold as we have had this week. I have had Std III in my room, & Stds I & II in Std III room, in the mornings during the week, and even with the addition of coal fires it has been difficult to keep the children warm.

13 Extension of Certificate:—

This morning I received a letter from Wm S. Panter, Clerk to the Managers, as follows:—

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Feb 13 (Continued)

Re-engagement

Feb 12th

Dear Sir:

The Secretary for Education advises me under date of Feb 10 that the Board of Education allows your services as a Certificated Teacher to continue until the 10th of March, 1918. Please make an entry to this effect in the School Log Book, and also note that Superannuation contributions should not be deducted after the end of the present month. Yr F.

Sam Painter

Feb 13 We are out of coals, and have scarcely any coke. Have again written to the Office, reporting it. Further, there is a coal-famine in the village, the Canal being frozen up. It is intensely cold, and traffic is difficult.

1/2 Received instructions from the Secretary to write to the Contractor as well as to the Office. I think it right

1917 Feb 14 to state that I have had three different instructions.

(a) Before the War, to apply direct to the Contractor

b. In 1914, to apply through the Office

(c) Now (1917) to apply both through the Office and to the Contractor.

15th We received a ton of coals to-day.

23 Mr. Panter visited.

March 2 Charles Gardiner's parents have gone to live at Alsop.

[illegible] Mr. Panter visited

8 H. Hawley, Esq., A.M.I. visited this afternoon.

[illegible] Very bad weather, is sadly interfering with the attendance.

(Sunday) 11 I am 75 years of age to-day.

[illegible] (Wed.) I have leave of absence this A.M. to attend a religious service, and was absent from School from 10.35 to Noon. E.T.W.

C. Lovell
March 15th 1917

Abstract of Schemes for 1917 - 1918
Standards II, I, II'

Reading:- The Graphic Pictorial Readers.
The Graphic Geographical Readers.
The Avon Nature Study Readers.
Silent Readers.

Recitations:- Selections

Writing:- Copy Books and Special Bk Bd. work

Composition:- (a) Reproduction of Anecdotes (b) of Master's lessons especially describing the experiments (c) Letters and Notes to the Master to enable him to compile the Bugbrooke School Weekly Letter which is written up during the week and circulated on Friday, as it has been for many years.

English:- Parsing - Simple Analysis - Punctuation
Correction of Localisms - A few rules of Grammar.

Arithmetic:- Stds I + II (to be treated as one class).
To work the items of suitable Bills of Parcels, Simple Proportion, Simple

Vulgar Fractions, Simple Decimals, Simple Interest, Mensuration and the elements of the Metric System.

Std. II :- Knowledge of the Common Weights and Measures, (with Rules) money sums, aliquot parts, introduction to Fractions. Mental Work in both classes to suit the written work.

Drawing - Memory Work - Sketching from natural objects - pen and ink Sketches - a little knowledge of perspective - a little colour work with leaves - twigs - flowers etc.

Music:- Voice production - time and tune - to sing a simple passage in Tonic Sol-fa Syllables from Old Notation - also to sing Rational and good songs in unison and a few rounds.

Needlework - Knitting socks and stockings - making garments - cutting out - Specimens - Dressing a doll.

Geography:- Europe and embracing all countries affected by the War.

History:- From 1066 to the present time,

particularly the history leading up to the Present War.

Hygiene:- Personal and household.

Physical Drill:- Selected from the Official Manual.

Elementary Science:- Light - Sound - Heat: Simple Mechanics Gases - Experiments with Simple Apparatus Animal Life - Plant Life.

Wireless Work:- Children to know the Morse Code and to practise by means of a buzzing bell, and also at the School Aerial and Wireless Apparatus (Sic:)

General Information:- To have lessons and talks on various current topics of the day - to understand the use of a few scientific apparatus etc.

Scheme of Work 1917 - 1918
continued

Standard III

Reading - To read the Graphic Historical - the Graphic Geographical - Two of Bright Story Readers.

Writing - Mostly from special lessons on the Blk. Bd.

Arithmetic - To know the four Compound Rules. Small problems to suit the Rules. **Mental** - To suit the written work. Preparation work to Standard II

English - To understand the two chief parts of a sentence, and how a simple sentence may be enlarged by modifications or qualifications. To have knowledge of simple punctation. Lessons on the Possessive Case. The whole to lead to correct speaking.

Recitations - With knowledge of meanings and illustrations.

Object Lessons - On various Nature Studies, Natural Phenomena, Manufactures - Observational and general knowledge.

Physical Drill - To adhere as far as possible to the Syllabus laid down in Physical Exercises Official Manual.

