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7 (Monday) Re-opened school. Received notice of Medical visit next Monday.
Applied for a further supply of coals and coke. When the carter brought the last lot (less Hanaton) of coke on Dec 12th, he said the rest was coming in a day or two. This has never yet been sent.

14 Miss Keers, M.O., carried out the usual medical inspection to-day

15 (Wednesday) There has been a heavy fall of snow during the night. The roads are well-nigh impassable. Only 25 children were present at the time of marking registers, as I communicated with the Rev. W. Harrison, and kept the children in school without marking registers.

17 If anything, the roads are worse. Rev. W. Harrison visited in the A.M. I had allowed the children to remain awhile, and then sent them home

18 (Friday) Thaw. Kept school. Mrs Collins is unable to get here; Dorothy Fillers (J.T.) is

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suffering from a cold, and is absent.

Jan 23 (Wednesday) Mr Parker called

28 P. T. Dorothy Gilkes absent

29 I have written for a new supply of coke

Feb 1 P. T. Dorothy Gilkes still absent, - anaemia and sore throat. - Coke arrived to-day.

5 Miss D Gilkes has resumed her duties.

Fred Billingham has gone before Dr Harries-Jones, at the N.th Clinic to-day. In consequence of the day, the early hour (9.30 AM), and the very bad condition of the roads, the parents of Blanche Ambler and Flora Langley have decided to go before a private practitioner for their spectacles tomorrow. Harry Moore is to go on Tuesday (12th) before Dr Harries Jones.

Feb 13 (on Wednesday) School closed by order of the Managers

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Tuesday:

Have received the following communication from the L. A. Officer, W. Pauley:

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Dear Sir:

The Secretary for Education writes me under to-day's date as follows:—

"I am in receipt of a letter from the Board of Education stating that they allow under Section I (2) (a) of the Elementary School teachers (Superannuation Act, 1898, the services of W. Frank H. Wright as a certificated teacher until the 10th of March 1919"

Please notify W. Wright to this effect and ask him to make the necessary entry in the School Log Book"

Will you kindly make the entry as requested

I am also informed a copy of letter as above has been sent to the Rev. B. W. Harrison for his information.

Yours Faithfully
Saml Pauley
Clerk to Managers

Wm. F. H. Wright
Head Teacher
Bay Roads

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Feb 20 Wm Parker called.

27 (Wednesday). — Wm Collins, one of the two secretaries to the War Savings Association, was absent this afternoon by special leave to visit the "Tank" at North'n and to pay in for four Certificates. —

March 1st (Friday). — The two I T's had special leave of absence this morning for to attend the High School function at the Tank

March 2nd — Orders (through the usual source) to load 8 cars of coke about a fortnight ago. Last Tuesday I wrote to the Contractor again (S. Smith, of Wednesbury) asking him to expedite the supply. Last Thursday the Lads were too cold to work in the Yard morning, by the Doctor's orders. Reported to the Contractor, asking him to send at once. No reply. On Friday I mentioned it to the Manager, who directed me to use my judgment in the matter. To day

Orders concerning the non-supply of Coke & the closing of the Schools in consequence

March 5

School peremptorily ord, in the latter N.E. wind and damp air

To day, as I had no letter giving us any reason for the silence, I sent a special message to the Office, giving the date. I understand, they at once telegraphed to Weedon, and sent me word that in future, when the order was not attended to, I was to send them word at the Office, and to close school.

The school thermometer stands at 38°. No coke has yet been sent, and no message. The schools are therefore closed to-day, until the coke is sent. Have telegraphed to the Ed. Sec^y to that effect. 9.11

6th The school is still closed. A load (1 cwt) coke arrived at the P.M., and fires re-lighted

School as usual. In future on account of the unsatisfactory manner in which the fuel is (not) has been supplied, and of the readiness with which the heads

Records — Teacher can be blamed if anything goes wrong. I shall enter the coal orders in the Log Book for future reference:-

Ordered (this day) 1 ton Coals
Another supply of Coke.

13 — Mr Parker visited.
— The Rev. W. Harrison visited at noon, and directed me to repeat the Coal and Coke order (as above) —
— which I did.
I have received some preliminary instructions as to the Meat Rations orders from W. Fawkes. am taking steps to understand and arrange the routine work.

