Poulshot School Log Book - school year 1906-07

Volume 2, pages 61-69 (9 pages)

Log book of Poulshot School kept by the headmaster, Hugh Leslie (1880-1915). Given to the Poulshot Village Trust by his granddaughter, with full rights to use and publish. Transcription: AWS Textract OCR corrected by Claude (AI) against the page image; it may contain errors - the page image is the authoritative record.

Produced 22 November 2026.

owing to the Master not being able, through illness, to attend till 9.25 o'clock a.m.

Febry 16th Visit of Inspection.
W. Bond

19th Visited School and Checked Registers - found all correct - and in proper order 6-2-S P.M. William Haine - Manager

" 19th Ethel E. Leslie has passed successfully in Part I of the Kings Scholarship Examination for 1906 and will sit for Part II in April next.

" 20th School visited by Dr. Pearse from Trowbridge on behalf of the Royal Commission on the Care and Control of the Feebleminded.

" 28th Received Registers and other School Materials from Arnold's Leeds.

March 5th Commenced to use Arnold's Number Lessons in the Standards.

" 12th Information has been received from the Director of Education that as Ethel E. Leslie's apprenticeship terminated December last and as she sits for Pt. II. King's Scholarship Examination in April she will be regarded as Provisionally Uncertificated from 1st May 1906.

1906.

March In reply to a letter from the Correspondent re Copies of Time Tables information has been received from Education Department, County Offices, Crowbridge that "As the Time Tables now in use were only signed by H.M. Inspector in November last, it is not necessary for fresh copies to be made."

" Ethel E. Leslie having terminated her apprenticeship as Pupil Teacher on the 31st Dec. 1905, will, after sitting for the King's Scholarship Examination Part II in April 1906, be regarded as a Provisionally Uncertificated Teacher from the 1st May 1906 until the results of the King's Scholarship Examination are known. Her retention in this School is not recommended by the General Education Committee. She has therefore applied for and been appointed to an Assistantship in the Rowde National School Infants' Department. Her duties in this School will terminate on the 30th April 1906.

April 6th Notice has been sent to the General Education Committee and to H.M. Inspector that this School will close on Thursday

next the 13th inst for the Easter Holidays.

April 9th The Pupil Teacher is attending Pt. II of the King's Scholarship Examination this week.

" 13th Closed for Easter Holidays.

" 23rd School reassembled.

" 25th School closed to allow the School Staff and some of the Scholars to take part in the Choral Competitions at Trowbridge.

" 30th Ethel Eddie Leslie's Services in this School expired today. No appointment has as yet been made to fill the vacancy.

May 11th The County Council refuse to appoint another Pupil Teacher. They are willing however that assistance should be obtained to relieve the Infant Teacher of the Needlework.

" 14th Two fresh scholars admitted to the Standards.

" 21st One fresh scholar admitted to the Infant Class.

" 22nd Offices inspected by Mr. Butcher the Sanitary Inspector.

24th Examined & tested the Registers & found no inaccuracy. 56 Marks an address was given to the Children on the Subject of the British Empire & a half holiday was granted. S. Boulter.

June 1st Closed for Whitsuntide Holidays.

1906

e 11th Reassembled School. 59 Children present.

22nd Held Test Examinations throughout the School during the week. The results were as favourable as might be hoped for under the circumstances.

29th Closed School for Midsummer Holidays.

e. 13th School reassembled. Mrs E. J. Leslie has been appointed Sewing Mistress and commenced duties today.

20th School closed in the afternoon. Poulshot Feast.

21st School closed in the forenoon. — Poulshot Feast.

31st Visited School at 2.5 P.M Checked Registers found all correct —

William Laird —
Manager —

7th Sept There has been considerable improvement in the attendance throughout the School this week. Two cases of Sickness.

" Attendance 61.

19 Visit of Inspection (p.m)
of W. Bond

of 23. Tested the Registers at 3.25. found no inaccuracy. Sidney Boulter.
manager.

28th Sept. Admitted two fresh scholars this week.

