Jany 6 Reopened school.

Examined the registers and formed them provisional. Ernest V. Hancock.

14th The Rector visited this afternoon. — I have written to W. Storey Smith, coal merchant, Weedon, complaining of the delay in executing the coal and coke order. On almost every occasion I have had to write twice or more times relative to the same order, and on the present occasion I have informed him that I shall make a formal complaint

15 Coals have arrived but no coke.

17 One ton out of the two tons of coke have arrived.

21st W. Elliott, C.C. Inspector, visited the schools to-day.

22 W. Brown, attendance officer, called.

27 Have for the third time written to W. Storey Smith (Weedon) to complete the order sent in on the 10th, which was a request "for the coals and coke to be sent in at once"

Feb 5 School closed to-day (Ash Wednesday)

12 Wm E. Brown (attendance officer) called for the last time.

19 The Rev S W Harrison visited the School.

25 The Telegraph Inspector, and an Engineer from the General Post Office, visited just before noon to-day, to inspect the "wireless"

27 Have sent in the official notice regarding the closing of these Schools for next Thursday, the date of the C. C Election.

March 6 School closed. C. C. Election. Result:- The Rev S W Harrison re-elected.

March 7 Have a short leave of absence to-day on School business.

March 10 Miss Lane (St[d] III) absent, ill.

11 Miss Lane at School to-day.

Required instructions to forward an
Abstract of Schemes
for 1913-1914
Copy

Teacher: Frank H. Wright

Reading: - The Graphic Historical Readers
" " Geographical Readers
The "Avon" Nature Study "

Recitations - Various

Writing: - Special work from the Blackboard

Composition: Reproduction of anecdotes - Master's Lessons; and especially to assist the Master in compiling "the School Letter" which is written up daily during the Week, and circulated on Fridays, - as it has been for many years

Grammar: Parsing. Analysis of simple sentences; Punctuation; correction of localisms; a few rules of grammar

Arithmetic: St. I to .. - To be treated as one class and to work Simple Proportion - Bills - Simple Vulgar Fractions & Decimals (with problems) Simple Interest; Mensuration

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of oblongs and circles. The elements of the Metric System

Std IV.- Knowledge of the common weights and measures (with Rules) — Reduction of the same — problems in money sums — aliquot parts — introduction to Fractions.

Mental:- In both classes to suit their written work

Drawing.- Mental work — Sketching from natural objects - pen and ink sketches — a little knowledge of perspective — a little colour work — leaves and flowers —

Music:- Voice production — time and tune — to sing a passage in Tonic Sol fah syllables from old Notation — also to sing National and good songs in unison — Rounds

Needlework: Knitting socks and stockings — making garments — cutting out — Specimens according to Code

Geography:- The Colonies, especially Canada, Physical: The moon phases — Day and Night — Latitude and Longitude — The Globe. — The British Isles.

(Scheme of work continued)

History: The Graphic Historical Reader No 1
Roman Invasion to 1485.

Hygiene: Personal and Household

Physical: Drill: Selected from the official Manual

Elementary Science: Light, Sound, Heat, simple mechanics — various gases — with a few experiments by means of simple apparatus. — Animal Life: Plant Life: Simple Physics

"Wireless" Work and the Morse Code: — The class to understand the Code, and to be able to "take" at about 15 words per minute. — A few of the elder children to be able to take "Eiffel" and "Norddeich" and "reproduce" an intelligible message. To know a little about the principles of the Science, and the Apparatus and Instruments used.

General Information: — A knowledge of the various scientific instruments — optical — electrical — aeroplane — &c — &c.

(Scheme of Work continued)

Standard 3. (Class 2) Teacher: Martha Lane

Supplementary

Reading :- To read the ① Graphic Historical ② the Graphic Geographical, ③ and the Graphic Object Lessons Readers

Writing :- Mostly from special lessons on the Blackboard

Arithmetic : To know the four Compound Rules ; Small problems to suit the Rules. Preparatory work to suit Std IV - Mental work to suit the written work

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 punctuation. Lessons on the Possessive Case. The whole to lead to correct speaking

Recitations : With knowledge of meaning and allusions.

