

Extracts from the Log Book of Ewell National Boys School
October 1862 – February 1898
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The information in this document should be read in conjunction with the [introductory webpage](#).

1862

- Oct 2 The quarterly list of proficiency drawn out & suspended in the school room, showing the relative attainments of each child in the upper classes as determined by above examination [the Quarterly Examination].
- Oct 3 The usual quarterly reports made up & forwarded to each parent, setting forth each child's conduct & attainments during the past quarter, as gathered from the marks entered weekly in a book kept for the purpose & the list of proficiency referred to above, whereby – on comparison with the last report – each parent is enabled to judge of the progress made by his child during the said quarter.
- Oct 13 Present staff of Monitors, each paid at the rate of 1/6 per quarter.
 2nd Class C. Theobald, 3rd Class W. Hills, 4th Class W. Mountford.
 Firelighter – G. Birdseye (2/6 per quarter)
 Sweepers – W. Hills & J. Miller (3 each per week)
- Oct 21 A. Giles appointed sweeper in the room of J. Miller resigned (being a singer in choir).
- Nov 15 The practice of writing abstracts of lessons & dictation exercises in books kept for the purpose introduced this day into the first class.
- Dec 1 S. Buckman appointed firelighter in the room of C. Bashford.
- Dec 8 C. Bashford returned office as firelighter and monitor on expressing penitence for his fault & determined to amend.
- Dec 23 The annual Xmas Examination of the upper classes before the parents & subscribers held this day at 2½ pm. Holidays commenced.

1863

- Jan 2 Received this day from the Committee of Council the following summary of the Inspector's Report upon the School:-
 "The Character of the School may on the whole be pronounced a fair one particularly as regards the Master's intentions".
- Jan 12 School recommenced after the Xmas Vacation. S. Buckman commenced his duties as firelighter.
- 13 Rev. Sir George Glyn gave the usual weekly Scripture Lesson to the first class.
- 20 E. Grantham appointed pumper in the room of A. Giles (resigned).
- 23 Missionary Lecture with Disolving [sic] Views exhibited by Mr. Newton to a crowded audience.
- 28 Lecture on Ancient Egypt illustrated from the Monuments by the Oxygen Lantern.
- Feb 1 William Hills expelled for dishonesty, his place as a free boy filled by William Cox, as a monitor by A. Sykes, as a sweeper by C. Bashford & as a singer by W. Channell.

- 11 Meeting of Sunday School Teachers this evening to hear a model lesson given to a class of children by a London Teacher, which was followed by criticism of the same & an address to the parents on the same subject.
 - 17 Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave the usual Scripture Lesson.
 - 19 C. Bashford expelled the School for dishonesty & W. Hills re-admitted
 - 24 Rev. Sir. G. Glyn gave the usual Scripture Lesson
 - Mar 2 J. Slemaker appointed Monitor to 3rd & 4th classes.
 - 10 A holiday given (marriage of the Prince of Wales).
 - 18 A half holiday given to allow of preparing the School room for the Annual Supper & Lecture to the Ewell Working Mens' Bible Union. The members were addressed on the occasion by Judge Payne.
 - 25 A half holiday. A Confirmation held by the Lord Bishop of Winchester.
 - April 6-10 Easter Vacation
 - 13 Annual Missionary Sale of Work held in these rooms, the children were addressed at 3 pm. A further meeting in the evening at 7 pm.
 - 14 School Reopened after the Easter Vacation, very thin attendance of children.
 - 27 W. Elliott appointed pumper in the room of E. Grantham (resigned).
 - May 1 Lecture given by Mr. P. R. Lempriere on the "Power of Kindness".
 - 14 The children attended Divine Service at church, it being Ascension Day.
 - 19-22 Thin attendance owing to Epsom Races this week.
 - 25 A holiday being Whit Monday
 - June 1 The Monitors reappointed to different classes. A. Sykes to the 3rd & 4th, W. Mountford to the 5th & J. Slemaker to the 6th. Sixteen boys kept in to rewrite their dictation exercise.
 - 4 Rev. Sir. G. Glyn gave a missionary address to the combined schools in the afternoon.
 - July 1 The Annual Treat to the children held in Rev. Sir G. Glyn's grounds.
 - 10 School examined this afternoon by Rev. Sir. G. Glyn & Rev. H. Davidson.
 - Aug 7 The Harvest Vacation commenced (4 weeks).
 - Sep 7 The School re-opened after Harvest Vacation, with a fair attendance of scholars.
 - 30 A ploughing match accounts for thin attendance this afternoon.
 - Oct 5 The afternoon school commenced at 1.30 pm for the first time instead of 2 pm as heretofore.
 - 13 The first class examined on the Travels of St. Paul by Rev. H. Davidson.
 - 29 Ewell Fair Day accounts for thin attendance.
 - Nov 3 No evening school this evening, the Room being required for a Temperance Lecture.
 - 6 A holiday given to prepare the rooms for a concert.
 - Dec 9 Night Scholars unable to meet this evening, the room being required for a Lecture by Mr. Lempriere.
 - 22 Evening Scholars unable to meet, the room being required for a Temperance Lecture.
 - 23 Annual Examination of the upper classes of the School held this day at 2.30 pm (thin attendance of subscribers & friends owing to the prevalence of smallpox in neighbourhood).
- 1864
- Jan 18 School re-opened after the Xmas vacation, very thin attendance on account of small-pox.

- 26 Children dismissed at 10½ am to see Miss Jackson's wedding, so few being present.
- Mar 3 Missionary Address given by Rev. Sir. G. Glyn to the three departments assembled in the Infant School.
- 15 A half holiday given to allow of preparing the room for the Annual Supper & Lecture to the Ewell Working Men's Bible Union.
- 24 The last meeting of Night School for the season.
- April 4 Day School re-commenced work after the Easter Vacation (one week).
- 5 W. Hills appointed teacher to 2nd class, in the room of C. Theobald, whose attendance is become too irregular to admit of his continuing in that post.
- 25 A holiday. The Annual Missionary Sale of Work held in these rooms, the children addressed at 3 pm, a public meeting at 7 pm.

2 May 1864

Conducted by Mr. George Ayres 2/2 without assistance

W. A. Brookfield H.M.I.

- May 5 A half holiday the Master being unwell.
- 12 Thin attendance on account of the Fair.
- 16 A holiday being Whit Monday.
- June 9 Missionary Address given by the Rev. Sir. G. Glyn to the three departments assembled in the Infant School.
- 10 A half holiday in afternoon to allow the Teachers to attend a Missionary Meeting at Cheam.
- 16 The Annual Treat held on the Rev. Sir. G. Glyn's grounds.
- July 7 Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave a Missionary address to the children in the Infants Room.
- 25 Communication received from the Privy Council stating the amount of the Grant for 1863-4 viz: £74.1.9 + £.
- Summary of Inspector's Report:
(Boys) "This School is in an efficient & satisfactory condition".
Accompanying Remarks: - "I am directed to request that the Class Registers may be marked conformably with the 12th Supplementary Rule; & I am to state that in future the 9th Rule will be strictly enforced. All children belonging to the highest class, who are examined, should be presented at least as high as the fourth standard (Art. 52a RC)".
- Aug 4 Broke up for the Harvest Vacation.
- Sept 5 School reopened after harvest holidays.
- Oct 5 Thin attendance owing to the Ploughing Match.
- Nov 10 & 11 Two days holiday to prepare Rooms for a Concert.
- Dec 23 School closed for a fortnight's Vacation.

1865

- Jan 9 School recommenced after Xmas holidays. Six children admitted from the Infant School.
- 11 No evening school, rooms being required for Mr. Lempriere's Lecture on "John Howard".
- 18 No evening school Master asked to attend the Sunday School Teachers' Annual Meeting.
- 20 Missionary Lecture with Dissolving Views.
- 26, 27 Severe weather accounts for the thin attendance during these two days, heavy rain followed by snow.
- 31 No evening school, room being required for Mr. Walter's Lecture.

- Feb 21 No evening school, room required for Readings.
24 Wet weather accounts for thin school
- Mar 17 Half holiday given to allow of the rooms being prepared for the Annual Supper & Lecture to the Working Mens' Bible Union.
- Apr 3 W. Mountford appointed Assistant with 1/- per week.
13 School closed for the Easter week holiday.
24 School would have recommenced but for the Annual Missionary Sale of Work held this day.
25-28 This attendance owing partly to Epsom Spring Races.
- May 5 W. Mountford examined as candidate for pupil teachership at Epsom Nat. School.
11 Annual Inspection took place. Inspector Revd. T.D. Sharpe, assisted by Mr. Bryant. A half holiday given by the Inspector in the afternoon. More oral teaching required in the opinion of the Inspector.
Head Teacher – George Ayers. Certificate 2nd Class 2nd Division.
12 Ewell Fair Day, thin attendance in afternoon.
31 Derby Day, very thin attendance.
- June 5 A holiday, being Whit Monday.
13 Report of Privy Council received for 1864-5: -
“The School is well taught. The elementary knowledge is good throughout the School. The religious knowledge is satisfactory. The children have a fair knowledge of Geography.”
Signed George L. Glyn.
- 14 The Annual Treat held on Rev. Sir G. Glyn's ground.
[From now until October 1868 the entries are purely routine “Nothing to record” or “Rev. X gave a scripture lesson”. On July 31 1867 there is a note that a half holiday was given on account of the re-opening of the Church.
Mr. Ayres the Head Teacher resigned at the end of September & the new Teacher Mr. Henry Clark of Highbury Training College, (1863-64) started as the new Head Master on October 6th, the boys having had a week's holiday].

1868

- Oct 5 There were present 33 boys. Mr. Clark commenced his duties. The Rev. J. Salway visited the School in the course of the morning.
6 The Rev. Sir George Glyn visited the School and gave a lesson to Classes I, II & III on Acts VIII. Lady Glyn & Miss Glyn paid a visit & heard the boys sing a new School song.
7 The number of boys present today was 35. Of the boys attending this week 25% come late morning & afternoon. The Rev. Sir George Glyn visited the School.
8 Examined the Standards III & IV in Simple Rule. The boys were quite unable to take their sums down from dictation. Only one correct answer to a simple multiplication sum with the figure 359 for the multiplier. The Rev. Sir George Glyn gave all the children a Missionary Lecture in the latter part of the afternoon.
9 No boy in Standard IV able to work sums in Compound Addition or in any Compound Rule.

- 12 Found Standard V boys exceedingly ignorant of the Compound Rules (Weights & Measures). The Rev. J. Salway gave a lesson to the elder boys, subject "Church Catechism".
 - 13 The Rev. Sir George Glyn gave a lesson from 2 Timothy to the upper classes.
 - 14 The Rev. J. Salway gave one of a series of lessons on the History of Joseph.
 - 15 Irregular attendance & lateness in the afternoons appear to be two of the greatest difficulties in working the School.
 - 16 Again troubled by the irregular attendance. Visited the homes of several of the absentees. Several parents promised to send their children more regularly.
 - 19 Examined the younger boys in Scripture (Israel in Egypt) while the elder boys received instruction in Church Catechism from the Rev. J. Salway.
 - 20 The Rev. Sir George Glyn gave a lesson on the Stoning of Stephen. Attendance this day 36.
 - 21 Henry Edwards, George Worsfold, Hy. Nightingale, Wm Stagg & Wm Hart do not yet know the alphabet. Evening School commenced.
 - 23 Only 31 boys present on account of a wedding.
 - 26 Taught Standard IV Compound Multiplication.
 - 27 Taught Standard V Division (Weights & Ms), taught Standard VI Least Common Multiple. The Evening School has increased from 7 to 15 scholars.
 - 28 Gave a lesson on the Capes of England to the upper Classes. Set the boys to learn a list of the Capes as a Home Lesson.
 - 29 Examined the upper classes on the Capes of England. Ewell Fair Day, thin attendance both in Day and Evening Schools. Gave Gallery Lesson on Animal & Vegetable Life in the various regions of the world.
 - 30 The Reading of Standards V & VI much more satisfactory than the other Standards.
- Nov 2 Arranged for Standard V boys to read with First Class from Stevens & Hole's Reading Book Standard VI. By this arrangement both Standard V & VI will receive more teaching.
- 3 Received this day from the Revd. Sir George Glyn the following copy of a Minute of the Committee of the School:-
- March 23rd 1861
- "Resolved that the future scale of payments for children attending the Ewell Nat. School be as follows:
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| 1. Each child of a tradesman or small farmer | 6d |
| 2. Each child of mechanic | 4d |
| 3. Each child of gardeners, butlers, coachmen etc.
in regular employment as Gentlemen's Servants | 3d |
| 4. For the first child of a labourer | 2d |
| 5. For every additional child | 1d |
- "In all cases of doubt as to the class to which a child belongs the Committee or Clergyman to decide."
- 5 Bad attendance – a circus having opened at Epsom
 - 6 School bell rope mended after being broken on the 2nd inst. There has been less lateness in the boys' School during the time no bell has been rung, than at other times. Hy. Sparrow to be caned for striking James Davey.
 - 10 Explained Compound Division (Weights & Measures) to Second Class.

- 11 Improved attendance. William Lifford (engaged as Monitor on the 9th inst.) is working with steadiness & perseverance. He is wanting in force & firmness.
 - 12 Bible Lesson. Visit of the Angels to Lot, one of a series of lessons on the life of Abraham.
 - 13 Several absentees through the mumps. Attendance on the whole an improvement on last week.
 - 18 Very few absentees this week. Average attendance for Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 43.
 - 19 Lady Glyn visited the School near the conclusion of a Gallery Lesson on the "Three Kingdoms of Nature". The boys sang to Lady Glyn "Men of Harlech", "Forward", "The Cuckoo" & a Psalm Tune.
 - 20 Average attendance for this week 42, an increase of six on the previous week. This is the best week for attendance for many months.
 - 23 The Organist attended the weekly practice of vocal music to select two or three new choir boys. The attendance somewhat injured by wet weather.
 - 24 Ascertained that four boys will be absent the whole week on account of sickness.
 - 25 Received a note from a Ewell mechanic who objects to pay 3d for his boy's instruction while a labourer pays only 2.
- Dec
- 1 Gave a lesson to the First Class on the Addition of Vulgar Fractions.
 - 2 Ascertained that two of the scholars have for the last two months been breaking into the Infant School on Friday & Saturday evenings & taking money from the Girls Missionary Box. Also that they have from time to time abstracted money during the last month from the Boys Missionary Box. Only one other boy had any knowledge of the theft.
 - 3 The Committee decided that the most culpable of the offenders should be sent to the Boys Refuge, Whitechapel, the other dishonest boy to be flogged or delivered up to the Magistrates. The Committee reprovved the boy who had knowledge of the theft for not having reported it.
 - 4 The dishonest boy was flogged in accordance with the order of the Committee. He was received back into the School on his Mother promising to send him regularly, he having been heretofore so irregular as to render satisfactory moral training impossible.
 - 7 Received a new boy 13 years of age who is so backward that he must work in the last class.
 - 10 Saw the father of one of the scholars respecting the rebellious conduct of the latter.
 - 16 Examined 3rd & 4th Classes in Reading, the Reading must be improved. Held an examination in Drawing. The Second Class are in advance of the First Class in Freehand Drawing.
 - 17 Examined the boys of Standard I in Reading, Writing & Arithmetic. The Reading requires much hard work to bring it to a satisfactory standard.
 - 18 The attendance this week not so good as last week. Business connected with the Children's Clothing Club partly accounts for the falling off. Colds & coughs have been very prevalent this week.
 - 21 Taught the words & music of " 'Tis the Last Rose of Summer".
 - 22 Called to each class the results of the Christmas Examination. The boys took places in order of merit for each subject. Thomas Burchett's marks so

low as to make it necessary for him to be degraded to a lower class.
Spelling is greatly improved.

- 24 The School broke up this afternoon for a fortnight's holiday. The attendance this week has been thinner than at any other time during the past three months.

1869

- Jan 11 Recommenced School after the Christmas Holidays, the room having been whitewashed. There were 39 boys present on this first day of School.
13 46 boys in attendance this afternoon, the highest attendance for many months.
25 Divided the last class into two sections, the lower one consisting of very backward boys who will not be able to be presented in May.
28 Gave a grammatical spelling lesson to Classes I II III & IV. Plurals of nouns ending in Y & the form of the present, past & past participle of Irregular Verbs.
29 Recapitulated in an oral lesson the geography which has been studied from Gills Lessons in Geography.
- Feb 2 The Rev. Sir George Glyn commenced a monthly course of Bible Lessons to the Upper Division. Attendance better than last week.
3 A very wet morning – attendance somewhat thin.
4 Gave an object lesson to all the School subject “Chalk”. 49 boys in School this afternoon.
5 A very good attendance of boys at the Evening School this week, only one man present.
8 A very wet morning, consequently the attendance for the week injured.
9 Attendance this afternoon injured to some extent by the game of Football which is played about the streets of Ewell every Shrove Tuesday. It was noticeable that the absentees were mostly little boys, only three absentees in Class I II III & IV.
10 Ash Wednesday. The usual morning Scripture lesson omitted as the children attended Divine Service at Church in the latter part of the morning. Attendance this afternoon thin – several boys did not bring their dinners to School as a holiday was generally expected.
12 A very wet day only 28 boys present.
15 Improved attendance. Ordered that John Kelsey should not be again allowed to attend School till his mother has communicated with the Master respecting him. The boy's faults are laziness & sullenness, he is irregular in his attendance & neglects his home lessons.
16 Received a note from Mrs. Kelsey in which she promises to make John learn his lessons for the future, his absence yesterday afternoon was accounted for.
19 A wet day, thin attendance. Average for the week 44.
22 A wet day, poor attendance. The weekly lesson in Church Catechism not given by the Rev. J. Salway, he having a severe cold.
23 The Rev. Sir George Glyn terminated his monthly course of Bible Lessons on the Sermon on the Mount. Kept in eight boys (Upper Division) to work sums in subtraction.
24 The boys of Standard IV are making very little progress in Compound Rules. It appears that their knowledge of the Elementary Rules is very

- defective. They cannot have been well taught subtraction in the previous year.
- 25 Attendance thin this week on account of the bad weather. Gave an object lesson to the whole School. Subject, Iron, Silk, Leather, Eathenware [sic], Carpets.
- Mar 2 Gave a Bible Lesson on Jacob's Vow. The 5th Class Examination in Reading showed that the boys have been well at work for the last 7 days.
- 3 Taught the First Treble of "God that madest earth & heaven".
- 4 Gallery lesson on the Elephant.
- 5 Average attendance only 37 this week. Of the boys absent the whole week:
- 1 stayed at home on account of having a cold.
- 1 " " " to help his mother.
- 1 " " " because of the cold weather.
- 2 " " " for want of boots
- & 5 were employed in agricultural work.
- Evening School is to close next week.
- 8 Three of last weeks [sic] absentees presented themselves, Cheeseman & Smith from agricultural work.
- 9 A competative [sic] examination in Arithmetic [sic passim] given to Classes III IV & V.
- 10 8 boys kept in to work at Multiplication tables. Taught the Second Treble of "God that madest earth & heaven".
- 11 Gallery Lesson on the Imports of England (illustrated by specimens from the Cabinet of Objects).
- 12 Examined Classes I-IV in Reading. Evening School closed for the season. Highest attendance 16, lowest attendance 5.
- 15 Confirmation class again prevented the Rev. J. Salway from giving his weekly lesson.
- 16 Worked several sums in multiplication by four figures to Standard III.
- 17 A half holiday given. Confirmation at 3 pm.
- 18 School was closed this afternoon as soon as the boys had been under instruction 2 hours, the room being required for the Bible Union Tea.
- 19 Attendance still poor on account of fieldwork.
- 22 Gave a lesson on the events of the 1st & 2nd days in Passion Week.
- 23 Instructed the boys as to our Lord's Discourses on the 3rd day in Passion Week.
- 24 Instructed the boys as to the doings of Christ on the 4th day of the week in which He suffered, recapitulated former lessons.
- 25 Bible Lesson on the institution of the Lords [sic] Supper & our Lord's discourses etc. (John XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, XVII). Reminded the boys of former lessons on the Trial & Crucifixion of Jesus. (26th Good Friday)
- 29 Bible Lesson today "The Resurrection & some of the Appearances of our Lord".
- Commenced examining the work of the first quarter 1869. Reading in Standard II examined, the regular scholars have progressed satisfactorily, the irregular scholars obtained about the same number of marks as was given them at the Christmas examination. Standard IV very much improved in Arithmetic .
- 30 Examination in Arithmetic to Standards III, IV & V. Boys of Standard V & VI are wanting in accuracy. Standard IV boys have made considerable

- progress since Christmas. Bible Lesson today on “Moses in the Land of Midian”.
- 31 Examination in Church Catechism, the 2 Class in advance of the 1st Class.
- April 1 Examinations in Dictation. Frederick Angliss & Joseph Davey made no mistakes in the exercise. Gallery Lesson on Water. Several boys in Standard I quite ready for examination under New Code.
- 2 Completed the Easter Examination. The marks are 15% higher than at Christmas. The Geography requires more work. It appears quite clear that several boys whose education has been neglected during the last two or three years will not be able to be presented for examination to H.M. Inspector [sic] in May.
- 5 Called over to the boys the results of the Easter Examination. Received a new boy.
- 6 The Revd. Sir George L. Glyn gave a Bible Lesson to the Upper Division.
- 7 The Rev. J. Salway resumed his lessons on the life of Joseph. Practised two psalms.
- 8 Gallery Lesson on the Vegetable Kingdom. Worked with Standard II at the Multiplication Table.
- 9 A very satisfactory day's work. Bible Reading this afternoon on the Trial of Jesus. Average attendance for the week 38.
- 12 Home Lessons appointed in the morning instead of in the afternoon. No School in the afternoon. Annual meeting of the Church Missionary Society. Address to the Juvenile Branch at 3 o'clock.
- 14 Bible Lesson on Israel in Egypt.
- 15 Gave Classes I, II, III & IV oral questions in Division.
- 16 Practice of Singing this afternoon. The pieces sung were “God that madest”, “The Cuckoo” & “Forward”.
- 19 The Rev. J. Salway arranged to examine the Boys School according to the requirements of the Revised Code on 22nd inst.
- 21 Lesson on the Plague of “Thunder & Hail”.
- 22 The Boys were examined by the Rev.J. Salway, 23 of the boys to be presented to H.M. Inspector were examined. Several boys who have not belonged to the school a sufficient time to make the 200 attendances passed a very satisfactory examination.. The boys of Classes I,II, III & IV answered very well at the Examination in the Geography of England & Wales.
- 23 Gave a Gallery Lesson on a “Bird's Nest” & Kindness to Birds.
- 27 The number present this morning 45. The Rev. Sir G. Glyn completed his April Bible Lessons to the Upper Division.
- 28 Competitive Examination in Division (Weights & Measures) to Classes I & II. Dictation Exercises on “where” & “were” & on “there” & “their”. Reproved William Lifford the Monitor for trifling instead of teaching the boys to write.
- 29 Vocal music this afternoon.
- 30 The boys copied from the blackboard a sketch of the Life of Abraham.
- May 3 Five boys absent on account of measles. Two of the elder boys went to work this morning, they will probably be permanently employed. Six of the boys are now in work.
- 4 Oral examination on the Life of Abraham. A wet day – thin attendance.
- 5 Received notice of the proposed visit of H.M. Inspector on 21st inst.

- 15 Morning wet. Bible Lesson on Acts II. Object Lesson on a "Black Board",
 - 16 Taught the Tune "Eaton" to the boys & girls in the presence of the Revd. J. & Mrs. Salwey.
 - 17 Some absentees on account of haymaking.
 - 18 The Rev. Sir G. Glyn & the Rev. J. Salwey spoke to the children respecting Missionary work. Attendance this week injured by the rainy weather.
 - 21 Weather still wet. Received 3 new boys, 2 of whom are only to be in the school for a few months.
 - 22 Lesson to Classes I & II on the Nine Orders of Mamallia (Cuvier).
 - 23 The boys practiced Sacred & Secular music.
 - 24 Bible Lesson on "Honesty".
 - 25 "Manna" typical of Christ. Bible Lesson. Front play ground used.
 - 28 Afternoon attendance injured by a Club Feast.
 - 30 Open air practice of music for the School Treat.
- July
- 1 Morning attendance 52.
 - 2 Lessons in the morning. Annual Treat in the afternoon in the grounds of the Revd. Sir Geo. L. Glyn Bart.
 - 5 The Rev. J. Salweys Bible Lessons etc. will be resumed in August.
 - 6 Coughs very prevalent.
 - 7 Bible Lesson. Israel at Menbah.
 - 8 " " Israel's conflict with Amalek.
 - 9 Explained the Collect.
 - 12 Attendance injured by a Club Feast.
 - 13 A wet morning. The Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave a Lesson on the Woman taken in adultery.
 - 14 Visitors from Mrs. Lempriere heard the boys sing.
 - 15 Lesson on Jethro's visit to Moses.
 - 16 Attendance somewhat falling off on account of the boys obtaining employment.
 - 19 Lesson on the "Subject" "Predicate", "Object" & "Adjuncts".
 - 20 Bible Lesson Matthew II.
Gallery Lesson – Air & the Balloon.
 - 21 Taught a Round "A Southerly Wind".
 - 22 Lesson on the Prophecies fulfilled in the life of our Lord from His Birth to the going out of Egypt.
 - 23 Lady Glyn attended a Lesson in the Class Room. The Lesson consisted of Simultaneous Repetition of the Books of the Bible, Days of the Week, Parts of Speech etc. with Spelling.
 - 26 Reproduction of Sunday's Sermon discontinued.
 - 27 Bible Lesson on "the man born blind" by the Rev. Sir. G. Glyn.
 - 28 Conducted the boys & girls in singing Sacred music.
 - 29 July Examinations to test the work since the Inspector's [sic] visit.
 - 30 The First Class had a written examination in Geography. The boys require practice in this kind of exercise.
- Aug
- 3 The Rev. Sir. G. Glyn gave a lesson on the passage – "Confess your faults one to another" etc.
 - 4 Examined Standard I in Reading, Spelling, Writing, Arithmetic & Ch. Catechism. The results are satisfactory.
 - 5 Called over the results of the Periodical Examination & made some promotions.

- 6 Lesson on the Preaching of John the Baptist.
- 9 A rainy morning - attendance thin.
- 10 Ewell Cottage Garden Show.
- 11 Several boys absent to assist in the Harvest.
- 12 More absentees. 29 boys present, 31 boys absent.
- 13 "Broke up" for the Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 13 Reopened School after the Harvest Holidays. Morning attendance 48. Afternoon ten less than morning on account of the Brick Yard Cricket Match.
- 14 Grammer [sic passim] Lesson on the Plurals Nouns.
- 15 Mr. Ayres visited the School. 46 boys present. Taught the boys to sing "Star of Peace".
- 16 Bible Lesson on Israel at Sinai.
- 17 A satisfactory week's work (weather wet)
- 20 49 present in the afternoon.
- 21 Gallery Lesson on Geographical Terms. 50 present.
- 23 Bible Lesson on the Golden Calf. Conducted the weekly examination in reading.
- 24 A fine week. Lifford is to leave in 1 month.
- 27 Admitted a new boy come from London. Grammer Lesson on Case.
- 28 Gallery Lesson on the Geography of England. 54 present. Opened the Evening School.
- 29 Worked the boys up in Simple Subtraction.
- Oct 1 Repetition of Grammatical Terms.
- 4 Gave 1st Class a lesson on the formation of the Possessive Case.
- 5 Lesson on Copper. Lady Glyn visited the School.
- 6 Several boys absent to get the tickets for the Coal Club.
- 7 The First Class to recommence their Reading Book. The Third Class recommenced theirs a fortnight ago. In Evening School 14 present.
- 8 Formed Bad Subtraction Class.
- 11 Practice of Music assisted by Mr. Morgan at the Harmonium.
- 12 Gallery Lesson on the Common Pump. In the Evening School there were 26 present.
- 13 The Home Lessons were well said this morning.
- 14 A good day's work, the weather cool today.
- 15 Repetition of the Capes, Mountains etc. of Europe.
- 18 Heavy rain at noon prevented some of the scholars returning after dinner.
- 19 Gallery lesson on the Ancient Britons. 27 Present in the Evening School.
- 20 Taught the boys to sing "The Vowels".
- 21 Two teachers assisted in the Evening School.
- 22 Horace Goulding paid for a second Absent Check Book. Called in Check Books from the Boys left since.
- 25 James Weaver & James Adams appointed to do Lifford's work between them. 40 present.
- 26 Read simultaneously & individually Matthew V. In Evening School 31 present.
- 27 Taught G.W. Martins "Jerusalem the Golden".
- 28 Bible Lesson on "Persecution". Very satisfactory work in the Evening School.

- 29 Av. Attendance for the week 46. Ewell Fair Day, only 34 present this afternoon.
- Nov 1 Gallery Lesson on the Anglo Saxons.
- 2 Bible Lesson on Matthew I by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn. 32 present in the Evening School.
- 3 Taught the Hymn "New Every Morning is the Love". The Rev. J. Salwey resumed his Bible Lessons.
- 4 Lesson on the Tabernacle.
- 5 Lesson on the Gunpowder Plot. Rain reduced afternoon attendance to 41.
- 9 Bible Lesson on the Tabernacle by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn. 51 present morning, 48 afternoon.
In the Evening School 41 present.
- 11 Missionary Address at 3 pm.
- 15 Oral Lesson on the Commerce of England, France, Belgium, Holland etc.
- 16 Mr. Harrison exhibited to the boys a number of interesting objects under his microscope. Present morning 52, afternoon 51. In the Evening School 6 voluntary teachers attended. 36 pupils.
- 17 Afternoon attendance 51. The Rev. J. Salwey gave a lesson on "the Pearl of Great Price".
- 19 Present 52. Number present at all this week 55, the whole of the boys on the books!!
- 22 Attendance injured by incessant rain today.
- 23 Afternoon recess omitted to allow boys attendance to a Lecture at the Kings Head Hotel at 5 pm.
- 24 Attendance rose this afternoon to 52.
- 25 Bible Lesson – Bondage under Pharaoh typical of Bondage under Satan.
- 26 Morning attendance 52, afternoon 52. Goddard absent all the week on account of a cold.
- 29 Sent W. Haseman home on account of several weeks' school money being unpaid. Alfred Goodship to be absent this week.
- 30 John Poplett was ordered by the Doctor to stay at home for a few days on account of sore throat.
- Dec 1 Practice of Songs "Forward" & "Men of Harlech". W. Ware commenced sheep-minding yesterday.
- 2 C. Voller absent this week on account of illness of his mother. G. Peters absent for want of boots.
- 6 Mrs. Cooper & a School Manager of Clapham heard the boys sing. Mrs. Cooper remarked upon the good state of the discipline of the school.
- 7 Bible Lesson on Prayer, Matthew VI.
- 8 The Rev. J Salwey was unable to resume his Bible Lessons this morning.
- 9 Bible Lesson on the opportunities which the Ewell National School boys have for Prayer in the course of a day.
- 10 Holiday in the afternoon on account of the Master having a cold.
- 13 The Rev. J. Salwey resumed his lessons to the First Class this morning. 50 present.
- 14 Bible Lesson on the Removal from Mt. Sinai.
- 15 The Rev. J. Salwey was prevented from giving his Bible Lesson this morning. Taught "Hark the Herald Angels Sing".
- 16 Tickets given for the Children's Clothing Club. Attendance at Evening School prevented by heavy rain.

- 17 Bible Lesson on the Murmurings at Kibroth-hattava.
- 20 Religious instruction given to all the classes at the same time.
- 21 Geography Lesson on the religions in Europe.
- 23 Lesson on Christmas Customs.
- 24 Broke up for the Christmas Vacation at 12 o'clock.

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- Jan 10 Reopened School, present morning 45, afternoon 48. Lady Glyn visited the School.
- 11 Present morning 49, afternoon 50. The Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave a lesson on Jesus with the Doctors.
- 13 Lesson on the Murmuring at Kadesh-Barnea.
- 14 Lesson to Classes II & III on numeration.
- 17 A very damp morning. The Rev. J. Salway commenced his 1870 Course of Lessons on Ch. Catechism. Object lesson on "Iron".
- 19 Proceeded with the January Examination.
- 20 Lesson on Israel at Kadesh-Barnea.
- 21 The Examinations show that the Arithmetic must be improved by diligent application.
- 24 The Rev. J. Salway gave his second 1870 lesson. Attendance morning 49, afternoon 47.
- 25 Bible Reading on The Song of Moses.
- 26 The Rev. J. Salway gave the first of his 1870 Course of Bible Lessons. James Adams examined Classes II III & IV in Scripture.
- 27 Attendance 48 & 47. Examined some of the Evening Scholars on Writing. Fray, West, Eldridge, Crockford & Reeves require to be improved in their knowledge of letters, Capital & Small.
- 28 A very frosty morning, attendance thinned by the cold. Examined 1st Class in Geography. Miller, Rayman, Burchett, Hams & Voller deficient.
- 31 Wet day. Break up of the frost. Attendance only 38.
- Feb 1 Attendance 48 & 50. Bible Lesson on the Conversion of St. Paul by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn. Evening School attendance improved.
- 2 Wet day, attendance again thin.
- 3 Examined the Second Class in Geography of Europe. The little boys require much working up, their notions seem confused.
- 4 Bible Lesson on the Priests & Levites.
- 7 Another wet Monday. Attendance 48!! Received a new boy. Gallery Lesson on the Camel.
- 8 The Rev. Sir G. Glyn explained a Psalm. Attendance at Evening School injured by the rain.
- 9 The Class Room Bible Lesson not given this morning.
- 10 Lesson on the Feasts of the Jews.
- 11 A snowy morning, attendance somewhat thin.
- 14 Present 44 & 43, several absentees on account of the severity of the weather. Explained the Ch. Catechism to Classes I & II.
- 15 Present 45 & 49. A sunny winter day. The Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave a Bible Lesson on Genesis I.
- 16 Present 50. The Rev. J. Salway gave his 3rd Bible Lesson.
- 17 Worked up the Table of Personal Pronouns. The Second Class boys work their sums very creditably.
- 18 Bible Lesson on the Character of Moses.

