Poulshot School Log Book - school year 1911-12

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22nd Feb Received another letter from Miss Jones. Unable to leave her sister for a few more days.

24th " Unable to have Needlework & Drawing this week owing to the absence of the Assistant.

School materials as per requisition received.

27th " Miss Jones still absent. Needlework of Standards attended to by the Infant Teacher - Boys Drawing.

28th " The Director has been notified of Miss Jones absence.

Miss Adcock, whose notice to leave expires today, will be allowed by the Committee to remain on the staff as long as she finds it convenient.

Supplementary being advertised for.

1st March Rearranged the classes and Standards.

Needlework taken by the Infant Teacher.

10th " Miss E. Jones still absent from school. Needlework taken by the Infant Teacher

1911.

March Miss Adeline W. Adcock resigned the post of Supplementary Teacher in this School today.

" Miss E. Jones returned to school today.

No one has as yet been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by Miss Adcock's resignation.

Needlework and Infants are at present being taken by Miss Jones.

" Lessons given to the elder children on the Census and the filling in of the Schedule.

" Elder children did a written exercise on the Census Schedule.

1st " Attendance low this week owing to sickness among the children.

Two children readmitted and one admitted this week. One Left. Family removed from the Parish.

April Attendance improved this week.

" The Rector examined the Stock & Stock-sheet for the year

" Annual Return posted to Trowbridge

this morning. Closed school for the Easter Holidays.

4th April School re-assembled today at 9 a.m. Miss Margarette Jessie Flower commenced duties as Teacher of the Infant Class. Notice of the appointment sent to the County Accountant.

9th " Edwin Fielding an Infant, while playing in the School yard fell and hurt his knee.

2nd May Received notice of Labour Examination to be held at the Town Boys' School Devizes on Friday 5th May at 2 p.m.

Read and explained Notice to children.

4th " There has been no application to sit for Labour Certificate.

9th " Received File for Circular Letters, also Schedules I & II Inventory of Stock from County Education Department.

16th " Visit of Inspector.

18th " Heard the Infant Teacher give a lesson on "The Buttercup."

22nd Admitted two fresh scholars to the Infant Class.

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8th May. Received supply of Brown Paper for covering Supplementary Library books.

9th " Received books of Supplementary Set D. 61 Vols.

9th " Books of Supplementary Library Set D. covered.

Received Set B. Supplementary Library from Rowde. Set A. forwarded to Rowde School in exchange. Advice Note re exchange filled in to be posted to the Director of Education County Offices Trowbridge.

Several children have been absent sick this week.

2nd June Closed school for Whitsuntide Holidays. School re-assembles Monday 12th inst.

12th " School re-assembled. Admitted a fresh scholar to the Infant Class.

16th " School closed till Monday the 26th inst. for the Festivities of the Parish to be held in honour of the Royal Coronation of His Most Gracious Majesty King George V.

26th " School re-assembled.

28th July The Managers have decided that the summer holidays shall commence after

Friday afternoon July 14th. and that school shall re-assemble on Aug. 14th., also that there shall be holiday on Aug. 21st 22 for Poulshot Feast. It was also decided that there should be two days holiday on Sept. 28th & 29th.

6th July Miss Flower was obliged to go home ill this forenoon. Her class was taken by Miss Jones.

7th " Miss Flower was able to take charge of her class.

Allowed Miss Jones to leave school at 3.40 to enable her to catch a train to visit her sister's home at Upton.

10th " Miss Jones absent. Received telegr saying she had a cycle accident. Her class was taken by Miss G.N. Lesl who has just completed her two years course of training and sat for certifi at Salisbury Training College.

A box has been sent from the County Office in which to pack the books of Supplementary Set D.

11th " Received a letter from Mr. H. Hawk

stating that Miss Jones had injured her ankle in a cycle accident while on her way to Bedwyn Station.
The letter was handed to the correspondent of the Managers.
Miss Jones' class taken by Miss G. N. Leslie
July 7th Received a letter from Mrs. Flower to say that Miss Flower, the Infant Teacher was suffering from face ache and unable to attend school.
Infants and Needlework taken by Miss G. N. Leslie.
" 8th Miss Jones still absent.
" 9th Infants taken taken by Miss G. N. Leslie
Miss Flower still absent.
" 10th Miss Flower present. Miss Jones absent
Standards I & II and Needlework taken by Miss G. N. Leslie.
School closed for Summer Holidays
Re-assemble Aug. 14th 1911.
Aug. 7th School re-assembled. Miss Jones present. Still very lame.
" 8th } School closed for Poulshot
" 9th } Feast.

3rd. Aug. School re-assembled.

4th " Received notice that the School Medical Officer will visit the School on Monday the 28th inst. at 10 a.m. for purposes of Medical Inspection. Issued notices and Forms to the Parents of children to be inspected.

28th " School visited & children inspected by the School Medical Officer.

30th " Received Forms, cards & notices re condition of children as shown by Medical Inspection. Cards and notices sent " to parents of children concerned.

The weighing machine has not arrived yet. It ought to reach this School in the 1st. fortnight in June.

Punished Albert Pearce by written request of Guardian.

12th Sept. Returned Form M.I. 4. A. Filled in. Improvement in the children mentioned therein noted.

Fresh scholar admitted to the Infant Class.

19th " Visit of School Medical Officer without notice.

1911.