15 Wrote to the Office again stating that the order as above (13th) had not been attended to.

19 The coke (17th) was sent but not the coal. Have written the Office reporting it, and informing them when the coal arrived

Sapply 2.52

Abstract of Schemes for 1918-1919
Standards IV, I, V.

Reading - The Graphic Historical Readers.
The Graphic Geographical Readers.
The Avon Nature Study Readers.
Silent Readers.

Recitations - Selections

Writing - Copy Books and Special Blk. 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 - Corrections 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 of 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 Solfa Syllables from Old Notation - also to sing National 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 1688 to the present time particularly the history leading

History - 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.

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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.
Preparatory work to Std. III

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

Recitations:- With knowledge of meanings and illusions.

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 a Fa contradicted by Fa. 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 1918-1919.

Standards I + II.

Reading- Palmerston Readers.
Geographical Readers.
Colin's Historical Reader.
Fairy Tales.-Cinderella etc.
Word Building taken from Readers.

Writing Copies from Blackboard. Transcription from Readers. Dictation. English Exercises and Composition.

Composition Construct small sentences. To give description of pantomime actions arranged by teacher. Oral Composition- sentences elicited, order of sequence suggested only- written on B. B. to form consecutive composition. Correct spelling by careful observation encouraged.

English Recitation.
To carry verbal messages- correct localisms- A sentence - verb + noun - formation of plurals - "what" "how" "when" "where" and "how" words. "What sort" words. Past, present + future time. Pronouns.

Use of Capital letters. Vowels etc. Sentences joined by "who" and "which".

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

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

Geography. — To understand a plan - map - chief points of a compass - shape + motions of the earth. Geographical Terms - talks about children of other lands - a sea voyage introducing port, harbour, etc. Study of Locality.

Observation — Lessons in Nature Study. 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 three consecutive notes.

Physical Exercises — Suitable for the standard taken from the official manual.

Needlework. Knitting and sewing - making simple garments - practice in the use of scissors. Cutting out squares and oblongs etc & pleating in paper.

Scheme of Work for Infants 1918 - 19

Reading	The Palmerston Reader - Stories & Fables. Six books
Writing	Word building from B.B. Sentence building.
Arithmetic	Number to 30. Add & Subtract to 20
Recitation	12 to be taught during the year.
Obj. Lesson	20 to be given during the year
Music	Mod. Practice. 12 Songs
Drawing	Outline of simple objects. Picture drawing.
Needlework	Knitting & hemming. Doll clothing
Varied Occ.	Clay Modelling, Paper Modelling - P.T. & Games

2nd Class

Reading	Palmerston Primer 1 & 2
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 Lesson	" " " "

Carried On — Block Parquetry, Clay Modelling, Brick building
Music — Taken with Class I
3rd Class

Reading — Formation of letters in sand & clay
Writing — Ditto
Arithmetic — Counting to 10
Carried On — Ft & Games Read threading, Clay Modelling.
Picture Conversational Lessons

Probable Disposition of Classes after April 1st 1918

Upper :- 1st Class Stds II I II : *49 : Frank H. Wright Cert. Dorothea Sikes P. Teacher
2nd Class Std III : 26 : Martha Lane, Supplem
3rd Class Stds I VII : 36 : Lily Collins, Uncertif.
Kathleen Ballaster P.T.

Infants — 1st Class : 15 : Alice E. Wright Cert. Assist
2nd Class : 18 : Do
Infants : 18 : Kathleen M. Wright, Supplem
Total 162

* This class gradually decreases in number during the year, while the infant classes immediately begin to increase with the fine weather.

March 21 School closed. Teachers busy all day over the Food and Meat Tickets

22 Thursday: School closed at noon for the usual Easter Holiday. To re-open on Monday next, Apl 8th.

Apl 8 Re-opened School.

10 W. Parker called

12 I have sent in to the office all forms and lists relative to Form IX, and to the end of the year.

15 The coals ordered on March 7 have not been received as I have written again, especially as the weather has turned very cold.