- 21 Present morning & afternoon 56!! The Rev. J. Salway gave a Catechism Lesson. Gallery Lesson on "Land", "Water", "Seas", "Gulfs", "Islands", "Peninsulas" & "Isthmuses".
- 22 Present 54 & 56. In the Evening School 27.
- 23 Bible Lesson by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn on our Lord's Temptation. The Class Room Bible Lesson omitted.
- 24 Lady Glyn heard the First Class read this afternoon. 55 boys present, the highest attendance which her ladyship has known.
- 25 Of the 59 boys now on the books 58 have attended this week.
- 28 Readmitted H. Wiltshire, making 60 on books.
- March 1 Shrove Tuesday. Attendance 54 & 50. Only Stanning, Miller, Parsons & Pearson absent on account of the Foot-ball playing. Attendance at Evening School thin on account of the rain.
- 2 Ash Wednesday. The boys attended Divine Service at 11 A.M. Holiday in the afternoon.
- 3 Lesson on the Death of Aaron. A warm day. Evening School attendance improved.
- 4 Attendance injured by the rain.
- 7 Catechism Lesson by the Rev. J. Salway. Admitted three new boys from travelling waggons, they will probably stay three months at the School. H. Wiltshire left to "mind birds".
- 8 Bible Lesson on the Defeat of Sihon. 60 boys present this morning!!
- 9 The boys sang "The Brook".
- 10 No. on books this week 63, no. present at all, 62.
- 11 Bible Lesson Balaam. Average attendance 57.
- 14 Snowball battle at recess. 51 present. An extra evening for the Evening School.
- 15 Goddard, Ware & Pearson away ill.
- 16 Several absentees on account of the rain. C. Wiltshire away bird minding.
- 17 Grammer Lesson on "Apposition".
- 18 School dismissed at 2.30 on account of the Bible Union Tea.
- 21 Gave Catechism Lessons to the whole School. Another extra attendance in the Evening School.
- 22 Attendance somewhat injured by the rain. W. Melmoth Walters Esq. and the Rev. J. Salway held a preliminary examination of the Evening Scholars.
- 23 Bible Lesson on Reuben & Gad's Inheritance.
- 24 Grammer Lesson on Degrees of Comparison.
- 25 Bible Lesson on the Cities of Refuge.
- 28 Ordinary work suspended. Sale of articles in aid of the Ch. Missionary Society. Juvenile Missionary Meeting at 3 o'clock.
- 29 Great decrease in attendance. Only 42 at school this morning, four boys have obtained employment on farms. Evening School Examinations conducted according to instructions from the Committee of Council by the Rev. J. Salway & W. Melmoth Walters Esq. Two boys presented in Standard IV, 14 in Standard I.
- 30 Attendance somewhat injured by Epsom Spring Races.
- 31 Conjugation of the Verb "To Be".
- April 1 Worked the boys in multiplication by 3 figures.
- 4 J. Chandler will be absent while his mother works in the fields.
- 7 Practiced Second Section in Reading Poetry.

- 8 The School was dismissed for the day at 11.15 AM as the Master had injured one of his ribs.
 - 11 Recess time lengthened today to allow Master rest.
 - 12 Attendance improved, present this morning 51.
 - 13 Only 39 present this afternoon. Several went to a Circus at Epsom.
 - 14 Bible Lesson on Joshua I.
 - 15 Good Friday.
 - 18 Easter Monday. Attendance only 39 this morning. Gallery Lesson on "Gold".
 - 19 Bible Lesson on Rahab.
 - 20 Tested St. II & III in arithmetic. Alfd. Goodship & Worsfold failed.
 - 21 G. Waters must be worked up in Division.
 - 22 Recapitulation of History of Israel from Rameses to Mount Sinai.
 - 25 Received 3 new boys, the Brothers White.
 - 26 The Rev. J. Salwey gave a trial examination. The spelling in the 1st Class must be worked at. Results very satisfactory.
 - 27 Bible Lesson – Israel at Gilgal.
 - 28 Some of the boys have returned to school from "bird minding" this week.
 - 29 Received notice of Visit of H.M. Inspector.
- May 2 Head Teacher Henry Clark 4/1
H.M. Inspector I.W. Sharpe
At the examination 60 boys were present.
- 3 Promoted the Boys to their new classes.
 - 4 Taught the Boys to sing "Let Us With a Gladsome Mind".
 - 5 Bible Lesson on Joshua's Covenant with the Gibeonites.
 - 9 Present 54 & 55. Gallery Lesson on "Sand".
 - 10 Began to use the Revised Timetable.
 - 11 Received goods from the Natl. Society's Depy. Rainy day today after much dry weather.
 - 12 Ewell Fair Day. Attendance injured. Present 49 & 43.
 - 13 Attendance 51 & 40. Heavy rain in the middle of the day.
 - 16 Present 55 & 54. Received 11 boys from the Infant School also the names of 2 others absent. All of these have been presented in Standard I.
 - 17 Present 66 & 69. Examined all the boys who were presented in Standard I. Order of merit at Reading Examination: Clark 90 marks, Sparrow 85, Chantler 80, Ayling 80, G. Robinson 80, Waters 75, Stagg 75, Thomas 65, Rayman 65, Mitchell 60, Bucknell 60, Myers 55, Eldridge 35, J. West 30, F. Herbert 25. The arithc. According to St. I new Code far superior to the Reading. Herbert, Waters & Thomas weak at Arithmetic.
 - 20 Repetition of the Multiplication Table.
 - 23 This afternoon 70 boys present. Lesson on "Pens".
 - 25 Practice of Vocal Music.
 - 26 Read to the boys "Lost at Sea" (R.T. Sy.)
 - 27 Distribution of Annual Rewards. 73 present. The School will resume its work on Tuesday in Whitsun Week.
- June 7 Resumed school work.
- 8 Bible Lesson on "the Demoniak". Present 67.
 - 9 Mounted maps of E & W Hemispheres.
 - 10 Thin attendance this afternoon.

- 13 Lesson on Church Catechism by the Rev. J. Salwey. Mrs. Salwey & a lady friend visited the School, heard some singing, mental arithmetic & Scripture. Gallery Lesson "Holly".
- 14 Taught "Song of the Grass".
- 15 Taught "Hearts of Oak". Present afternoon 68.
- 16 J. Adams questioned Classes II, III & IV on the life of Our Lord. The Rev. J. Salwey gave a Scripture Lesson.
- 17 Practice of Singing for the School Treat.
- 20 Present this afternoon 72.
- 21 Received the Report of H.M. Inspector. Net Sum payable £97.145.8d. Report of the Boys School: "The School has increased in numbers & is in a much more efficient state than at any of the last six inspections. The boys are much more intelligent & have passed a good examination in Scripture & Elementary Knowledge. The Geography & Mental Arithmetic of the older of the children is very creditable".

George L. Glyn

- 22 Explained "Gender".
- 23 Annual Sunday School Treat in the grounds of the Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn this afternoon. 78 boys at tea.
- 25 Thin attendance, those at school tired from yesterday's treat.
- 27 Attendance injured by a Club Feast.
- 28 Attendance rose to 62 this afternoon.
- 29 Bible Lesson on Judges I.
- 30 Examined Class I on "Mood", Class II on "Number".
- July 1 A holiday.
- 4 Gallery Lesson To Class II, III & IV on "Wells".
- 5 The Rev. Sir G. Glyn commenced a monthly course of Bible Lessons Present afternoon 70.
- 6 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. The following is the result:-
4 sums right – Martin, H. Goulding, Stagg, G. Graffham, Marsh, West.
3 sums right – J. Pearson, A. Waters, W. Mitchelll, W. White, J. Clark.
2 " " - Edwards.
1 " " - W. Ayling, Myers.
0 " " - Thomas, Perry, G. Robinson, G. Sparrow, Chantler, Herbert, G. Rayman.
- 7 Quarterly Meeting of the Juvenile Church Missionary Society. A very interesting address by ---.
- 8 6 sums right 0.
5 " " - Watson, Ayling, Myers.
4 " " - Thomas, Mitchell.
3 " " - Sparrow, Chantler.
2 " " - W. White.
1 " " - 0.
0 " " - W. Robinson, Perry, G. Robinson, F. Herbert, Rayman.
- 11 Club Feast at the Wheatsheaf. Only 45 present this afternoon.
- 12 A Master from the Infant Orphan Asylum gave a Bible Lesson to Class III.
- 13 Selected some boys to form a Choir for the Marsh Chapel-of-Ease.
- 14 Practice of Psalm Tunes.
- 15 Lesson on Deborah & Barak.
- 18 Afternoon attendance 66. Toothache has been very prevalent lately.

- 19 The Rev. Sir G. Glyn gave a Bible Lesson on Deborah & Barak.
- 20 Bible Lesson on the Animal Kingdom.
- 21 The children had a treat to the Zoological Gardens.
- 22 Attendance rather thin.
- 25 Captain Lempriere & Miss Vizard taught the boys to sing "Daily, Daily".
- 26 The girls & boys together practiced "Daily, Daily".
- 27 Standard II was examined in arithc. Poor results.
100 Marks C. Wiltshire, W. Stagg, J. Eldridge, Marsh, West
75 " C. Thomas, J. Clark, C.G. Graffam
50 " W. Mitchell, G. Myers, W. Ayling, A. Waters.
25 " G. Sparrow.
0 " G. Rayman, F. Herbert, C. Chandler, C. Perry.
- 28 Held an Examination in Grammer. In St. V & VI the results were good, in St. III & IV pretty fair.
- 29 Captain & Mrs. Lempriere heard the boys sing "Daily, Daily".
- Aug 1 Only 46 present this morning.
- 2 The Rev. Sir G. L. Glyn gave a lesson on Judges VI.
- 3 Green Man St. Sy. School Treat. 36 present. Several boys gleaning this week.
- 4 Present this afternoon 40. Worked the Second Class in "Case", "Active Verbs" & Prepositions.
- 5 "Broke up" for the Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 5 Re-commenced School with 62 boys.
- 6 There is a contagious [sic] eye-disease in the School – J. Peters, J. Poplett & F. Herbert sent home till their eyes are better.
- 7 Sang "Hark the Bonny Christ Ch. Bells".
- 9 Classes I & II are improving in Grammatical Knowledge. Bible Lesson on "Jephthah".
- 12 Boys about to pick acorns this afternoon.
- 14 More acorn picking.
- 16 Worked up Class II in the "Adverb".
- 19 Ch. Catechism Lesson by the Rev. J. Salwey & the Master.
- 21 Explained Case.
- 22 Looked over Letter to the Overseers respecting the New Education Act.
- 23 Ascertained the number of the working classes in the Parish to be 1250.
- 27 Lesson by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn on "Samson".
- 28 " " " " " " "Good Works the Fruit of Faith".
- 29 Counted the Ewell Children between 5 & 13 years of age. There are 280. Evening School.
- 30 Finished the "Educational Statistics" for the Bishop of the Diocese.
- Oct 3 Gallery Lesson on "Silver".
- 4 Grammer Lesson on "Mood". Second week of Evening School.
- 5 Bible Lesson on "Samson's Foxes".
- 6 F. Hams is very deficient in Arithmetic. Four Voluntary Teachers this evening at Evening School.
- 7 Attendance still injured by acorn picking & the eye disease.
- 10 Only 42 present this morning. The Rev. J. Salwey gave a lesson & brought some visitors.
- 11 Commenced fires. Received seven new pupils in the Evening School.
- 12 An unusual number of boys at work & absent this week.

- 13 Bible Lesson by the Rev. J. Salwey. The Rev. Mr. Adams visited the School.
- 14 Work in Simple Long Division.
- 17 Attendance fast recovering.
- 18 W. Peters, W. Sparrow & F. Harris not yet recovered from the eye-disease.
- 19 Practice of Vocal Music.
- 20 The 1st Class read from Shakespere's [sic] "King John". Attendance of Evening School injured by the rain.
- 21 Parsing from "King John".
- 25 The boys went to see a wedding.
- 26 Accident at the Powder Mills. Accompanied Rayman Mitchell to his home.
- 27 Four Voluntary Teachers at Evening School.
- 28 Lesson in "Orthography".
- 31 Object Lesson on "The Oak".
- Nov 1 The 2nd Class in the Evening School read English History.
- 2 Practiced some Psalm Tunes.
- 4 Lesson in Analysis of Sentences.
- 8 Lesson on "Naomi" by the Rev. Sir G. Glyn.
- 9 Taught Martin Luther's Hymn.
- 10 Mr. Evanion exhibited some illusions at the close of the School.
- 11 Bad attendance lately on Friday afternoon.
- 14 Visit of the Rev. Sir G. L. Glyn preparatory to his absence from Ewell.
- 16 Martin Luther's Hymn taught.
- 17 Bible Lesson on the Restoration of the Ark to Israel.
- 18 Dates in English History learnt.
- 22 Taught list of Kings from William the Conqueror.
- 23 Sang "Heart of Oak".
- 24 Standard I reading is much improved. Standard I arithmetic is very defective.
- 25 Lesson in Parsing.
- 28 The boys learnt Dates of Accession of Kings.
- 29 Demand for boys to make cartridges at the Powder Mill. Only two have at present thought it safe to go.
- 30 Sang the Advent Hymn "Lo, He Comes".
- Dec 1 Classes I & II learnt Conjugation of the Verb "to be".
- 2 Lesson on "Degrees of Comparison".
- 5 Lesson on "The Beaver".
- 6 Attendance injured by rain
- 7 A very successful practice of vocal music.
- 9 A snowy day, only 40 present.
- 12 A rainy day, thin attendance.
- 13 The Second Class passed an excellent examination in Arithmetic.
- 14 Examination in Grammer.
- 15 A rainy day.
- 16 Continued the Christmas Examinations.
- 19 Improvement in the attendance.
- 21 A frosty day, attendance injured.
- 1871
- Jan 10 The severity of the weather is preventing the return of some of the Scholars.
- 11 Examined the Home Lesson in Geography.

- 12 Re-admitted H. Edwards, J. Davis, J. Ayling.
 - 13 Break up of the frost. Playground very dirty.
 - 16 Admitted Box from the Powder Mills.
 - 17 Kept in the whole of the First Class to learn Home Lesson on "Commerce".
 - 18 Commenced teaching "Scots Wha Hae". The First Class said their Geography well.
 - 23 Great improvement in the attendance. The Education Act of 1870 is evidently influencing some parents.
 - 24 Bad weather but good attendance.
 - 25 Practice of Vocal Music.
 - 27 The third day of another frost. Gave a Lesson on the Wars of Europe during the last 16 years.
 - 30 Present 58. Object Lesson on "Baskets".
 - 31 Standard II boys are making great progress in Arithmetic. In the Evening School there were 15 present.
- Feb
- 1 Committee Meeting at 9 A.M. Oral teaching is very laborious on account of the prevalence of colds among the boys, coughing is almost incessant.
 - 3 John Dunford must be worked at for the examination in May.
 - 6 Arthur Boss & James West (Gibraltar) played truant. The parents do not make these two boys obey them.
 - 7 The 1st Class Boys wrote a letter.
 - 8 Taught "Hark, Hark My Soul".
 - 10 A very wet morning. Attendance thin, more truant playing yesterday among the Gibraltar boys.
 - 13 Gallery Lesson on "The Goat".
 - 14 Several boys absent through personal or family illness. Some have again gone to work at the Powder Mills.
 - 15 Geography Lesson on "The Colonies".
 - 17 Rewarded certain industrious boys by paying admission to Dissolving Views (Messrs. Snashall & Hopkins).
 - 20 Admitted 4 new boys just come to Ewell.
 - 21 Several absentees on account of bad feet, the effect of the severe winter. Present 52 & 47.
 - 22 Ash Wednesday. Holiday in the afternoon.
 - 23 Studied the 1871 New Code.
 - 24 Bad attendance this afternoon. Parsed part of Grays Elegy.
 - 27 Received W. Ware & Jas. Smith again into the School with a promise of regular attendance. Lesson on "Iron".
 - 28 Jas. Smith has left to go "bird minding". W. Melmoth Walters Esq. gave a Final Examination to the Evening Scholars. 22 present.
- March
- 1 Ascertained that the boys presented last under Standard I may be presented in St. I of the New Code.
 - 2 Lesson on the Mountains of England.
 - 3 Poor attendance this afternoon.
 - 6 Gallery Lesson on "Sealing Wax".
 - 7 Lesson on the Rivers of England. The Rev. J. Salwey taught in the Night School.
 - 8 Practice of Vocal Music,
 - 9 Lesson on the Yorkshire Ouse & the Great Ouse.
 - 10 Conjugation of the Verb "to praise". Passive Voice & Progressing Form.

- 13 Lesson on "Common Objects".
- 14 Lesson on the Rivers of England.
- 15 Examination in Arithmetic, weights & measures defective.
- 16 Bad weather, thin attendance.
- 17 Bible Union Tea. Holiday in the afternoon.
- 20 Joseph Davey returned to School after 14 weeks absence. Admitted 2 new boys.
- 21 Fredk. Brockwell away to see the Royal Wedding Party.
- 22 The First Class answered some questions on Grammer on paper.
- 23 A Stag Hunt injured attendance in the afternoon.
- 24 Parsed "Let not Ambition" etc. Grays Clergy.
- 27 A holiday. Missionary Address to children at 3 P.M.
- 28 Settled the quarterly Accounts.
- 30 Standard III & IV passed a very satisfactory Examination in reading from the Irish 4th Bk. which is quite new to them.
- Apr 4 The First Class worked in Paper in English Grammer & Literature.
- 5 Read from 3rd Excelsior Reading Book.
- 6 Repetition of Gray's Elegy.
- 7 Good Friday.
- 10 Gallery Lesson on Chalk. Joseph Davey has gone "bird minding".
- 11 Called over the results of the Easter Examination. W. Peters first in Sect. 2, Class I.
- 13 Arranged with the Rev. J. Salwey for a Trial Examination according to the New Code.
- 14 Sang "The Lark".
- 19 The Vaccination Inspector visited the School.
- 21 Attendance this week injured by the rain. The Rev. J. Salwey examined the School according to the New Code. The results were very satisfactory.
- 24 Present 46 & 47.
- 26 Had the Black Boards stained by Herr Frankie's of Gt. College St. Camden Town.
- 27 Sang "Men of Harlech" & "Forward".
- May 1 Garland Day, no school this morning.
- 2 Front play ground used to allow new gravel to settle.
- 8 The School was detained till 4.45 by a thunder storm.
- 9 The Secretary wrote to H.M. Inspector to examine the School before the Race Week.
- 13 Meeting of the Managers respecting Religious Inspection.
- 15 J. Adams returned to School.
- 16 Visit of H.M. Inspector announced for 21st inst. Inspection altered to the 18th by a letter received this evening.
- 17 Sent notes to J. Maver & A. Cheeseman to summon them from work to attend the Examination.
- 18 Head Teacher Henry Clark.
J.H. Murray Browne – Inspector of Returns
- 19 A holiday after the Inspection by J.H. Murray Browne Esq. & Mr. Shilton.
- 30 Whit Tuesday. Reopened School after Vacation. Lesson on "Astronomy".
- 31 Analyzed some easy sentences from Goldsmith's "Deserted Village".
- June 2 Arranged to purchase the School prizes on the 3rd.

- 5 Received 11 boys from the Infant School (2 away on account of scarlet fever) will probably join the School. Examined the 11 in Multiplication Tables, 2-6 times. A. Harris almost perfect, J. Iles, G. Dunford & A. Blanchett very imperfect.
- 7 The Examination shows all the 11 to be slow at figures. Iles, Ayres & Harris read well, Dunford, T. Beams & Westing fairly, Blanchett, Taylor & Goodship are poor readers. Ayres is the only boy who slopes his downstrokes in the right direction.
- 8 Spelling Examination. West 99 marks, Iles 88, Perry 87, Cheeseman & Ayres 80, T. Beams, Westing, Harris 40, Taylor 35, Goodship 30, Dunford 20, Blanchett 15, Reeves 10, Richards 8.
- 9 Taught the Song "Minstrel Boy".
- 12 The Children of Gibraltar forbidden to attend the Schools on account of scarlet fever which is very prevalent in that district.
- 13 The Rev. Sir George & Lady Glyn distributed the prizes, at the same time commending the children for their perseverance which has tended to raise the character of the School.
- 16 Taught Reduction of Money. Set six sums in subtraction to 7 boys from the Infant School, total number right by the 7 boys – only 7 sums.
- 19 J. Peters away to mind cherries.
- 21 Lady Glyn attended the School to hear Mr Cotterill on "Elocution".
- 26 School held in the morning only, many boys went with the Club Band in the afternoon.
- 27 No School on account of the Master's illness.
- July 17 School re-opened after the Master's illness. Present 43 & 47. Some scholars absent still on account of fever.
- 18 Holiday. Wedding of the Vicar's daughter. School Treat.
- 19 Attendance thin.
- 24 Attendance still thin on account of fever.
- 27 Ten defaulters in Tables in Class III.
- 31 Summary of the Report of H.M. Inspector:-
"The boys are taught with great skill & zeal & the School is in an excellent condition throughout. The examination in Grammer was very satisfactory. I should recommend that a little drill should be taught.
School Staff: Henry Clark
Certificated Teacher of the Second Class.
George L. Glyn
- Aug 1 £122.11.6 received from the Education Department being the Govt. Grant for the year ended April 30th 1871 for the Day & Evening Schools.
- 2 Attendance injured by a Circus at Epsom.
- 3 There are still some absentees on account of the scarlet fever.
- 7 Joseph & James Davey, the three Reeds, Wm. Still, Edward Taylor & Wm. Ware are staying away for fear of fever.
- 8 George Myers was sent away from School this afternoon because it was found that his youngest sister has the scarlet fever.
- 9 G. Sparrow & G. Robinson are away "binding sheaves".
- 11 Present this afternoon 41. About a dozen less than at the beginning of the week. "Broke up" for the Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 4 Reopened School, but gave another week's holiday as gleaning was not over.

- 11 Again opened School, attendance good. Charles Percy & Alfred Blanchett away on account of the scarlet fever.
- 12 Present 60 & 59.
- 18 The new boy Crockford has had no teaching previous to his admission here.
- 20 Taught GM Martin's song "The Daisy".
- 21 Amalgamated the late Infant School Standard I with Boys School Late Standard I. The former are a drag to the Class in Dictation & Arithmetic.
- 25 Present 58 & 59. Robert Baker again joined the School.
- 27 Attendance injured by the rain.
- 29 An unusually large quantity of rain has fallen this week.
- Oct 2 Leave obtained for the Blanchetts to return to School.
- 5 Carr, Penny, Crockford & Albt. Eldridge do not know their letters. J. Richards & J Reeves will probably not be ready for the Examination next May: they are both deficient in intellect & their Reading is very poor.
- 6 Westing, Fredk. Harris, G. Goodship, T. Beams & Wm. Taylor make many mistakes in Dictation. Worked on B.B. problems about wages, coal, manure etc.
- 9 Albert Cheeseman is absent for want of boots. Simmonds has been away on account of a bad foot. Present this afternoon 59.
- 11 Several Marsh boys absent to beat for rabbits on the preserves at Horton.
- 16 Object Lesson on "Bread, Water & Salt".
- 18 Still, Ware & E. Taylor absent to attend the Ploughing Match at Ashted.
- 20 Attendance injured by the rain.
- 25 The Spelling & Writing of the First Class is very encouraging. Their Dictation Lessons are very satisfactory.
- 30 Read the Notice of the Diocesan Inspector to the boys. Ewell Fair Day; wet.
- Nov. 6 Received a new boy who does not know a letter (Gittings).
- 13 James Davey has been "bird minding" for many days.
- 15 The Rev. J. Wycliffe Gedge Diocesan Inspector for Surrey examined the School in Religious Knowledge.
- 20 Revised the Object Lesson "Bread, Water & Salt". The boys have remembered these lessons given a month ago.
- 21 The boys of Class I wrote composition exercises on Bread, Water & Salt.
- Dec 1 The First Class worked on their slates sums in Compound Practice. Also analyzed some simple sentences. Many of the 2nd Class boys have a very fair knowledge of Simple Long Division.
- 5 Commenced the Christmas Examinations. Some of the St. I boys are very backward.
- 7 St. IV did a very good examination in Arithc. St. III were not very successful.
- 8 The writing of St. II is greatly improved.
- 12 W. Peters, J. Poplett, H. Parsons & some others worked excellent papers in Grammer.
- 15 Gave a severe examination in Dictation to Class I. Most of the boys did very creditably.
- 20 Afternoon attendance injured by rain.
- 22 Broke up.

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- Jan 8 Reopened School after the Christmas Vacn. Report of the Diocesan Inspector of Religious Knowledge:- "The knowledge of the boys is very considerable, & they gave most intelligent answers. The Master deserves great commendation".
- Signed – J.W. Gedge
Inspector
- 11 Rainy, thin attendance.
- 12 Several of the School boys have obtained employment at canister making at the Powder Mills.
- 17 Attendance injured by the rain. Practice of singing in the Scale of C.
- 22 Lessons on "Hydrogen" & "Oxygen".
- 23 Very wet weather.
- 29 Morning attendance 56. Aftn. Attendance injured by the rain.
- 31 The boys sang from the music board simple exercises in the Scale of C.
- Feb 6 Worked sums in Metres, Decimetres, Centimetres & Millimetres.
- 12 Parsed "Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey" for the Home Lesson.
- 13 Football Day. Present mg. 56, aftn. 39.
- 14 Ash Wednesday. A whole holiday.
- 16 Parsed a few lines of the "Deserted Village".
- 19 Lesson in Numeration to Tens of Thousands to Standard I & II.
- 21 Required the boys to "Sol.f.a" a Psalm Tune.
- 26 Lesson on the Complex Sentence.
- 27 Thanksgiving Day – a holiday.
- 29 Attendance injured by work for the farmers & the gun-powder maker. The following boys are employed in agriculture. S. Boss, W. Taylor, P. Blanchett, G. Robinson, W. Staggs, Jas. Davey.
- Mar 6 Tested the boys with the Scholarship Dictation (Xmas 1871). Parsons, Williams, W. Harris had 2 errors, F. Harris 3 errors, H. Beams 1 error. Still, Carter & Brockwell perfectly correct.
- 8 Examination in Arithmetical Problems.
- 14 A very satisfactory trial examination in Arithmetic.
- 18 Explained Gill's Lesson on the Compound Sentence.
- 20 Sang "The Minstrel Boy", "The Brook" & "Men of Harlech".
- 28 Read Macauley's "Armada".
- April 1 Easter Monday. Thin attendance, some absentees on account of military evolutions on Epsom Downs.
- 2 Attendance injured by the rain.
- 3 Practice of School Songs.
- 8 Trial Examination in Arithmetic.
- St. V all got 2 sums right out of 3.
- St. IV no boy had a sum wrong.
- St. III three sums were given, one boy had 2 sums right, the other 3 sums each.
- 15 Admitted two new boys in the morning. Holiday in the afternoon.
- 16 Read "The Inch Cape Rock".
- 17 Lesson on the Theory of Music.
- 23 Standard Examination conducted by the Rev. J. Salwey. The boys did well.
- 26 Oral Parsing. Transitive & Intransitive Verbs.
- 29 Very good attendance today.
- May 1 The School was inspected this day.

Master – Hy. Clark. 2nd Class.

J. Rice Byrnes – H.M. Inspector.

- 2 The new year's work began today, the boys commenced in good spirits, encouraged by their success yesterday. The Inspector spoke of the boys' expressiveness & good articulation in Reading.
- 3 A Holiday.
- 6 Received the Infant School boys just presented in St. I. Brooker can do sums moderately well. Charman, Wiltshire, T. West & G. Herbert are very weak in Arithmetic.
- 7 Brooker, Charman, Wiltshire & G. Herbert read very creditably.
- 9 Gave a lesson on Proportion to St. IV V & VI.
- 13 Attendance injured by rain.
- 14 Questioned St. IV V VI on English Literature.
- 20 Whit Monday – a holiday.
- 22 Explained Rules of Syntax relating to the Objective Case.
- June 3 Reopened School after the Races. Gallery Lesson on Coral & other objects.
- 7 Lesson on the Greatest Common Measure.
- 12 Taught the Song "Let the Smile of Youth".
- 14 A half holiday.
- 17 The children of Orchard Row were this day forbidden to attend School on account of the scarlet fever having broken out in that locality.
- 24 Thin attendance through bird minding, hay making, sickness & a Club Feast.
- 28 The School met this morning & Mr. H. Clark took his leave of the boys. The Registers were not marked this morning as the boys did not receive two hours secular instruction.
- July 13 I have taken the temporary charge of this School for Mr. Clark from June 30th to July 13th during which time everything passed off in a satisfactory manner.

James Hammond.

- 13 Summary of the Report of H.M. Inspector. "The boys have passed a highly satisfactory examination in all the standards. The Reading is remarkably distinct, intelligent & expressive. The Writing is good. The ciphering very creditable. Discipline is strictly maintained. The upper Standards are well acquainted with the elements of Grammar. Music is learned from notes."

School Staff – Henry Clark. Certificated Teacher of the Second Class

George L. Glyn – Correspondent.

Mr. Henry Clark having resigned, Mr. Jas. Diprose Certificated Teacher of the Second Class & late Master of St. Margaret's Boys School Uxbridge, took charge.

George L. Glyn – Correspondent

- 17 Wednesday. Boys dismissed at 11 am on account of a grand wedding. Registers not marked in the afternoon as there was not two hours schooling, there being so few present.
- 18 The Rev. Sir G. L. Glyn visited the School this morning.

- 19 The Rev. Sir G. L. Glyn & Lady Glyn visited the School this morning with another lady & gentleman. Only about 40 present today.
- 22 R. Carter (one of the Monitors) ceased being Monitor on Friday at his parents request. The other two – Parsons & Peters – sent to their class for laziness & disinclination to obey my orders concerning their class. Parsons afterwards punished for sulkiness & disobedience.
- 25 The Rev. Sir. G.L. Glyn gave a Scripture Lesson this morning & informed me that the Managers (on the recommendation of the Inspector) had decided that no more children are to be presented in standards in the Infant School.
- 24 Half holiday in afternoon owing to Sunday School Treat.
- 29 T. Stringer commenced as Monitor.
- Aug 2 Broke up for the Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 2 Re-commenced work. Attendance is fair.
- 6 Rev. J. Selway spoke to the boys this afternoon about some quarrelling out of school between some of these boys & some attending Mr. Hammond's school.
- 13 Rev. J. Selway took the 1st Class in Scripture on Thursday the 12th inst. From 9.15 – 9.45 am, & will continue to do so weekly.
- 16 Commenced letting the best boys of the upper part of the School be Monitors for half a day at a time for which they are to receive 1d. each time.
- 17 Rearranged the list of free boys.
- 27 Gave the 1st Class 5 lines of the "Deserted Village" to learn every night to prepare them for it as an extra subject. Most of the boys at school now, though some attend very irregularly.
- Oct 4 Home Lesson as yet done very badly in St. III. T. Stringer is thoroughly unfit for a Monitor as he is so lazy, not only in his class but in his own private work.
- 11 Master away on Monday afternoon & part of Tuesday morning owing to the serious illness of his father. School in charge of Mrs. Diprose & Rev. J. Salway.
- 16 Dr. Behr came down this morning to complain & speak to the boys about one of these boys taking a football out of his play ground yesterday noontime.
- 25 Read out on Tuesday & put up notice of Diocesan Examination on Nov. 7th.
- Nov 1 W. Peters appointed Monitor on trial in place of the half daily Monitors (see Sept 16th & July 22nd).
- 8 Diocesan Examination in afternoon, Thursday by Rev. J. W. Gedge. Friday half holiday in afternoon.
- 15 Monitor late two or three times this week. Fined him ½d.
- 22 Monitor late again on Monday morning. Fined him ½d. Attendance thin towards the end of the week owing no doubt to the wet.
- 29 Monday – G. Baxter a Pupil Teacher in his 1st year has come on trial till Xmas, from Buckland Nat. School near Dover. Friday. T. Stringer ceased to be a Monitor. Report of Diocesan Inspector – "The Master has not been here long & being single handed has taught all the children together. The boys passed a fair examination. I should advise the elder ones having occasional [sic] Scriptural exercise while the younger ones receive separate instruction".

Signed – J. W. Gedge – Inspector

- Dec 6 Standard I very backward in R & W.
“ II “ “ in W & A.
“ III “ “ in W.
- 13 Wednesday. Found out last evening that two boys (Harry Beams & Frank Harris, the sweepers) had burnt holes in the floor & Master's table with a red hot poker, & that William Peters the Monitor was also playing in the classroom after school with the tongs which he had made red hot. Also found out that William Harris & James Peters deliberately & willfully broke off two of the hat pegs last Friday evening on going out of school. (These two boys were punished with the cane). Several pencil cases have disappeared since the holidays.
Friday. After consulting the Rev. J. Salwey & the Rev. Sir G. L. Glyn Bart, (who only returned this evening from his holiday) a Committee Meeting has been summoned for tomorrow afternoon to consider the above matters & conduct other business.
- 20 Registers not marked this morning as the boys went to church at 10.30 a.m, this being the day set apart for prayer for missionary work. At the Committee Meeting last Saturday the boys mentioned above were present & were censured by the Managers, who spoke strongly in favour of taking such cases before the Magistrates in future. George Baxter was engaged as Pupil Teacher. “Broke up” for a fortnight's holiday.

1873

- Jan 10 Reopened School with rather better attendance. 2 boys admitted & 2 readmitted.
Recommenced the Penny Club with the following rules:-
1. No club money will be taken unless all the School money has been paid up.
2. No child to be admitted into the club after the end of January unless in the case of fresh children.
3. No child to be allowed to pay up arrears for more than a month.
4. No money to be received unless brought by the child itself on Monday morning except in special cases.
5. No money to be received unless the child was present at the rate of 8 attendances out of 10 in the previous week, except in especial cases.
- 17 Attendance much better this week.
- 24 Attendance higher still this week – 58-5. Highest for over 8 months.
- 31 G. Baxter has been conducting himself very unsatisfactorily since the holidays. He is neither truthful, obedient nor diligent.
- Feb 7 Class I (Standards III, IV, V & VI) are now progressing very favourably with their respective standard work. Commenced entire work on paper this week. Friday. Took all above St. I in St. II arith. this morning. During 20 minutes gave 2 Simple Multiplication & 2 Short Division. Out of the 36 present only 5 had all 4 right. 7 had 3 right, 12 had 2 right, 8 had 1 right & the other 4 had all 4 wrong.
- 14 Find the boys in Classes 1 & 2 (Standard II & above) have improved in their spelling as they have lately taken their books home to look over the dictation for the following day.
- 21 G. Baxter still going on very unsatisfactorily. W. Peters the Monitor sent to his Class for disobedience & laziness.