Music - To sing at sight a series of notes in the Key of C containing an F contradicted by F♯. Exercises in Time - Tune - a little Ear Training - Songs and rounds.

History - Period. From the time of Thomas à Becket to Wolfe

Geography - Knowledge of the village - of the Midlands with Northampton as a centre - a general knowledge of England

Drawing - To be able to draw simple objects - to encourage memory drawing - leaves - twigs etc

Needlework - Knitting socks - Specimens - Garments - A little cutting out.

Scheme of Work Continued
1917 – 1918.
Standards I & II.

Reading To read (1) Palmerston Readers.
(2) Historical Readers
(3) Geographical Readers.
(4) Bright Story Readers.

Writing Transcription from Reading Books.
Dictation . . .
Copy Writing from Blackboard.

Composition To make short sentences.
To give description of pantomime actions arranged by teacher. Oral composition

Arithmetic Std I. First four rules. Scheme B.
Std II Very simple sums in the first four rules of money. Scheme B.
Mental to suit above.

History To understand the chief facts of about 20 arranged stories from English History.

Geography To understand a plan – map – chief points of a compass – our own village, Rugbrooke – shape and

motions of the earth – talks about people and wonders of foreign lands – a sea voyage introducing port, harbour, etc

English. Recitations. To carry verbal messages – correct localisms – to know the noun and verb etc. Formation of plurals; the use of capital letters, vowels, etc. Language training (Dramatic)

Observation Lessons in Nature Study. Manufactured articles – Observational and natural phenomena with experiments of a simple character.

Music The Staff Notation – Time tests – Easy time and tune – Songs – Note value – Ear tests with two & three consecutive notes.

Physical Exercises. Suitable for the Standard taken from the official manual.

Needlework Knitting and sewing – making simple garments – practise in the use of scissors – cutting out squares, oblongs etc and pleating in paper.

Scheme of Work for Infants 1917 – 1918.

1st Class.

Reading.	The Palmerston Reader. Stories & Fables six books.
W. Building.	From Reading books, and from B. B.
Writing.	Sentence making, Word Building from B. B.
Arithmetic	Numbers to 30. Add & subtract to 20.
Recitation	12 to be taught during the year.
	Conversational Lessons.
Music.	Med Practise. 12 songs.
Drawing.	Outline of common objects, Picture Drawing.
Needlework.	Hemming & knitting, Dolls clothes.
Varied Oc.	Paper Modelling, Clay modelling, K.G. Games.

2nd Class

Reading.	Pal merston. Primers I & II
Writing	Capital & small letters. Word building from B. B.
Arithmetic	Teaching of number to 20. Add & Subtract to 10.
Recitation	Taken with Class I
Object Lessons	" " "
Music	" " "
Varied Oc	Block Parquetry, Clay Modelling, Brick. Building

3rd Class

Reading	Form of letters in sand & clay.
Writing	Formation of letters in sand & clay

Arithmetic Counting to 10.
Varied Oc. H. G. Games. Bead threading.
Clay modelling, Brick building.
Block Parquetry, Picture Conversation
Lessons.

Probable Disposition of Classes after Ap 17 1917

		No. of Children	Teacher
Upper Schoo	1st Class (St IV. V. VI)	*53	Frank H. Wright (Fred Chapman P.T. on Tues & Fri)
	2nd Class (St III)	29	Martha Lane: Supp
	3rd Class (St I & II)	34	Elsie Tustain (Un) now leaving: Another teacher is being appointed
Infants	1st Class	† 14	Alice E. Wright: Cert Asst
	2nd Class	† 15	Do
	Infants	† 15	Kathleen W. Wright: Supp

* This class gradually decreases in nos. during the year

† These classes immediately begin to increase with the fine weather

Frank H. Wright
(Head teacher)

March 15 1917

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March 21st Snow falls at intervals.

W. Taylor, attendance officer, visited

23 Fred. Weatherall returned to school again from Rugby.

30 Miss Elsie Tuttum, who commenced duties in this School as teacher of Stds I and 2, leaves to-day, after a most honorable career. She commenced duties here on Nov 27, 1911, and has been a most painstaking and conscientious teacher. She is leaving to get married. At noon-time to-day (Friday) the Rev C W Harrison, Chairman of the Managers, on behalf of the Managers, the children, and the staff, presented Miss Tuttum with a cheque. It was only a moderate recognition of the very kind feeling we have towards her. ~~J H Wright~~ Head Teacher.

1917

Ap 2nd Mrs Lily Collins commenced duties as U.C. to Sd Ds I & II this day.