4th Sept Lawrence Haines' name incorrectly answered this morning at Registration call. The error resulting was corrected at the time.

8th " Information received from the Correspondent that notice has been sent to the General Education Committee & to H.M. Inspector that this school will be closed on the 28th & 29th inst.

Drawing on the Blackboard the first half hours. Drawing in books latter half.

9th " School closed till Monday 2nd Oct.

2nd. Oct. School re-assembled.

2nd. " Received form re ailments of children from School Medical Officer. Second Letters issued to parents who had failed to take steps on first notice.

6th " Received notice to send Labour Candidates to the Town Boys' School, Devizes, on Friday the 13th inst at 2 p.m.

Notice of the same was given out to the children.

9th " Circular No 97 & Notices re Secondary Schools received from C.E.C. Wilts County Council

1911.

Posted large notice up in school & sent smaller copies to parents to whom they might be of interest.

20th Oct. School closed in the afternoon. Devizes Fair.

27th " Physical Exercises in Standards III and upwards are being taken by Miss E. Jones, the assistant, at present, the Head Teacher being unable, owing to an injured leg, to take that lesson.

1st Nov. Requisition for School Materials made out and handed in to the Correspondent.

9th " Only 33 present in Standards. Two cases of sickness, four required at home by the parents. 20 infants present.

10th " Lesson on sugar and its Manufacture. Specimens of Sugar-Cane and Sugar-beet shown to the class.

16th " Questioned Infants on numbers.

17th " Received invoice of School Materials requisitioned the 1st inst.

23rd " Received School Materials. Notice of receipt

1911.

sent to Arnolds & Son Leeds.

Nov. Invoices of Materials signed and forwarded to the Director of Education.

" Bertha Hale has returned to school after three months absence

Dec. Return re defective children sent to School Medical Officer, County Offices, Crowbridge.

" Placed a letter from the County Secretary to the Head Master, re School Gardens, before the Correspondent.

" Notice of Diocesan Inspection of this School on Wednesday 20th Dec. 1911, read out to children and posted up in the School.

" Drawing on the Black-Board.

" Weighing-Machine arrived from Rowde.

Miss E. Jones absent by leave of the Managers owing to the serious illness of her sister.

" Miss E. Jones absent.

" Diocesan Inspection. School closed till Jan. 8th 1912 for Xmas Holidays.

1912.

Jan. 8th School re-assembled. Admitted two fresh scholars. Miss E. Jones absent owing to the death of her sister. Miss Alice Annie Leslie, who is at home on her holiday from the Devizes Secondary School took charge of Standards I & II & Needlework.

" 9th Miss Jones present.

" 10th "Weighing Day." The 7lb. weight was not in the box containing the machine, consequently a number of children could not be weighed. I have written to the Head Teacher at Rowde respecting the missing weight.

" 11th The Rowde master states that the 7lb. weight was missing when he received the machine, that 1oz. weight was borrowed to complete the weighing of their scholars.

I have made use of the 1oz. weight belonging to the school set to weigh the children omitted yesterday.

1912.

The correspondent of this School has been requested to notify the Director of the loss of the weight, so that it may be replaced.

4th Jan. Received a visit from the County Instructor in Horticulture's assistant, re. School Gardens.

5th " Attendance very low 48 in the morning, and 45 in the afternoon. Heavy rain and snow. Roads flooded in places.

Received Medical Log Book.

9th " The attendance has been very much affected this week by the weather, and by sickness among the children.

2nd. " Marjory Hayward has returned to this school. She has been away since the 27th Sept. 1911. Her name was removed from the Register on the 6th Nov. 1911, as her guardian stated that she was unlikely to return, owing to a trouble in her eyes. She has now been readmitted, her eyes apparently being better.

24th " Received a new weight from the County Office to replace the one lost from the

Weighing Machine. The weight is being sent on to the C. of E. Schools, Potterne, after the machine.

Jan. 26 1912 I formally tested the registers and found them correct. Fifty four children were present. On an average four days a week I find the numbers entered on the board correspond with the number present. S. Bonitter.

" 29th A number of children are absent sick.

Harold Hale slipped and fell on the ice at Playtime. He received a severe blow on the forehead, and is absent this afternoon in consequen

Feb. 5th Harold Hale is better and able to attend school again.

" 6th A load of coke was delivered at the School today.

" 8th Examined the upper Division of the Infant Class in Reading a arithmetic.

" 12th Children's Photos taken in groups, Classes and families, by the Racin Photo process Company.

" 15th Examined Stds. I & II in Arithmetic

1912.

9th Feb. Miss E. Jones absent in order to give her foot which was injured a few days rest according to her doctor's advice.

Miss Flower absent ill. Infants and Needlework taken by Miss G. Weekes assistant from E. Knoyle School, who happened to be in Poulshot owing to the closure of E. Knoyle School for Whooping Cough. Standards taken by Head Teacher.

12th " Miss Jones present, took Infants and Needlework.

13th " School closed in the afternoon for half holiday. "Town Criers Competition".

14th " Miss Flower present. 24 Ionic Bibles have been provided for standards III. and above. Class Registers for the ensuing year received.

17th Circular No 16, Annual Return Form &c. received from G.E.C. Ironbridge.

1st March Rearranged Classes.

4th " Miss E. Jones is obliged to be absent from School for a few weeks in order to have her ankle treated in an