- 28 G. Baxter's Indenture arrived on Monday morning. Wrote to his father in the evening informing him of his conduct. He came up on Wednesday when George promised amendment. On Friday evening however he told me several lies concerning a private matter in the house. Besides this I cannot say he has made the alteration in his conduct I should have expected after his father's visit & his promise to both of us.
- Mar 7 G. Baxter slightly improved this week in his work. Some boys away at work.
- 14 St. II have made great progress lately in their Dictation. St. I very backward in arithmetic although the P.T. has been taking them for the last 4 months.
- 21 Jacob Tyler who commenced as Monitor last week keeps his class in good order. He was put on in the place of W. Peters who made a bad teacher.
- 28 School much more orderly & quiet & boys in better time, a system of marks having been commenced, which shall count towards the annual prizes. G. Baxter still continues to make a slight improvement
- Apr 4 The 1st & 2nd Classes (St. II III IV & V) are much more accurate in their arithmetic.
- 10 Visit to the School this day by surprise – J. Rice Byrne H.M. Inspector. G. Baxter turned very stubborn today as well as Tuesday afternoon.
- 15 Saw the Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn Bart in connection with G. Baxter as he turned stubborn again on Sunday morning, & he has decided that he shall leave at once. In a letter written by George to his parents last evening & which I demanded to see he says "On Thursday we had a surprise visit from Mr. Byrne. H.M. Inspector. Mr. Diprose was nearly caught, for the Inspector said "Let me see your Time Table. Are your registers marked?" On Thursday night I refused to move the desks & also on Sunday morning...I cannot see you buying me nice clothes to be spoilt & messed up in the way that mine are done with school work". Further on he says "Since I have been here I have done all in my power to do what is right".
- 17 Having written to Baxter's parents & received a reply, I saw the Rev. Sir. G.L. Glyn Bart & received his consent to take G. Baxter home tomorrow afternoon, the school being under the charge of Mrs. Diprose.
- 23 Thin School this afternoon & yesterday owing no doubt to the Sprint Races at Epsom.
- May 1 Thin School today owing to the children being out "Maying". J. Tyler engaged as Monitor for twelve months at 4/- per week.
- 6 George Baxter was engaged as Pupil Teacher at the beginning of January & dismissed on April 15th.
- George L. Glyn
- 13 The School was inspected this day.
Master – James Diprose – 2nd Class
J. Rice Byrne H.M. Inspector
- 16 2 boys away on the day of examination viz: Arthur Williams & William Ayling.
- 23 15 boys passed up from Infant School, 7 of them having been presented in St. I. 1 fresh boy admitted. 70 boys present on Tuesday morning. Rearranged the School for the present in 2 Divisions – St. I & II forming the lowest, as the boys in those standards are so very similar in attainments.

Registers not marked on Thursday (Ascension Day) as the boys went to church in the morning. Av. Att. for week 62.6. Would have been higher but for poor attendance yesterday & today. Broke up for a week's holiday (Race Week).

- June 6 Holiday being Whit Monday. Attendance rather thin. Av. Only 59.6.
 13 Av. 64.1. Highest for over 2 years.
 20 Had one or two cases of truant playing this week. Av. Only 65.1 owing to several boys being at work.
 27 On Monday announced in School that the 2 boys who were away on day of examination will only be allowed to come again by paying 5/- each.

July 4 Harry Beams & Frank Harris to be Monitors alternate days on trial at 6d. per week each. As Jacob Tyler's father will no doubt soon be leaving the neighbourhood.

- 11 Attendance very low on Friday owing no doubt to some of the boys being rather late at Cheam last evening to see the fireworks. Some of St. III are rather slow in learning Multiplication of Money.

- 12 Summary of the Report of HM Inspector received this day:-

Annual Average	51
Presented for Examination	51
Passes in R 50, W 46, A 36 total	132
Special Subjects: History 12, Poetry 11	
Total Grant	£45 35

The School has fallen off somewhat in point of attainments since last year. Spelling & Arithmetic require attention & the Reading is less intelligent & expressive than it was though still articulate. The Discipline has become relaxed, less talking & inattention would be desirable. The Upper Standard have passed a good examination in History & Repetition. Instruction is given in Singing from ear & from note with fairly satisfactory results. The School is said to have suffered, especially the junior part of it, by the neglect of the Pupil Teacher recently dismissed.

School Staff – James Diprose – Certificated Teacher of the Second Class

George L. Glyn – Correspondent.

The above grant was 17/8½ on the average attendance against 14/11¾ last year....

- 18 Devoted a little extra time each day to Music, as the boys are learning 3 new pieces, "The Soldiers Chorus" "From Oberon" & "See the Conquering Hero Comes", for the School Treat which is at present arranged for next Thursday.
 25 Half holiday on Thursday afternoon as the Treat took place in the evening. Attendance low on Friday, 51 in m & 46 in a. Av. For week 58.
 Aug 2 Attendance fallen off very much this week, 61 present on Mon. m, 46 on Thurs. a. Av. For week 52.1
 8 Broke up today noon for the Harvest Holidays. Attendance rather low this week but not so low as was expected.
 Sept 13 Recommenced School after Harvest Holidays with an average of 51.4. Several boys not returned as Gleaning is not over owing to the wet weather.
 20 1 boy admitted 2 re-admitted this week. Av. Att: 53.7. 62 present in all.

- 27 M. Collins & S. Boss returned to School last week, but are very unruly owing to home influences. H. Boss was taken before the Magistrates on Monday 23rd inst. for stealing apples.
- Oct 4 Attendance a little higher this week - 55.3. Has been lower on Friday than on any other day of the week for some weeks.
- 11 Some boys commenced drawing in books on Friday afternoons.
- 18 Attendance still continues slightly to increase. Has done so since the holidays. Rev. J. Salwey took leave of the boys on Tuesday morning.
- 25 Att: only 54.1 this week owing no doubt to wet. Heard each Standard except the 3rd read. Find they have made great progress within the last few weeks, especially St. I who read better on the whole than St. II.
- Nov 1 Av. 57.6, highest for past 15 weeks. Time Table not strictly adhered to on Wednesday & Thursday owing to a carpenter being at work in School & the Master not feeling very well. Some slight alterations made in the Time Table to enable the Master more easily to look after the work of each Standard.
- 8 Standard II very backward in Short Division, other work progressing very favourably on the whole.
- 15 Arthur Waters has lately been constantly truant playing.
- 22 Commenced History as Home Lesson in the 4th, 5th & 6th St. as well as those of the 3rd who wish to take it as a prize has been given for the boy who does it best till the Examination. Attendance rather lower this week.
- 29 Arthur Waters truant playing nearly the whole week. John Godfrey sent home on Monday afternoon with a note to his mother informing her that neither he or his brother could be admitted to School again till she had seen the Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn, as when sent to on Friday afternoon to see why the boys had attended so irregularly during the week she [sent] back a message saying that she should send them when she chose.
- Dec 6 Attendance lower this week than for the past 3 months.
- 13 Arthur Waters truant playing again this week. Sent a note to his parents saying I should be glad to see one of them to devise some plan to cure him of it, & also that if he is not here on Monday morning I could not have him again till his parents got permission from the Managers. Sent a note to the parents of George Sturgess (who has been at School but 97 times in 17 months to say that they must get the Managers' permission before he can come again.
- 20 The Standard work seems on the whole to be progressing well except the dictation of Standards III & IV.
- 24 Broke up for Christmas Holiday. Average for week 35.4. Received the report of the Diocesan Examination. It was as follows:-
The Religious Knowledge of this School is fair. The Master is working single handed which makes it difficult to do much in the limited time at disposal. The boys in St. III hardly answered at all.
- Signed – J.W. Gedge. Inspector

1874

- Jan 16 Reopened School with an average of 54.2.
- 23 Sunday School prizes given on the evening of the 21st so that the parents, friends & subscribers could be present.
- On the 22nd the boys were rearranged in their Standards according to the number of marks obtained during the past 12 months. In future they

will be rearranged every 3 months & a list of names with the total number of marks of each child during the quarter will be put up in the School, & at the bottom of it a list of those boys who have had 12 bad marks during the Quarter.

- 30 Av: 55.7.
- Feb 6 Av. 59.4. Highest for over 6 months..... Jacob Tyler is going to be engaged as Pupil Teacher. Frank Harris will be Monitor & Harry Beams has returned to his class.
- 13 Average considerably lower this week owing partly no doubt to severe weather.
- Mrs. Ayres came down on Thursday morning & complained that her boy (Daniel) was treated differently to the others. As she made use of these words: "It is as Mr. Ayres says you shut one eye & open the other", I afterwards sent a note to the father saying that I could not have him at School again till he sees Sir George & then not till that expression is withdrawn, as this is not the first time a similar thing has occurred. Soon after I took charge of this School I had an insulting note from Mr Ayres for which he afterwards apologized.
- 20 Very poor school on Tuesday afternoon owing to its being Shrove Tuesday, when the football is kicked through the village. Half holiday on Ash Wednesday afternoon as usual, but the children did not go to church in the morning as usual.
- 27 Attendance much lower this last few weeks, without any apparent cause.
- Mar 6 Drawing Examination (49 presented in the First Grade) this morning by the Rev. F. Johnson & Mr. G. Stone. A little extra time has been devoted to drawing each afternoon for the past fortnight.
- 13 Half holiday this afternoon on account of the Bible Class Tea this evening.
- 20 Average a trifle higher this week. 2 boys left today as they are leaving the Parish.
- 27 ...P.T. examination tomorrow at Guildford. Jacob Tyler to be presented as Candidate for this School....
- Apr 2 Have given a little extra time to the Arithmetic of the various Standards, especially of the backward boys & find they have made a slight improvement, on the whole.
- 10 Holiday on Easter Monday. Average only 46.7 this week, lowest for the whole year except Christmas week which was only 35.4.
- 17 Attendance 54.8. Better than for the past month. Good except in lower part of School...
- 24 Attendance not quite so good this week, owing to a few being away. Rev. F. Johnson heard St. 1 & 2 read on Wednesday morning.
- May 1 End of School year. Find that ...52 [boys] over 250 attendances, against 43 last year. Average attendance is 4 higher.
- 8 Rather better School this week.
- 13 The School was inspected this day.
 Master – James Diprose, 2nd Class
 Candidate – Jacob Tyler
 J. Rice Byrne, H.M. Inspector.
- The examination has passed off satisfactorily. Albert Cheeseman was the only boy not present who was wanted for examination.

- 15 Meeting yesterday (Ascension Day) morning for Church only. Very thin attendance today (only 36m & 34a) owing to the breaking out of measles in several families.
- 22 Av. Att. for week only 40.4 out of 80 on Register, owing to prevalence of measles. School closed for a fortnight (including the usual holidays of Whit Monday & Race Week) under medical authority. A list of 13 names sent up from the Infant School to be passed up – one died during the week.
- June 15 School reopened having been closed for 3 weeks instead of 2 (see May 22) on account of measles. Heard during the holidays the result of the Drawing examination on March 6th – 29 passed. 4 of them being Proficient.
- 19 Av. of 56 this week out of 64 present at all, out of 79 on the Register.
- 21 Copy of Report of H.M. Inspector:-
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| Annual Average | 55 |
| Presented for examination | 50 |
| Infants presented | 1 |
| Passes in R 50, W 45, A 41 total | 136 |
| <u>Special Subjects</u> History 11, Poetry 13 | |
| Total Grant | £47.14 |
- “The Boys School has improved since last inspection.... Discipline is more strictly enforced. Examinations [total] in elementary & special subjects much more satisfactory. Books where torn & soiled should be replaced.”
- School Staff James Diprose - Certificated Teacher of the Second Class
Jacob Tyler – Pupil Teacher of the first year.
George L. Glyn Correspondent
- The above Grant was 17/3½ an increase of £2.11s. on last year. Only 2 boys (C. Staff & J. Mason) were not presented who had made up attendances & they were in St. I. Heard this morning that Charles Perry a boy in the Fifth Standard was found dead this morning by the side of his bed. He was at School on Thursday last.
- 26 Heard on Tuesday that W. Symmonds, a boy lately attending this School in the First Class is dead. C. Perry buried on Friday (today) at 4 pm, so the Registers were closed a little earlier to enable the First Class to join the mourners as they passed the School. Av. Att: 57.6 out of 67 present out of 78 on books. 39 present on Monday owing to the Club Feast. Received a communication from Government stating that on account of the closing of the School 3 wks. on account of measles 49/52 of 400 & 250 meetings & attendances respectively will be taken this year. This is equal to 377 for 400, 236 for 250 & 102 for 150 (Half Timers).
- July 17 Children taken to the Crystal Palace today by subscriptions from the Gentry. Those children were taken free & at the rate of 3d. each given to [those] who made up attendances last year & were presented to the Inspector.
- 31 Chapel Treat on Thursday afternoon & Harvest have affected the attendance this week.
- Aug 6 Broke up today noon for the Harvest Holiday. School Treat in the afternoon.
- Sept 11 Reopened Sch. With av. of 48.4. 52 present, 71 on books. D. Sykes & P. Blanchett left for work.

- 18Several boys not yet returned since the holidays. Commenced teaching the old notation of Music on the moveable Do system instead of Hullah's system as heretofore.
- 25 The Relieving Officer forwarded me the following communication received from Government concerning Pauper Children:-
- Children in receipt of permanent relief from the funds of the Union (between the ages of 5 & 13 years), are compelled to attend School regularly unless prevented by sickness. Every attendance to be noted on the card provided by the Relieving Officer for that purpose & charged at the rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ d. for each attendance. The maximum for one week would thus amount to $2\frac{1}{2}$ d for one scholar. If the children are paid for privately the cards must be used as before directed, or the relief will be suspended in default. When sickness is the cause of absence it is particularly requested that the word sickness be inserted at the foot of the card. The financial half year commences from March 28th & closes Sept. 26th when the number of attendances will be counted & paid by the Relieving Officer to the scale provided by H.M. Government.
- Oct 2 Av. att. 50.4. 59 present - 67 on Register. Very thin attendance on Friday owing to wet.
- 9 V. wet the greater part of the week.
- 16 2 boys returned from work. 1 boy admitted. The attendance of the backward boys of St. I has been very bad for some time past.
- 23 St. III get on very badly with their dictation.
- 30 Av. att. For past Quarter 50.8 lowest for the past 18 months. This owing partly to the wet weather lately & partly to the irregularity of the younger children.
- Nov 6 Av. Att. 50.6, 59 present 67 on books. Attendance low yesterday being "Guy Fawkes Day".
- 13 Week rather wet & cold.
- 20 On Friday morning spoke to whole school about impure words, thoughts & actions & the bearing of the Seventh Commandment on these: as I found out last night that one boy had thus committed himself on the premises.
- 27 Very wet on Wednesday.
- Dec 4 Av. att: 54. 63 present, 73 on books. 2 boys admitted, one of them in St. VI. Work seems to be progressing favourably except the spelling of several of St. III.
- 18 Average much reduced by the ground being covered with snow during the last 3 days. Fred Herbert having several times lately interfered with the boys on the School premises or when coming or leaving, I wrote a note to his father yesterday threatening to summon him before the Magistrates or lay the matter before the Managers if it occur again.
- 24 Weather very severe this week. Av. att. 42.2. Broke up at noon for Christmas holidays.
- 1875
- Jan 15 Reopened School on Monday 11th inst. With 65 present, 5 being readmitted, the parents of some of them doubtless fearing the Agricultural Children's Act, which came into force on the 1st inst.
- 22 Av. att. 65.5. 74 present, 79 on books. Highest average recorded in the summaries preserved.

Sunday & Day School Prizes distributed on the evening of the 20th as last year. On this account a little more time than usual was devoted to the practice of the School Songs & repetition of poetry for the occasion.

- 29 Wet week. Quarterly Results Av. att. 55.2. 81 present, 82 on books. Pence £5.7.0¾d. The thin attendance during Christmas week caused the av. att. for Quarter to be lower than it otherwise would have been.
- Feb 12 Av. att. 62.6. 72 present, 78 on books. Went to Church as usual on Ash Wednesday morning. Half holiday in afternoon. On Tuesday (Football Day) Robert Mason rushed through the School from the playground with the football in his hand, having found his way there by some means. Intend to bring the matter before the Committee, who meet on Saturday.
- 19 Several children rather irregular lately without any apparant [sic] cause. Reading progressing very favourably except in the case of a few boys in St. III. Very snowy on Wednesday & Thursday. No School on Friday owing to the Confirmation at Church when the P.T. is to be confirmed & the choir boys must be present.
- Mar 5 Av. att. 57.5. 71 present, 79 on books. Very cold snowy week. Drawing examination this morning (54 presented 1st grade) by Rev. F. Johnson & Mr. G. Stone. A little extra time has been devoted to drawing each afternoon for the past fortnight.
- 12 Diocesan Examination on Monday morning. Half holiday in afternoon.
- 19 Half holiday on Monday afternoon for Church Missionary Meeting & another on Friday afternoon for Bible Class Supper.
- 25 Harry Beams left for work. He has been the top boy of the School for some time past. Lowest average since Christmas, cannot account for it, unless it be that the parents begin to see that they need not fear the consequences of the penalties of the Agricultural Children's Act as there is no one to see that its provisions are carried out. The Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn Bart. called on Wednesday afternoon to pay the teacher's Salaries, also on Tuesday morning to inform us in answer to a telegram to H.M. Inspector that the P.T. can go to Penge on the last Saturday in April [for his examination]. Received today the Report of the Diocesan examination in religious Knowledge. It is as follows:

	Upper Div.	Middle Do.	Lower Do.
Old Test	VF	F	M
New Test	VF	F	M
Catechism a) Repetition	VF	VF	F
b) Explanation	F	F	M
Scripture by Heart	F	F	F
Hymns etc. "	G	G	G

There is a certain amount of improvement this year. The Religious Knowledge of the upper part of the School is very fair. In the lower part there are a great many new & backward boys.

Signed J.W. Gedge

- Apr 2 Av. att. 52.3. 59 present, 76 on books. Holiday on Easter Monday. The Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn Bart. took Class I in Scripture on Tuesday & the Rev. F. Johnson on Wednesday.
- 9 Several backward boys have improved lately especially in Reading.
- 23 Av. att. 55.7. Attendance affected by the Epsom Spring Races on Tuesday & Wednesday.

- 30 Av. att. 62.3. 71 present, 78 on books. Av. for past year = 55.1 – exactly the same as last year, while 60 boys have made up attendances against 52 last year. School open 406 times.
- May 7 Av. att. 62.4. 72 present, 79 on books. Rev. Sir George L. Glyn gave a Scripture Lesson on Monday morning & brought a form from the Chairman of Quarter Sessions concerning the Agricultural Children's Act to be filled in.
- 14 Time Table not strictly adhered to this last 3 days owing to the Master feeling very unwell..
- 21 Holiday on Monday being Whit Monday. Annual examination on Thursday & Friday by Mr. Shilton the Inspector's Assistant as the Rev. J.R. Byrne H.M.I. is ill. 58 boys presented out of 60 who had made up attendances. Every one present. Broke up for the Race Week holiday.
- June 4 Reopened School. 22 sent up from the Infant School, 2 admitted & 1 re-admitted. Av. att. 82.2. 92 present, 101 on books. Mr. Tyler photographer of New Hampton took photographs of the teachers & children after school on Thursday afternoon. Busy reclassifying greater part of the week.
- 8 Inspected the School this day.
Master – James Diprose, 2nd Class
P. Teacher – Jacob Tyler – 1st year
J. Rice Byrne, H.M. Inspector
- 11 Find that the boys who came from the Infant School write very badly & are very inaccurate in working their addition & subtraction. They read very fairly & repeat their tables very fairly on the whole.
- 18 Received on Tuesday the report of the Drawing Examination on the 5th of last March. 19 passed so as to earn payments.
- 25 Gave prizes to the boys above ST. III (last year) who obtained the greatest number of marks for Home Lessons in History before last examination. William Beams (St. IV) obtained the most marks.
- July 2 Av. att. 74.4. 87 present, 98 on books. Attendance affected by Club Feast on Monday afternoon & by wet weather especially on Thursday. Copy of the Report of H.M. Inspector received this day:-
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| Annual Average | 55 |
| Presented for examination | 56 |
| Infants presented | 1 |
| Passes in R.56, W.54, A.49 total | 159 |
| <u>Special Subjects</u> History 13, Poetry 18. | |
| Total Grant | £53.10s. |
- “The boys have passed a good examination in their Standards. Recitations & Poetry are carefully taught. Discipline fairly efficient. Considering how the School has suffered from illness its present condition does the Master credit. More desks are wanted for the increased attendance”.
- The desks wanted in the Boys School should be provided (Article 32[c]). H. Stringer not having made a sufficient number of attendances was disqualified for presentation under Article 19(13). My Lords do not allow a reduced number of attendances in the case of a Half Timer. With regard to the Accounts, I am to state that in future they must be made out for the twelve months ending 30th April. A supplementary statement for the period between April 1st 1875 & 30th April 1875 should be filed next year.

School Staff – James Diprose Certificated Teacher of the Second Class.

Jacob Tyler – Pupil Teacher of the Second Year.

George L. Glyn – Correspondent.

The Above grant was 19/5 ⁵/₁ on the average an increase of £5.16 on last year. Only two boys (H.Ware & J. Allen) were not presented who had made up attendances & they were in St. I.

- 9 Master away on Tuesday afternoon – School in charge of Mrs. Diprose. Sunday School Treat on Thursday afternoon. A little extra time devoted to music.
- 16 Bad attendance owing to wet week, almost incessant rain for last 3 days.
- 23 Wet week, only 56 present on Wed. afternoon. Only 56 present on Fri. afternoon on account of Chapel Sunday School Treat.
- 30 W. & R. Hetherington truant playing the latter part of week.
- Aug 6 Av. att. 64.5. 76 present, 97 on books. Half holiday on Monday (Bank Holiday) afternoon because of the bad attendance. The Rev. Sir G.L. Glyn Bart. came down this morning & said we are to have no school in future on Bank Holidays. Sent out a copy of the new rates of pence to those parents whom it will affect as it is to come into force after the holidays.
- 13 Broke up on Friday noon time for Harvest Holidays. Attendance fallen off very much since the end of July, as I find by referring to past entries, it always has done of late years.
- Sept 17 Av. att. 74.8. 81 present, 98 on books. 2 fresh boys admitted & 1 from Infant School.
- 24 Two or three days rather wet.
- Oct 1 Av. att. 75.6. 87 present, 98 on books. Rev. Sir George L. Glyn Bart gave a Scripture Lesson on Tuesday & visited the School again on Wednesday afternoon. He has decided that in future (as an inducement to regular attendance) every child who attends School every time during any quarter shall be free during the following quarter.
- 8 Sir George paid a visit to the School on Friday morning concerning some returns required by Government concerning Religious Instructions & Observances.
- 15 Several names taken off the registers. F. Rose & W. Kite moved from the parish. The irregularity of attendance is almost entirely in the lower part of the School.
- 22 Very wet during the greater part of the week.
- 29 Attendance low on Friday on account of the Fair.
- Nov 5 Av. att. 79. 87 present. 95 on books. Only 70 present on Friday afternoon (Guy Fawkes Day) on account of wet partly. Master away the greater part of Wednesday. School in charge of Mrs. Diprose.
- 12 Very wet week.
- Dec 3 Av. att. 71.5. 83 present. 92 on books. Holiday on Wednesday. Very snowy on Thursday & Friday. Some snow on Tuesday.
- 10 Very snowy all the week, especially at the beginning of the week.
- 17 Upper part of St. I progressing very favourably as well as those above them.
- 24 Broke up for Christmas Holiday at noon.

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- Jan 14 Av. att. 66.2. 73 present. 89 on books. Snowy week accounts partly for low attendance.
- 21 Extra time given to singing on Wed & Th afternoon for the distribution of prizes which took place at 7 pm on Thursday (20th).
- Feb 4 Av. att. 78.1. 89 present. 94 on books. 3 boys admitted, 1 readmitted. Have given short time every afternoon this week to drawing in Class 1 & 2 & intend to do so till Drawing Examination.
- 11 Had notice of the Diocesan Examination on March 6th. Put up required notice in School. St. 4 very careless in Arithmetic this week.
- 18 Very wet week.
- Mar 3 Av. att. 72.1. 84 present. 91 on books. 2 boys admitted. Half holiday on Ash Wednesday afternoon as usual. Did not go to church in morning because of wet. Attendance low on account of wet week & football on Tuesday afternoon.
- 10 Drawing Examination & Diocesan Exam on Monday morning. Half holiday in the afternoon. Wet week.
- 17 Half holiday on Friday afternoon (Bible Class Tea). Rather wet part of week.
- 24 Several First Class Boys left for work during past few weeks.
- 31 Half holiday on Monday a. being anniversary for Church Missionary Sale of Work.
- Apr 7 Av. att. 68. 73 present. 84 on books. Received the Report of the Diocesan Exam on March 6th:-

	Upper Div	Lower Div.
Old Test	G	VF
New Test	G	VF
Catechism a) Repetition	F	G
b) Explanation	M	VF
Scripture by Heart	G	G
Hymns etc “	G	G

The Scripture Knowledge is very fair. That of the Catechism in the upper part of the School is only moderate.

- 21 Received notice on Wednesday of the Inspector's Visit on Tuesday may 9th at 10.30 am. Also of the PTs examination at Penge on Saturday April 29th at 10. Am. Holiday on Easter Monday.
- 28 Heard today that the P.T. has obtained a First Class again in the Diocesan Examination of PTs. End of the School Year.
- Av. att. 72 against 55 last year. 79 made up attendances against 60 last year. School open 431 times.
- May 5 Av. att. 75.8. 82 present. 85 on books. Have not worked exactly to the Time Table this week.
- 9 Inspected the School this day.
- Master – Jas. Diprose, 2nd Class
- P. Teacher – Jacob Tyler, 2nd year.
- J.R. Byrne H.M. Inspector
- 12 Every boy present at the examination on Monday or Tuesday, except George Jones who was away ill (for whom a Medical Certificate has been obtained) & George Gittings who went to London at the end of last week.
- 19 14 boys passed up from the Infants School, 5 of them ought to have been a year ago. Their attainments are:

Reading 5 good, 3 bad, others fair.

Writing bad, not one being able to write his letters neatly.

Arithmetic not one can subtract & only one can do an addition sum. 3 others can add up 1 line but cannot carry.

On Tuesday the P.T. was absent because of the sudden death of a brother.

Heard today the result of the Drawing Examination on March 6th. 33 passed, 6 of them showed proficiency & 2 others excellence. Those who were proficient received 3d. from the Master & those who were excellent 6d. as they were promised. There were 35 at the examination.

- 26 Wet the greater part of the week. Broke up for Race Week holidays.
- June 9 Holiday on Whit Monday as usual, also on Whit Tuesday as the Master & P.T. went to Diocesan Prize giving at Farnham.
- Av. att. 66.5. 70 present. 97 on books.
- W. Westing & F. Beams the two Monitors for some time past have both left since the Govt. Examination.
- 23 P.T. boxed C. Bartrom's ears this afternoon. Having had to speak several times about the same offence, shall report it to the Managers.
- 30 Rector.... Spoke to P.T. about striking the boys.
- July 7 Av. att. 75.4. 81 present. 93 on books.
- 14 Commenced school on Thursday afternoon at 1 pm & stopped at 3.5 on account of the Chapel Sunday School Treat. Copy of the Report of H.M. Inspector received on the 11th inst:-

Annual Average	72
Presented for Examination	75
Infants presented	2
Passes in R. 66, W. 64, A, 36 total	186
Physical Geography	6
Total Grant	£64.10s.

"The School is conducted with energy & is in a fairly satisfactory state of efficiency. In Arithmetic & Spelling there are backward scholars but the general result of the elementary examination is creditable. Grammar & Geography fairly up to the mark. Physical Geography not so successful. Singing is carefully taught. The boys are amenable to discipline when appealed to, but greater stress might be laid on the maintenance of silence & attention to work during school hours. Cleanliness, neatness & order should be insisted on. J. Tyler has passed fairly under Article 19(e) but should attend to Handwriting & Arithmetic".

School Staff James Diprose – Certificated Teacher of the Second Class

Jacob Tyler – Pupil Teacher of the 3rd Year.

George L. Glyn – Correspondent.

The above grant was 17/11 on the average, an increase of £11.05 on last year.

- 21 Time Table not strictly adhered to this week owing to very hot weather. Had to complain to P.T. several times recently of the order of his class when away from me in another room, especially during Repetition when he seems to have no power to maintain attention.
- 28 Half holiday on the 27th owing to School Treat in the evening. There is to be a half holiday in future when the Chapel Sunday School Treat takes place owing to a little difficulty this year.

- Aug 4 Av. att. 61.4. 69 present. 89 on books. Broke up at noon for Harvest Holidays.
- September 8 Av. Att. 65.8. 71 present. 91 on books. Received the Certificates & Prizes for Drawing last March.
- 20 Sent the following communication to the father of Charles Elson:-
 “Your two sons have not been to School this week till this morning. Please send the reason. As Charles refused to do as I wished him I sent him out of School, when he commenced swearing at me. I shall therefore not have him at School again unless he expresses his sorrow & promises before all the boys not to do so again. Should he come back & do such a thing again I shall most certainly summon him before the Magistrates for abusive language”.
- Also the following to the father of Henry Peters:-
 “I am sorry to have to complain again “(the second time this week) “ of Henry’s conduct. He turned stubborn again this morning & was almost 2 hours doing what he might have done in 5 minutes, & then he only did it when I told him he should not go home to dinner if it was not done in a certain time. The next time I shall not allow him to come to School for a week & then he will lose his free schooling for 3 months.”
- 22 Had to complain (as usual) to P.T. of the order of his class during Reading Lessons.
- 29 G. Goodship wishing to discontinue being Monitor at the end of this week at the request of his father (although he commenced on the understanding that he would go on till after the next Govt. examination). Walter Hopkins from Epsom National School came on Wednesday on trial (with the consent of the Rev. Sir George L. Glyn Bart.) with the idea of becoming a candidate next May for Pupil Teacher.
- Oct 6 Av. att. 71.8. 77 present. 85 on books. George Goodship (late Monitor) on Wednesday evening threw stones (& persuaded two other boys who have left School) to do the same at W. Hopkins for something which took place in School. He was therefore told to stay in after School every morning & afternoon for a week. Having slipped out at noon, when he came in the afternoon he was told to stand on the form & refusing to do so was sent home, & banged the door to as he went out, as he did also the next morning when sent back. A note was therefore sent to his father on Friday to inform him that he cannot come again till I have seen Sir George & threatened to summon him before the Magistrates for any further annoyance.
- 9 Half holiday in afternoon.
- 10 Having spoken to Sir George yesterday about G. Goodship a note was sent to his father today to say that he may return to School & is either to stand on the form as requested or to cease to be a Free Scholar. Entered this morning’s attendances by mistake in the column for yesterday afternoon.
- 20 H. Peters sent home for week (see Sept 20) for running out of School slyly on Wednesday evening, when he asked leave to go to the closet. His mother afterwards came up & was very abusive, but I locked the door & went on with work.
- 27 G. Goodship (see 10th inst) dismissed for disobedience on Tuesday afternoon

- Nov 3 Av. att. 68.50. 74 present. 83 on books.
 10 3 boys admitted. Received an impudent note today from Mrs. Edwards so sent a note to her husband to say that the next time her son will be sent home for a month
 24 Informed the boys of the chief provisions as far as they are concerned of the New Education Act.
 Dec 1 Av. att. 71.4. 77 present. 81 on books. Did not commence School till the registers were marked on Friday afternoon as the boys in Classes 1 & 2 were taken at 1.20 pm to see the Chrysanthemums at Mrs. Torr's.
 22 Broke up for Christmas Holidays.