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

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Physical Exercises: To adhere as far as possible to the Syllabus laid down in "Physical Exercises:- Official manual — as trunk bending — deep breathing, etc

Music:— To sing at sight a series of notes in the key of C, containing and F# contradicted by F♮. Exercises in Time — Tune; — a little ear training. Songs & Rounds

History: Period — From the time of Thomas a 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 — bubbles, etc

Needlework: Knitting Socks — specimens — garments, etc

Morse Code: To be able to take a message in Morse (by means of an electric bell) at the rate of eight or ten words in a minute — To be omitted until the last Term of the year, viz., from Nov to March

Scheme of Work (Continued)
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Standards 1 & 2.. Teacher: Elsie Tastan (Uncertificated)

Reading. To read Palmerston Readers.
" " Historical Readers.
" " Geographical Readers.

Writing Transcription from Blackboard.
" " Books.
Dictation taken from Reading Books.

Composition To make short sentences.
Give description of pantomime actions arranged by Teacher.

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

History. To understand the chief facts of 15 arranged stories from English History.

Geography To understand a plan — map — chief points of a compass — Bagbrooke — chief definitions — shape and motions of earth — people of other lands.

Grammar (English). Recitations. To carry verbal messages - correct localisms - to know the noun and the verb - Formations of plurals; the use of capital letters, etc.

Elementary Science: 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 three consecutive notes.

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

Needlework: Knitting and sewing - making garments.

Morse Code: To be able to reproduce words of 5 or 6 letters in response to signals from an electric bell.

Omitted
HWW

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Copy of the Abstract of Schemes

Scheme for Infant Class

1st Class	Mrs Frank T Wright Certificated.
Reading	"The Palmerston 1st Reader" Stories & Fables
& Building	From lessons from Reader and from B B
Writing	Sentences copied from B B. Sounds of letters
	Transcription at the end of the year.
Arithmetic	Teaching of number to 30. Tables to 3 × 12
Object Lesson	24 Lessons to be given during the year.
	Conversational are to be frequently given.
Recitations	Twelve to be taught.
Music	Old Notation, Modulator Practice & Songs.
Drawing	Outline of common objects. Flowers etc.
Physical &t	Eight exercises. Breathing exercises.
Needlework	Hemming and knitting.
Varied &c	Clay Modelling, Paper folding,
	Ball Making, Paper cutting &c by Games

Copy of the Abstract of Scheme for Infant Classes (Continued)

2nd Class

Reading — Palmerston Primer I and II.
Writing — All capital and small letters. Sentences from B B.
Arithmetic — Teaching of Number to 20.
Recitation — Taken with 1st Class.
Object Lesson — "
Singing — "
Drill — "
Varied Occ — "

3rd Class (Babies)

Reading — All letters with Sounds. Words 2 & 3 letters.
Writing — All small letters.
Arithmetic — Writing figures, and counting to 10.
Varied Occ — Bead threading. Stick laying. Kg Games
Recitations — Six to be Taught.

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(Abstract of Scheme for next Year)

Probable Disposition of Classes

		No (After April 1st 1913	Teacher's Name and Grade
(Upper)	1st Class St IV. V. VI.	(54)	Frank H Wright Cert
	2nd Class St III	24	Martha Lane Supp
	3rd Class St I & II ---	38	Elsie Tustain Uncertified
(Infts)	1st Class -- ----	20 --	Alice E. Wright Cert
	2nd Class ------	15	Do Do
	3rd Class	8 ..	Mary Marrow Supp
		159	

* My class (First) commences on Ap. 1st with high numbers, but is reduced during the year by 30 %

The Infant Class begins on Ap 1 with a small number, but rapidly increases directly warm weather sets in

Frank H Wright

March 11... Am busy meeting in preparing Schemes and other clerical work

March 13 -- I am in school to-day, but I am too unwell for vigorous exertion - I took the 1st Class out for a nature study walk, last hour, this afternoon.

March 18 The Rev E W Harrison visited

20 Closed school to-day at noon for the usual Easter Holidays

March 31 Re-opened school to-day.