19 The coals, ordered on March 7 (see Log) were received to-day (six weeks)

22 W. Parker visited To-day. Her mother is ill.

May 7 Mrs Collins absent A.M. Village Holiday. School closed.

May 9 Closed school this afternoon for the usual

17 Whit Holiday.

27 Re-opened School

29 Record Books, and part of the Stationery has arrived from Leeds.

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June 3 Sat

June Holiday in the I.M.

Tel. Painter visited in the A.M.

12 Mrs Collins (St I St II) is absent to-day (and tomorrow) on leave to see her brother, Pte Christopher Wilson, at the Warrington Hospital (from the French front).

17 Have received letter from Food Controller asking the day that will suit us best for the Food Card Registration. I have written asking if Tuesday, June 27, will be a suitable day.

21 As I have had no reply to the above, I take it for granted that June 27 is convened; and have written a "Blue card" for signature.

27 W. Fawkes (Food Controller) has written me, stating that as the Rationing Books have not been received, the "Day" must be postponed indefinitely.

July 3 Tel Pinder (A.B.) visited the A.M.

Tue 4 The Schools are closed to-day, the teachers being at work over the Food Cards

At 2 p.m. I found that the work had been so increased since

the last occasion that it was altogether impossible to get half the cards done in one day. I reported the matter to Rev. D. W. Harrison, (who visited us); and, as he himself saw how things stood, he at once telegraphed to the Sect. that the schools would be closed again tomorrow.

July 10 Schools closed (as above) ... Mr. Parker visited in the P.M.

17th Re-opened, as usual. Sent 193 Packets of Cards to Post Office for distribution.

19 A meeting of the Local Managers took place this morning, to arrange the Harvest Holidays, — to consider the stowage of coke — to recommend the appointment of an uncertificated teacher in the place of Mrs. Lily Holmes (resigned) — Mrs Wright Sec. of the Agri. War Women's Association, lent an hour's leave of absence this P.M. to attend a Demonstration at the Old School on Fruit preserving, etc.

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July 31 Mrs Lily Collins concludes her engagement here to-day. During her term of office she has been most industrious and hardworking, and has given us every satisfaction. She suffers leaves on account of household duties at home

Augst 1st Miss Daisy Burt (Duston) has taken charge of Gr I & II

7 Mr W. Parker visited

" As there may be some question in the future regarding Connie Gilkes' having stood, her mother went to the Office, and in response to their request I gave Mrs A. Gilkes the whole of the Quarterly attendances made by Connie Gilkes to date to the authorities. The figures are :- 280 - 379 - 368 - 376 - 320 - 328 - 335 and 349. I have reported the application to Mr W. Parker, and accept no further responsibility in the matter

11 Closed school after P.M to-day for the usual four weeks holiday.

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Harvest Holidays

Sep 16th Re-opened School.
Wrote application to Rev. E. W. Harrison to be allowed to "blackberry" under the Scheme. Received permission.
18 W. Parker visited.
20 I sent 3 stones of plum stones to-day to W. Parker, who is the general agent for this district ... Rec'd instructions to mark Connie Lyelkes off the Registers.
23 At present the weather is too uncertain to arrange the blackberry excursions.
24 This P.M. the school was closed, and we gathered 9½ lbs blackberries. I wrote to the Ed. Office, reporting our doings; I also wrote asking that the 3 tons of coke awarded us be sent as soon as possible
25 Sent two tins (9½ lbs) of berries by carrier to the Ed. Office. — Sent Salary Sheet

1918 Oct 1st (Tuesday) Blackberrying in the P.M. School closed.

2nd Mr Parker visited. Sent 101 lbs of blackberries to the C.C. office. Paid the children for the first two gatherings namely 97½ lbs @ 3d = 1:4:3¾ and
101 lbs Do = 1:5:3 ✓.
The Sec that sent me £3, and this ∴ leaves a balance against me of 10/5½

7 (Monday) Feast. School closed

8 (Tuesday) P.M. Blackberrying. No registration

9 Wednesday: Sent 103½ lbs blackberries to the C.C. agent. -- The Rev G W Harrison visited this afternoon, and asked Mr Pearson to repair the school gate, which is badly broken down.

10 The gate has been repaired

Tuesday X 15 See next page. I.T., Fred Chapman killed.