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- Jan 12 Having sent notices before the holidays to all those parents whose children are required to be at School this year under the new Education Act, all that I am aware of returned to School except George Chandler, Arthur Seymour & Robert Hetherington.
 Av. att. 72. 83 present. 88 on books. 1 boy admitted, 6 readmitted, a few others returned who have been away a few weeks.
 19 2 boys admitted, 1 readmitted.
 Feb 2 Av. att. 72.3. 82 present. 92 on books.
 16 Half holiday on Wednesday afternoon being Ash Wednesday. Went to Church in the morning & so took the 2 hours secular instruction first.
 23 P.T. seems to have almost entirely lost all control over boys (see July 21st '76). This morning when in the Classroom with the First Class (only numbering 16) for Reading, 4 of them had their books out learning their Home Lesson, yet he either did not, or would not notice it.
 Mar 2 Av. 68.7. 77 present. 84 on books. Diocesan Inspector sent word that he was unable through illness to examine the Schools on Monday in Religious Knowledge as arranged, so the School went on as usual. Took Drawing at the beginning of each attendance this week & intend to do so next week as the examination takes place on the 12th inst.
 9 Took Drawing the whole of Friday afternoon.
 16 Drawing Examination Monday morning. Half holiday in afternoon on account of Annual Missionary Meeting.
 23 Bad attendance on Thursday afternoon as Sanger's Circus was at Epsom. Half holiday on Friday afternoon on account of Bible Class Tea.
 29 No School on Friday (Good Friday).
 Apr 6 Av. att. 63.2. 70 present. 81 on books. Holiday on Easter Monday as usual. Mrs. Fanny Williams came on Tuesday as Monitor at £15 per annum & assistance in preparing for the scholarship examination in 1878.
 27 Av. att. 54.7. 66 present. 82 on books. Lowest attendance this week for over 2 years, from no apparant [sic] cause, unless it be that the parents think there is no reality in the New Education Act. P.T. has obtained 2nd class at late Diocesan P.T. exam.
 May 4 Av. att. 59.6. 67 present. 82 on books. Sir George visited the School on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday.
 9 The School was inspected this day.
 Master – Jas. Diprose 2nd class
 P. Teacher – Jacob Tyler 3rd year

J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector

- 11 71 made up attendances. 69 presented as T. Huggins has gone to Epsom School & F. Hudson has left the parish. 4 away viz – Jos. Brooker (ill), Ar. Garner (ill), Ar. Fairbrother (ill) & C. Kemp (moved to Chertsey).
- 18 19 sent up from Infant School of whom 17 have been present.
- 27 Holiday on Whit Monday as usual. Broke up for Race Week Holidays.
- June 8 Av. att. 88. 93 present. 103 on books. 2 boys returned to School & 1 admitted. P.T. informed me on June 3rd that he wishes to sit soon for a Civil Service examination.
- 15 Thomas Tozer (son of the Schoolmistress at Old Malden) came on Monday on trial for P.T. & has so far given great satisfaction. Heard today the results of the Drawing examination on March 12th:- of about 40 presented, 36 earn payments, 9 gained certificates.
- 22 Av. att. 78.7 90 present. 100 on books.
Copy of the Report of H.M. Inspector received this day:-
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| Annual Average | 70 |
| Presented for examination | 65 |
| Infants presented | 2 |
| Passes in R. 62, W. 56, A. 48 total | 166 |
| Poetry | 13 |
| Total Grant | £64.6s. |
- The boys have passed on the whole creditably in their standards. In Grammer & Geography they have answered satisfactorily. The Repetition is pretty good. The Books are in bad condition. There should be two complete sets throughout the School. All entries in the Registers should be made in Ink". (N.B. so they are). Jacob Tyler has passed fairly but should attend to History.
- School Staff
James Diprose – Certificated Teacher of the Second Class
Jacob Tyler – Pupil Teacher of the fourth year.
- The above Grant was 18/4 $\frac{2}{3}$ on the average & 4/- less than last year.
- 29 Half holiday on Monday being Club Day at King Wm. IV.
- July 6 Av. att. 80.3. 92 present. 99 on books. Half holiday on Thursday afternoon because of the School Treats, Church & Chapel.
- 13 Four boys (G. Archer, A. Harper, A. Harris, M. Herbert) obtained Honour Certificates at the recent Government Examination.
- 27 Sir George visited the School a few times this week.
- Aug 3 Av. att. 72.1, 87 present. 98 on books. Broke up for Harvest Holidays. Mr. Diprose took leave of the boys.
- Sept 3 John T. May, Certificated Teacher of the 2nd Class & late Head Master of the Webber Row Board School takes charge from this date.
- 7 Av. att. 63.4. Many away at work.
- 18 Had to make an erasure in 1st Class. Henry Stanning asked permission to absent himself the whole week, so was marked leave, but on Tuesday he came in, so the erasure had to be made.
- 19 Examined II St., find they require working hard in reading & arithmetic.
- 28 The attendance has been much better this week. Admitted a new boy.
- Oct 12 Attendance not so good this week, there being a number of boys away potato picking & also several through illness.
- 19 Examined III St. 3 boys only could do long division.
- 22 Gave III St. a lesson in long division.

- 26 Examined St. II. Reading & dictation very weak.
Nov 9 Gave St. II a lesson in division & subtraction.
16 Attendance poor this week through wet weather.
23 Attendance much better this week.
30 Examined II & III Sts. This week, found a slight improvement. Have given the II St. a reading lesson every day this week. Thursday being a very wet day the no. in attendance fell from 90 to 69 greatly affecting the average for the week. Mr. Gadesden & a friend visited the School.
Dec. 15 Examined III St., work not very satisfactory.
21 Gave III St. a thorough drilling in long division. Closed School for the Christmas Holidays.

- Aug 1 Examined St. II. Progress not satisfactory. Cautioned teacher.
 8 In consequence of a rumour that the School was closed for the holiday the attendance was very bad this week. Closed School on Wednesday for the holidays. No School on Monday – Bank Holiday.
Boys School. “The Boys School is under a new master. Examination in the standards is only moderately satisfactory, Spelling & Arithmetic requiring very great attention. The Copy Books are disappointing. Grammer & Geography are fairly up to the average. The discipline is fairly efficient. Allowances must be made for the change of teachers. The School wants doing up, painting & whitewashing. Some of the wall maps are growing old. The play ground would be better for being asphalt.
 T. Tozer. Grammer
- Sept 9 Reopened School after 4 weeks vacation.
 20 Examined St. III to VI. Found they had lost ground considerably during the holidays.
 27 Gave the III St. special attention this week.
- Oct 4 Examined St. II. Reading fair, Arithmetic & Dictation bad. Average 78.
 11 Examined St. I. On the whole considering that the boys who came from the Infant School were so backward satisfactory progress has been made during the 6 months.
 25 Examined St. II. Considerable progress has been made during the month.
- Nov 1 Sent in list of Irregular children to attendance officer. Average 84.8.
 15 Examined II St. in Arithmetic & found them much better than when last examined.
 22 Send [sic] in list of Irregular children.
 29 Monday a wet day, pulled the average attendance down to 83.
- Dec 6 Examined St. III, their notation needs special attention. Av. 93.
 13 Weather damp, average not too good this week.
 20 Closed School for the Xmas vacation.
- 1879
- Jan 6 Reopened School
 15 Examined the I Standard, several of the boys still very backward in Reading & Writing.
 24 Paid special attention to the II St. this week.
 30 Examined St. III on paper, the Arithmetic & Dictation were not done so well as I expected. Average very good this week 98.4.
- Feb 7 Took 3rd St. myself this week gave them a good drilling in Arithmetic.
 14 Av. not so good this week - 87.2. Sent in a list of irregular boys to the attendance officer.
 21 Examined the whole School.
 27 Gave a half holiday.
- Mar 7 Sent list of absentees to the Attendance Officer. Average better than last week, 85.2.
 10 Gave a holiday this afternoon, the School being required for a Juvenile Missionary Society Meeting.
 14 A wet week, School attendance bad in consequence. Av. 73.6.
 21 St. II – gave a good drilling, their dictation is very bad, cautioned Monitor.
 28 The monitor not liking to be found fault with wished to return to his class. I gave him permission.
- Apr 4 Took 2nd St. again this week.

- 10 Tomorrow being Good Friday & Monday Bank Holiday there will be holidays on those days. Av. 83.
- 15 Reopened School. Attendance small.
- 18 Weather very wet, average only 76.
- 25 Still wet.
- 30 End of School year.
- May 9 Examined the whole School. Mr. Johnson & Mr. Marle visited. Called a Committee Meeting for Saturday to audit accounts, sign Schedules etc.
- 13 Inspected the School this day.
 Master – John T. May, 2nd Class
 Assist. Teacher – Hy. Marks (Art. 79)
 P. Teacher – Thos. Tozer, 1st year.
 J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector
- 16 Gave a holiday as usual after the Examination.
- 19 Received 16 boys from the Infant School.
Boys School
 “The boys have passed on the whole a rather better examination this year. But the Arithmetic is still poor & the spelling needs attention, & the reading in the upper standards is singularly indistinct & mechanical. Grammer is pretty good. Geography not satisfactory. Order is rather more strictly maintained than last year but there is confusion still & more chatting & lounging allowed than should be.”
- 23 Next week being race week the School will not be opened.
- June 2 Bank Holiday, no School.
- 3 Re-opened School. Wet, the attendance not good.
- 6 Paid particular attention to the Arithmetic & Dictation of St. II this week.
- 13 Gave the 3rd St. a drilling in Long Division.
- 20 Gave my attention to the 1st Class this week especially to the Arithmetic.
- 23 It being the Club Feast a half holiday was given.
- July 4 Sent in a list of absentees to Mr. Cooper. Took charge of the 1st Class in the morning & the 2nd Standard in the afternoon. Received the results of the Drawing Exam. 2 boys entitled to prizes & ---- to certificates.
- 7 Mr. Marks away this week attending the Scholarship Examination. C. Worsfold took charge (a Monitor) of the 1st Standard.
- 24 The School closed this afternoon in consequence of the Sunday School Treat.
- Aug 1 The attendance this week not so good. Examined St. III, progress not at all satisfactory in Arithmetic.
- 8 Monday being Bank Holiday the School was closed, there was also a holiday on Thursday on account of the Flower Show. The attendance this week has been smaller than at any time during the past 12 months.
- 15 The attendance slightly better this week but still very small.
- 22 Closed the School for the summer vacation.
- Sep 22 Reopened School after 4 weeks holiday.
- 26 The attendance this week very fair.
- Oct 3 Attendance increasing. Examined the whole School, found St. II & III had gone back very much.
- 10 Gave the 2nd st. a thorough drilling in their reading & arithmetic.
- 17 Confined my attention to the 3rd St. this week.

24 In consequence of an outbreak of Scarlet Fever the Schools are closed by order of the Medical Authorities.

Boys School. The Boys School is in moderately satisfactory condition. The order is rather better than it was, but the Examination is in many respects disappointing. The 2nd St. requires special attention. Arithmetic throughout is very weak, the Handwriting is poor, whether on slates or paper & Reading & Spelling are but very little better. Grammer & Geography barely satisfy requirements. Recitation is tolerably successful. Deficiencies may in part be attributed to the closing of the School for 10 weeks on account of illness.

1880

- Jan 5 Reopened School after being closed ten weeks. Mr. H. Marks ceased to be Assistant Teacher in this School. Mr. W. Chestney who was P.T. in the Holt National School appointed in his place at a Salary of £40 per annum.
- 9 The attendance very good this week but the boys have gone back very much.
- 16 The attendance still keeps up but is not as high as it should be, the percentage of absenteeism being about 20. Examined the whole School, found Standard III the most backward, Standards I & II almost as bad.
- 19 Gave the 1st Class to Mr. Chestney & took special charge of Standard I & II myself as they are so backward.
- 23 Attendance still about the same.
- 30 Examined St. I & II, was glad to note a marked progress made during the past fortnight. Examined St. III, dictation very faulty.
- Feb 6 Received notice from the Attendance Officer not to send in the names of absentees who have passed St. III, think this must be a mistake, will see Mr. Reader, the Clerk, about it.
- 25 Examined whole School. St. I Reading weak, Arithmetic & Writing fair. St. II Reading & Arithmetic fair, Dictation bad. St. III Dictation & Sums very bad, Reading fair. Pointed out to the Teacher T. Tozer the results of the Examination & also drew his attention to the percentage of passes made by the boys of his class (viz. 690) at the last Gov. Exam, & explained to him the consequences to himself if a like failure took place this year.
- 27 Examined St. III again, found a marked improvement in Arithmetic, Dictation still bad.
- Mar 1 Open School at 1 o'clock & close at 3.15.
- 5 Gave the 3rd St. a lesson in Arithmetic.
- 12 Examined Sts. I & II in Arithmetic, they have much improved.
- 25 Examined St. 1 & 2. Reading shaky & the dictation of 2nd St. still bad. Arithmetic much improved in both classes.
- 26 Good Friday. School closed.
- 29 Bank Holiday.
- 30 Reopened School.
- Apr 2 Examined 3rd St. Arithmetic slightly improved, Dictation bad. Attendance small this week.
- 9 Examined 1st & 2nd Sts. More than half had 3 sums right & the remainder had 2 right out of 3. Dictation in 2nd St. still weak. Reading in 1st improved.
- 23 Examined the 3rd St. found a great improvement in all subjects..
- 24 Pupil Teacher examined at Penge.

- May 24 Inspected the School this day.
 Master – John T. May, 2nd Class
 Assist. Teacher – Wm. Hy. Chestney
 P. Teacher – Thos. Tozer, 2nd year.
 J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector.
 This week being Race Week the School will not be open.
- June 1 Reopened School. Received 25 boys from the Infant School. The majority of them much better up in their work than in former years.
 4 The average this week very good. Re-organised the School.
 25 Rearranged the standards according to Schedule.
- July 2 Gave St. III a drilling in long division. Mr. Chestney sent in his resignation.
 9 The attendance at 9 o'clock & 1.30 very small, warned boys that in future every late boy would be punished.
 16 The School was closed on Monday owing to a local Club Feast taking place.
 23 Attendance slightly fallen off this week. Sent in a list to the Attendance Officer.
 29 The School Treat took place on Thursday. School not opened on Friday.
- Aug 2 Bank Holiday. School closed.
 11 The Master was absent from School this day.
Omission. Mr. Chestney ceased to occupy the post of Assistant Master on July 26th. Mr. Stapley from the Tenterden Schools (ex P.T.) was appointed in his place & commenced duty on the 26th July.
 12 Closed School for summer vacation.
- Sept 13 Reopened School after the summer vacation.
 17 Sent in a list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
 24 The attendance better this week.
 30 The Master away from School this afternoon. School left in charge of Mr. Stapley the Assistant.
- Oct 2 Sent in list of absentees.
 9 Received notice that two boys, Lee & Chandler, would be summoned for irregular attendance.
 16 In consequence of a great number of boys having the mumps the attendance has seriously diminished both last week & this.
 23 Attendance still very poor.
 30 In consequence of illness the average has fallen to 89 this week, being the smallest this year.
- Nov 6 Attendance better this week.
 13 Examined the IV, V & VI Sts. Found the work much more accurate.
 29 Examined St. III & pointed out defects to the Teacher.
 27 Gave St. III a good drilling in Arithmetic.
- Dec 11 Sent in list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
 18 Several boys whose names were sent in last week have come to School this.
 23 Examined the whole School. The results not quite as satisfactory as could be wished. Passed about 77 per cent. Dictation in the four lower Standards needs strict attention. Closed School for the Xmas vacation.
- 1881
- Jan 10 Reopened School after 2 weeks holiday. Attendance very fair.

- 18 Very violent snowstorm, scarcely any boys present.
- 19 In consequence of the severe weather the School was not opened for the remainder of the week.
- 24 Attendance very poor. Sent a list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
- Feb 1 Examined the 1st & 2nd Sts. Progress made very fair.
- 8 Attendance a little better this week. The pupil teacher away this week, very unwell.
- 14 The Pupil Teacher still away. Mr. Stapley very unwell, away this afternoon.
- 15 Mr. Stapley unable to attend School this day.
- 18 Mr. Stapley & the P.T. still away.
- 25 Examined the whole School. The Assistant & P.T. still away.
- 28 Mr. Stapley returned to his duties. The P.T. still away. Sent list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
- Mar 2 Ash Wednesday. Departure from Time Table. Register marked at 9.15. School closed at 11.15, a holiday in the afternoon.
- 7 The Pupil Teacher returned to his duties though far from well. Gave him permission to attend School at 9.45 instead of 9.0 a.m.
- 12 Examined St. III, results fairly satisfactory.
- 18 Examined IV, V & VI Standards, results very disappointing.
- 25 Examined the upper Standards again, found the results far more satisfactory than last week.
- 28 The School was closed this afternoon in consequence of the room being required for a Missionary Address.
- Apr 8 Av. not so good as last week. Examined the whole School. Found the dictation the weakest part otherwise very satisfactory.
- 15 Again found a falling off on the average, sent a list to the Attendance Officer.
- 22 School closed last Friday & Monday (Easter).
- 29 Found there had been exactly 30 boys admitted & 30 left during the past year.
- May 6 Examined the whole School. Results very good.
- 19 The School was inspected this day.
Master – John Thos. May, 2nd Class
 Assistant Teacher – Horace J. Stapley (Art 79)
 P. Teacher – Thos. Tozer, 3rd year.
 J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector
- 20 School closed for the ordinary holiday after the inspection.
- 27 Received the children from the Infant School, some of them very backward.
- June 3 School closed this week on account of the races.
- 6 Reopened School.
- 17 Gave 5th St. a special drilling in Practice.
- 24 Examined St. IV, V & VI in Arithmetic, found their progress satisfactory.
- July 1 Examined the lower Standards, found dictation the weakest subject.
- 8 Attendance very small this week, many boys away hay-making.
- 15 The School was closed on Thursday last, it being the Sunday School Treat.
- 29 Average this week again shows an improvement.
- Aug 5 The School was closed on Monday (Bank Holiday).
- 12 Closed School for the summer vacation.
- Sep 12 Reopened School after 4 weeks holiday.

- 16 Attendance this week fair.
- 23 Mr. Stapley gave notice to leave in a month from this date, it being his intention to give his whole time to study from the 23rd of next month till the time of the Certificate Examination.
- Oct 7 Mr. Stapley away from School this day. Examined the 1st & 2nd Standards. 2nd Standard did fairly well with the exception of dictation. Standard I was bad.
- 21 Mr. Stapley ceases to be a teacher in this School from this date.
- 24 Received a letter from the P.T.s father stating that his son is too ill to attend School.
- 25 T. Tozer is still away.
- 31 Mr. Alderson of the Parish Church Schools, Halifax, commences his duties as Assistant today. Tozer still away.
- Nov 4 Examined St. I, found it very backward.
- 18 Sent in list of irregular children to the Attendance Officer.
- 25 Attendance rather better.
- Dec 2 Examined IV, V & VI Standards, they have improved since the last Exam.
- 9 Attendance not so good.
- 16 Examined whole School; found 1st St. improved.
- 25 Closed School for the Xmas vacation.

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- Jan 9 Reopened School
- 15 Thomas Tozer still away. I find the work come rather heavy, not the number of boys, but the having to teach the five upper Standards with Monitors who require constant supervision & are then not able to teach the Grammer & Geography.
- 27 Pupil Teacher still away. He has gone into Devonshire for change.
- Feb 3 Examined the whole School. Results very fair. The First Standard has not improved so much as I had expected.
- 10 The average has fallen off considerably.
- Mar 10 Master absent. Mr. Ham C.M. took School morning & afternoon.
- 13 Mr. Samuel Buxton entered on his duties as Probationary Master this day at morning School.

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- 13 Thomas Tozer recommenced duties in School having been absent through illness from Oct. 24th 1881.
- 14 Admitted a new Scholar. A great number of boys came late. I examined 4th St. & found the work unsatisfactory, the Arithmetic being especially weak. Lady Glyn visited during the afternoon. St. V & VI worked Test Cards indifferently.
- 15 The work of St. III was found very backward. Thomas Tozer was entrusted with this Standard from the present date.
- 16 With the aid of several 1st Class boys the cupboards were put in order after School hours. Found Summaries neglected.
- 20 Numeration especially bad in 2nd Standard.
- 21 Marked Registers at 1.30 & dismissed children at 3.30. Home Work given to Sts. VI – II inclusive. School room wanted for “Bible Class Anniversary” in the evening.

- 24 Mr. Hards one of the School Managers called in the morning & left a copy of "Bye Laws" of the District. I gave an oral lesson to 1st class on the Rivers of India.
- 27 The School was closed in the afternoon. The Juvenile Missionary Meeting was held. Rev. Piper of Japan addressed the Children.
- 28 Thin attendance this morning, only 82 present. Class Room used in the evening for a meeting of the Committee. S. Buxton, having given satisfaction to the Managers was appointed Master of Boys School – Thos. Bliss, Vicar.
- 31 The children were taught a new song "Travelling Tinker".
- Apr 3 Sts. II, IV & V & VI examined in Arithmetic. Results more satisfactory.
- 4 St. III examined in Arithmetic. Results very fair.
- 5 Another new song taught. "The Village Blacksmith",
- 6 The School closed from Thurs. evening until Tuesday morning following (Easter Holiday).
- 11 Sch. re-opened. Attendance poor, 82 being present in the morning & 81 in afternoon. Notes requesting regular attendance of children were sent to parents.
- 12 Attendance better this morning. 90 present. 14 absent through sickness (measles particularly). Sir George Glyn visited & expressed his satisfaction with the boys' singing.
- 14 St. III examined in Geography.
- 17 Attendance shows an improvement from last week. Numbers 99(m) 98(a).
- 18 Examined 2nd Standard. The boys shewed improvement.
- 19 Attendance very thin in afternoon owing to Epsom Spring Races. Only 72 present.
- 21 Improved attendance, average for week 90.5.
- 24 Finding 1st St. still very backward I gave the class into the charge of Thomas Tozer (P.T.) & took charge of 3rd St. myself, with the 6th, 5th & 4th assisted by Monitors, G. Miller & Brooker, alternately morning & afternoon.
- 26 Weather very showery. Numbers not so high as on Monday or Tuesday. Examined St. III & upwards in Geography. Results more satisfactory. The third Standard shewed but slight progress.
- 28 Taught the song "The Bugle Horn", completing number required for examination.
- May 1 Thomas Tozer having completed his term of apprenticeship continues to assist in the School, on the condition that he succeed the present assistant (Mr Alderton) who will probably resign at the end of this quarter as he is now working for an examn. of the Civil Service.
- 2 The number which were thin on Monday owing to "May Day" show an improvement.
- 5 Two boys punished for truancy.
- 11 The School was inspected this day.
Master – Samuel Buxton, 2nd year 1st Divn.
Asst. Tr. – Jas. Alderson
P. Teacher – Thos. Tozer, 4th year
J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector.
Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 12 Sch. closed at noon time for the day.

- 15 Twelve boys admitted from the Infants School.
- 17 Commenced to teach "Let the Hills Resound".
- 19 Closed School for one week (Epsom Races).
- 30 Reopened School today (Tuesday) a day's holiday was given for Whit Monday.
- 31 Taught "The Minstrel Boy".
- June 1 Arranged Classes as follows:-
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| Head Teacher | IV – ex VI Standard inclusive |
| Assistant | II & III Standards |
| PT with Monitor | I Standard |
- I find the work in the First St. backward, some of the children having an imperfect knowledge of the Alphabet.
- 13 Scripture list of PTs Exam, published. Thomas Tozer was placed in 1st Class (Special).
- 14 Examined Arithmetic of IV & V Sts. In V St. 7 out of 14 boys worked their test example correctly. IV St. rather more satisfactory.
- 19 Received a set of history Readers published by Nelson. Readmitted Wm. Child.
- 22 Thomas Tozer absent for the day by permission from Master to attend a wedding service.
- 23 Attendance for the week shows a slight falling off. Average 103.7. Three boys absent throughout the week owing to illness, whilst one or two others have been illegally employed.
- 26 Numbers small this morning owing to Club Feast. Holiday given in afternoon.
- 28 Taught a School Song "Clouds & Sunshine".
- 30 Mr. Alderson & Thos Tozer exchanged classes for the afternoon, Mr. Alderson being unwell.
- July 3 Boys School
- "The Boys School has suffered much at the hands of the outgoing Teacher. All the Elementary Subjects require attention, but the examination promises well under the circumstances. Grammer is very poor but Geography is pretty good. The boys are tidier, more orderly & more attentive. There is a prospect of decided improvement under the recently appointed Master. The Reading books are in very bad condition."
- Thos. Bliss, Correspondent.
- 6 Weather very showery. Heavy storm of rain at 9 o'clock. Numbers unusually small in the afternoon especially. Mr Alderson received information that he was placed No. 44 at the late Civil Service Examination & will shortly be appointed to some vacant office.
- 7 Mr. Alderson absent for the day, by permission, he having business in London requiring attention. Numbers much better today, 108 morning, 106 afternoon. Average for week 104.9.
- 10 School closed in afternoon.
- 11 Very wet morning. Attendance very thin, only 88 present. Mr. Alderson gave in his resignation of the post of Assistant Master. It was agreed that his engagement should terminate July 25th.
- 14 Attendance very poor throughout the week, may be accounted for by very unsettled state of weather. Average for the week lowest this quarter, being only 94.6.

- 17 Admitted Henry Radcliffe. Attendance better this morning 104 morning 106 afternoon.
- 19 Numbers very poor this afternoon, owing to a treat given to "Band of Hope" children.
- 20 Sunday School Treat of Chapel Children has thinned attendance this morning only 90 being present. As many would be absent this afternoon I have decided to give a half holiday.
- 25 James Alderson's engagement as Assistant Master terminates. Thomas Tozer late P.T. in these Schools succeeds him with the Salary of £50 per annum.
- 27 Church Sunday School Treat at Sir George Glyn's. Holiday in the afternoon.
- 28 End of First Quarter. Av. Att. 103.1.
- Aug 4 Monday being Bank Holiday the School was closed from today (Friday) until Tuesday morning.
- 8 Reopened School this morning with very poor attendance, only 70 boys being present.
- 11 Closed School at 12 o'clock having dismissed the children for the usual Midsummer Holidays. Average attendance for the week very poor being only 76.8.
- Sept 11 Reopened School. Morning 99 afternoon 100.
- 18 Arthur Gordon commenced duties this morning as Monitor, with the intention of sitting as candidate in April next, if he give satisfaction & like the work of teacher. He is at present in charge of St. I.
- 20 Taught a new School song "The Snail".
- 25 The "Children's Penny Clothing Club" closes.
- Oct 2 Numbers greatly improved this morning 111.
- 4 Mr. Maingay called this morning & left "Cards of Children's Clothing Club". Mr. Bliss accompanied by another clergyman paid a visit to the School during the afternoon. Commenced teaching a new School song "God Made all Nature Free".
- 6 Average for the week greatly improved being 106.4.
- 9 First Class commenced learning a selection of lines from "The Merchant of Venice".
- 11 The School examined throughout in Arithmetic. Results only moderate. P.C. of passes about 60.
- 13 Average attendance shews a falling off owing to several cases of sickness.
- 16 Monday very wet throughout the day. Only 91 boys present. Arthur Gordon absent through illness. I took 2nd & 3rd Sts. In Geography.
- 20 The Rev. T. Perk, Curate of Ewell, visited during the afternoon. Attendance very irregular this week owing to the wet weather.
- 23 Attendance greatly improved this morning, 105.
- Nov 8 Examined Sts. I & III in Arithmetic. St. I shews a slight falling off from the last examination. St. III shews slight improvement.
- 15 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. Results – fair.
- 21 Mr. Hards visited School & examined offices.
- 22 Examined 3rd St. in Geography & was pleased with boys' knowledge.
- 23 Examined 1st St. in Reading & found several boys very backward. From this time I give half an hour daily to lower Standards.

- 27 Examined St. III in Reading & Writing with satisfactory results except in one or two cases. St. II have advanced considerably in Reading & Writing.
- 29 Commenced teaching a School song "God Bless the Boys of England".
- Dec 4 I took the 1st St. for one lesson during the day & shall continue to do so as far as possible till they are better at their work.
- 7 Took Christmas Carols throughout the School in place of usual Scripture Lessons.
- 8 Examined St. III in Grammer orally was satisfied with results. Only 4 boys failed to answer questions asked them. Owing to a snow storm the attendance is unusually small.
- 11 Weather still very cold. Many boys away. several of whom are suffering from colds.
- 13 Examined St. III in Arithmetic. Results not so good as they should be, not 70 p.c. passing.
- 15 Average attendance for this week smallest in the quarter. This may be accounted for by the very bad weather.
- 21 Attendance very poor. Broke up for Xmas holidays.
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- Jan 8 Reopened School. Readmitted James Brunton who was withdrawn from School on account of illness (by medical order).
- 10 School Bell not rung this week on account of the serious illness of Mr. Crockford, residing opposite the School.
- 12 Work of School interrupted by workmen "laying on water" from the main.
- 19 On 3 occasions this week I took 1st St. in Reading. Progress of IV, V & VI Sts. In Arithmetic very satisfactory. Attendance not so good since Xmas holidays as should be. Several boys still absent on visits to friends.
- 26 Third quarter of School year ended today. The names of boys were arranged on Registers according to their Standards. Every boy is now working at the subject in which they [sic] will be examined next May.
- 29 This week I commenced taking I St. in afternoons for Arithmetic leaving A. Gordon to examine Arithmetic in Upper Standards. This I shall continue to do until I St. Shews a decided improvement.
- Feb 1 Examined Sts I & II in Arithmetic. Two boys failed in 2nd St., 5 in 1st.
- 2 Weather very stormy today, causing a poor attendance at School.
- 5 Admitted Harry Cottie from Infants School.
- 7 Very wet morning. Very few children here at opening of School. School closed at 11 o'clock, children taken to service at church (Ash Wednesday). Holiday in afternoon.
- 8 Weather still stormy, attendance very poor.
- 12 Admitted Horace Burrbridge from Ewell Marsh.
- 13 Examined St. IV, V & VI in Arithmetic. The two latter very satisfactory only one boy failing. IV St. very unsatisfactory.
- 14 Examined III St. About 75 p.c. passed in Arithmetic.
- 19 A 5th St. boy, Simmons, withdrawn from School, having obtained employment.
- 23 Taught a new School Song "Rules of Life".
- 28 Examined the School throughout in Arithmetic. p.c. of passes about 80. IV St. decidedly the weakest.
- Mar 5 James Brunton withdrawn from School on account of ill health.

- 8 Usual weekly examination in Arithmetic. Each Standard shews improvement, excepting 4th, which shews a slight falling back.
- 12 Dismissed at 11.45 giving the children half holiday on account of the Annual Meeting of Church Missionary Society held in the Boys' Schoolroom. Readmitted Wm. Herbert.
- 21 This week each Standard shewed a decided improvement in Arithmetic. Reading rather weak in 1st St. Assistant Master took whole School for singing this afternoon.
- 22 Closed School at 4 o'clock, giving holiday until Tuesday morning.
- 27 Reopened School. Attendance very poor, only 86 present.
- 28 Taught new Song "Home, dear Home".
- 30 Very wet day. Attendance bad in afternoon. Children dismissed before 2 o'clock. School used for tea-meeting of Bible Class later in afternoon.
- Apr 17 & 18 Attendance much smaller than usual owing to Epsom Spring Races.
- 23 Attendance better this morning, readmitted W. Archer.
- 24 Admitted Arthur G. Wickens.
- 25 Prizes distributed in the evening at 7 o'clock to both Day & Evening Scholars.
- 30 School Year closed today. Average for year 101.4
- May 1 Number on registers one less than at commencement of last year. Attendance very small today.
- 4 Examined 1st St. in Arithmetic. Two failures.
- 11 Examined 2nd & 3rd Sts. In Geography. Results most satisfactory. Dismissed at 4 o'clock, giving holiday until Tuesday morning (Whitsuntide).
- 18 Opened this morning. Attendance smaller than usual.
- 22 Attendance small this afternoon.
- 23 School closed for the day on account of Races.
- 24 Very small attendance today.
- 25 Attendance still worse this morning owing to traffic through the village (Oaks Day). In place of usual Geography lesson the 1st Class has had an examination (paper) each lesson this week. Results, as far as can be judged from numbers present, satisfactory. School closed for the day at 12 o'clock.
- 28 Opened School this morning with much better attendance. 110 present both morning & afternoon.
- 30 The School was inspected this day.
Master – Saml. Buxton, 2nd Class
Asst. Teacher – Thos. Tozer
Candidate for 1st year – Arthur Gordon.
J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector.
- June 1 Closed School for One Week, in place of Holiday usually given for Race Week.
- 11 Admitted 29 boys, 27 being from Infants School.
- 12 A. Gordon – Candidate, was placed in 2nd Class.
- 13 Examined 1st St. Found it necessary to divide Class into 3 Divisions for Reading, the lowest of which is working at the Alphabet.
- 20 Children admitted from Infant School will have Scripture Lesson in the Infant School until the Examination in Religious Knowledge, which is fixed for Thursday July 13.

- 21 School closed for the day on account of Band of Hope Treat. The children visited the Crystal Palace.
- 22 Av. Att. for past week highest since School has been opened, viz: 126.6
- 25 Attendance rather small this morning owing to Village "Club Feast".
Holiday given in afternoon.
- 29 Several boys away the whole week through illness. Av. att. 122.5
- July 2 Divided First St. into two Divisions, placing first under charge of A. Flynn, temporary Monitor, 2nd under A. Gordon, 1st year P.T. Classroom being completed the Classes are arranged as follows:-
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| <u>School Room</u> | Sts. IV to VII | Hd. Master |
| | St. I First Division | Mr. |
| <u>New Class Room</u> | Sts. II, III a.m. | with Monitor |
| <u>Small Class Room</u> | St. I 2 nd Division | P.T. |
- 3 Rev. T. Bliss unable to attend for Scripture. Scripture [taken] first lesson as on Monday.
- 6 Punished Wm. Cousins for insolence to Assistant Master.
- 9 Holiday given in afternoon on account of Club Feast.
- 12 School closed in the afternoon, the Athletic Sports of Ewell Working Men's Club being held.
- 13 School examined in Scripture by Rev. Gedge, Diocesan Inspector. Children dismissed at 12 o'clock for the day.
- 17 Rev. T. Bliss unable to visit today to give Scripture Lesson to 1st Class.
- 19 Examined 2nd & 3rd Sts. In Reading. Progress very satisfactory.
- 23 Two boys, F. Waters & Snell came in after registers were marked.
- 24 Received report of Examination held May last –
"The Boys School has greatly improved under its new Master. The progress made in the time in point of order is remarkable. On the elementary work the failures are fewer & the quality generally improved. English & Geography are good. Singing is nicely taught. Very good order was kept during the Examination. The attendance is becoming more regular. Great credit is due to the Master for his exertions & their success. "More desks are wanted & new wall maps".
Signed. Thos. Bliss, Correspondent.
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| | Head Master. Saml. Buxton |
| | Assist. Master. Thos. Tozer |
| | Pupil Teacher 1st yr. Arthur Gordon |
- 26 School Treat today, School closed in the afternoon.
- 27 Numbers small today, 111m. 109a. Frank Ruberry of Epsom requested by the Master to absent himself from School until after Harvest Holidays, because of Scarlet Fever in Epsom.
- 30 Rather poor attendance this morning. A number of children at home through illness.
- Aug 2 Read an account of the earthquake at Ischia to 1st Class, during Geography Lesson.
- 3 School closed today for Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 3 Reopened School after Harvest Holiday, 100 present morning, 101 afternoon. Thos. Tozer, Assistant, absent today, with permission of Master. Arthur Gordon unaccountably absent, supposed to have set out from Yarmouth on Saturday last, intending to reach London by sea. The gale on

- Saturday may probably account his non-arrival. Time Table not adhered to strictly owing to the absence of teachers.
- 4 Teachers present today. Work of School carried on according to Time Table.
 - 5 Taught School Song "Kind Words can never die".
 - 6 Improved attendance. 112 present morning, 113 afternoon. Taught Simple Interest to 6th Standard.
 - 11 A number of Wall Maps ordered.
 - 12 Taught a School Song "Star of Peace".
 - 13 Punished several boys for being late. James & Arthur Spencer were too late to have their attendance registered.
 - 17 Thos. Tozer, Assistant Master, absent owing to illness.
 - 19 Taught words of two school songs, in time usually given for singing.
 - 20 T. Tozer still absent. I do not expect him this week, as he was in bed on Tuesday under doctor's orders. The 1st Standard are making progress, of a satisfactory character, in their reading.
 - 24 Small attendance owing to rain. The Assistant present this morning though seeming far from well.
 - 25 Received from "Book Society" a set of new wall maps.
 - 26 Commenced teaching a song "Keep a brave heart".
 - 28 Examined II & III Sts. in Arithmetic. Figures very neatly made in each class. Work somewhat inaccurate.
- Oct 3 Examined 1st Class in Arithmetic. Results satisfactory. VI & VII now work together at VII St. work.
- 4 The 4th St. having read through "Blackie's 4th Reader" twice, are now working at 5th Royal.
 - 5 Second St. rather backward in Reading. Parts of two Geography Lessons given to Reading this week.
 - 10 First Division of St. I commenced reading from Blackie's 1st Reader in place of Royal V.
 - 16 Took Scripture Lesson at commencement of School instead of the close.
 - 17 The Assistant took Singing Lesson.
 - 18 Third St. commenced reading from 4th Royal Readers.
 - 19 Falling off in average attendance this week owing to several cases of illness, & one or two First Class Boys leaving School having obtained employment.
 - 22 Small attendance this morning. A number of boys asked to leave early to visit a Circus at Epsom. They were refused. A half holiday given.
 - 24 Examined 2nd & 3rd Sts. in Reading. They show improvement.
 - 31 Examined St. II & III & noticed improvement, except in writing.
- Nov 2 Average attendance small this week. Two boys, G. Elson & J. Elson away truanting
- 6 The two truants brought to School this morning by their mother.
 - 8 Examined 1st St. in Reading. Great progress has been made not one being unable to read from Nelson's 1st Reader. Three 1st St. boys now read in 2nd St.
 - 12 Received notice of withdrawal of Geo. Marshall a 7th St. boy, & Fred Waters, 3rd St., the first named having obtained employment in the village, the latter being moved to an Industrial School.