4 Mr Panter, A.O., visited with official papers relating to the above appointment.

5 Closed School at noon for the usual Easter holiday.

Th

14 Re-opened School. Mrs Collins absent ill to-day

19 Mr Panter called

23 Several children are absent ill, suffering from German measles

May 3 Mr Panter called. We did not keep May Day this year

8 Oscar Vogel, Florrie Langley, and Ellen Holt, are very ill; also Oliver Ward, formerly a scholar here.

13 Bertie Bland (a former scholar) died this noon-time after two days illness only (lung congestion) aged 23.

14 The Stationery, ordered two months ago, came on Saturday. I have spent two hours of the early morning in checking the items. — Mrs L. Collins is too ill to be at school.

1917 May 14 Little Oscar Vogel died this morning at the N. H. Infirmary.

17 School Holiday

18 Re-opened: I regret to hear that Oliver Ward, who formerly attended this school, died in N. this morning, after a long illness. — This is the fourth death of youths and boys in this village during the last week, viz.; Bernard Bland (22); Ash by Adams (15); Oscar Vogel (10); and Oliver Ward (13). It has been a black and sad week.

21 During this week, I intend to give lessons on Food Economy, (Circular F. E. C. 5); and shall be obliged to deviate from the regular Time Table to do so.

24 We have been doing as above, making the Lessons as interesting as possible. To-day (Thursday) being Empire Day, we went on to the School Lawn at 20 to 12, Saluted the Flag, sang "Home, Sweet Home", "The Star-Spangled Banner" and the National Anthem. Then we cheered

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May 24 the King, next the Flag, and lastly the one hundred & forty men from this village who have joined the Colours, particularly those on active service, most of them being old scholars from this School.

25 (Friday) Closed to day after P. M. for the usual Whitweek Holiday.

June 4 Resumed work this A. M.; but closed school for this afternoon, for the "June Holiday"

6 Mr. Vanter, U. O., called.

14 Mrs Wright has been attending the C. C. Economic Cookery classes, and will give demonstrations as opportunity occurs to the first-class girls.

20th Two of my four sons have been invalided home from France, and are now in Hospital. Mrs Wright has leave of absence to-day to go to Birmingham Hospital to visit my son Percy.

1917

June 28th Examined the registers and found them generally correct. Lieut. W. Hanson.

July 11th W. Painter visited to-day

12 W. Wrightson ordered to be in School this a.m. at 10 o'clock.

13 P. T. Fred Chapman absent at an examination; also

14th on Tuesday, for the same reason.

18 W. Painter, A.C., visited

20th P. T. F. Chapman again absent under orders.

24 (Thursday) Last night a cloud-burst took place here, and placed the Class Rooms are with water under. This morning they are not fit for children to sit in. By permission of the Rector, I have sent St^ds I. II & III down to the Alb School with their Teachers to "carry on" as they best can under the circumstances.

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27 (Friday) Mrs. Wright has finished her series of Economic Cookery Lessons to the girls of Stds IV. V & VI, which have been held in the Infant Schoolroom during the past week

July 31st (Tuesday) P. T. Fredk Chapman has to-day finished his two years of student-teachership with me. He is a good teacher, and during the time he has been with me has worked his very best. He is most trustworthy, and I shall miss him willing help very much indeed. To the best of my belief he hopes to join the R. F. C.

For his Gallantry and Death See page 238

Augst 3 (Friday) ... Miss Kathleen Ballaster and Miss Dorothea Gilkes were in attendance this morning. — P. T. Frederick Chapman also attended, and at noon, the children and teachers presented him with a "Wallet"

1917
Augst 6 (Monday) Bank Holiday. No School.
Augst 7 (Tuesday) Resumed work. Mr Carter called. My son, Dr Mc A.R. Wright, home on leave from the front, gave the Standards a demonstration with a gas-helmet.

8th. Gave a lesson on the Yarrow, as it is now fully ripe and in abundance. — Yesterday (Tuesday) at 5 to 11, while the children were at recreation on the playground, an aeroplane from the West swooped down upon us, and, at a height of less than 100 feet, circled over the playground three or four times, to the immense delight of the whole school. The "pilot" answered our cheers with a salute, & then went off eastward.

" Mr Carter visited

14 The Schools were closed to day for the usual Harvest Holidays, — to re-open on Monday (17th Sept).

On account of bad weather, the re-opening was postponed to Monday, Sept 24

1917
Sep 18th Have received the two forms relating to the appointment of two P. T's, Dorothea Gilkes and Kathleen Ballaster, as dating from Augst 1st, but S.M. 8 have to be dated as from the time they were actually at work in School, which I presume will be Monday, Sep 24th

24 Dorothea Gilkes and Kathleen Ballaster commenced active duties in School this day. – The Rector, Rev E W Harrison, visited this morning. This afternoon it is our intention to take Class I for blackberrying

Oct 1st Afternoon. Out blackberrying officially.

