Poulshot School Log Book - school year 1907-08

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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

during the day.

Mar. Head Teacher present.

" Attendance for the week low owing to so much sickness.

" Returned Form 9 and other Departmental Forms duly filled to the Correspondent.

" The Rector read out to scholars the names of the children entitled by attendance, progress and conduct to prizes under Blaney's Charity Scheme.
The children are as follow:-

Group I.	Alice Annie Leslie	372 attendances
" II	Daisy Dean	413 "
" III	Edna Louisa Haines	413 "
" IV	Lucy Jane Godwin	407 "

" Closed School for Easter Holidays.

April School re-assembled today. Sarah Emma Brown is employed as monitress during Miss Adcock's absence from School to attend Part II of the Preliminary Certificate Examination.

" Admitted two fresh scholars to the Infant Class this week.

" Average for the week - Elder scholars 40.1
Infants 18.5 Total 58.6

12 April. Copy of Report made by H.M.I Mr Hodson after Visit of 28th February 1907

"I am glad to note that there has been some im-
"provement effected in the tone and order of the older
"Scholars. There is also an improvement in the
"work, and the school is now doing better than
"it has done for some time.

"The Infants are well prepared to proceed to the
"higher classes."

J.G.M.

signed by Sidney Boulter.

26th April Admitted a fresh scholar to the Infant Cla

3rd. May Average for the week Elder Scholars 40.2
Infants 21 - total 61.2.

7th " A New Cupboard 7'×5' requisitioned from t
General Education Committee arrived today
from the firm of Wake & Dean Ltd.
Two of the hinges and the frame of one
the doors have been damaged in tra

17th " Closed School for Whitsuntide Holidays.

27th " School re-assembled. Admitted two fresh
scholars. 44 present in Standards a
22 in the Infant Class at each attenda

1907.

Admitted a fresh scholar. Standard V.
Average for the week 63.7

Visited.
George S. Hodson, H.M.I.
June 20th 1907.

There has been a slight falling off in the attendance this week. 40.4 in Standards and 21.2 in the Infant Class.
School closed for six weeks Midsummer Holidays.
School re-assembled. Only 48 present in the afternoon. Some children gone to a Flower Show. — The School Playground has been relaid, but the Black-boards have not been refaced yet.
Certificates for attendance and punctuality have been given to Arthur Bowden, Herbert Dean, John Isaac Haines, Alice Annie Leslie, Daisy Dean, Elizabeth Dunford, Ivy Lucy Feltham, & Lucy Dunford.
There are a few cases of absence through sickness, especially among the Infants.

13th Several cases of children absent with sickness and sore throat.

15th Admitted two fresh scholars.

16th The Blackboards belonging to the School were refaced and lined today and seem to have been satisfactorily done.

18th Edward Foster's name has been taken from the Register as he has returned to London.

19th Admitted a fresh scholar to Standard II.

20th Found Richard Cox suffering very badly from Hooping Cough. Told him to stay at home till he was well. Several children ill.

21st Average for the week 47.1 including infants.

24th Average still low. Several fresh cases of sickness.

25th Heard the assistant take the Infants with Tables. Gave a Model lesson on the Black board in her presence.

Punished Percy Harding for unruly behaviour.

1st Sewing Mistress ill. Needlework taken by Miss Leslie.

4th Needlework and Drawing to be taken on Tuesday instead of today.

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Nov. 5th Needlework and Drawing taken today Sewing Mistress still very ill. Needlework taken by Miss Janet Leslie.

" 8th Gave a lesson on "Leaves" to the Standards.

" 15th The attendance has improved although there are still several cases of sickness. The Sewing Mistress is still very ill. Needlework taken by Miss Janet Leslie. Lesson on Leaves and their uses to the Plant given to Children in Standards.

" 18 I have visited the schools this day & found the Register correctly marked. Everything appears satisfactory E. L. White 10.30 a.m.

" 28th School visited by the attendance Officer.

" 29th Lesson on Flowers and seeds to the Standards. Still a number of cases of sickness.

Dec. 5th Certificates under the County Council Prize Scheme were awarded to the children who had made complete attendance during the quarter ended 30th September, 1907.

" 6th There are still many cases of sickness on the Register. Notice put up and read out that this School will be inspected in Religious Knowledge on the 20th Dec. 1907.

12th Dec. Ernest Noyes severely bruised his chin while playing with his brother in the School yard.

13th " Bertha Hale fell against the School railings while playing and cut her forehead.

16th " Examined Infants.

17th " Examined Upper Standards.

18th " Examined Lower Standards.

19th " School closed till Jan 6th 1908. Diocesan Inspection tomorrow 20th inst.

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6th Jan. School re-assembled this morning. 53 present in the morning and 57 in the afternoon.

16th " Received Certificates under County Prize Scheme for Quarter ended 31st Dec. 1907. School visited by Attendance Officer.

20th " The Rector gave out the Certificates under the County Council Prize Scheme to those Children who had made complete attendance during the quarter ended 31st Dec. 1907.

31st " Several children absent this week sick.

5th Feb. Requisition for Registers and School Materials sent to the

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General Education Committee.

7th Feb. Average for the week 59.5 -

" " The Rector brought a letter in from the General Purposes Committee of the County Council, stating that 1 dozen Local Readers by E-Arnold - titled "The West Country", which were requisitioned on the 5th inst., could not be granted to this School.

14th " Head Teacher absent to attend the Funeral of his mother in the North of England.

15th " Visit of Inspection.

Miss Janet Leslie and Miss Sarah E. Brown assisted during the Head Teacher's absence

16th " Head Teacher returned. Miss Sarah E. Brown continued to assist during the forenoon's attendance

18th " Received Govt. Return Forms. Received goods requisitioned from Arnold's Leeds.

2nd March Rearranged classes.

" " Received Forms and circulars from County Offices. Trowbridge.

3rd " Slight falling off in attendance this week owing to sickness.

9th " Attendance for the week somewhat improved.

13th " A new Map of Wiltshire prepared by Philips & Son