- 13 Thos Tozer, Assistant Master, absent from Monday 12th inst. To Thursday 15th, attending a Competative [sic] Examn. for admission into the Excise.
- 16 Examined Upper Div. in Geography, results generally satisfactory.
- 19 Weather rather showery, causing several boys to absent themselves.
- 20 Examined 4th & 5th St. in Dictation, taking a piece from Royal Reader Book 5. Results far from satisfactory.
- 23 Six boys punished for having absented themselves without reasonable cause on the afternoon of the 22nd inst.
- 26 Very satisfactory progress made in 1st Class with their Repetition.
- 28 Examined First Class Arithmetic. Work very inaccurate in Fifth Standard, IV & VI St. very satisfactory.
- 30 Examined Reading in Fifth Standard. Great progress has been made this month.
- Dec 3 Very good attendance today. Not one boy absent from 1st St. Arthur Gordon, P.T. absent (with permission) owing to dangerous illness of his father. Thos. Tozer Assistant Master, absent this morning on account of illness.
- 4 The Assistant Master again absent. – the Assistant reached School at 9.55, having been detained by an accident on the Railway Line.
- 7 Attendance greatly improved this week. Average 120.2 with 131 boys on the Registers.
- 10 Noted improvement in Writing of II & III Standards.
- 12 Dismissed children at 3.45 in order that they might have an opportunity of visiting the “Lecture Hall” to hear the Poland St. Hand Bell Ringers.
- 13 Examined II & III Sts. In Arithmetic. A great advance has been made in accuracy since the last time they were examined.
- 20 Closed School today giving a fortnight’s holiday for Xmas.
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- Jan 7 Reopened School after Xmas Holidays. Attendance very good. 119m 117a.
- 10 Punished several boys for being late.
- 11 Attendance of 1st St. remarkably good, 34 in attendance for the week. Of these 29 attended 10 times
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- 17 Examined Dictation of 3rd St. Results not satisfactory. Many little mistakes shewing want of care.
- 18 Examined 4th St. in Arithmetic & Dictation. 1st St. in Reading. The 2nd Division seem to be making progress.
- 21 Seven or eight boys absent through illness. Many boys in School seem to be suffering from colds.
- 22 Arthur Gordon, P.T. absent through illness. Rev. J. Bliss visited. I drew his attention to the attendance of George & James Elson who have been truantiing since Jan 8th.
- 25 Examined 2nd St. Dictation. The work shews want of care.
- 29 Attendance very small owing to illness. 105 present this morning, 103 in afternoon, being the smallest for some months past. G. Harris, Monitor, absent, ill. Fred Waters re-admitted (vide Nov 12th).
- 30 Examined 1st St. Dictation. Results very satisfactory.

- Feb 4 Arthur Gordon P.T. absent ill. Dr. Barnes called to ascertain whether there are any cases of fever among the Scholars. He gave orders that Edwd. Reeds must not attend School until further notice as there is a case of fever in the boy's home. Mr. Hards, Manager, & Member of School Attendance Committee, called & made enquiries about George & James Elson respecting their attendance.
- 5 A. Gordon present this morning. Examined III St. in Arithmetic. Work accurate but untidy.
- 8 Examined St. I in Reading & Dictation. Great progress seems to have been made.
- 11 Arthur Gordon will be absent the whole of this week on account of illness.
- 14 Examined II & III Sts. In Grammer, results most unsatisfactory.
- 19 Examined II & III St. in Arithmetic. The work was very accurate throughout.
- 22 Examined III St. Geography. Satisfactory progress has been made.
- 26 A number of boys absent owing to the custom of a football being kicked about the village on Shrove Tuesday.
- 27 Ash Wednesday. Boys assembled at 10.30 for Church. Holiday given in afternoon.
- 29 Held the weekly examination in Geography. The work set for the week has been well done.
- Mar 4 Gave a lesson on The Spanish Armada.
- 5 Taught a School Song "Sailor boy's Song".
- 7 Satisfactory progress is being made in the Geography & Grammer of II & III Sts. As shewn from examination today.
- 12 Taught a song "Hurrah for the men who work". Singing lessons have been greatly interfered with since Xmas Holidays owing to so large a number of boys suffering from colds.
- 13 Examined Arithmetic of St. I. Results very satisfactory. Not one boy failed.
- 18 Sent in a list of boys qualified for scholarships from Brumfield's Charity.
- 20 Punished G. Elson, J. Elson & J. Waters at the request of their parents, for truancy. Examined 2nd St. Dictation. Results remarkably good, every boy doing his work without any error.
- 21 Half holiday given today, the school room being used for a Tea Meeting of the Ewell Bible Class.
- 28 Gave Object Lesson to 1st Class on "The Reindeer. Examined Sts. IV, V & VI in Arithmetic. Several boys absent from Fourth Standard through illness.
- 31 Half holiday given today for the Juvenile Missionary Meeting.
- Apr 3 Examined 1st St. in Reading & Arithmetic. Results very satisfactory.
- 4 More boys absent the whole of the past week through illness, bad colds principally.
- 7 A very wet morning. Attendance unusually bad, only 94 being present.
- 8 Attendance improved today.
- 9 Commenced giving questions requiring written answers to 1st Class to occupy the last 10 minutes of Geography Lesson. This time I gave to Geography of 1st & 2nd Sts. Alternatively.
- 10 Closed School for Easter Holiday.

- 15 Re-opened School. Attendance small, a number of boys not having returned from spending Easter Holiday out of the village.
- 16 Mr. Maingay (Manager) visited whilst the boys were at play in the school yard.
- 21 Attendance improved. Examined 2nd St. in Arithmetic & Dictation. Results satisfactory.
- 22 & 23 Very small attendance owing to Spring Races being held at Epsom.
- 24 Examined 3rd St. in Repetition. Considerable improvement has been made.
- May 1 Commenced marking the registers as follows:
 - 9 am & 1.30 pm with red ink
 - 9.55 am & 1.55 pm with black ink
 Registers finally closed at the time stated in Time Table. I have adopted this plan to put a check upon late comers.
 - 9 Attendance greatly improved, the 1st St. being remarkably good. Number on the register 34, of these 30 made 10 attendances. One boy was away the whole week ill & another away from the village.
 - 12 Received a note from Mrs. Bartrom saying George was absent on account of illness.
 - 16 Took II & III Sts. In Geography whilst 1st Class has written examination.
 - 19 Several boys absent ill viz; Geo. Bartrom, J. Neal, W. Godfrey, - Ayres, A. Becket & F. Best. The boys complain of "sore throats".
 - 20 W. Godfrey, Ayres & Best, present today. Examination throughout the School in Arithmetic.
 - 21 Geo. Bartrom present today. Beckett & Neal still absent.
 - 22 The School was inspected this day.
 - Master – Saml. Buxton, 2nd class.
 - Assist. Teacher – Thos. Tozer (Art 50,51)
 - P. Teacher – Arthur Gordon 1st year.
 - J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector
 - 23 Closed School at 12 o'clock, giving a holiday for Race Week & Whit Monday Bank Holiday.
- June 3 Re-opened School. Twenty three children admitted from Infant School. Examined these children & found five who do not know their alphabet, viz: Byling, Watts, Godfrey, Wickens, Lynch. The remainder read indifferently being able to read nothing harder than words of three letters.
 - 6 Arranged classes as follows:
 - 1st. Class viz. Sts. IV-VII Head Teacher
 - Sts. II & III Assistant Teacher with George Harris – Monitor
 - St. I Pupil Teacher with Robert Hayward – Monitor
 - 9 I divided the 1st Class into two Divisions for Geography & English.
 - First Division Standards V, VI & VII
 - Second Division Standard IV
 The First Division will work according to the Code for Standard VI.
 The Second Division will work according to the Code for Standard IV.
 - 10 Examined First Standard in Arithmetic & Dictation of small words. Results unsatisfactory, only one boy working the sums correctly & 5 or 6 being unable to make letters properly.
 - 17 The Assistant absent, owing to illness of a relation.
 - 18 Being called away on account of the illness of a near relative, School was closed at 10 am for the day.

- 19 Re-opened School this morning.
- 20 Commenced teaching a School Song "War Song of the Druids",
- 23 Club Feast held in the village. A half holiday, given as is usual in such instances.
- 24 St. John's Day. Service in Church.
- July 1 Boys in 2st St. are making satisfactory progress, especially in Arithmetic, as shewn in their work today. Rev. F. Bliss commenced a series of Lessons to the First Class, on the Missionary Journeys of St. Paul.
- 3 Examined Arithmetic of First St. Satisfactory progress is being made.
- 4 Examined Dictation in 2nd & 3rd Sts. The work shews that care has been taken.
- 7 Commenced "Home Work" with First Class.
- 8 Rev. T Bliss visited. George & James Elson punished for truancy.
- 10 Congregational Sunday School Treat, & Ewell Working Mens Club Annual Athletic Sports held today. Holiday given this afternoon.
- 11 Attendance much better this afternoon than is usual on Fridays.
- 15 Two boys, J. England & R. Smith punished for inattention.
- 16 Second Standard had reading Lessons today in the School Yard.
- 18 Examined 1st St. in Writing & Spelling. Improvement is being made.
- 21 Received Report of Examination held in May last:-
Boys' School. The Boys' School continues to advance. In spelling there are failures, otherwise the Class work is generally successful. Both Grammer & Geography are very fairly good. Poetry especially in the upper Standards is recited with more than ordinary intelligence & expression. Very good order is kept. A. Gordon has passed fairly but should attend to Grammer. Mr. Buxton will shortly receive his certificate.
 Thos Bliss. Correspondent.
 Amount of Government Grant £106.19.0. Number of boys presented for examination 116.
 Passes in Reading 114
 " Writing 91
 " Arithmetic 105
- 23 Mrs. Bliss accompanied by a lady visited during Singing Lesson this afternoon.
- 31 Sunday School Treat fixed for this afternoon. Closed School for the Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 1 Re-opened School. Attendance small, owing to the bad weather.
- 4 First Lesson in Fractions (Vulgar) to 5th Standard.
- 5 Attendance which was very poor yesterday on account of rainy weather, greatly improved today. Work of the School somewhat interrupted between the hours of two & three by a photographer "taking" groups of the boys in the School yard.
- 8 Improved attendance this morning.
- 10 Examined First Class in Geography of India (Physical) using blank map sketched on B.B.
- 12 Examined Dictation of 2nd & 3rd Sts. The work of the 2nd St. was unsatisfactory.
- 18 Arthur Gordon P.T. absent the whole day by permission.
- 24 Taught a song "Joy Bells".

- 25 Finding the 2nd St. still very backward in writing I decided to teach the subject each day for half-an-hour viz: from 4 to 4.30 until an improvement of a decided character is shown.
- 26 Mrs. Worsfold complained of the Assistant punishing her son George.
- Oct 1 Taught song "Roses underneath the Snow".
- 3 Mr. Watts complained of the Assistant Thomas Tozer punishing his son William. Examined Dictation of 3rd St. & looked carefully through Dictation books. These give evidence that the work has been neglected during the last week or two.
- 7 Received cards of Clothing Club from Mrs. Maingay & gave them to the children.
- 8 Changed Reading Books of Standards VI, V, IV & II. Taught words of the song "Footsteps on the Stairs".
- 10 Feeling unwell this afternoon was compelled to leave the School in charge of the Assistant from 3 o'clock until 4 o'clock.
- 15 Examined 2nd St. in Reading. Great progress has been made.
- 17 Punished John Huggins for stealing pencils from Infants' Room during dinner hour.
- 27 Mrs. Spencer complained of the conduct of the Assistant T. Tozer towards the boys, viz: inflicting corporal punishment, & neglecting his duties of supervising their work.
- 28 Spoke to the Assistant concerning above complaint, & told him that the frequency of complaints would compel me to bring the matter before the Managers, unless his conduct alters.
- Nov 5 Holiday given in afternoon.
- 19 Examined Standard II & III in Dictation. A great improvement has been made.
- 20 The First Class commenced working Arithmetic from "The New National Arithmetic".
- 21 A number of boys punished for unpunctuality. The attendance has shewn an improvement this week.
- 26 Taught a School Song "Home is Home".
- 28 Monthly examination in Geography of 1st Class. The papers shew an improvement on those of last month.
- Dec 1 Very wet morning. Small attendance in consequence.
- 3 Received eight dozen Bibles from British & Foreign Bible Society.
- 5 I took the First Standard in Reading. Several boys are still very backward.
- 8 Attendance, which has been unsatisfactory during the last week, still unusually small. This may be accounted for by the very wet weather.
- 10 Examined Grammer of 1st Class. The upper division's work shewed want of thought, the lower division's was more satisfactory.
- 11 Examined Reading of the Upper Division of 2nd Standard. Great progress has been made.
- 12 Attendance owing to wet weather has been smaller than any previous week in this Quarter.
- 15 On Saturday Dec. 13th a large hole was burned in the School room floor. Mrs. Huggins, having washed the Class room floor, her son John cleaned the stove. He put hot cinders in a coal scuttle which had a hole in the bottom. The cinders fell through, & caused the fire, which was fortunately discovered & extinguished before much damage was done.

- 18 Closed School this afternoon for the Christmas Holidays (fortnight).
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- Jan 5 Re opened School. 120 in attendance.
 9 Attendance not so good towards the close of the week as at the commencement.
 13 Dictation in 4th St. shews a decided improvement.
 14 Progress is being made in all Standards (in Repetition).
 16 Examined Dictation in St III. Results disappointing. No boy without one error or more.
 20 Attendance, especially in 2nd St. very unsatisfactory. The general excuse for absence is "a bad cold".
 21 Taught words of a School Song "Jack Frost".
 23 Examined Dictation of St III. The results shew that more care has been taken.
 26 Attendance still very unsatisfactory, the First Standard being particularly bad.
 28 The harmonium was tuned & thoroughly repaired today.
 29 The IV & V Sts. Make satisfactory progress in Arithmetic. The VI St. is rather backward.
 30 The III St. shew a further improvement in their Dictation.
- Feb 2 The attendance shews an improvement this morning.
 4 The VI St. are taking half-an-hour extra each day for Arithmetic in place of Reading .
 6 Examined St. III in Arithmetic. Taken as a whole the result was most satisfactory. Sums wrong were owing to errors in working, not want of a knowledge of the rules.
 9 Examined Dictation 2nd St. Spelling weak.
 13 Improvement in attendance; the weekly average being much higher than for some time past.
 16 Very thin attendance today owing to bad weather.
 20 Improved attendance, the weather very much finer.
 26 Examined Sts. IV, V & VI in Arithmetic. The work was satisfactory, except in IV St. Several boys were punished for careless work.
- Mar 2 Thomas Tozer tendered to the Managers his resignation of the post of Assistant Master.
 4 Taught a song "The Old Brigade".
 6 An accident happened this morning. Whilst the boys were in the yard from 10.50 to 11, George Byling fell & severely sprained his leg. Took him into the School house, sent for Dr. Barnes & then the boy's mother. No blame is attached to any one.
 16 Very good attendance this morning, though several boys are away ill.
 18 Fred Taylor was severely punished for using bad language in the School yard.
 19 Gave a half holiday this afternoon, the School room being used for the Annual Tea of the Ewell Bible Class.
 23 Juvenile Missionary Meeting in the School room this afternoon.
 26 Examined 3rd St. in Dictation Grammer & Arithmetic. Results on the whole very satisfactory. The majority of errors arose from want of care, the boys being able to spell the words viva voce when called on. Watts & Taylor punished for carelessness.

- 30 Albert Best, Arthur Chandler, Geo Budd, Fred Elliott away from School ill.
- Apr 1 Mr. Tozer, Assistant Master, absent today through illness.
- 2 Closed School at noon for Easter Holiday.
- 7 Reopened School. Several boys absent, not having returned from Easter Holiday.
- 8 Taught song "Merry May".
- 9 Examined St. III in Geography. Answers fairly good. The boys shew a knowledge of their work but the answers were not general throughout the Class.
- 10 A falling off in the attendance is shewn today.
- 13 Mr. Joce commenced duties as Assistant master this morning, taking charge of St. II & III with J. Brunton as Monitor. Examined Sts. II & III in

Arithmetic. Results:-

Standard II		Standard III	
4 right	5 boys	4 right	6 boys
3 "	14 "	3 "	8 "
2 "	4 "	2 "	6 "
1 "	7	1 "	11"
0 "	3 "	0 "	2 "

Examination in Dictation:-

Standard II		Standard III	
No errors	18 boys	No errors	3 boys
1 error	10 "	1 error	5 "
2 errors	3 "	2 errors	8 "
4 "	2 "	3 "	3 "
		4 "	6 "
		6 "	2 "

- 14 Mrs. Snell sent a note informing me that having obtained employment for her son John, he would not attend School from this date.
- 16 I took St. II in Grammer. Satisfactory progress has been made.
- 20 Readmitted Fred Fairbrother. Mrs. Reynolds sent me word that John will be absent another fortnight. Mrs. Gordon sent word that Fred, her son, would not attend School in future, having commenced work.
- 23 School Harmonium used for Meeting of Ewell Branch of C.E.T.S. in the Parochial Room.
- 27 Readmitted Henry Garner, who has been absent during nearly the whole school year, under medical orders.
- 28 This week I am taking St. II in Arithmetic. Questions are written on B.B. for 1st Class & J. Brunton, Monitor, is left responsible for order. The papers worked are examined at 4 o'clock & errors corrected by the boys previous to final dismissal.
- 29 Attendance small owing to Spring Races.
- 30 Attendance still very small.
- May 4 William Over who has been absent ill for a length of time is in attendance again this morning.
- 6 Very wet morning. Small attendance. I sent five or six boys home, whose clothes were thoroughly wet through.
- 7 Examined St. I. No failures in Arithmetic, nor in spelling. Sidney Eaden still away ill.
- 8 G. Bartrum & Wm. Child punished for careless work.

- 14 All work in First Class now done on paper. This will be continued until the Government Examination.
- 20 Worked a number of examples in Simple Interest with Sixth Standard.
- 22 Very wet day. Heavy downpour of rain about 8.30. Thin attendance.
- 27 Several boys absent through illness. Viz. W. Cottie, Watts, Ethrington, Eaden, Ayres. Have sent messages to parents & received promises of attendance tomorrow & Friday.
- 29 The School was inspected this day.
 Master – Saml. Buxton, 2nd Class
 Assist. Master – Thos. Jas. Joce, 2nd year, 2nd Divn.
 P. Teacher – Arthur Gordon, 2nd year.
 Monitors – Jas. Brunton, Robt. Hayward.
 J. R. Byrne, H.M. Inspector.
- Closed School at noon, giving the following week (Race Week) as a holiday.
- June 8 Re-opened School. Very wet morning. Re-admitted Thos. Dudley. Admitted 19 boys from Infants School.
- 9 Class list of P.T.s Scripture Examination received. Arthur Gordon 2nd yr. passed in 2nd Class.
- 10 Examined boys transferred from Infants. The work throughout was satisfactory, excepting in the case of Ernest Eden who is very backward. This is owing to absence through ill health.
- 12 First Class boys wrote a letter describing their weeks holiday.
- 17 Fred Godfrey remains in St. I having failed in writing & being generally slow. Wm. Over having failed in Writing & Arithmetic remains in St. II. Wm. Godfrey & Geo. Stevens remain in St. IV & Alfred Chandler in St. V.
- 18 Ordered a number of Certificates (Marshall's No. 11). These will be give to children who passed in Reading, Writing & Arithmetic.
- 19 Heard Sts. I & III read from chapters given to be prepared during the week. I found the work well prepared. This I shall continue weekly.
- 22 Received a Medical Certificate from Dr. Daniel stating that Geo. Arthur Marks is not in a fit state of health to attend School. Thin attendance this morning owing to a "Village Club Feast". Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 23 Attendance unusually small. Several cases of Diptheria in the parish.
- July 1 Taught School Song "Admiral Blake".
- 2 Albert Taylor died this morning from Diptheria.
- 3 Examined 3rd St. in Arithmetic. Long Division worked satisfactorily by all excepting C. Howell
- 14 Choir Festival at Leatherhead. Half holiday given.
- 16 Congregational Sunday School Treat. Numbers small in the morning. Holiday given for afternoon.
- 20 Report of H.M. Inspector:- Copy
 "The Boys Department has made a further step in advance. The Elementary Work in general has been very successful. Grammer & Geography as a whole are very fairly good. The Recitation of the upper Standards deserves especial praise. Singing by ear is so much above the ordinary level that it is to be regretted the Scholars should not be presented for examination in their notes. Good order is kept. The room would be better ventilated if an aperture were made high up for egress of foul air".
 Thos. Bliss, Correspondent

Passes in Reading	107
“ “Writing	102
“ “Arithmetic	103

Number presented for examination 115.

Total amount of grant, £108.7.6.

- 24 Attendance Officer visited. The average attendance for first Quarter shews a falling off of 7.4. This may be accounted for as follows:-
Boys above IV Standard were withdrawn from School earlier after the examination than in previous years. Diptheria has been prevalent during the past two months.
- 30 Closed School this morning at 12 o'clock, giving the usual four weeks Harvest Holiday.
- Aug 31 Reopened School. Attendance small. Arthur Gordon P.T. absent. His brother Fred is suffering from a bad throat. Under the circumstance I do not deem it advisable that Arthur should attend until his brother is quite well.
- Sept 4 Very wet morning, attendance unusually small.
7 Weather still unsettled. Attendance very unsatisfactory.
9 Commenced exercises in singing by note. From present date shall take five minutes each day between prayers & Scripture for singing exercises.
11 Arthur Gordon absent the whole of this week for reason as stated Aug 31st.
14 A. Gordon recommenced work in School this morning. Attendance greatly improved.
17 Small attendance owing to very wet weather.
18 Boys & Infants School rooms used this evening for Lecture on China & the Chinese, British & Foreign Bible Society.
24 Arthur Gordon absent by permission to attend "outing" with members of Ewell Church Choir.
29 A wet day interfered with attendance at School.
- Oct 9 Attendances cancelled & School closed at 2.30 owing to small attendance, more than half the boys being in Epsom visiting Sanger's Circus.
13 Examined III St. in Reading. Sufficient attention is not paid to "stops" whilst the aspirate is omitted.
16 The attendance has shewn a decided improvement this week, the weather being more settled.
22 Examined I St. in Reading. Good work has been done this month.
28 Holiday given in afternoon.
30 Attendance shews a falling off towards close of week. Mrs. Sycamore called today & informed me that owing to her husband being out of work she cannot pay Tom's School fee. She has made application to Relieving Officer but he cannot act till next week.
- Nov 2 Report of Scripture Exam.
"The Religious Knowledge in this School continues to do credit to Mr. Buxton's exertions. The elder boys have passed a very satisfactory examination. The younger ones did very fairly".
4 The I St. shew a decided improvement in Reading.
5 St. II & III examined in Arithmetic. Results shew that the work has been taught but there is much to be done in the way of accuracy.

- 10 IV St. commenced Reading from new London School Series. Mr. Joce will take this Standard in Reading for several weeks from present date whilst I take St. II.
- 20 A gentleman representing a firm of builders at Hersham called & stated that the use of the School room will be required on Monday Nov. 30th for a polling station in the Parliamentary Election for the Epsom Division of Surrey.
- 25 The III St. begins to shew a decided improvement in Reading.
- 26 Special attention is being given to Repetition so that the pieces as follow may be known by Christmas Holidays.
- Standards IV-VII "Saxon & the Gael"
- " III "Little Jim"
- " II "Somebody's Mother"
- " I "The Ant & the Cricket"
- 30 No School today, Parliamentary Election.
- Dec. 3 Punished several boys in IV St. for careless figures.
- 7 Caned C. Howell & Alfred Taylor for using bad language in the play ground. Morning very wet, small attendance.
- 16 Punished Harry Hampton for using bad language.
- 21 Smaller attendance than usual this morning.
- 23 Closed School for Christmas Holidays.
- 1886
- Jan 11 Re-opened School this morning. Attendance very small owing to severity [sic] of weather. The majority of boys absent reside a considerable distance from the School.
- 13 Taught a song "The Sea is England's Glory".
- 18 Improved attendance today.
- 21 Heavy snowfall. Very small attendance.
- 22 Very inclement weather, numbers still very small.
- 26 Examined Dictation in St. II & III. The work shews want of care.
- 27 Attendance much better today.
- 29 Examined First Class Arithmetic. Work inaccurate.
- Feb 4&5 Examined St. III in Reading. The work shews a slight improvement. Several boys still away with bad colds or chilblains.
- 10 Questioned St. II in Geography. Careful work has been done.
- 11 First Class finished reading "London Readers".
- 15 IV St. commenced reading Nelson's Fifth Royal Reader.
- 17 The singing lesson was not taken today owing to the Master suffering from a severe cold.
- 19 James Overton (III St.) died this morning from pleurisy.
- 22 Admitted Harold Fletcher. Punished Edmund Archer for laziness.
- 24 Taught a song "Fair Morning is up".
- 25 Examined First St. in Reading. Satisfactory progress is being made.
- 26 Examined spelling in First St. With one or two exceptions the boys did their work carefully & well.
- Mar 1 Heavy snow-storm. Numbers very small. 81(m), 78(a).
- 3 Taught a song "Sunrise at Sea".
- 4 Attendance still unsatisfactory owing to bad weather & illness.
- 5 Punished Kemble IV St. for chattering.

- 9 I took III St. in Reading. A marked improvement has been effected in style of reading during the past fortnight.
- 11 Ash Wednesday. Boys assembled for Church at 10.30. Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 12 The 3rd St. are making great progress in Arithmetic. The work is much more accurate than it was a few weeks ago
- 15 Punished G. Brooker for careless work.
- 18 Heard II St. read. Percy Martin requires attention.
- 19 Examined St. V in Arithmetic. C. Lynch & James Taylor require special attention.
- 22 Ten boys absent through illness. They will be unable to attend this week.
- 24 Arthur Gordon P.T. absent this afternoon on account of the dangerous illness of his brother.
- 26 Arthur Gordon absent today owing to the death of his brother.
- 29 Heavy fall of rain about 8.30 am. Small attendance this morning in consequence.
- Apr 2 Arthur Gordon has been absent the whole of the week, being unwell consequent upon the anxiety at home.
- 5 Albert Cozens & James Simmonds absent, there being cases of measles at their homes.
- 6&7 Attendance small (Tuesday & Wednesday) Epsom Spring Races.
- 12 William Archer & Wm. Worsfold absent with mumps. Juvenile Meeting of Church Missionary Society this afternoon.
- 13 Mr. Nixon, Attendance Officer, visited this afternoon & cautioned G. Stevens & A. Becket about their irregularity.
- 15 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. Multiplication inaccurate.
- 18 Saw Attendance Officer concerning irregular attendance of E. Richards.
- 20 Punished Charman & Coombes for careless work.
- 21 From this date I take St. II in Arithmetic (mornings) & put St. V under care of Mr. Joce.
- 22 Closed School at 4 o'clock giving holiday until Tuesday morning.
- 27 Re-opened School. Attendance unsatisfactory compared with last week, especially St. II & III.
- 28 Taught a new song "Sleighb Song".
- May 3 Re-admitted A. Grayland who has been absent during the winter by order of his doctor.
- 4 Examined Arithmetic in 1st St. Every sum was worked right. Several errors in Tables.
- 5 Punished James Martin, Chas. Howell & Stephen Evans, at the request of their parents for truanting on Tuesday afternoon.
- 10 Attendance shews a decided improvement.
- 12 Changed reading book of St. III giving "Nelson's Royal" in place of "Geography Readers".
- 14 Took St. III in Repetition. Great improvement has been made during past month.
- 17 Very wet morning. Small attendance in consequence.
- 18 First Class examined in Arithmetic with following results:-
- | | 4 right | 3 right | 2right | 1 right |
|--------------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Standard VII | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| “ VI | - | 2 | 3 | - |

“	V	5	2	2	-
“	IV	8	6	5	2

Nearly all Sums marked “wrong” had errors in working. Several boys in St. IV were punished for gross carelessness. In several cases mistakes may be attributed to too great confidence.

- 24 Heavy rain all day. Small attendance.
- 15 Sent notes requesting attendance to parents of absentees.
- 26 School closed “Derby Day”.
- 28 School closed “Oaks Day”.
- June 1 Heavy thunderstorm this morning, a large number of boys late.
- 2-3 School inspected by J. Mackenzie Esq. H.M. I.
- 4 School closed a notice given that owing to measles being prevalent in the village the School will remain closed until Monday June 21st.
- 28 Owing to numerous cases of measles in the parish it was found necessary to keep the School closed for a period of 3 weeks instead of a fortnight as at first anticipated. School reopened today. Received names of 22 Infants to be admitted. Attendance small owing to village “Club Feast”. N.B. The 3 weeks during which the School has been closed includes one week Whitsuntide Holiday. The Schools were not closed Race Week owing to nearness of Inspection.
- 29 Re-arranged classes. Every boy who was presented will go up a Standard as the duplicate Schedules shew only one boy failing in two subjects, viz. W. Watts, St. IV.
- Head Teacher takes Standards IV,V,VI,VII
- Mr. Joce “ “ II, III
- Monitor (T.Garner) “ I
- Arthur Gordon’s (P.T. 3rd year) engagement terminated Friday June 4th by agreement between Managers & parent.
- 30 Punished several late boys.
- July 2 The attendance has been remarkably small this week. This may be accounted for as follows:-
1. Several cases of measles.
 2. Hay making
- Notice has been sent to absentees.
- 5 Improved attendance today.
- 8 Report from H.M.I. Copy
- “The School has passed a successful examination in the elementary subjects. The class subjects have been well put before the boys, but it is desirable that more of them should be able to answer. Recitation is fairly well said, but the Grammer is weak. Geography is fairly good. The singing is very good.
- Thos. Bliss, Correspondent
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| No. presented for examination | 111 |
| Passes in Reading | 102 |
| “ Writing | 103 |
| “ Arithmetic | 101 |
- 9 The attendance has shewn a decided improvement this week.
- 14 It is decided that the schools close on Friday July 30th at noon for the usual four weeks holiday.

- 19 Very good attendance today, 132 m. 133 afternooon. Joseph Atkins absent ill.
- 21 Geo. Budd was taken ill this morning in School after play time. He was not present this afternoon.
- 23 Examined Arithmetic in 2nd & 3rd Sts. Several boys are rather backward in each Standard. Very good attendance this week. Av. 130.8, the highest yet attained in Ewell Boys' School.
- 28 First Class examined in Arithmetic. Evans & Wm. Cook did unsatisfactory work in Fourth Standard.
- 30 Closed School at noon for Harvest Holidays.
- Aug 30 Re-opened School. Attendance small owing to Harvest being late this year; several boys being still away from the village, spending their holidays & four boys being withdrawn. George Constable commenced duties as teacher. Should he give satisfaction he will take papers in April next as P.T. at the end of the Second Year.
- Sept 1 Taught a song "Song of the New Year".
- 7 Commenced Simple Proportion with Fifth St.
- 10 Examined Arithmetic in Sts. II & III. Work rather inaccurate.
- 13 Commenced History Readers with St. IV.
- 20 Examined 1st St. in Reading. Several boys are still very backward.
- 23 Taught a song "The Bay of Biscay".
- 24 Examined Arithmetic of Sts. II & III. Little progress has been made since the 10th of this month.
- 27 Small attendance this afternoon, a large number of boys visiting a circus in Epsom
- 30 6th St. has made progression in Arithmetic during the past week. St. II seem at a standstill, the results of this week's examination being much the same as 3 weeks ago.
- Oct 4 Admitted a boy, Geo. Pickering, aged 10, finding him very backward. I have placed him in St. I.
- 6 5th & 6th Sts. Commenced reading from Nelson's Royal Readers.
- 8 Attendance has been rather small this week owing to several cases of illness. Robert Richards St. I is suffering from Rheumatic Fever.
- 13 The 4th St. shews an improvement in Reading. F. Taylor, G. Taylor & A. Voller are still very backward.
- 22 Reported Lewis Simmons & Wm. Stevenson for Irregular Attendance. Average att. this week 133.4.
- 25 Changed Reading Books of St. IV. They are now reading from Blackie's Comprehensive.
- 26 The 1st St. shew an improvement in their work generally.
- 27 Taught a song "Merry Christmas".
- 29 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. St. II has made but little progress.
- Nov. 2 The 1st Class commenced reading "The Merchant of Venice" preparatory to learning a selection from this play.
- 5 Holiday given in afternoon.
- 8 Weather very cold. Commenced with fires. Report of Diocesan Inspector. Copy "The very large upper class in this School continues to be carefully taught & did well in their examination. The answering of the junior classes was also very satisfactory".