3rd Oct. A sale of School needlework and Kindergarten articles was held this afternoon after school. The proceeds, which amounted to £1-7-1 were handed over to the Rev. J. Boulter, the Correspondent of the School.

12th " There has been a considerable falling off in the attendance of the children in Standards this week. A number of children are kept away to pick up potatoes.

19th " Attendance still low.

26th " A number of children absent sick.

1st Nov. Received Circular to Head Teachers containing resolutions adopted by the Wilts County Council General Education Committee re Corporal punishment in elementary schools.

The portrait of the late Queen Victoria which was hung in the school on the commemoration of Her Majesty's Jubilee dropped from the wall today. Only the ~~frame~~ Framework was broken.

" 9th Attendance low this week.

1906

Nov. Admitted a fresh scholar to the Infant Class.

I have visited the school today & called the register. & find everything satisfactory E. L White Nov 13.'06

2nd. Nov. Walter Bowden received four strokes with the cane for laughing and talking in school This boy has caused a great deal of interruption lately and has had frequent warnings.

Florence Dunford received two strokes for deceit during the composition lesson.

7th " Henry Godwin received two strokes for disobedience.

3rd Dec. Put up, and read off to the children, notice that this School will be Inspected by the Diocesan Inspector of Schools on Thursday the 20th Dec, 1906.

9th " Received information from the Correspondent that the General Education Committee will sanction the employment of a Monitress to assist during Miss Adcock's absence from School to attend the Examination for the Preliminary Certificate on Thursday

and Friday next the 13th and 14th inst.

13th Dec. Sarah Emma Brown is employed as monitress during Miss Adcock's attendance at the Preliminary Certificate Examination.

Lilian Swanborough was taken seriously ill during the Reading Lesson. It was apparently a stroke. Steps were at once taken to have her conveyed home. Meanwhile information was sent to her parents.

Arthur Bowden received two strokes with the cane for disobedience.

" 20th Diocesan Inspection.

" 21st. Closed for Christmas Holidays.

Jan. 7/07 Reopened School Today.

" 11th Punished Herbert Dean for idleness and inattention during the Geography Lesson

" 14th Admitted a fresh Scholar to Standard II.

A number of children are absent sick

Received notice that Mr. Stride, B. Board Renovator, Bournemouth, has received instructions to renovate the blackboards of this School.

" 18th Several cases of sickness in the Standards this week.

1907.

5th Jan. There is still a good deal of sickness among the. Mr. Haine came into the school for a short time this afternoon.

9th " Harold Hale went home ill, suffering with sore throat.

10th " Dorothy Hale, Bertha Hale & Norah Hale were sent home as they were all found to be suffering from sore throats.

6th Feb. Sewing Mistress ill, unable to attend this afternoon. Lessons for Tuesday afternoon taken today.

7th " Needlework for Girls and Drawing for Boys were taken this afternoon.

8th " Received per G. W. R. Van Supply of School Materials as requisitioned from G. E. Committee.

9th " Average low this week owing to sickness. 49.4 including Infants.

11th " Sewing Mistress very ill and unable to attend. Needlework taken by the Master.

12th " The Master was obliged to be absent from school today from 11-30 a.m. to 3-50 p.m. to attend to the removal of Mrs Leslie to the Devizes Cottage Hospital. The

1907.

School was in charge of the Rev. S. Boulter, the Correspondent of the School, during the Master's absence.

18th Feb. Tuesday's lessons were taken this afternoon instead of Drawing & Needlework.

19th " Drawing & Needlework were taken this afternoon instead of Monday afternoon. Needlework was taken by Miss Janet Leslie.

20th " Received information that the General Education Committee would approve the employment of Miss Janet Leslie as Sewing Mistress during Mrs Leslie's illness. She will therefore continue giving the instruction until Mrs Leslie is able to resume.

Feb: 28th Visit of Inspection (p.m.)
W. Bond

Mar. 1st Re-arranged Classes for the ensuing year.

" 4th Head Teacher absent ill. Standards taken by Miss Janet Leslie assisted by Hugh Leslie a boy who is over 15 years of age. The Correspondent was present at different times