(Tuesday) April 1 - Changed all classes this morning

April 2. Checked registers, found them correct. Heard part of Geography lesson. The children answered questions intelligently. Then took a lesson in Morse code telegraphy & was much struck by the knowledge of the children. Practically every child showed quite a good knowledge & took down the message

C. St. Long.

~~1913 Sept 3~~

The red horizontal lines in the Attendance Registers are distressful to my eyes. After marking a dozen or so I am obliged to discontinue for a few moments, or I should be marking in the wrong places.

9 Have filled up Form S. A. 11(a) and S. A. 24 relating to the "Perfect Attendance" and claim for Medals

11 (Friday) Received notice from the Sec.ty of Education relating to the probation of Mr Charles B. E. King as a teacher here for one month.

We resumed our first visit this morning from Mr Norris the new attendance officer.

17 Have received the stationery.

21 The Rev J. W. Harris visited

28 Mr. Elliot visited

29 Mr. Elliot visited, and watch C. B. King at work.

May 5 Mr. & Mrs. W. Harrison visited to-day

6 May Day celebration. — School closed.

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May 9. Received instructions to-day as to
1st Empire Day, How it is to be kept
2nd As to Registration in P. S. Schools, and to exercise extreme care
3rd Also a reply to my Application of April 19th, permitting me to take a limited number of scholars to the School Exhibition on May 28 – 29 – 30th, their attendance to be allowed to count for grant.

Closed school for the usual week holiday at Whitsuntide.

19 Re-opened school. – W. Norris (A.O) called in the A. M.; W. Lewin (C.C.A) in the P. M.

23 (Friday) Empire Day. Programme: Lesson on the Empire. – Hoist the Union Jack. – Children assemble on the School Lawn at 11.40. Sing Empire Song and the National Anthem.

28 To-day I am absent on special leave (See May 9 above) with several of my first class children, – who are marked present

(Monday: June 3rd) — The June Holiday was held this afternoon. The school was closed in the P. M.

June 4 June 4. W. Norris, attendance officer, visited

June 9 Have a short leave of absence at end of P. M. meeting on school business.

13 Miss Mary Morrow, (Infant School) terminates her engagement here to-day, to go to a school at Knottingley, York.

18 W. Norris (A.O.) visited

Miss K. Wright has been appointed from the 14th inst. Supp. Asst. (in the A. M.) till a Supp. teacher has been engaged. - Miss Tetch having failed through ill-health to keep to her engagement

25 Have prepared new registers

21 W. Norris (A.O.) called.

7 I hear that Heald and Chapman are leaving, to return to the Barnardo Home

14 Rose Addy has applied for her attendances, but as she has only made two years full attendance, it is of no use to her

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July 21st Mr Norris (A.O.) visited

25 Local Managers Meeting

28th Examined the registers & found them quite correct.

Ernest W. Harrison.

29 Have been much interrupted in my School work this afternoon by some girl visitors from London. Have sent word to their respective homes asking them to keep away from the School premises.

Augst 2 I am informed that Harvest Holidays will not take place till Friday, Augst 15.

4 (Bank Holiday) School closed to-day

7 Miss Lane has leave of absence this afternoon.

12 ~~15~~ I hear that scarlet fever has broken out (in one case) among some London girls at Langleys. I have therefore sent all the members of the Langley family home, and reported the same to the Education Office.

14 The London children have been sent back to London

15 Closed school for the Harvest (four weeks)

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Sept 15th School re-opened to-day.

22 Miss Kate Wright, who has been engaged here for several weeks as Supply Teacher to the Infant Class, has been appointed Supplementary Teacher, as from Sept 15th.

23 School closed to-day, on the occasion of His Majesty's visit to Northampton. Flying machines are constantly passing overhead from Daventry to Towcester.

29th Examined his eyesight & found them quite correct.

Lieut. W. Harrison.

Oct. 6 Feast Monday: School closed

7 School re-opened.

8 Shave an hour's leave of absence this afternoon on School business.

9 I am extremely busy just now over the work connected with the Medical Examination of the children, - especially with the extra eye-testing of all children over 6.