- 10 Heavy downpour of rain about one o'clock. Nine boys absent in consequence.
- 11 Very wet day. Morning attendance 95, afternoon 98. 69 attendances are lost today owing to bad weather.
- 12 Improved attendance today St. II & III examined in Arithmetic. There are still 5 or 6 backward boys in each Standard.
- 16 Very good attendance today. 140 morning. 141 afternoon. St. I boys are making satisfactory progress, excepting Lexton & Stagg.
- 17 Very wet morning. Only 104 present this morning.
- 19 In Arithmetic the second St. has made considerable progress.
- 22 A considerable falling off in the attendance of St. I owing to colds.
- 24 Very foggy afternoon.
- 29 Wet morning. Attendance small. 1st St. still shows very thin attendance.
- Dec 1 First Class – commenced reading Julius Caesar.
- 3 Weekly inspection of Exercise Books shews great care to have been taken in St. II & III. Several boys in each class still require great attention.
- 8 Very wet & boisterous morning, only 77 boys in attendance.
- 9 I notice a marked improvement in Composition, especially in the boys who make use of the Parochial Library.
- 10 2nd & 3rd Sts. Shewed a slight falling off in the character of their work. Several boys were caned for gross carelessness.
- 16 Punished Fred Taylor (St. IV) for careless Dictation.
- 17 Attendance greatly improved being 132.7 for this week. Little progress has been made by backward boys in St. III.
- 22 Took Christmas Carols in Singing Lesson this afternoon.
- 23 Closed School this afternoon for Christmas Holidays.
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- Jan 10 School reopened. 127 boys in attendance. Several water pipes burst owing to frost.
- 11 Commenced teaching Multiplication of Vulgar Fractions to St. V.
- 13 Weather very foggy. Smaller attendance than usual in consequence.
- 19 Examined ST. III in Grammer. The boys were slow in answering.
- 24 Improved attendance in St. I.
- 25 Punished several boys in St. III for careless work.
- 27 Examined St. I in Reading. Requires much attention.
- 29 St. II & III show a slight falling off in their Arithmetic. Saw the Attendance Officer today respecting Axtell & Penfold (St. I).
- Feb 1 Meeting of Trustees of Thos. Brumfield's Charity at 6.15. Prizes were awarded as follows:-
Chas. Sparrow £2, Geo. Worsfold £2, Geo. Archer £1.15, Geo. Brooker £1.15, Fred Pederick £1.15, Chas. Elliott £1.15.
- 3 Divided St. I into two Divisions for Reading. The more advanced boys are in charge of Monitor (G. Weaver). The backward boys are under the care of the P.T. (G. Constable).
- 4 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. St. III did their work in a very unsatisfactory manner. St. II shews improvement.
- 8 Examined Sts. II & III in Repetition. Several boys notably Lynch, Martin & Watts require close attention.
- 10 Mr. Joce absent today from 11 a.m. to attend at his brother's marriage.
- 11 Weekly examinations shew a decided improvement in Reading of First St.

- 15 Edward Friday a Fifth Standard boy admitted yesterday fell down on his way home from School & broke his arm.
- 17 The 3rd St. shew a decided improvement in Grammer.
- 18 The weekly examination in Arithmetic shews that several boys in St. III require close attention for inaccurate. [sic] Average attendance 137.3 for the week. Rain today caused a falling off in the attendance. Until Thursday the average was 169.6.
- 23 Ash Wednesday. Children attended service in Church at 11 am. Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 25 St. III still shew inaccuracy in their Arithmetic.
- Mar 2 The 2nd Div. of St. I shew a great improvement in reading. Stagg & Chivington are still backward.
- 4 St. III still work Arithmetic inaccurately. More mental work is required.
- 8 Smaller attendance than usual this afternoon owing to "Confirmation" at Church.
- 9 Punished Kemble St. V for careless work.
- 10 Examination of N.I. in Arithmetic. Four boys with no sums right, viz: Axtell, Bull, Chaffey, & Tickner.
- 11 The First St. commenced reading as follows:-
 Nelson Royal Readers Morning
 New London Readers Afternoon
- 15 Heavy snowstorm. Small attendance in consequence.
- 16 Attendance today much below the average.
- 17 Weekly examination in Arithmetic. 1st St. has greatly improved. St. III makes slow progress.
- 21 The 2nd Division of St. I having made satisfactory progress in Reading the Class now works in one Division.
- 23 Examined St. V in Arithmetic. Tests taken from "Teacher's Aid". Every boy present worked four sums right.
- 28 Mrs. Lynch informed me that her son Charles will not attend School after this date as they are leaving the neighbourhood. Half holiday today, Juvenile Missionary Meeting.
- 30 Heard Reading St. II from History Readers. Stevenson still stammers very much.
- 31 Mrs. Hampton informed me that in consequence of leaving Ewell to reside at Guildford her three sons, George, Henry & John are withdrawn from this School.
- Apr 1 Heavy snowstorm. Small attendance compared with yesterday.
- 5 Examined St. III in Geography. Watts, Percy Martin & Taylor answered badly.
- 7 Closed School until Tuesday morning for Easter Holiday.
- 12 Reopened School. Small attendance. Harry Crockford St. IV, an orphan, having received admittance into a "Home" at Barnet is withdrawn from this School.
- 14 Examined St. III in Grammer. Cook & Dunford require attention.
- 18 Bertie & Wm. Tickner withdrawn owing to parents leaving neighbourhood.
- 19 & 20 Spring Races. Attendance continued good at School excepting Wednesday afternoon. P.T. had the afternoon for private study.
- 22 St. III examined in Reading. Wiltshire requires attention.
- 26 Geo. Constable absent this afternoon suffering from toothache.

- 29 Examined St. III in Reading. The boys read much more distinctly.
- May 2 Wet morning. Attendance slightly affected. Punished G. Taylor & A. Voller for careless dictation. E. Chivington St. I absent truanting.
- 4 Scripture taken at 11.30. Choir boys dismissed at that hour in order to be present at a wedding.
- 5 Punished Wm., Geo. & Ernest Watts for habitual lateness.
- 6 Received a note from Mrs. King stating "her little girl is ill with measles". On that account Robt. King St. V will be absent for a short time.
- 11 Questioned St. III in Geography. Mr. Joce taking charge of First Class. All answered satisfactorily excepting Watts & Percy Martin.
- 13 Gave St. IV Arithmetical Tests from "Teacher's Aid". Geo. Taylor punished for careless mistakes.
- 17 Fred Boyce & Wm. Axtell absent through illness. Parents promised to send the boys to the examination if possible.
- 18 & 19 Annual Government Examination. School closed for Race Week Holiday.
- 31 Reopened School. Admitted 23 boys from Infants School.
 St. I in charge of Mr. Joce
 " II & III " G. Constable P.T.
 " IV upwards " Head Teacher
- June 2 Percy Martin & Ernest Walls remain in St. III. Wm. Cotter, Wm. Pease, Wm. Carr & Wm. Cook remain in St. IV.
- 4 Wet day, falling off in attendance.
- 9 Taught "God Save the Queen", with second & third verses revised.
- 11 Examined Reading in St. I. Becket, Green, Atkins & Everton backward.
- 15 Received Report of H.M.I. Copy
 "The Boys have passed in their Standards satisfactorily, but not without some very monotonous reading in the First Standard, & poor spelling in the Second Standard. The Third Standard do well & the Upper Standards in their paper work acquit themselves very creditably. Reading will be better when the pronunciation improves. Grammer & Geography are satisfactory especially the latter & Poetry is recited by the elder scholars with more than ordinary spirit. Good order is kept throughout the School".
 Thos. Bliss, Vicar
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| No. presented for examination | 131 |
| Passed in Reading | 129 |
| " Writing | 98 |
| " Arithmetic | 119 |
- 16 Considerable falling off in attendance today owing to illness, probably occasioned by the great heat.
- 17 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. The work apportioned has been carefully done.
- 21 & 22 Holiday for celebration of the Queen's Jubilee.
- 23 & 24 Attendance much smaller than usual.
- 27 Half holiday today. Village Club Feast.
- 30 Examined St. V. in Practice. Beams & Evans did their work unsatisfactorily.
- July 1 Usual weekly examination of St. II & III. Work satisfactory.
- 6 Examined St. IV. Fred Taylor, Geo. Wiltshire & Walter Brooker are below the average reading in this class.

- 8 Examined Dictation of Sts. II & III from pages given to be prepared. Work in St. III was weak in about six cases.
- 12 Prizes & Certificates distributed at 6 o'clock in the evening.
- 13 Taught a song "Old England is our Home".
- 14 Examined Sts. IV, V & VI. Hawkins, Stagg & Everett worked their papers excellently.
- 15 Examined Sts. II & III. In St. III all the boys worked their exercises in Long Division excepting A. Taylor, Killick & Tidy.
- 18 Received a note from Mrs. Palin complaining that the P.T. Geo. Constable continually boxes her boy's ears. I enquired closely into the matter & found that the charge is entirely without foundation.
- 20 Mrs. Geal complained that Mr. Joce had severely punished her boy. The child had two large bruises on his leg caused by blows from a pointer. I cautioned Mr. Joce against the improper use of the pointer.
- 21 Half holiday today on account of Treat to Chapel Sunday School Children.
- 22 Examined Sts. II & III in Dictation. South, Palin, Loxton, Pickering & Axtell in St. II, Carter, A. Pederick, Archer & Stevenson in St. III, did their work badly.
- 28 Closed School at noon for four weeks Summer Holiday.
- Aug 29 Re-opened School. A Circus at Epsom affected attendance this afternoon.
- 30 Punished Walter Coombes at the request of his father for truanting yesterday afternoon.
- Sept 1 Made enquiries respecting absentees, many boys are not yet returned from their holidays.
- 2 Very wet day. Attendance consequently small.
- 5 Readmitted Hentry Cottee.
- 6 Punished Wm. Archer for careless dictation.
- 7 Taught a song "Tom Bowling".
- 9 Geo. Pickering, Alfd. Penfold & Wm. Axtell truanted this afternoon. I sent to their parents respectively who promised to punish them.
- 12 Cautioned boys who were absent on Friday afternoon as I find that since the Holidays several boys in each Standard are away from School for no good reason.
- 19 St. IV commenced reading Nelson's History Readers.
- 23 Examined Sts. I, II & III in Reading. Satisfactory progress is being made.
- 26 Eight boys absent this morning with colds or sore throats.
- 27 Attendance shews further falling off today. 119 present this afternoon as compared with 132 Monday morning.
- 28 Dr. Barnes called & informed me that there are cases of "Scarlet Fever" at the homes of Howell, Pederick, Chaffey & Penfold, & gave orders that children from these families are not to attend School until the fever is over.
- 30 Their being further cases of Scarlet Fever it was decided to close the Schools until the village is clear of the epidemic. Attendance today 90 m. 77 a.
- Nov 7 Re-opened School a period of five weeks having elapsed. Received a communication from Dr. Barnes as follows:-

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Ewell, Nov. 6th 1887

Dear Sir,

The enclosed is a list of Infected Houses, so far as the National School is concerned, with an approximate date at which they may be considered free. I have erased two where the condition was one of throat ailment & a period of a month of convalescence has elapsed.

Believe me

Yours very truly

Signed – Geo. R. Barnes

Infected Houses Nov. 5th

Howell	West Street	1 month
Pederick	“	a fortnight
Chaffey	Kingston Road	“
Taylor	Longdown	“
Penfold	Kingston Road	1 month
Green	Meadow Walk	6 weeks
Axtell	Kingston Road	“
Searle	Gibraltar	-
Remnant	“	-

On Thursday Nov. 3rd the Schools were fumigated & orders given for offices to be lime washed. Attendance 91 m. 96 a.

- 8 Taught Hymn 161. Tune St. Vincent.
- 9 Commenced using Holborn Series Geo. Reader No. 6, Nl. Society's History Reader Part IV in St. V & upwards & Chambers Fourth Reader in St. IV. The 2nd St. commenced Reading Nl. Society's 2nd Reader.

11 Av. Attendance 96.

16 I examined St. III on the Coast-line of England. Results very satisfactory.

18 Mr. Joce gave a lesson (before the P.T.) on “Salt” to St. II & III.

21 Sts. IV-VII commenced learning “Mark Antony's Oration”.

Mr. Buxton having broken his collar-bone on Saturday Nov. 26 was absent from Monday Nov. 28th to Monday Dec. 12th (two weeks). During this period the School was under the charge of Mr. T. J. Joce C.M. The work of the School was carried on to the entire satisfaction of the Managers.

Thos. Bliss, Correspondent.

- Dec 14 Taught a song “How pray we for our country”.
- 15 Examined Sts. II & III in Reading. St. III read satisfactorily. St. II pay very little heed to stops.
- 16 Wet day affected attendance.
- 23 Closed School for One Week Xmas Holiday.

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- Jan 2 Re-opened School. Attendance much better than is usual after a holiday. 119 present morning 123 afternoon.
- 3 Sent notes to parents of all absentees & found that E. Chivington & David Morris have been allowed to stay from School without their fathers' knowledge.
- 6 Average this week 119.5, the best week this quarter.
- 11 Examined St. I Reading. The lower half of the class still requires very close attention.
- 13 Penfold & Axtell St. II are very backward in all their work.
- 16 Many boys are suffering from coughs, coughing particularly in St. IV seems incessant.
- 18 Taught a song “800 Years Ago”.

- 19 Punished Geo. Cox (St. IV) for using bad language.
- 20 Examined Sts. I-III Reading. Backward boys in St. II have made good progress.
- 23 Mrs. Tuppen called at School this morning & informed me that her son Percy is unable to attend owing to an abscess in his face.
- 25 Considerable falling off in the attendance of St. I chiefly through colds & toothache. E. Chivington absent idling about the village.
- 30 Examined St. III in Grammer. The answers shewed a lack of intelligence.
- Feb 2 Taught a song "The Brooklet".
- 3 St. III examined by Tests in Compound Addition. Work very inaccurate. To improve this each boy will work one sum before going home at night. St. II shews a steady advance in Reading. Laxton & Axtell however seem to make very little progress. St. I spell much better than their reading would lead one to expect.
- 13 Percy Tuppen, who has been absent unwell fell down in a fit during dinner hour. He was taken into the School-house for a little time & then sent home under the care of two 1st Class boys.
- 14 Mrs. Tuppen informed me this morning that Dr. Barnes has given orders that her son Percy being very weak must not attend School until he regains strength.
- 15 Ash Wednesday. The boys did not attend church this morning as was the custom in previous years. Register closed at 9.5 this morning & choir-boys allowed to attend service in church at 11 a.m. Scripture Lesson this morning from 11.30 to 12. No half holiday given today.
- 17 Mr. Wagstaffe Attendance Officer for Epsom, called this morning to make enquiries respecting the attendance of Epsom boys attending these schools. Attendance very unsatisfactory in Sts. I & II owing to the severe weather. Percy Best, Hy. Gadd, Wm. Overton, Wm. Axtell, Andrew Perry, Geo. Sutton, John Sycamore & Percy Tuppen absent ill.
- 22 Taught song "Whistling Farmer-Boy".
- 24 St. III worked exercises in Arithmetic much more accurately than on Feb 3rd last. In St. I spellings set for the week were well prepared. In St. II South is very backward in reading.
- 28 Received a note from the Attendance Officer, requesting the attendances of Wm. Chivington, Robert Mason, Geo. Stevens, John Orton, Fredk. Atkins (All I St. boys) for the past fortnight.
- Mar 7 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. The work was done satisfactorily. Figures are greatly improved.
- 8 Punished Alfd. Wakefield for careless writing & spelling in Copy-books.
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Fisher residents of Ewell visited the School this afternoon.
- 15 Examined St. V in Arithmetic. Loxton & Charman require close attention.
- 19 Juvenile Missionary Meeting held in the Boys' School room at 3 p.m. Half holiday given.
- 20 Heavy snow-storm. Very small attendance, particularly in Sts. I, II, III. Mr. Joce took charge of these Standards today whilst P.T. devoted the time to private study.
- 23 Weekly examination of Lower Standards. St. II has made no improvement in reading. The small attendance owing to illness & bad weather may account for this.

- 28 Very heavy rain-fall affected attendance. Only 10 boys present in First Standard. Monitor took charge of these. Mr. Joce took Sts. II & III. P.T. had the morning for private work.
- 29 School closed until Tuesday April 3rd for Easter Holiday.
- Apr 3 Mr. Maingay (Manager) visited the School.
- 6 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic.
- Results St. II
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| 4 right | 17 boys | |
| 3 “ | 4 “ | |
| 2 “ | 1 “ | |
| 1 “ | 4 “ | |
| 0 “ | 2 “ | Palin & Loxton had no sums right |
- Standard III
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| 4 right | 11 boys | |
| 3 “ | 4 “ | |
| 2 “ | 4 “ | |
| 1 “ | 0 “ | Pease had no sums right |
- 10&11 Epsom Spring Races made but slight difference in attendance excepting in St. I.
- 12 Punished Geo. & Ernest Watts for being late this morning.
- 16 Sts. V & VI analyse a sentence each morning at 10.50.
- 18 Examined St. V. in Arithmetic. The work is more accurate. Loxton is very slow in his work.
- 24 All work in Upper Standards is now done on paper. Boys in each Standard correct mistakes at close of School.
- 25 Several boys absent in St. I owing to illness.
- 27 Lady Glyn visited & heard Recitation of St. II.
- May 1 Number on registers six less than at commencement of last year.
- 2 Percy Best & Hy. Gadd absent with whooping cough.
- 4 Examined St. II & III. St. II shews a marked improvement in Reading. Wm. South makes but little progress.
- 7 Attendance very good excepting in St. I. Sent notes to parents of absentees requesting regular attendance of their children.
- 9 Examined St. III Geography. All answered satisfactorily excepting Watts, Martin, Stevenson & Tidy.
- 14 Mrs. Richards informed me that her son Robert will be absent the whole of this week owing to a “gathering in the ear”.
- 15 Examined St. II. All present worked four sums correctly, excepting Fred Atkins who had 3 right.
- 16 Wm. South absent owing to a death in the family.
- 18 Mr. Joce took First Class in Geography whilst I examined Sts. II & III.
- 21 Bank Holiday. Slight falling off in attendance.
- 23 School closed this afternoon until Monday June 4th for customary Race Week Holiday.
- June 4 Re-opened School. Rearranged classes being guided by Duplicate Schedules. The following boys having failed the the subjects set opposite their names remain in the Standards in which they were examined:-
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| V | Chantler, Leonard | Writing, Arithmetic |
| “ | Channell, Alfred | “ “ |
| IV | Cook, William | Reading, Writing, Arithmetic |

IV	Taylor, George	“	“
II	Loxton, George	Reading, Writing	
“	Palin, John	Writing, Arithmetic	
“	South, Wm.	Reading, Writing	

Received the names of 20 boys to be admitted from Infants' Department. Of these 15 were present, 3 absent owing to whooping cough & 2 absent without reasonable excuse.

- 8 Examined boys transferred from Infants' School. Reading taken from 1st Royal Readers. Hawkins & Goodwin read very well. The rest of the class spell their way along slowly.
- 13 Taught a song "The Little Philosopher".
- 19 Seven boys absent this week owing to illness.
- 22 St. II examined in Reading. Axtell, Chaffey, Chivington & Stagg require close attention.
- 26 Taught a hymn "Saviour Blessed Saviour" in Scripture Class.
- 28 Examined Arithmetic (Long Division) St. III. Wakefield & Bull require attention.
- July 5 Heard St. II read. Chivington & Afld. Stagg require attention.
- 6 Received "Inspector's Report on the School"

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"The School has passed a creditable examination notwithstanding the five weeks closing on account of illness & the Master's absence owing to an accident. The standard work is very fairly good as a whole with some rather weak spelling in the second, fourth & fifth Standards & monotonous Reading with defective pronunciation almost throughout. Grammer & Geography are satisfactory. Recitation is best in the upper Standards, where there is a good deal of expression thrown into it. Singing is well taught. The order is good. Measures might be taken for rendering the partition door between the boys' & infants' rooms more impervious to sound."

Thos Bliss, Correspondent

G. Constable – Grammer, Geography, Euclid

- 9 Prizes distributed at 6 pm.
- 11 Taught a song "See Our Oars".
- 13 The blackboards were re-surfaced today by Mr. Foreman of Southsea. Mr. Nixon, Attendance Officer, visited & cautioned several irregular boys.
- 18 Taught a song "Fatherland".
- 19 Mr. Gadesden visited & inspected the screen dividing the Boys' from Infants' Room with a view to suggesting a plan for rendering it more impervious to sound.
- 26 Attendance small today owing to Epsom Sunday School Treat. All Epsom boys attending this School were absent.
- 27 Sent in attendance of Alfd. Taylor, G. Wilding & T. Snow to Mr. Wagstaffe Attendance Officer Epsom.
- Aug 1 Closed School for "Harvest Holidays".
- Sept 3 Reopened School. Attendance compared favourably with previous years.
- 6 Attendance unusually small (88) this afternoon owing to a Circus at Epsom.
- 7 Examined Sts. II & III in Reading. Mason, Green, Axtell, Atkins, Simmons, C. Laffey & Stagg all in St. II read much below the average of the rest of the class.

- 12 Taught a song "Twenty Years Ago".
- 13 Sts. IV-VII commenced learning "Balaklava" (Sir F. H. Doyle).
- 14 St. II have made but little progress in Reading. The boys mentioned on 7th inst. seem at a standstill. Many boys absent this week gleaning. Sent a further list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
- 21 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. Results unsatisfactory & duly recorded.
- 24 Children's Clothing Club closes today. Attendance greatly improved.
- 26 Taught a song "Upon a farm no idle hands".
- 28 Examined Reading in Sts. II & III. A decided advance has been made by all excepting Chivington, Simmons & Atkins.
- Oct 1 Mrs Atkins sent word that her two boys are absent owing to one of her little ones being ill with measles.
- 5 The Arithmetic in Sts. II & III shews a decided improvement.
- 10 Attendance falling off owing to several boys being absent on account of some member of the family being ill with measles.
- 15 The Infants' Department is closed owing to the prevalence of measles. No child attending the Boys School is ill with the measles but several are absent through fear of contracting the illness through attendance at School, & the following boys are absent owing to some member of the family having the measles.
 Leonard Chantler
 Fred Hawkins
 Ernest Howell
 Alfd. Revell
 Wm. Green
 Herbt. Standen
 Hy. Hawkins
 Chas. Howell
 Wm. Revell
 Wm. Worsfold
 Fred. Goodwin
- 19 Attendance unusually small, only 97 present this afternoon.
- 22 The following are absent owing to measles in their homes.
 Chas. Elliott
 Hy. Killick
 Arthur Smith
 Fred Elliott
 Elie Tidy
 Alfd. Wakefield
 Edwd. Cook
 Fred. Vincent
- Wrote at the request of the Vicar to Diocesan Inspector informing him that the Infants' Department is closed owing to measles & that there is a considerable falling off in the attendance of Boys & Girls from the same cause. I suggested that the Scripture Examn. which is fixed for Thurs. Oct. 25th be postponed.
- 25 Received a communication from Revd. E. Copson Peake, postponing Scripture Examn.
- 26 No new rule in Arithmetic has been taught since Oct 10th.

- 30 Very small attendance today owing to wet weather.
 31 Taught a song "Poor little fisher-boy".
- Nov 2 G. Constable has spend the afternoon this week on Private study. Mr. Joce took charge of Sts. II & III & Edwin Ayres (Monitor) took St. I.
 5 Improved attendance today.
 7 E. Chivington absent owing to a member of the family having measles. Alfd. Penfold absent with whooping cough.
 9 Percy Tuppen (St. III) makes very little progress with his work. As the boy is subject to fits I have impressed on the teacher of the class not to make any attempt to bring him up to the general standard of the class.
 12 Improved attendance this morning. Percy Martin & Albert Cozens (St. IV) absent without excuse.
 18 Examined Sts. II & III in Reading. St. II has made great improvement. St. III has made no advance. I saw Mr. Nixon (Attendance Officer) respecting the inexcusable absence of T. Overton, A. Cozens, P. Martin, W. Macey, F. Godrey & R. Mason.
 22 All the boys who were reported to the Attendance Officer last week have been in attendance this week excepting T. Overton. In St. III there was only one case of absence this week.
 23 Viz: David Morris absent on Thursday afternoon. Considerable progress has been made in Arithmetic in St. II & III.
 28 Holiday given in the afternoon.
 30 St. III has made considerable progress in Reading during the past fortnight.
- Dec 5 Taught two Christmas Carols.
 7 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. In St. III Morris & Chandler are much behind the average of the class. Attendance Officer visited during the afternoon. I reported H. Standen (St. I) to him. The boy has been absent nearly the whole week, being beyond the control of his parents.
 11 Mrs. Snow called to explain the reason of her son's continued absence & produced a certificate from Dr. Alexander which I retain.
 12 St. II shews a great improvement in Dictation.
 14 Falling off in attendance this week owing to many children suffering from colds.
 20 Closed School at 4 pm for Christmas Holiday.

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- Jan 1 Re-opened School. 118 present morning, 120 afternoon.
 15 School closed today, being used for County Council Election.
 18 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic & Dictation. Work in St. III very satisfactory. In St. II there is improvement, but Axtell, Atkins, A. Mason, W. Green, A. Stagg are much below the average of the class.
 23 Registers closed at 9.25 this morning. Scripture Lesson taken from 11.30 to 12. Choir boys (eleven in number) allowed to leave at 11.30 this morning & are granted a holiday this afternoon at the request of J.H. Bridges Esq. (Churchwarden) who is kindly providing dinner for them & taking them to the Crystal Palace for the afternoon.
- Feb 1 The Second Standard shew a great improvement in Dictation. Five minutes have been taken each morning & afternoon from Arithmetic Lesson for Spellings during the past fortnight. Attendance Officer visited. I requested him to bring the case of E. Chivington before the Attendance Committee as the parents of the boy pay no attention to repeated requests from me to send

- their son to School more regularly. During the past four weeks the boy has been present 8 times out of a possible 38.
- 8 Sts. II & III shew a great improvement in reading.
- 11 Heavy snow-storm. Small attendance. Sts. I-III taken by Mr. Joce with Monitors. P.T. devoted time to private study in small class room.
- 13 Taught a song "The Foaming-sea".
- 15 Weekly exam not held today owing to bad attendance caused by inclement weather. 23 boys absent the whole week.
- 22 Sts. II & III shew a marked improvement in Reading. Spelling is gradually improving in the weak parts of the class.
Mrs. Chivington informed me that Dr. Daniells has advised her to keep her son Ernest from School owing to his bad health.
- 27 Taught a Song "Ready".
- Mar 4 Mrs. Clinch informed me that her son Caleb is in the Epsom Cottage Hospital suffering from a prolapses [sic] of an old standing rupture.
- 6 Half-holiday. Ash Wednesday.
- 8 Examined St. I in Reading. The boys generally hesitate & read very slowly, when upon closer examination it is seen they know the word upon which the pause is made. To overcome this I have decided to take the class every day from 10.50 to 11 am & from 4 to 4.10 pm.
- 15 Satisfactory progress is being made in Sts. II, III & IV in Dictation.
- 20 Sts. V & VI shewed a marked improvement in Composition. Edw. Cook's work however is very unsatisfactory.
- 25 Punished Albert Cozens, at the request of his parents, for truanting on Friday last. School closed this afternoon, Juvenile Missionary Meeting held in Boys' School-room,
- 29 ST. I examined in Reading. E. Taylor, Carr, Day, Howell are rather backward.
- Apr 5 Eight boys absent the whole of the week owing to illness.
- 9 Large numbers of absentees this week owing to very wet weather. Frank Day absent, ill in bed. William South absent suffering from abscess in the face.
- 11&12 P.T. revised his work for examination on Saturday April 13th. Mr. Joce took Sts. II & III.
- 18 School closed until Tuesday morning, April 23rd for Easter Holiday.
- 23 Re-opened School.
- 24 Attendance smaller than usual today owing to Epsom Spring Races.
- 25 Punished Albert Cox for making lead pencil marks in Geography Reader (St. II).
- 26 Small attendance this week in St. I. Several boys absent the whole week owing to illness.
- 30 Frank Carter (St. IV) absent, owing to an abscess forming in his face. G. Constable's apprenticeship terminates today.
- May 1 I questioned Sts. II & III in Geography. St. II children require to be taught "animal life" in the different zones of the world. St. III answered well throughout particularly in political facts.
- 6 George Constable whose apprenticeship terminated on 30th April was engaged as Assistant until Jan 31st 1890. It is his intention to sit for Scholarship examination in July next.

- 8 This evening I called on the parents of Frank Carter (see April 30th) & on the parents of Fred Vincent who has injured his right hand, & asked them if possible to allow their children respectively to attend School tomorrow. In each case the parents promised to send their child.
- 13 Received the names of 23 boys to be admitted from Infants' Department. Of these 22 were present this morning, Horace Martin being absent.
- 15 George Saunders of Ewell, lately a Scholar in Epsom Nl. Schools commenced duties as Monitor this morning. If he gives satisfaction he will be presented as a Candidate for Pupil Teachership at the next examn.
- 16 Classes rearranged as follows:-
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| Standards V-VII | Head Teacher – Schoolroom |
| “ IV | G. Constable ex P.T. – School room |
| “ II & III | Mr. Joce with C. Elliott – Large Class room |
| “ I | Geo. Saunders - Small Class room |
- The undermentioned boys remain in the Standards in which they were last examined.
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| St. I | Josiah Macey | Failed in Reading & Arithc. |
| “ II | Wm. Green | “ Writing & Arithc. |
| “ III | Percy Tuppen | “ 2 yrs. successively in Writing –
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| “ IV | Percy Martin | Failed in 3 subjects |
| “ “ | Elie Tidy | “ Arithmetic |
| “ “ | Ernest Watts | “ “ |
| “ “ | Harry Killick | “ “ 2 yrs. successively |
- Elie Tidy & Ernest Watts are unusually dull in all their work.
- 27 Heavy downpour of rain, small attendance in consequence.
- 31 Prizes & Certificates distributed this morning by the Revd. T. Bliss & Revd. I. B. Ware. School closed for Race Week Holiday.
- June 4 Report of H.M. Inspector received today.
- Copy “The Boys’ School is in thoroughly satisfactory working order. The elementary work is very well done except that Handwriting might still further improve on slates, on paper & in copy-books. Better pronunciation is still to be desired in Reading & Recitation. Grammer is pretty good, Geography is better. Singing is better taught than often elsewhere but there is as yet no instruction in the notes. Highly efficient discipline is maintained & the tone of the School throughout is very good. G. Constable should be informed that he is now qualified under Article 50, but not under Article 52
- Thos. Bliss, Correspondent.
- 10 Whit Monday Bank Holiday. School closed today.
- 12 Taught a School song “Good heart & willing hand”.
- 13 The following new Reading-books were introduced today:-
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| Sts. V-VII | Marshall’s Pleasant Readers |
| IV | Holborn Geographical No. 4 |
| III | Chamber’s Geographical |
| I | Marshall’s Pleasant Readers |
- 18 During the very warm weather St. I is allowed 5 mins. In the play-ground from 2.55 to 3.
- 21 Examined Reading in Sts. I & II. Satisfactory progress has been made.

- 25 A large number of boys in the Upper Standards have left School during the past fortnight.
- July 1 G. Constable absent from School this week attending Scholarship Examn. at Winchester.
- 8 Admitted Charles Stevenson. Owing to ill health this boy has never attended any school previous to this date. He knows absolutely nothing.
- 11 Half holiday today, the occasion being the opening of the Epsom & Ewell Cottage Hospital by the Duchess of Teck.
- 18 Small attendance this morning owing to an excursion of children attending the Congregational Sunday School to Box Hill, a School treat of Epsom children held in Ewell & a Choral Festival at Letherhead [sic]. Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 19 Examined spelling in St. I. Progress is being made especially by the backward boys.
- 25 Examined St. V. in Arithmetic. A. Pederick, A. Place, & G. Mason are behind the rest of the class in their work.
- 30 Prizes distributed to Sunday School children at 4.15.
- Aug 1 Closed School for Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 2 Reopened School. 131 present in the morning, 134 afternoon.
- 5 Small attendance this afternoon owing to the Circus at Epsom.
- 6 Charles Smith Epsom (St.I) complained of sore throat & head-ache this morning. I sent him home accompanied by his brother at 11 am.
- 9 Readmitted Reginald Eden & Bertie Luff. R. Eden now lives at Cheam. He has just passed St. I in Cheam Nl. School. B. Luff has not attended any school since leaving Ewell in May last when passed St. I. Both boys I have placed in St. II.
- 13 St. II & III examined in Arithmetic. The following boys are much below the average of their class.
St. III – Palin, Stagg, Axtell, A. Mason, Martin
St. II – Carr, Reeves, Standen, E. Taylor
- 16 Examined St. I. Great progress has been made in writing words from Dictation. Reading however calls for close attention.
- 24 Examined St. IV in Arithmetic. The boys are rather slow in their work.
- 27 Dictation of St. II & III examined today. St. II is very unsatisfactory.
- Oct 2 From this date Scripture Lessons will be taken from 9.5 to 9.45 am instead of from 11.30 to 12 on Tuesday mornings.
- 4 Very wet day.
- 9 Mrs. Martin informed me that her son George is very unwell & unable to attend School.
- 11 The following boys have been absent the whole week owing to ill health. Hy. Garner, Wm. Everest, Geo. Martin, Chas. Stevens.
- 18 Mr. Nixon (Relieving Officer) called during the afternoon & spoke a few words of warning to Irregular boys.
- 25 Half holiday given today. End of 2nd quarter. 42 boys have been present every time.
- 28 There is a slight falling off of attendance owing to several boys being away from the village.
- 29 Wrote to the Attendance Officer respecting irregularity of Wm. Burden, Hy. Bedell & Albt. Bedell.
- 30 Taught a song "Hail to the Holly-crowned King".