8 The Feast. School closed. Very wet.

9 (A.M) As the weather is better, Class I has gone out blackberrying while the sun shines.

		lbs
Results. –	1st Gathering	86 1/4
	2nd "	90 3/4
	3rd "	192 1/4
Total to date "		369 1/4 lbs sent to Mr Jones Ed. Cox County Hall

1917 Oct 11 Have sent the First Class on a Blackberry mission, under my charge. We gathered 1h 1½ lbs

Oct 17 Mr Panter visited

18 This afternoon we gathered 29½ lbs of Blackberry. Rain came on, and we stopped.

22 Fine weather. In the pm we went on what I presume is our last Blackberry excursion. The total stood at ½ ton to an ounce. We gathered 62 lbs total 622 lbs

It should be mentioned that several families have been admitted here from London to escape the air-raids. On Friday night (19th) however, a Zeppelin reached the Castle Station at ½ to 11 & dropped 8 bombs near it, only one having gathered. One poor woman was killed outright & her daughter died soon after. So we are now in the War Zone.

29 Mr Panter visited

Nov 7 Mr Mullican inspected the schools all day

11 Have directed Mrs Collins's attention to School Rule 2. (which she had not noticed).

~~1917~~
Nov 12 Mr Vanter visited ... In the P.M. the girls of Std I & II (as well as the boys) are in the Upper room, leaving Mrs Collins with the Upper girls for teaching certain elements of needlework. This applies to Wednesday afternoon only, as on Monday and Friday afternoons she has the help of a P.T.

17 Wilfred Watson died to day

Nov 21 Wilfred Watson is buried this afternoon. I have half an hours leave of absence to attend the funeral.

23rd Received a telegram from France to-day stating that Lieut. Horace White (Royal Fusiliers) who spent his boyhood at this school, had been killed in France. The flag is at half-mast. Lieut Horace White was thoroughly well liked by all who knew him, and I have heard from the front that his men thought most highly of him. He was only married at about Midsummer.

Nov 24 (Monday). Board meeting this evening
W. Painter also visited.

27 (Tuesday) I have called the teachers'
attention (of St I and II) to the School Rule on
"Recreation" = It supervise the general
well-being of the children on the play-
ground, and to stop such things as
stone-throwing, climbing about the
walls, bullying and quarrelling, &c.
The exceptions, of course, are bad weather
(in which case the children are not to
be sent out); - personal illness; or
on occasions when at my request
a teacher may be engaged in some
special work.

Frank H. Wright
(Head Teacher)

I have arranged for the Infant Teacher
and the teacher of St I & II to divide the
responsibility between them, each to be
"on duty" one-half the Recreation time.

1917

Dec 12th The schools are too cold to work in. — Stand^d III 45°; Stand I & II 44°; Std IV-VI, 40°. I have written to Messrs W Harrison query particulars. ✓

Messrs W Harrison directed me to telegraph to Secretary C.C., stating facts, and to use my own judgment as to what to do with the school children.

Took children for a walk to Heyford

At 11 a.m. received telegram from "Education" stating that they were writing to the Contractor, and to get coke locally if possible. No one here, however, has any coke to sell or spare.

P.M. As a great favour Mr Barnard promises to let us have some coke for tomorrow. The Schools are still very cold at 40° or 41°; and I have therefore dismissed the children (as above) without marking register. / EDV

1917 Dec 12 (Continued) Mr Bannard's coke (½ ton) arrived at 4 p.m. to-day; fire re-lighted

Dec 13 (Noon) Contractors (part of order) coke arrived to-day.

Dec 14 Through trying to "carry on" in an icy-cold school room in the early part of the week, I am very unwell to-day from Bronchitis, and may not be able to remain in school unless I get better. F H W I was able to remain.

17 Have been expecting the rest of the coke (see Dec 13) which was promised as for the next day, but up to the present it has not been sent.

(Monday) Mrs L. Collins is absent from School to-day, ill.

18th (Tuesday) Mrs Collins is still too ill to be present

19 Mrs Collins present. — In the P.M. Miss Lane had short leave of absence.

War Work. After speaking with the Rev E W Harrison, the boys spent an hour to-day in collecting all the old bricks-ends & stones they could find on the Close, and in repairing the roadway leading to the