Oct 17 Have written for the usual supply of coal and coke

24 W. Norris (A.G) visited on Wednesday. Have been busy over the Requisition List.

31 The Rev E. W. Harrison (Chairman of the Local Managers) – visited to-day and brought me

The School Report,

which was accompanied by a letter from the Education Dept at Northampton, (date) Oct 24 stating that accidentally the document, which was dated June 3rd, had been delayed:

Copy

Inspected 4th May: 1913 .. Report by H.M.I W. H. Hartley

Mixed and Infants' Class. – The general efficiency of the School continues to be satisfactorily maintained. The Staff work earnestly, and the children are orderly, painstaking and attentive. In Geography and ~~Object~~ Observation Lessons the course of instruction should be changed

Oct 30th

School Report (Continued)

completely each year when Standards are grouped. Mental Arithmetic still needs increased attention.

The Master, who is an enthusiast in Electrical Science, has, with remarkable skill, fitted up an installation of wireless telegraphy, which affords a permanent Object Lesson to the scholars. The Morse Code is taught to all Classes above the Infants and an hour or more per week is spent in translating it. Without discouraging, it is hoped, the zeal of the Master, it may be pointed out that the time so spent is out of proportion to the educational value of the exercise, and it will probably be advisable to discontinue it in the lower Classes, and reduce considerably the time devoted to it in the upper. It would be well to endeavour to interest the scholars in Nature Study, including the animal and plant life in the

neighbourhood, and to encourage them to carry on investigations for themselves out of School.

It is to be regretted that there is no School library.

The Infants are kindly and carefully taught and are making fair progress. The course of instruction for the youngest children should follow the lines indicated in Article I b of the Code

The Infants' room has now been divided by a glazed partition, and a fireguard has been provided in the main room. The drainage and surface of the playground still need attention.

C E S

Despatched 2 Jun 1913

Ernest W. Harrison.

Chairman of Managers.

The Chairman of the Board wished me particularly to point out that he only received the Report this morning, and therefore the delay in entering it in the Log Book is not through our fault.

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October 30th

Explanations, etc, with regard to the Report:-

(a) The Geography and Observations were at once altered.

(b) Increased attention has been given to Mental Arithmetic in each class

(c) On Mr M.I.'s verbal representation and advice, I at once struck out the teaching of Morse Code in Std I & II, and have only placed it in Stand III in the latter part of the School year.

(d) We are doing our best to carry out the suggestions as to Nature Study. For many years the ½ hr's lesson on Tuesday afternoon has never been neglected. We also do our best to carry out the experiments connected with the subject. The children are encouraged to bring me accounts or notes of anything they may observe in Nature Study; and we are endeavouring to carry out the Calendar as suggested.

(e) To visit the Infant School a few minutes daily.

In order to carry out the Nature Study work more thoroughly, I have selected twelve of the older children to record their observational work in special books.

Nov 3 W. Norris (C.C.) visited to day, and assisted me in weighing the children for the Medical Officer

6 Dr Mason spent the greater part of the day in and about the Schools.

7 Mrs Lowe in about an hour or so on School business

10 Miss Alice Hewitt of Northampton has commenced duties in the Infant School to-day (on supply). Miss Kathleen Wright went to Wellingborough to-day to undergo the necessary training.

17 W. C. Lovell, a member of the Board, called this morning to examine the roof and ceiling

18 W. Norris visited this morning.

20 Examined the registers & found them quite correct. Ernest W. Hannis,

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Nov 23 As the Claims for Medals, referred to in the Log Book (Page 117. Apl 19) seem to have miscarried, I have, in response to instructions from the Secretary, filled up a second set of Forms, and sent off to W. Norris, Clerk of the District.

25 Again sent of Claim for Medals, as one was unsigned by Chairman of Local Board.

Dec 2 W. Norris visited

3 Sent in Form M. D. Sp 3, relating to the three children whose eyes were found to be defective

4 The Rev. E. W. Harrison visited

13 W. Norris, attendance officer, visited

19 The School closed to-day for the usual fortnight's Xmas Holidays, to re-open on Jany 5th