- Nov 1 Very wet morning. Attendance only slightly affected. Spelling in St. II is very weak.
- 6 Examined Spelling in St. I. Results very satisfactory.
- 11 Examined Reading in Sts. II & III. Standard III pay very little heed to stops. The asperate requires much attention.
- 13 Punished Geo. Green in the larger classroom in the presence of Mr. Joce for his insolent bearing.
- 18 Sts. V to VII commenced learning "The Bargain" Scene from The Merchant of Venice.
- 20 Taught a Christmas Song "Good King Wenceslas".
- 22 Examined Reading in St. III. Considerable progress has been made. Axtell, Mason, A. & Revell are below the average of the class.
- 27 At 1.10 pm two boys R. Eden & J. Orton were playing at horses. They rushed into the road & were knocked down by Mr. Marks' (the baker's) cart. The wheel passed over R. Eden's shoulder. The boy was brought into the School house. I sent for Dr. Barnes who examined him but found no injuries. J. Orton was not hurt either.
- 29 Choir boys allowed to attend a service at church.
- Dec 4 Examined Reading in St. I. No progress has been made during the past fortnight.
- 6 Eight boys absent this week owing to colds.
- 13 Percy Sparrow, Wm. Cheeseman, Wm. Ling & Wm. Standen are still much below the average of the average (sic) of the 1st St. in Reading.
- 19 Closed School for Christmas Holiday.
- 1890
- Jan 6 Reopened School. 120 present morning, 119 afternoon.
- 10 Gradual falling off in attendance during the week, the excuse for absence being "biliousness or else colds".
- 17 Head Master absent on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday ill with influenza. Attendance fell to 99(m) 100 (a).
- 20 Master present this morning. Enquiries made respecting absentees.
- 21 Mr. Joce called away owing to the death of his mother.
- 24 Attendance continues smaller than usual.
- 31 G. Constable's engagement as Assistant in this School terminates to-day.
- Feb 4 Examined St. IV in Arithmetic. The work is generally inaccurate. Five minutes will be taken each day for tables, & each boy will be required to work one sum at 4 o'clock.
- 5 Taught a Song "War Song of Druids".
- 7 The First Class wrote a letter on note paper. In future the Friday letter writing will be done on note-paper.
- 14 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. Punished Walter Watts for careless work.
- 18 Shrove Tuesday. Half holiday given.
- 21 Examined Dictation in Sts. II & III. Many boys in St. II write words incorrectly which they can spell viva voce.
- 26 St. I has made great progress in Reading since January. Spelling is rather weak.
- Mar 3 Snow storm. Small attendance in consequence.
- 7 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. In multiplication many boys cannot set down the multiplier correctly, otherwise the work is accurate.

- 14 Percy Tuppen, St. III, seemed very unwell today. The boy is subject to fits.
 19 St. IV shew a falling off in their Arithmetic this week.
 20 Very wet day. Small attendance.
 21 The Arithmetic in St. II has improved. Reeves, Penfold & Collins still set down the multiplier incorrectly.
 26 Taught a song "Hymn of the Fishermen's Children".
- Apr 3 Closed School until Tuesday Apr 8th – Easter Holiday.
 11 St. I. has made most satisfactory progress in Reading. Wood & South still spell very badly.
 1 Half holiday given today. Technical Exhibition in the Lecture Hall at which some of the boys are exhibitors. Henry & Albert Bedell absent this week, being ill with fever.
 23 Attendance smaller than usual owing to Epsom Spring Races.
 25 Sts. II & III examined in Dictation. In St. II Eden, Ethrington & Reeves require attention. The boys spell the words correctly (viva voce) but write them down incorrectly.
- May 1 Mr. Nixon (Attendance Officer) visited. I drew his attention to the irregular attendance of Wm. Burden & John Orton.
 9 Examined St. I in Reading. The boys have made very satisfactory progress, particularly the lower half of the class.
 12 Mr. A. W. Gadesden (Treasurer) accompanied by Mr. Best (Builder) went over the School premises this morning in order to report to the Managers what is necessary in the way of cleaning & repairs to the building. Mrs. Bedell made enquiries whether her two boys Henry & Albert will be allowed to attend School this week & the examination next week. I referred Mrs. Bedell to Dr. Barnes who has been attending the boys, & he states that the children cannot safely attend School for some weeks yet.
 15 I examined Recitation in St. I & was pleased with the boys' work.
 20 The School was inspected this day.
 Master – Samuel Buxton – 2nd Class
 Ass. Master – Thos. J. Joce – 2nd Class
 J.M. Byrne, H.M. Inspector
 21 Half holiday given today & yesterday.
 23 Received the names of 24 boys to be admitted from the Infants' Department.
 26 Whit Monday Holiday.
 28 Received Duplicate Schedules shewing following results:-
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| Boys examined | 128 |
| Passes in Reading | 124 |
| " Writing | 115 |
| " Arithmetic | 123 |
- The undermentioned boys remain in the Standards in which they were last examined:-
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| St. I | Wm. Marshall | Failed in Arithmetic, much behind the rest of the class |
| " II | Geo. Reeves | Failed in Arithmetic 1889 |
| | " " | Writing 1890 |
| | | very slow in all his work |
| " III | Wm. South | Failed in Reading & Writing 1890 |
- 30 School closed for Race Week Holiday.

- June 9 Reopened School.
 11 The drains from W.Cs to Cesspool were cleared out today.
 13 Received Inspector's Report.
Copy
 "The boys have passed a highly successful examination in their Standards. Arithmetic throughout is very well taught & Spelling as a whole is accurate. Reading & Writing might in many instances be better, though quite sufficiently good to pass. Maps are fairly well drawn. In the Upper Standards Shakespeare is recited in parts with great spirit. Songs are sung with feeling & good taste not often met with. Very good order is kept. The attendance has become much more regular".
 Amt. of grant £121.9.6
 John Thornton
- 18 Examined Sts. IV-VII in Arithmetic. St. V. has not made satisfactory progress in the apportioned work.
 20 Half holiday given today on the occasion of "Dedication of new peal of Bells".
 25 Examined Sts. IV-VII in Arithmetic. St IV seem unusually slow in understanding "Simple Practice".
 27 Wrote to Mr. Wagstaffe Attendance Officer Epsom, respecting irregular attendance of Thos. Snow, an Epsom boy.
 30 Very wet morning. Smaller attendance in consequence.
- July 4 Eight boys absent the whole of this week owing to illness. H. Garner & H. Sanders are away from the village & Chas. & Geo. Martin are absent owing to a case of Scarlet Fever in their home.
 9 Admitted Fred Leighton. Owing to ill health this boy has attended no school regularly & is therefore very backward.
 24 School closed today. Annual Sunday School Treat.
 25 End of 1st Quarter. 45 Boys have been present every time.
- Aug 1 Closed School at noon for Harvest Holidays.
- Sept 1 Re opened School. Smaller attendance than usual. This may be accounted for as follows – the late Harvest. A number of boys away from the village visiting friends.
 12 Thos. Snow absent owing to Whooping Cough. Edward Castle absent owing to Measles.
 25 Mr. Joce took Sts. II & upwards for Singing whilst I took Copy Books with St. I.
 26 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. The class generally set down the multiplier incorrectly.
 29 There is a falling off in attendance. Several boys in Sts. V-VII have obtained employment & several have left the village.
- Oct 10 Half holiday given this afternoon.
 24 Many boys absent the whole of this week with colds. 2nd Quarter of School year closes today. 43 boys have been present every time.
 27 Mrs. Watts informed me that Walt. Watts is absent being very ill.
 29 Walt. Watts is suffering from Scarlet Fever.
 30 Falling off in attendance today owing to several children suffering from colds & also to a report that Fever is spreading in Ewell.
- Nov 5 Examined St. I in Reading. The lower half of the Class does not make much progress.

- 7 Sts. II & III examined in Reading. Steady progress is being made.
 10 Improved attendance today.
 11 Wrote to Attendance Officer respecting continued absence of Thos. Snow & Wm Everest.
 12 Many boys are suffering from bad coughs. Singing not taken today.
 21 Took St. I in mental Arithmetic, the boys answered very smartly.
 26 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. Ten boys were unable to take down numbers when dictated.
- Dec 8 Examined St. I in Reading. Great improvement has been made.
 9 Very severe weather, falling off in attendance.
 19 Heavy snow storm. Only 92 boys present. Closed School at noon for Christmas Holidays.
- 1891
- Jan 5 Reopened School. 114 present (morning) 116 (afternoon). Enquiries made at 12 o'clock respecting absent boys.
 9 Attendance very bad in St. I owing to severe weather. In other parts of the School attendance is up to average.
 14 Examined St. I. Very little progress has been made in Reading since the beginning of December.
 18 Admitted Thos. Jas. Hales. The boy is extremely backward being unable to read even small words.
 28 Examined Reading in St. II from St. III Geographical Readers. The boys have made satisfactory progress.
 30 Close of 3rd Quarter. 46 boys have made every attendance.
- Feb 3 Examined Reading of Sts. I & III. The 2nd St. boys who have been promoted to St. III for reading are quite up to the average of the class.
 7 St. V has made a marked improvement in Arithmetic.
 11 Examined Reading in St. I. Very little progress has been made during the past three weeks.
 13 Punished Robt. Wood for careless work,
 18 Took St. II in Reading during Singing Lesson. The boys generally do not pay sufficient attention to stops.
 21 Chas. Stevenson was accidentally killed at Epsom Railway Station. Albert Dudley fell from a cart & broke his right arm.
 25 Examined St. I in Reading. Very slow progress is made.
- Mar 2 Received a note from Attendance Officer informing me that he has received instructions from the School Attendance Committee to take out a summons against the parents of Herbert Standen for his irregular attendance.
 4 St. II shew an improvement in Arithmetic.
 9 Half holiday this afternoon. Juvenile Meeting of C.M.S. in the Boys' School room.
- 10&11 Heavy snow storms. Many roads around Ewell blocked with snow. 17 boys who have not been absent previous to this date in the present quarter unable to attend School.
 13 Examined Sts. II & III in Reading. Satisfactory progress has been made.
 16 Improved attendance this morning.
 26 Closed School this afternoon until Tuesday March 31st for Easter Holidays.
- Apr 10 St. I have made considerable progress in Reading. The attendance has been much better lately owing to more genial weather.

- 24 Alan May (St. II) absent with measles. Wm. Everest & Thos. Hales absent owing to cases of measles in their homes.
- 30 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. The work was very good excepting in the case of John Orton & Wm. Cheeseman. The following boys were absent this week owing to illness, principally Measles – F. Day, H. Luff, Chas. Stevens, Josiah Macey, H. Martin, Ed. Sparrow.
- May 1 Only one boy, James Peters, absent this morning without reasonable excuse. Some years ago the boys were in the habit of going about the village on 1st May.
- 4 Took Sts. II & III in Geography. The boys answered questions satisfactorily. Marks & Carr in St. III are below the average of the class.
- 6 Took St. I in Reading. John Webb is considerably below the rest of the class.
- 8 The following boys have been absent this week owing to illness – F. Smith, H. Blanchett, T. Snow, A. Penfold, R. Leighton, F. Leighton, P. Smith, W. South.
- 14 The School was used for a meeting of the Ewell Band of Hope (C.E.T.S.) at 7 pm.
- 18 Whit Monday Bank Holiday. School closed.
- 19 Better attendance today. Several boys who have been absent owing to illness were present.
- 22 Closed School for Race Week.
- June 1 Reopened School. 139 boys present. Admitted 18 boys from Infants Department. Mr. Joce absent suffering from Influenza. Received the following report from the Rev. J. R. Byrne. “Geo. Saunders passed a very creditable examination. His Grammer was very good & Arithmetic & History very fairly good. Composition well done. Geogr. a little over fair. Spelling right. His class has been carefully & cleverly taught. He shews a great deal of promise”.
- Signed J. R. Byrne 23.5.91
- 8 Mr. Joce returned to his duties. He is far from well. He has charge of St. I at present. Geo. Saunders P.T. 2nd year is in charge of Sts. II & III. Harry Blanchett, Monitor, is absent, ill.
- 10 Taught a song “The Meeting of the Waters”.
- 12 Falling off in attendance at the end of this week owing to sickness.
- 13 Report from H.M. Inspector:-
 “The boys have done their elementary work in general very creditably. The lower Standards deserve great praise, especially the first & third & the paper work of the upper Standards is, with a few exceptions, very satisfactory. The Reading of the junior scholars has improved. That of the elder is still defective as regards pronunciation. Grammer & Geography are well answered. Recitation throughout is very good. Singing by ear is very much to be commended. Instruction in the notes has only recently commenced. The discipline is excellent. The regularity of the attendance notwithstanding the sickness is greatly to the Schools credit”. “G. Saunders has passed well”.
- Amount of Grant £128-
- 15 Posted a copy of the last account of Income & Expenditure furnished to the Department, on the School door.
- 17 Examined St. I & made two divisions of the Class for Reading.

- 26 Received notice of Result of Drawing Examn. held on April 16th the last. The School is marked "Fair". Geo. Saunders P.T. obtained 1st Class in 2nd Grade Freehand. Prizes & Certificates were distributed this afternoon.
- July 1 A new cupboard with glass-front in upper part was placed in Boys' Department today.
- 7 Sts. V-VII commenced new Reader "The Citizen Reader".
Sts. II & III commenced reading from the "Practical Reader"
- 9 Holiday given today. Congregational Sunday School Treat.
- 13 Smaller attendance than usual this morning. An excursion to Hastings has caused a number of 1st Class boys to be absent.
- 17 Weekly examination in Arithmetic shews that Edwin Taylor & Wm. Poplet are much below the average of the class.
- 23 About a dozen boys absent in consequence of the Congregational School Treat at Epsom.
- 24 Close of 1st Quarter of School year. 47 boys have been present every time during the quarter.
- 27 Very wet day. Small attendance.
- 29 Closed School for Harvest Holidays.
- Aug 31 Re-opened School. No school fees taken today for this week ending Sept. 4th.
- Sept 22 Half holiday given today at the request of many of the boys. Circus at Epsom.
- 28 Commenced a Penny Bank. Payments taken from 12 to 12.30.
- Oct 4 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. St. II requires more work at Multiplication Tables.
- 9 Half holiday given this afternoon.
- 12 Frank Elliott (St. I) absent suffering from Scarlet Fever.
- 13 Very heavy rain about ¼ to 9. The majority of the boys were drenched. Dismissed School at 9.10 & cancelled attendance. Reassembled at 1.30.
- 23 Close of 2nd Quarter of School year. 50 boys have been present every time.
- 27 Today during afternoon Reading Lesson about 3.10, Edwin Pederick fainted & fell forward on his face. I took the boy, who lives near the School, to his home. His mother informed me that he was far from well & tired with his mornings work. The boy is a half timer.
This occurrence [sic] startled the whole of the 1st Class & H. Gadd & P. Tuppen fainted but quickly recovered themselves. Several other boys looked very pale, but on sending them into the play ground they were quickly themselves again.
- Nov 4 Sts. II & III shew inaccuracy in Arithmetic.
- 11 Violent storm. Small attendance in Lower Standards. Upper Sts. very good. G. Saunders (P.T.) had private study today. H. Blanchett (Monitor) took St. I.
- 12 St. IV still work very inaccurately.
- 13 Examined St. I in Reading. Wm. & Horace Austin, Wm. Ingham, C. Sadgrove & R. West, are much below the average of the class.
- 26 Percy Atkinson (St. VII) was sent to get a scuttle of coals this morning. The girls were at play, & several pushed the coal cellar door to upon him, injuring his leg severely. I sent the boy home with Wm. Channell.
- 27 Average this week 145.2, the highest this year.

- Dec 2 St. IV commenced learning "The Piper of Lucknow" by J.G. Whittier. St. III are learning "Johnny" by Christina Rossetti [sic].
- 3 Mrs. Wood complained that her son has been put down from St. III to St. II. I drew her attention to Register of Progress for St. III & she was easily convinced that a wise course has been pursued.
- 7 Very wet morning. Attendance in lower Standards (I & II) very bad. A number of boys in these two Standards live at a great distance from the School. Only one boy absent from Upper Standards.
- 10 John Palin is considerably below the average of St. V in Arithmetic.
- 21 Very cold foggy morning. A large number of boys were late.
- 23 Closed School at 4 pm for Xmas Holidays.

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- Jan 11 Reopened School. Present 124 m. 126 a. A number of boys absent owing to colds.
- 15 The attendance is gradually falling off. "Bad Colds" & "Influenza" are given as reasons for absence.
- 18 Received names of 10 boys to be admitted from the Epsom Union Workhouse. Eight boys were present. These I examined, & called in the Rev. A. Low to look over the work. Arthur Shoebridge (11) has a knowledge of Compn., Multipn. & Divn. Bertie Jenner 12, William Bryant 11, Victor Barrell [ow?] 9, are not equal to Second Standard work. John Walters 7, Wm. Duck 7, Ephr. Longhurst 9, Chas. Brown 7, are not equal to Standard I.
- I have filed the paper work done by these boys, in order to lay the matter fully before the Managers.
- 20 Dismissed at 3.15 this afternoon in order that Upper Standards might attend a Memorial Service at Church with reference to the funeral of H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence. Attendance for the afternoon cancelled.
- 21 School closed at noon. There are several cases of diphtheria in the village.
- Feb 8 School re-opened after being closed for a fortnight by advice of medical men.
- 10 Received a Certificate from Dr. Bratton stating that "F. Cottee is perfectly free from all infection & fit to attend school".
- 12 The Rev. J. Thornton informed me that the sister of Fred Peters (St. II) died from diphtheria. Dr. Jacobs, Medical Officer of Health visited the School & questioned me respecting the period for which the schools were closed.
- 17 I spoke to Mrs. Pederick respecting the irregular attendance of Alf. & Edwin whom I have repeatedly warned. Mrs. Pederick promised to make an effort to send the boys to School more regularly.
- 19 The attendance has been unusually low since reopening the schools. I sent a list of absentees to the Attendance Officer.
- 22 Weather much milder. Improved attendance.
- 26 I was informed by a St. III boy that Wm. Ling is suffering from Diptheria & has been removed to Cheam. Percy Atkinson & W. Pederick appeared to be unwell this morning. They were absent this afternoon.
- 27 Dr. Bratton with Revd. A. Low (Manager) called at the School-house today (Saturday) & informed me that Percy Atkinson is suffering from Diptheria. I was also instructed by them not to open School on Monday.
- 29 Dr. Jacob M.O.H. visited during my absence from home & left the following communication with Mrs. Buxton.

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8 Attenburg Gardens
Clapham Common
London SW
Feb 29th 1892

Dear Sir,

As diphtheria appears now to be spreading at Ewell through attendance at the schools in West Street I recommend that they be at once closed for a month certain.

Yours Faithfully
Signed – E. L. Jacob
M.O.H.

Mr. Buxton

- Mar 30 Reopened School after being closed Four Weeks & Two Days. Morn. 106 present, afternoon 105.
- Apr 6 Examined 3 Rs throughout the School. Standards I & II have gone back considerably. Sts. VI-VII work Arithmetic by right methods, but are very inaccurate. Reading & Dictation show want of care.
- 7 I warned Edward Pederick (VII) respecting "gross irregularity".
- 14 Closed School for Easter Holiday, viz Good Friday & Easter Monday.
- 18 Reopened School.
- 28 Usual weekly exams. held today. First Class shews a great improvement.
- 29 Close of School year. 51 boys have been present every time this quarter. 15 out of 20 in St. IV have been present every time.
- May 5 Weekly exams. held. The boys seem to have recovered entirely from the effects of the School being closed. St. I are rather uncertain in Reading.
- 9 Henry Beedell absent suffering from bad eye. Arthur Mason absent owing to scalded leg. Frank Elliott absent with Tonsilitis.
- 11 Wm. Anstell, who was absent on Tuesday, presented himself this morning. The boy told me he has whooping cough. I sent him home telling him to ask his father or his mother to call upon me.
- 16 Wm. Freeland & John Webb, St. I absent, ill.
- 19 At a meeting of the Managers held this evening it was decided to present each of the nineteen boys who has been present every time during the year ending April 30th 1892 with a cap & badge.
- 27 School closed at 4 pm for Race Week & Whit Monday Holiday.
- June 7 School re-opened. Mr. Joce's engagement as Assistant Master terminated today by agreement with the Managers.
- 13 Until an Assistant is engaged the School staff is as follows:-
St. IV, V, VI, VII & ExVII Head Teacher with G. Marks, Monitor
St. II & III G. Saunders P.T. 3rd year with W. Archer, Monitor
St. I H. Blanchett Candidate for P.T.
- 16 Mr. T. M. Shingler of E. Bridgeford, Notts. has been engaged as Assistant, but will not be able to commence duties until Aug 29th when the School reopens after Summer Holidays.
- 23 Very wet day. Attendance in Lower Standards smaller than usual.
- 28 Half holiday today at the request of First Class in place of the half day usually given on the day of the Drawing Examn.
- 29 Report from H.M. Inspector

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The boys have passed a highly successful examination in elementary work considering the interruptions consequent on the epidemic of

diphtheria. Handwriting especially is to be praised. Spelling & Arithmetic are good. Composition very good. Reading is nearly as it was. Grammar is well answered. Geography remarkably well. Songs are to be commended. Singing by note is very fairly successful for a first attempt. The Discipline is excellent. The tone of the School is quite as it should be, The attendances exceptionally regular. Several of the Reading Books are torn & spoiled. G. R. Saunders has passed well.

Staff S. Buxton Principal Teacher
 G.R. Saunders P.T. 3rd year
 H. Blanchett Monitor for P.T.
 G. Marks) Temporary Monitors until
 W. Archer) Mr. Shingler commences duties
 Average 132 Grant £137.6.0

- July 11 School used today for Parliamentary Election in consequence of which children did not assemble.
 20 School closed today owing to Congregational Sunday School Treat.
 29 Prize distribution. Closed School at noon for Summer Holidays.
- Aug 29 Reopened School. Present m. 133 a. 136. During the holidays new seats, tops, shelves & blocks to standards have been fitted to the red desks. Broader seats have also been fitted on the Gallery in the small Class-room. Mr. Thomas Millard Shingler commenced duties today as Assistant Master. He was P.T. in Madeley Natl. Schools, Shropshire & also acted as Assistant (Art. 50) resigning in July 1891. From that date until present appointment he was Assistant in Bridgeford Academy, Notts. Date of Birth July 15th 1872.
 30 Admitted A. Poplet, aged 8. He does not know the alphabet & seems to have had no Infant training whatever.
- Sept 8 Examined Sts. II & III in Arithmetic. Both Standards are much behind in their work.
 12 Alfd. Wickham of Epsom was absent this morning. He came late in the afternoon without any explanation. I sent him home for a note from his parents.
 13 James Peters St. IV committed an unprovoked assault upon Wm. Ingham St. I, in the play-ground about 1.25. I had some difficulty in stopping the flow of blood from Ingham's nose. I wrote to Mr. Peters informing him of the circumstances.
 16 Wm. Axtell, St. V, was absent yesterday afternoon. I asked him for reason of absence this morning. He declined to answer whereupon I sent him home for a note from his parents. Albert Taylor St. IV came in after Register had been closed, a most unusual occurrence.
 30 Attendance of St. I very bad this week. The remainder of the School has been unusually good.
- Oct 10 Half Holiday today. Football match between elevens of First Class Boys.
 13 Received the following from the Rev. E. Copson Peake:-
 "The General results of the Examn. on the Religious Instruction are good considering that the School was closed for nearly two months during the year on account of Epidemic Sickness. The knowledge of the Prayer Book & Christian Year is rather weak in the Upper Groups & the explanation of the Catechism throughout the School might be fuller. The Repetition subjects were well said."

- 19 Examined St. I in Reading. The Class is very backward but progress is being made.
- 27 St. IV Drawing very indifferent work this afternoon. The same lesson will be given on Friday in place of Arithmetic Lesson.
- Nov 1 Half holiday given today in accordance with a promise at the commencement of the quarter, the conditions being that 60 boys should be present every time during the quarter. 64 boys satisfied this condition.
- 4 Weekly examns. shew that the work of each Standard is progressing excepting Arithmetic in St. IV.
- 10 Several boys absent owing to colds.
- 14 School closed today by order of Dr. Bratton owing to two cases of fever having occurred in the Girls' School. The Schools have been fumigated this week.
- 21 Reopened School. Present 119 m. 127 a.
- 23 Received a note from Mrs. Baker complg. that her son Arthur "was hit on his back with the pointer & made sick" by his teacher. I made enquiries with the following result.
- 1) A pointer is not used in the class
 - 2) The boy was not sick in School, but on his way home.
 - 3) The teacher, H. Blanchett, denies having struck the boy in any way.
 - 4) No boy in the Class remembers seeing Arthur Baker punished that day, nor crying.
- 25 Received a note from the Revd. J. Thornton informing me that "A. Baker is down with the fever, a bad case" & asking me to exclude Castles (neighbours of Bakers) from School. I accordingly sent home Tom Castle & Edwd. Castle & cancelled their attendances.
- 28 Smaller attendance than usual.
- Dec 1 Attendance in Sts. I & II bad this week. "Colds" is the general excuse for absence.
- 6 Temporary departure from Time Table. During dark afternoons Drawing is taken as First Lesson in place of Arithmetic.
- 7-9 Examined St. I in Reading. As a class they are very backward. St. IV shew an improvement in Arithmetic.
- 13 Christmas Carols taken in Scripture Lesson. The attendance is considerably affected by "bad colds".
- 22 School closed at 4 o'clock for Christmas Holidays.
- 1893
- Jan 9 Reopened School. Mr. Shingler detained by heavy snow storm was unable to be present until afternoon school.
- 12 Weekly exams. held. In St. V E. Taylor, F. Taylor, T. Marks, A. Mason are much below the average of the Standard.
- 18 The closets & yards are in an unusually dirty condition, the water pipes being frozen.
- 26 Weekly exams. shew a decided improvement in St. I. Reading.
- 27 Close of Third Quarter. 55 boys present every time during the quarter.
- 30 Several new depositors joined the Penny Bank this morning.
- Feb 2 Weekly exams. St. IV shewed great inaccuracy in Arithmetic. Ten minutes additional Mental Arithmetic exercise will be given each day.
- 8 St. IV joins with Sts. V-VII in reading "School Newspaper".
- 9 St. II & III make very satisfactory progress in their work.

- 15 Ash Wednesday. Sts. II-VII attended Service at Church 11.30. Holiday given in the afternoon.
- 16 St. II Dictation very bad throughout.
- 20 A considerable number of boys absent suffering from colds. The coughing in School today was incessant rendering oral teaching most difficult. Singing exercises discontinued for the present.
- 24 Twenty two boys absent (ill) the whole week.
- 27 Attendance still unusually small. Many children are suffering from Influenza.
- Mar 6 A much better attendance today.
- 8 Examined St. II in Arithmetic. The irregularity of the last two or three weeks caused by illness, has seriously affected progress.
- 15 St. II show an improvement in their work
- 16 St. IV require attention in Spelling.
- 23 St. IV are rather weak in Dictation.
- 30 Closed School at 4 o'clock for Good Friday & Easter Monday holiday.
- 6 St. III has made great improvement in Arithmetic.
- 17 The attendance continues very satisfactory Examined St. I to II Repetition. All the boys know the text thoroughly.
- 19 St. II shew inaccuracy in Multiplication, although all the boys seem to know Tables thoroughly.
- 20 Usual weekly examn. Mr. Nixon, Attendance Officer, visited re Irregularity of A. Penfold St. IV.
- 28 Mr. Taylor, Gibraltar, informed me that Dr. Richards has ordered that his boys, Fred, Arthur & Albert are not to attend School for some time, as there is a case of "Scarlet Fever" at their home. Close of School year. 23 boys have been present every time.
- May 2 Particulars of Average Attendance from Sept 1st 1891 to April 30th 1892 required by Education Dept. (Form 9, Addition May).

	Times Open	Attendance
From Sept 1, 2 nd Qtr. School Qtr.	74	10077
To 3 rd Qtr. "	102	13792
April 30 th 4 th Qtr "	<u>72</u>	<u>8853</u>
	248	327222

Average for above period 131.9

G. Reeves absent ill.

- 4 Edwin Taylor absent, having been bitten by a dog.
- St. II has made very marked progress. St. I are uncertain in Reading.
- 11 Results of Drawing Examn. held 12 April 1893:
Award "Excellent" H. Blanchett passed 2nd Class Second Grade Freehand.
Wm. Pearce obtained a Card of Merit.
Mr. Nixon Attendance Officer visited the School in the afternoon re A. Penfold. He informed me that Mr. Penfold appeared in answer to a Summons on Monday last & that the case was adjourned for one month.
- 12 Repetition selected for 1892-3[sic]
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| St. V-VII | Trial Scene Merchant of Venice |
| " IV | "Balaklava" Sir F.H. Doyle |
| " III | "Wives of Brixham" |
| " II | "The Scissors" & "The Camel's Nose" |
| " I | "The Little Magpie" |

- 16 Admitted 18 boys from Infants' Department. Rearranged classes.
 19 Closed School at noon, giving a holiday for Whit Monday.
 25 Half holiday. Choir Festival at Epsom.
 26 Geography for 1893-4, Course A. Supplement (sic) to Schedule II.
 Sts. IV-VII grouped as one Division, taking work of St. IV. No boys
 excepting a few St. VII boys, have taken Geography of Scotland & Ireland
 previously. The remainder of the syllabus "United States, Day & Night"
 etc. is new to all.
 Closed School. Race Week Holiday.
- June 8 Examined St. I. Few boys know more than Twice Times Table. In
 Reading I have decided to use The Practical Primer No. 2, Educational
 Supply Ass.
 9 All Standards commenced using "Guide" Series Spelling Books.
 28 St. IV makes very little progress in Spelling.
 30 St. I are not yet able to commence St. I Readers.
- July 5 St. IV worked Arithmetic very inaccurately today.
 6 Holiday today in commemoration of the Marriage of HRH Duke of York
 with Princess May.
 7 Smaller attendance than usual today.
 10 The following boys absent owing to cases of Measles in their homes:-
 Arthur Mason, Walter Mason, Randolph Mason, Thomas Daws, Percy
 Daws.
 11 Report from H.M. Inspector
Copy
 "The boys are in good order & are well behaved, & under the
 circumstances the general high efficiency of the School has been well
 maintained. The fourth Standard shows considerable weakness in Reading,
 Writing & Mental Arithmetic, but otherwise the instruction in elementary
 subjects is highly satisfactory. Recitation, especially in the third Standard
 & upwards has been well prepared & both the English & Geography are
 creditable.
 "My Lords have allowed payment of the Grant on the understanding
 conveyed in your letter dated 28th ult that the defects in the premises which
 H.M. Inspector pointed out in his Special Report will be remedied with as
 little delay as possible. H.M. Inspector also reports that the play ground
 accomodation [sic] is insufficient.
 "I am to add that My Lords cannot as suggested give any undertaking
 that the present requirements of the Department are final.
 "G.R. Saunders has passed fairly.
 Total Grant £145.10.0
Staff – S. Buxton Principal, Certif. Teacher
 S.M. Shingler, Ex. P.T.
 H. Blanchett, Candidate on Probation
 G.R. Saunders, P.T. fourth year.
- 14 School closed today, Church Sunday School Treat, Excursion to
 Littlehampton.
 20 Examined St. I in Reading. The Class is still very backward.
 28 Closed School at noon for Summer Holidays. Four Weeks.
- Aug 25 Reopened School.
- Sept 5 Commenced teaching the Repetition in Sts. V-VII.

- 8 St. IV is weak in Spelling. In St. II A. Taylor, R. Mason, A. Pease, J. Simmons, W. Millard are falling behind the Average of the Class.
- 12 St. I in Reading. Progress has been made.
- 22 St. IV Dictation very bad. St. I is making good progress in Reading.
- Oct 6 St. IV still bad in Spelling.
- 10 Examination in Religious Knowledge. Holiday given in afternoon.
- 29 Scripture Report.
- Copy –
- “In the Upper Division the New Testament was best known & the Examination was generally satisfactory though the answers were confined to too few. Individual Repetition might have been better. In the Lower Divisions the Lesson had been well & carefully given & the boys had a good knowledge of their Subjects.”
- 20 Dictation in St. IV is improving.
- 24 Henry Ayling absent with Fever. His brother Joseph Ayling will not attend until further notice.
- 27 St. VI bad in Arithmetic. Quarterly Results made up St. II low average mark.
- 31 Chas. Wilson absent owing to eruption of the face. As this is contagious his brother Harry is excluded for the present by Medical Order. Percy Daws absent attending at a Hospital in London for an affection (sic) of the throat. Harry & Percy Wilkins absent with ringworm. Altogether there are 8 boys continuously absent.
- Nov 3 Half holiday given today in accordance with a promise at the commencement of the quarter, the condition being that 65 boys should be present every time during the quarter. 71 boys satisfied this condition.
- 8 Harry Archer absent, his sister being ill with Scarlet Fever.
- 13 Falling off in attendance, owing to colds.
- 17 Robt. Wood absent, his sister being ill with Fever.
- 24 St. IV Dictation bad. St. I makes steady progress. St. II is very backward.
- 27 The attendance is much affected by a large number of boys suffering from colds.
- Dec 4 Slightly improved attendance. Several boys in attendance again who have been excluded owing to Fever.
- 8 St. II is still very below the average of the School.
- 19 Very wet & stormy day.
- 21 Closed School at 4 o'clock for Christmas Holidays (two weeks).
- 1894
- Jan 8 Reopened School. Very severe frost & snow storms. Roads blocked with snow. 117 present morning. 123 afternoon. During holiday new fire grates have been fixed in school room & clear glass fitted in the windows.
- 12 Work throughout the School much below average.
- 15 Greatly improved attendance.
- 22 Mrs. Taylor, Gibraltar, complained that Mr. Shingler on Friday afternoon, Jan 19th, struck her son, Albert, on the ear & pointed out to me the boy's ear much discoloured. Mr. Shingler denied having struck or even touched the boy. Enquiries in School shewed that on Saturday afternoon Walter Chandler & Percy Smith saw Albert Taylor receive a blow in the ear whilst playing hockey.
- 29 Improved attendance.