11 Mr Parker visited.

18 Dorothy Gilker (P.T) absent through illness of her mother.

21 Dorothy Gilker (P.T) absent all day (as above)

22, 23 The teachers, assisted by Mr Solway, were at work on the Food Control Ration Cards

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Oct 22 I may point out that with the fresh instructions which have to be studied and mastered on each occasion, the work of the Food Rationing Cards for this village cannot be completed by the Staff in less than two days, and that I (as the responsible person) am at work long after "school hours"

25 (Friday) Miss Burt has leave of absence to see her two brothers from the French front.

29 This morning we received the sad news of the death in action "somewhere in France" of our old P.T., Pte Fred[k] Chapman. His officer, Lt Stockhart, writes of him in the kindest and most sympathetic terms. He says he was killed on Tuesday, Oct 25, at 11.15, instantaneously by shrapnel, and had been buried in country for behind the present fighting line. "He was really a brave soldier, and no matter the conditions was always cheery and bright". "Dear boy! Yet we, (his old School friends) are proud of YOU

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Nov 6 Mr Baker visited .. Several children are absent through Influenza

11 Armistice Day. – At noon to-day news was received here that the Armistice had been signed, and that hostilities had ceased at 11. a.m (to-day) The school-children found up the Rector, who was somewhere in the village, and with a number of parents, we saluted the "Union Jack", and sang the National Anthem. The children asked for a half day holiday 'on the spot', and got it!

~~12th~~ 13th Rev. Sidney Harrison visited to-day In consequence of a telegram, Miss Burt was suddenly called home. We are arranging our school-work accordingly.

Coke I applied for a load of coke on Oct 23rd

I wrote again on Nov 4, enclosing a second appeal for coke in an envelope marked:
a Contents of Black Berries
2 – Coke.

I reported the matter to the ~~the~~ Chairman on Friday last, Nov 15. I understand that he telegraphed to the office.

No result

Nov 18 (Monday) At 9 a.m this morning the thermometers in the Class-rooms, the were

1... My room 38°
2. St III Class Room 40°
3. St I & II C.R. 40°

I have had no letter, no explanation and no promise. On Friday last the First-Class children and myself worked in St III Class Room without a fire (as there is no convenience) and for a considerable part of the day were pinched with the cold. In the large room I am burning coals which are only intended for the Infant Room.

At 9 received instructions to close the School - to telegraph to the Educn Office

Nov 18 (Monday continued).. A little after 9 o'clock this morning I received instructions to close the School, and not to re-open, till fresh fuel had been sent.

21st This afternoon 15 Cwt coke arrived: freight

22 Re-opened School.

Two other loads have arrived making

25 1st Cwt 15 + 2nd Cwt 6 · 1 + 3rd Cwt 12 · 1 = Total Tons Cwt 2 - 1 · 2

28 The Rev J W Harrison visited

Dec 2 The schoolroom has been engaged for a political meeting for Wednesday evening Dec 4th — A meeting of the teenagers was held this evening.

4 W Pauler visited to-day.

10 I have leave of absence this morning on important business.

11 (Saturday) The schools were used to-day as a Polling Station in connection with a Parliamentary Election.

17 "The Burghrooke School Weekly Letter". I was to-night presented by the villagers with a valuable gold watch, in recognition of the work connected with the production of the "B.S.W.L" F H Smith.

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Dec 20 Closed school at noon for the usual Xmas Holidays.

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Jan 7th Re-opened School.
" 8 W. Painter (A.O) visited
" 14 Mrs Wright absent from school having been suddenly taken very ill.
" 20 Took Temporary charge of School Frank N. Atkins.
" 22 Mr Painter, attendance officer, visited.
" 28 The Rev. E. W. Harrison visited.
Feb 5th Mr. Painter, attendance officer visited, Poor attendance of previous pointed out to his notice.
" " Mrs. Wright passed away after faithfully serving the School for 32 years.
" 10th Miss Lane (Supplementary) and Miss Ballaster (Pupil-teacher) away from School. The former visiting a dying relative (wounded soldier), the latter ill.
" 11th Miss Lane returns to School.
Mar 5th & 6th School closed for Ash Wednesday and County Council Elections