



School Log Book Extracts

Landford National School

1917 - 1927

15th November 1917 - School Inspection. (extracts only)

The classification in this school is extremely low

Mixed - The composition exercises contain many faults of expression, they are inadequately marked and the errors and weaknesses are not followed up.

Infants - There was much life in the Infants' class and excellent advance has been made in speech-training.

Premises - The classroom with an accommodation of 31 was occupied by 54 children during the first lesson i.e. till 9.45 a.m.

3rd December 1917 - "Weighing day"

14th January 1918 - Owing to a heavy fall of snow not one child came this morning and nine could come in the afternoon.

17th January 1918 - Owing to heavy fall of snow only 8 were present..

11th March 1918 - As the boys do not have sufficient pencils for drawing we had gardening. (Gardening featured quite often in 1918)

13th August 1918 - Four boys are absent helping their fathers in the Harvest.

13th November 1918 - On Monday on the signing of the Armistice children saluted the flag and sang patriotic songs around the flag.

14th May 1919 - The District Nurse examined the heads of the girls and reported them as "all clean."

19th May 1919 - Miss E. K. Down is absent today owing to a bicycle accident.

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25th November 1919 - Owing to gunpowder being brought to school by W. Rose an accident occurred to 3 boys playing with it viz. W. Rose, S. Matthews and E. Dovey. Their faces were so burnt that they were sent home at once and parents were communicated with on the matter.

13th October 1920 - I had cause to punish three boys Geo. Reynolds, Geo. Lane and Cecil King for taking advantage of a lady assistant teacher during drill lesson. Each was given two strokes of the cane.

6th April 1921 - Information received from School Medical Officer that Hector Moody is exempt from School attendance as he is certified uneducable and he was struck off from this date.

19th June 1924 - Douglas King attended the Surgical Clinic at Devizes today. Owing to the great distance he was absent all day.

11th January 1926 - The school re-opened this morning 91 children on register.

November 1926 - Amy King today commenced temporary duties to help in lowest division.

25th April 1927 - Re-opened school 91 present. 2 nurses to inspect excluded family. Miss Una Biddlecombe appointed in place of Amy King - latter did not satisfy L. E. A. - left on April 13th.

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During the period of the log book - illnesses mentioned included scarlet fever, chickenpox, whooping cough and influenza.