- Feb 1 50 boys have been present every time during the last quarter.
 2 Careless work in St. V Dictation. St. III shews great improvement particularly in reading.
 5 Caned Robt. Wood & Wm. West, St. II for careless work on Friday last, Feb 2.
 6 Shrove Tuesday, half holiday given.
 9 Dictation weak in St. II. From this date St. II will have a few lines of Dictation every day from 4 to 4.10. The boys spell (viva voce) correctly the words written down wrongly.
 14 Taught School Song "Home Sweet Home".
 19 Punished Geo. Snell & Edwin Taylor (St. I) reported by St. VI boys for chalking on walls in the village.
 23 St. II are inaccurate in Arithmetic St. IV require more exercise in Spelling. Made a Regulation that all boys must assemble "in lines" in playground two minutes previous to second bell stopping. Doors locked at 8.58 a.m. & at 1.28 p.m. & then opened when registers have been called for first time.
- Mar 2 At 1.29 this afternoon the clapper of the bell fell from the bell, striking the ground immediately in front of the door. Fortunately all boys were in the play ground at the time.
 3 Bell repaired.
 9 Spelling still unsatisfactory in St. IV,
 12 Several boys in St. II are below the average of the Class in Reading. From this date I take these boys in Reading from 12 to 12.15.
 16 Special half hour's Recreation in playground this afternoon, in recognition of regular & punctual attendance throughout the week.
 19 Arthur Taylor & Edwin Hills absent with Mumps. I noticed Horace Martin & Chris Martin suffering from the same complaint. Accordingly sent them home, after cancelling their attendance marks.
 21 Albert Ayres St. VI & Arthur Taylor St. IV absent with Mumps. Noticed Wm. West St. IV with Mumps distinctly developed. Sent him home after cancelling his attendance.
 22 Fred Taylor absent owing to Mumps. Closed School for Good Friday & Easter Monday holiday.
 27 H. Blanchett Teacher St. I absent suffering from Mumps.
- Apr 6 Geo. Searle absent since 3rd inst. owing to case of Fever in home. Six fresh cases of Mumps this week.
 9 20 boys absent. 18 owing to illness, principally Mumps. Albert Taylor St. IV & Walt. Mordan St. III absent without proper reason. Half holiday given this afternoon.
 12 A list of boys (19 in number) suffering from Mumps submitted to Managers at their Meeting this evening. Instructions were given that no boy having been absent owing to Mumps be allowed to attend School until a fortnight has elapsed from the date of his first absence.
 15 Five boys, C. Chandler, A. Baker, Alf. Stevenson, A. Carter, R. Mason, presented themselves this morning after a week's absence. I sent them home again in accordance with Instructions April 12th.
 18 Harry Peters (St. IV) absent – Mumps.
 19 Noticed Bert Sparrow (St. IV) with Mumps distinctly developed. Sent him home after cancelling his attendance.
 20 Harry Budd (St. IV) sent home unwell.

- 23 Seven fresh cases of Mumps viz. T. Marks, E. Taylor (VI), G. Waters (IV), T. Castle, C. Green, A. Poplett (II), W. Sparrow (I) reported today. Sent home Percy Sparrow IV, R. Hale II suffering from Mumps.
- 25 Very wet morning. Boys in Lower Standards living at a distance absent in consequence.
- 27 W. Hodgson reported Fred Taylor St. VI for using bad language on the way home. Spoke to F. Taylor at the close of School.
- 30 Repetition for 1894/5
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| Standard I | "The Father's Return" |
| " II | "A Night with a Wolf" |
| " IV | "Brother Bruin" |
| " III | "Edinburgh after Flodden" |
| " V-VII | "Merchant of Venice" commencing at "On what compulsion must I?" |
- Fresh cases of Mumps today. Chas. Stone, Fred Peters, Geo Chandler, Chas. Neale, Fred Chandler. Sent home Reg. Hale, Chas. Green & Wm. Sparrow, absent only one week since first affected with Mumps.
- May 3 Half holiday this afternoon.
- 4 Half holiday.
- 9 Fresh cases of Mumps, Maurice Cheeseman, Percy Daws, Arthur Pearce.
- 14 Whit Monday. Holiday today.
- 15 Examined boys admitted from Infants Department. 3 boys do not know the Alphabet. The rest can only spell their way slowly, reading Infant Primer (Practical No. 2) excepting Pocock, Howell, Jones, Ayres. The class as a whole has no idea of numbers. Pease & Ede do not know figures. I drew the attention of the Rev. J. Thornton to the very backward condition of the class as a whole.
- 26 Received Result of Drawing Examn. held 9th April. Award Excellent has been made. H. Blanchett, P.T. & Wm. C. Pearce passed 1st Class Freehand. A Beams, W. Hodgson & W. Killick obtained Cards of Merit (St. VI).
- 29 Punished R. W. for persistently disturbing work of St. V. The boy walked out of School about 2.40. I cancelled his attendance.
- June 1 Closed School at noon for Race Week Holiday
- 4 Government Report:-
Copy Boys School
 "Order & tone are highly satisfactory & though the work has been a little hindered by epidemic of Mumps the instruction in elementary subjects is marked by accuracy & intelligence. Reading deserves special mention & Recitation has been exceedingly well prepared. English & Geography are good but map-drawing from memory might receive more attention.
 Staff: S. Buxton, Principal, Certifd. Teacher
 T. M. Shingler, ex P.T.
 G. R. Saunders, P.T. (extended for Scholarship)
 H. Blanchett, 2nd year P.T.
 John Thornton – Correspondent
- 11 Re-opened School. Received a note from the father of Robt. Wood in which he upheld the conduct of his son on May 29th.
- 13 Meeting of Managers this evening. I informed them of R. Wood's conduct & placed before them Mr. Wood's note. I was authorized to inform Mr.

- Wood that his son Robt. Must not attend School again until he has apologized for his bad conduct & promised to try to obey the rules of the School.
- 15 Mr. Shingler absent from 11th-15th inclusive attending "Matriculation" Exam.
- 22 G. R. Saunders P.T. excused from School during mornings from June 18th to 29th in view of the approaching Queen's Scholarship Examn.
- July 3 St. V unusually slow in understanding "practice".
- 4 Very hot & sultry. Map-drawing taken in place of Singing Lesson.
- 5 Punished T. Hale & R. Hale for habitual lateness.
- 6 Twelve boys absent from St. I attending Infants Sunday School Treat.
- 13 School closed for the day. Church Sunday School Excursion to the Crystal Palace.
- 18 Eighteen boys absent today attending Congregational Sunday School Treat.
- 23 Days Holiday. Twenty two boys in the Upper Standards visited London accompanied by Rev. A.J. Akehurst (Manager), S. Buxton (Master), G. R. Saunders & H. Blanchett (P.Ts).
Places Visited, Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Govt. Offices, The Monument, The Tower, Tower Bridge, St. Pauls, Trafalgar Square, the Zoo.
 The boys paid their own expense by previous Weekly Subscriptions.
- 24 Wm. Pederick absent owing to a case of Fever at his home.
- 27 Closed School at 4 pm for Summer Holidays (4 weeks). Prizes distributed today.
- Aug 27 Reopened School.
- Sept 7 St. I is making steady progress in Reading. G. R. Saunders passed 1st Class in Religious Knowledge Examn. for admission into Battersea Training College.
- 17 John Baker absent owing to a case of Fever in his home,
- 24 John Baker present this morning (vide 17th inst). I made enquiries of Dr. Daniells who ordered the boy not to attend School until he shall give permission.
- 28 Recd. information that G.R. Saunders has passed Queen's Scholarship Examn. Second Class No. 941. The authorities at Battersea were unable to admit him to their Training College, he has however been admitted to the Caermarthen Training College.
- Oct 19 This afternoon St. IV-VII were allowed in the play ground. Harry Bowers was accidentally knocked down. Geo. Bailey laughed & H. Bowers losing his temper kicked Bailey so viciously on the leg that the bone was exposed. Dr. Mudd attended to the wound. Bowers was ordered to absent himself for one week.
- 26 Attendance Officer visited re Reuben Orton St. I
- 31 Arithmetic is the weakest subject in the Upper Standards.
- Nov 9 St. V shew great improvement in Arithmetic. St. I are using Graphic Reading Book No. 1. Seven boys are still using Infant Primer.
- 16 The week just closed has been unusually wet. The ordinary work of School has consequently been much hindered.
- 20 The Rev. J. Thornton visited. I drew his attention to the muddy condition of the new portion of the play ground occasioned by the recent rain upon the "ground".

- 21 Taught Round "Look Pleasant".
- 23 Greatly improved attendance this week. St. I continues to improve, the attendance being much more regular lately.
- 30 Registers closed at opening of School. Secular commenced at once. Upper Standard boys attended service at Church 11.15 am at the request of the Rev. J. Thornton. This arrangement was announced in School on 29th inst. Half holiday this afternoon.
- Dec 3 I was informed this morning that Tom Beams (St. II) died on Sunday morning last from congestion of the lungs. He had only been absent from Monday Nov 25th.
Jas. Simmons (St. II) presented himself this afternoon after an absence of 3 weeks. He told his teacher that his sister is ill with "Fever". I sent him home with a note to his parents, asking is such is the case.
- 17-18 School used for Parish Council Electn. Counting of Votes.
- 21 School closed at 4 pm Christmas Holidays.
- 1895
- Jan 3 School used in the evening for a meeting of the Parish Council.
- 6 Re-opened School.
- 8&9 Small attendance owing to very severe weather.
- 14 Mrs. Reeds informed me that Wm. Reeds (St. IV) is not well enough to attend School.
- 16 I was informed today that Wm. Reeds has "Fever". G. R. Saunders' engagement terminated on 11th. He is to enter Carmarthen Training College on the 17th inst. Wm. Killick acts as Temporary Monitor.
- 28 Edward Castle, Tom Castle, James Castle absent. James Castle has Measles.
- 29 Arthur Baker (Longdown) informed me this morning that his sister is ill with Measles. I accordingly sent him home.
- Feb 1 Half holiday this afternoon, as a reward for regularity. 50 boys have been present every time during the quarter which has just closed.
- 8 Weather still remarkably cold. Ordinary work of School much hindered.
- 12 Attendance still much below average.
- 15 ST. III shews great improvement in Arithmetic.
- 18 Improved attendance.
- 20 Playground in very dirty condition owing to thaw.
- 27 Ash Wednesday. Upper Standards attended Service at Church 11.15. Mr. Shingler took remainder of School in Scripture from 11.15 to 12. Half holiday this afternoon.
- Mar 1 Eight boys absent the whole week owing to illness. Coughing in School has been almost incessant this week. Singing Lessons have consequently been much interfered with.
- 6 Attendance continues much below the average.
- 8 Usual weekly examn. John Perry, John Poplett, Walt. Mordan St. IV spell very badly.
- 11 Slightly improved attendance.
- 13 Cautioned the whole School against willful destruction of property. Robt. Webb & Alf. Stevenson owned to breaking Mr. Jacomb's fence on their way home from School.
- 15 Received a note from Mrs. Webb asking me to punish her son Robert.

- 18 Mr. Shingler resumed duties this morning. During his absence H. Blanchett (P.T.) has had charge of STs. II & III with Alfd. Revell as Monitor. St. I has been in the care of Wm. Killick, Temporary Monitor. The work of the School has proceeded satisfactorily.
- 27 Showery morning. Small attendances.
- 29 Playground very dirty. Unfit for recreation owing to wet.
- Apr. 1 Fred Taylor, Arthur Taylor & Albert Taylor absent owing to their sister being ill with Fever.
- 5 The Epsom Attendance Officer called respecting John Channell St. IV. Only one absence on St. II register this week.
- 11 Closed School at 4 pm giving Good Friday & Easter Monday as holiday.
- 23 Mr. Buxton absent ill.
- 25 Half holiday in afternoon.
- 30 Repetition for 1895-6
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| Standard I | “The Beggar Boy” & “The Flower” | |
| II | “Nose & Eyes” “On a Goldfinch” (Cowper) | |
| III | “Barbara Frietchie” | |
| IV | “Hans Vogel” | |
| V-VII | “Richard II” commencing Act III, Sc.2 | |
- Geography for 1895-6
- Course A. Sts. IV-VII grouped taking work of St. VI.
- May 4 Reginald Bowditch son of the School Mistress of Orton on the Hill, Warwickshire, commenced duties as Candidate on Probation. He should have commenced Apr. 27th but a delay was caused owing to Mr. Buxton’s illness. Date of Candidate’s birth 19th June 1881.
- 16 Mr. Buxton resumed duties this day, having been absent from April 23rd.
- 22 Messrs. A.J. Whitworth & F. J. Skilton visited & took the work of H. Blanchett (P.T.) & Mr. Shingler (Assistant) & R. Bowditch (Candidate on Probation).
- 24 Closed School for Race Week Holiday.
- June 4 Admitted 21 boys from Infants’ Department.
- 6 Examined St. I, boys are not advanced enough to commence St. I Reader. They will therefore use Infant Primers No. 2. The Arithmetic & Writing are about on a level with the Reading.
- 10 Robt. West absent ill.
- 12 George & Albert Sycamore absent owing to a case of Measles in their home. Arthur Poplett has been absent since Monday with Swollen neck. He came this morning. I sent him home as the case somewhat resembles Mumps.
- Drawing Report received from Rev. J. Thornton,
- Award Excellent 3rd successive year.
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| W. Killick | 1 st Class | 2 nd Grade Freehand |
| A. Beams | 2 nd “ | “ |
| A. Revell | 2 nd “ | : |
- W. Pederick, H. Chaffey, F. Huggins, G. Wilson, F. Pocock & H. Saunders obtained Cards of Merit. St. VI.
- 20 Harry Taylor (St. II) & Wm. Taylor (St. IV) absent owing to Measles in their home.

- 24 Robert Baxter, Frank Crockford, Charles Green & Wm. West absent owing to Measles in their homes. Mr. Shingler absent the whole of this week (24th to 28th) attending Certificate Examination.
- July 1 George Searle absent, Measles at home.
 4 Frank Elliott absent, Measles at home.
 5 John Webb, Robert Webb & John Baker absent owing to Measles at home.
 8 J. Ayling, H. Ayling & B. Ayling absent owing to Measles. The Attendance of the School is becoming seriously affected by illness. Half holiday today. Visit of Prince & Princess of Wales to Epsom College.
 10 William & George Mason absent owing to Measles at home. There are now 16 boys absent owing to Measles & 4 other boys are absent ill. G.R. Saunders, late P.T., and now student in Carmarthen Training College spent the greater part of the day in School.
 11 Herbert Norton sent home this morning as I am informed by Percy Smith that his sister is ill with Measles.
 12 Chas. Dickenson absent this week owing to Measles.
 15 Mr. Shingler (Assistant) absent from today until Friday 19th inst. attending examn. for Intermediate B.A.
 Harry Coombes absent owing to Measles.
 18 School closed today owing to Church Sunday School & Congregational Sunday School Excursions.
 19 Further cases of Measles:- Fred Archie & Stanley Lamport, Fred Higgins.
 22 I sent Geo. Wilson & Tom Wilson home as their brother John (St. I) is absent ill with Measles.
 25 Closed School at 4 pm today (Thursday) for Summer Holidays (Four Weeks).
- Aug 26 Reopened School. Wet morning. Eight children absent in consequence of Measles.
 27 Made arrangements for a party of Upper Standard boys to visit the British Museum tomorrow (Wednesday).
 28 Visited London, leaving Ewell at 8.8 am. Noticed briefly Houses of Parliament, Abbey, Trafalgar Sq. Visited Greenwich by river – Painted Hall, Museum, Park, Observatory. Afternoon British Museum – Egyptian Room, Ancient Manuscripts. Reached Ewell at 7 pm.
 30 Mr. Shingler (Assistant Master) handed me a month's notice to terminate his engagement.
- Sept 6 Arithmetic results in St. IV very disappointing.
 13 Several boys absent owing to Measles.
 20 The work of the Upper Standards, shews want of care. St. I shews considerable improvement. A representative of Charles & Dible called this afternoon. I gave an order for sundry materials for Varied Occupations (Colour Work).
 23 Frank & Percy Fowler absent. Frank Fowler is down with Fever.
 27 Mr. T. Shingler's engagement as Assistant terminated today. The Managers have not yet secured the services of a Teacher in his place.
 30 Arranged teaching Staff as follows pending the appointment of an Assistant:-
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| St. IV-VIII | Principal Teacher & A. Beams (Monitor) |
| “ II & III | Pupil Teacher & A. Revell “ |
| “ I | Candidate on Probation |

- Oct 15 Half holiday today. Managers have not yet secured services of an Assistant.
- 16 Mr. Owen, Assistant Farnham Board School has this day accepted Appointment as Assistant, but cannot commence duties until Monday Nov 11th.
- 18 Usual fortnightly examn. St. IV is below the average of the School.
- 31 St. II has not one absence mark this week. St. IV shews an improvement in their work.
- Nov 11 Mr. Thomas William Owen commenced duties as Assistant Teacher.
Date of Birth 21 July 1868
Last School West St. Boys, Farnham Bd. Surrey
Qualifications Art.50 PT Spittall Nl. School, Pembrokeshire 1887
- 18 Attendance much improved.
- 19 H. Blanchett (P.T.) absent today through face-ache.
- 21 Mr. Nixon, Attendance Officer, visited & informed me that the father of Wm. Austin, who appeared at Epsom Court on Monday last, in answer to a Summons for his son's irregular attendance stated that his boy had been punished in School by being compelled to hold slates in his hand. This he gave as a reason for non-attendance.
- 22 Assembled the whole School & asked all or any boys who had been punished by being compelled to hold up slates to come to my desk. No boy came forward.
- Dec. 6 Physical Exercises taken in School Room instead of in the play ground.
- 9 Bertram Sparrow & Charles Oxford came into School about 10.10 am, register being closed. Punished both aforementioned boys.
- 12 George Channell & Horace Channell sent home owing to a case of Measles in their home.
- 19 Closed School at 4 pm for Christmas Holiday (Two Weeks).

1896

- Jan 6 Reopened School 139 present
- 10 St. I shew great progress in Reading & Arithmetic – (Subtraction).
- 16 Mr. Burrows Attendance Officer Epsom visited re Albert Strange St. IV.
- 28 Falling off in attendance, particularly in St. I owing to bad colds.
 Herbert Jones, admitted last week, is to be withdrawn from Catechism Lessons & other Sectarian Teaching at the request of his uncle with whom he lives.
- Feb 3 My daughter Mabel, who attends the Girls School, ill with Measles. In the absence of the Correspondent I requested Mr. Maingay to call at School in order that I might ask his advice respecting my presence in School. He accordingly called at 4.30 & instructed me to consult my doctor (Dr. Reichardt) & act accordingly.
 This I did & the doctor said I must on no account attend School & that Regd. Bowditch (Candidate) who resides with me must be excluded. As it is impossible for Mr. Owen assisted only by P.T. to conduct School properly, Mr. Maingay consulted with Mr. Gadesden (Treasurer) & resolved to close School till Friday, Feb 7th at least.
- 7 Rev. J. Thornton returned & after consultation with Dr. Reichardt it was decided that I should leave Ewell at once for a week as I had been in contact with my other two children, & that I should return to re-open

- School on Monday Feb 17th. In the meantime my children are to be isolated.
- 17 Reopened School, sent notes to parents of absent children.
- 19 Ash Wednesday. Usual half holiday not given.
- 28 Physical Exercises, Upper Division, taken in play ground this afternoon for the first time this year.
- Mar 6 Physical Exercises again taken in play ground. The Rev. G. R. S. Murray (Curate) visited & expressed his pleasure at the boys' exercises.
- 9 Examined boys of St. I individually in subtraction. All the boys excepting four, worked the sums set to them correctly.
- 20 Wet day. Physical exercises in School-room instead of Play ground.
- Apr 2 Drawing Examination this morning conducted by Edward G. Baker Esq., Science & Art Dept. assisted by J.F. Maingay Esq. & Rev. G.R.S. Murray. School closed at noon for Easter Holiday.
- 7 Reopened School this morning.
Archie, Stanley & Fred Lamport absent owing to chicken-pox. Spoke to Rev. J. Thornton respecting several acts of untruthfulness on the part of Reginald Bowditch, Candidate on Probation.
- 9 Falling off in Attendance owing to cases of illness.
- 13 Made arrangements for St. VI & VII to visit London & forwarded the same to H.M. Inspector for approval (Art. 12g)
- 16 Received letter from H.M. Inspector approving arrangements for Friday April 24th.
- 24 Visited London, leaving Ewell 8.8 a.m. Places visited:- Westminster, London Bridge – by river, Tower Bridge, St. Pauls, Westminster Abbey, Westminster School, Natural History Museum – Machinery Department, S. Kensington. Major Coates (Manager) paid expenses.
- 30 Reginald Bowditch terminates his engagement today. Owing to his habits of untruthfulness I cannot recommend the Managers to accept him as a Pupil Teacher.
- May 1 Received a List of 17 boys to be transferred from Infants School. 16 were present this morning.
Rearranged Classes.
Alfred Revell Ex. St. VII Scholar, has charge of St. I.
Mr. Owen, St. II & III, Monitor A. Beams.
H. Blanchett P.T. 4 year, St. IV
Mr. Buxton, St. V-VII
Repetition selected for 1896-7
St. V-VII “On Receipt of my Mother’s Picture”, Cowper
St. IV “The Pipes at Lucknow”, Whitter
St. III “The Slaves Dream”, “Haroun al Raschid”, Longfellow
St. II “The Kitten & Falling Leaves”, Wordsworth
St. I “The Mother in the Snow Storm”, Seba Smith
Geography – St. IV-VII grouped & are taught Subjects as set forth in “Course A, St. IV” Supplement to Schedule II.
- 4 Examined St. I. Thomas Stevens & William Wells do not know the Alphabet. The Remainder of the Class will read from Infant Primers No. 2.
- 6 Noticed from Returns on Form IX that 5 boys who according to age should now be in St. I are retained in Infants School. I spoke to Miss Sweet about

- the matter & was referred by her to the Managers. I mentioned the matter to the Correspondent & he promised to give the matter his attention.
- 12 Very hot day. Large Class Room particularly close & oppressive. I drew the attention of Rev. J. Thornton to deficient ventilation. Rev. J. Thornton & Mr. Maingay (Manager) visited & inspected the Class Room shortly after the children had reassembled after Recreation in play ground. Received notice that Harry Blanchett P.T. 3rd year who was sick at P.T.'s Collective Examn. April 18th last & was unable to complete his papers, passed "Fairly". Alfd. Beams fell down in play ground in the afternoon (11th inst.) & cut his fore head badly. I sent him home.
- 14 Alf. Beams appeared very unwell this morning & accordingly sent him home.
- 15 St. I is making satisfactory progress with Alfred Revell.
- 22 Received Report of Drawing Examn. Award "Excellent".
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| Reginald Bowditch | 1 st Class | 2 nd Grade | Freehand |
| Alfred Beams | 2 nd | " | " |
| Alfred Revell | 2 nd | " | " |
| Alfred Beams | 2 nd | " | " Model |
- Report
- It appears from the Examiner's Report that the work on the whole does not quite reach the same standard of merit as that of last year. The award of "Excellent" cannot therefore be given again next year unless there is improvement. The results in St. III & upwards as marked by the Examiner were as follows:-
- St. III Freehand Fair, Exercises with rulers – Good
- " IV " Good, Drawing to scale – Excellent
- " V " Good, Model – Good, Geometry Excellent
- " VI " Fair, " – Fair, " Excellent
- " VII " Good, " – Fair, " Excellent
- The Inspector who held the Examination reported that the School suffered from Sickness during the past year, & this circumstance has been duly considered in making the above award. The Models set at the aforementioned Examn. were more difficult than in previous years, although in accordance with Illustrated Syllabus. I mentioned this to the Inspector & to the Managers present on the day of the Examination.
- Half holiday given today.
- 29 School closed at 4 pm for Race Week Holiday.
- June 8 Reopened School. During the holiday another large window has been made to open & two ventilating tubes have been fixed in the large Class Room. James Freeland absent – Measles
- Digence " Measles
- 9 James Hammond " Measles
- 10 William Freeland presented himself for the first time this week. I sent him home as his brother is ill with Measles.
- 12 Attendance smaller this week owing to illness.
- 19 The work of the School hindered by illness.
- 22 Edward Neville absent ill with Scarlet Fever.
- July 3 Prizes distributed this afternoon at 3.30, by Mrs. Thornton, accompanied by the Rev. J. Thornton.
- 6 Many boys absent owing to illness, either Measles or bad colds.

- 8 Received Report on School:-
 “The School is in good order & is intelligently taught, but in the first class the boys should speak out more distinctly”.
- 14 A large number of boys absent owing to Whooping Cough.
- 15 Almost incessant coughing in School. At the request of Rev. J. Thornton I called on Dr. Reichardt & asked his advice. I was told by him that all the children with coughs should be excluded from School & was advised to lay full particulars of the epidemic before Dr. Jacob, Medical Officer of Health. Furnished with a letter of introduction from the Rev. J. Thornton I called upon Dr. Jacob this afternoon at Epsom Union, where the Rural District Council meets.
 Dr. Jacob laid particulars before the Meeting & an order was issued ordering the Managers to close the Schools for a period of six weeks.
 N.B. Summer Holidays (Four Weeks) are included in the above mentioned six weeks.
- Aug 31 Re-opened School. An unusually large number of Upper Standard boys have left School, having gone to work. Robert West St. V seemed unwell this afternoon. I sent him into the play ground for a short time. Four boys absent, not recovered from Whooping Cough.
- Sept 1 Very wet afternoon. Attendance considerably affected.
 3 Robt. West absent since Monday. Today I was informed that he is ill with Scarlet Fever. Benjamin West (St. I) absent in consequence.
 4 Dr. Mudd called this afternoon & informed me that Fred Garman, who was present at School last on the afternoon of the 2nd inst. Is ill with Scarlet Fever.
 Robt. West & Fred Garman sat next each other on 31st inst. & in the same desk with Edward Neville who has recovered from Scarlet Fever – vide entry June 22.
- 7 Large number of boys absent ill.
- 10&11 Very wet days. Heavy downpour at School time. Small attendance in consequence preventing proper progress with work.
- 14 Francis Strudwick & Joseph Winter commence attending Rutlish Science School, Merton, today having obtained County Council “Scholarships”.
- 16 Attendance continues unsatisfactory owing to many cases of illness & wet weather.
- Oct 7 Half holiday.
 9 Very wet week. Attendance considerably affected.
 16 Physical Exercises in School owing to heavy rain.
- Nov 6 Attendance small this week, many boys being absent ill. A large number of boys present have bad colds & coughs. The incessant coughing interferes greatly with the work of School.
 11 Physical Exercises in School instead of in play ground, so many boys having bad colds.
 16 Window in Class Room door accidentally broken in Sunday School yesterday.
 18 St. II & III shew great improvement in Reading & Spelling.
 19 Tom Castle (St. IV) fell down in the play ground this afternoon during play-time & cut his eyebrow badly.
- Dec 2 Sts. II & III are remarkably regular in attendance.
 3 Very wet afternoon. Physical Exercises impossible in play-ground today.

- 11 Christmas Carols sung in place of usual singing lessons.
 23 Closed School at 4 o'clock for Christmas Holidays.
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- Jan 11 Reopened School. Very dark day. Gas required in the Large Class-room all day.
 15 Physical Exercises in School instead of play ground.
 21 School closed today, being used for Local Government Inquiry re Ewell Drainage.
 29 Herbert Norton St. III absent owing to "Fever". Monthly Examination held today. Close of 3rd Quarter of School year. 65 boys have been present every time during the quarter.
- Feb 2 Very wet & foggy. Attendance smaller in consequence. Much illness is prevalent in the School.
 10 Large number of boys absent from St. IV suffering from colds. As the other Standards are not similarly affected, I enquired into the matter, & found that H. Blanchett P.T. in charge of the Standard, had kept windows open in spite of the boys' complaint of cold & draughts. The teacher told me he considered his comfort was to be considered before the boys'. I have changed the position of St. IV.
 19 Alfd. Revell (Candidate) absent today ill. H. Blanchett P.T. took charge of St. I.
 26 Very fine afternoon. Physical Exercises in play ground instead of School room.
- Mar 3 Ash Wednesday. Litany in School (Rev. G. Murray present) instead of the usual Scripture Lesson.
 5 Physical Exercises in play ground. Several boys with bad colds excused.
 12 Only 3 cases of absence in Sts: I, II & III this week.
 16 Very wet morning. Twenty boys absent in consequence.
- Apr 1 Very Wet & Snowy day. Several boys absent in consequence.
 2 Read extracts from "Handy Andy" in Reading Lesson, from a copy brought by W. West (St. VII).
 13 H. Blanchett (P.T.) & A. Revell (Candt.) absent this morning attending Examination in Oral Exercises at Wimbledon.
 15 Closed School at noon for Easter Holiday.
 20 Reopened School.
 21 Punished Percy Mayer (St. V) for indecent conduct in his class.
 23 Physical Exercises in School room this afternoon.
 28 Mr. Burrows, Attendance Officer Epsom, visited to enquire respecting attendance of Thos. Shewless.
- May 3 Admitted 24 boys from Infants' Department.
 10 Sts. VI & VII visited London accompanied by Head Master, Art. 12g.
 14 Physical Exercises in play ground.
 19 Taught a song "The Queen, God bless her", to be sung at the Diamond Jubilee Celebration at Ewell on Thurs. June 24th.
 27 Ascension Day. Service in Church at 9.15 instead of usual Scripture Lesson. Mr. Owen took Sts. I & II for Scripture in School.
 28 Closed School at noon for Race Week & Whit Monday Bank Holiday.
- June 8 Tuesday. Reopened School.
 11 Physical Exercises in play ground. Very hot afternoon. Several boys seemed affected by the heat & were accordingly excused.

- 15 Report of Drawing Examination. Award "Excellent".
Henry Blanchett (PT) 1st Class, Freehand 2 G.
Alfred Revell (Candidate) 2nd Class " "
" " " " Model
Frank Elliot St. VI Card of Merit
Bert Channell St. VII, Wm. Strudwick, St. VII, Harry Wilkins St. VII –
Cards of merit.
- 16 Inspector's Report
"The boys are orderly & seem interested in their work. The instruction continues to be given with care, intelligence & success.
- 18 Closed School at 4 pm, giving the following week as a holiday in commemoration of the Queen's Jubilee.
- 28 Re-opened School.
- July 2 Physical Exercises in play ground. Upper Division exceptionally prompt & smart.
- 16 Physical Exercises 15 mins. today instead of 30 mins. owing to intense heat.
- 23 Attendance affected this week by Excursions to Portsmouth & Worthing.
- 29 Closed School at 4 pm for Summer Holidays.
- Aug 30 Re-opened School. Smaller attendance than usual. Several boys absent from Ewell, visiting friends. Several cases of illness account for this.
- Sept 3 The work this week has consisted of recapitulating work done in 1st Quarter of the School Year.
- 9 Physical Exercises in play-ground. 1st Div. make much progression in smartness & precision in movements.
- 16 School left in charge of Mr. Owen from 2.20 to 4. Alterations in Time Table accordingly. Master absent visiting "Dentist" in London.
- 22 Commenced teaching School Song "Sunny Hours".
- Oct 1 Physical Exercises in play-ground. Several boys with bad colds excused.
- 5 Clothing Club re-opened today.
- 11 Second Div. St. I are taught for the present in the larger class room, as the boys make very little progress under the supervision of A. Revell.
- 12 Every boy on the Registers present this afternoon, excepting two absent ill.
- 18 I was absent this afternoon & the whole of Tuesday 19th inst. Suffering from neuralgia.
- 29 Close of 2nd Quarter of School year. 81 boys have been present every time out of 135 boys to whom this was possible. Freedom from illness & unusually fine weather account in some measure for this satisfactory statement.
- Nov 1 Alfd. Revell P.T. 1st year absent this afternoon, unwell.
- 5 Half holiday today.
- 15 Several boys absent owing to illness – F. Elliott, S. Baldock, H. Ayling, N. Carr, B. Rudge, J. Nash.
- 19 Physical Exercises in School instead of play ground.
- 29 H. Blanchett P.T. excused from attendance at School during mornings for the coming fortnight in view of Queen's Scholarship Examn. Dec. 14th next.
- Dec 3 Sts. III-VII learned a School Song "Home dear Home".

- 8 Sts. III-VII take Singing (Songs) as one Division, owing to a number of Sts. V, VI, VII leaving School for Work.
- 9 Incessant coughing in School this week renders teaching very difficult. Several boys absent with bad colds.
- 11 H. Blanchett P.T. absent this week attending Queen's Scholarship Examn.
- 22 Closed School at 4 pm for Christmas Holidays.

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- Jan 10 Reopened School.
- 14 Several boys absent owing to illness.
- 17 Alfd. Revell P.T. absent suffering from severe cold.
- 28 Each day this week several boys have been absent owing to illness (Influenza). During the last fortnight 14 different boys have been absent who had not previously been away this quarter. Seven boys in large Class-room & three in School-room appear unwell this morning. I saw Dr. Reichardt, & he thinks the School should be closed for a week. Gave a half holiday so many boys appear unwell. Rev. J. Thornton away from Ewell, therefore no action taken with regard to Dr. Reichardt's opinion.
- Feb 4 Many boys still absent from St. II suffering from Influenza.

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Note on back cover page:-

Dimensions of Schools

	Length		Breadth		Height
Boys & Girls School room	51ft	x	18ft	x	13½ft
Boys & Girls Class room	18	x	12	x	13½
Infants Schoolroom	48	x	20	x	14
Boys & Girls Class room	33	x	17	x	13½
Infants Class room	25	x	16	x	14

NB The handwriting appears to be that of Mr. Buxton, Head Teacher from March 1862