

LOG BOOK

School Logbook Transcription: 1888-99

Room Dimensions & Schedule

- **Dimensions of School Room.**

- Length - 30 ft.
- Breadth - 20 ft.
- Height. - 18 ft.

- **Class Room**

- Length - 28 ft.
- Breadth - 16 ft. 9 in.
- Height - 13 ft.

- **Drawing.** Table shewing Time given to the Subj.

- Stds Tuesday: 1-2. 3.5 - 3.50
- 3-4 1.45 - 3.5
- Thursday: 1-2 1.45 - 2.45
- 3-4 2.45 - 3.50
- Stds 1-2 have lessons extending to 1 3/4 hrs.
- 3-4 2 hrs. 25 m.
- vide p. 89.

1888

Monday 6
Feby.

This School was examined this afternoon by C. M. Kenney-Herbert Esqre
H.M.I.

— and a New Timetable approved as here also the following list of "Object Lessons" for the Infants and the undermentioned selections for Recitation (English) for the various Stds

— "List of Object Lessons" for 1889.

1. The Rabbit
2. The Squirrel
3. The Cow
4. The Goat
5. The Gnat
6. The Owl.
7. The Earthworm
8. The Robin
9. The Raven
10. Water
11. Frost
12. Rainbow
13. Iron
14. Railway Station
15. Chalk.
16. Butter
17. Bread
18. Snow
19. The Hand
20. Sailor
21. Letter
22. An egg.
23. Garden
24. Summer
25. Pen
26. Ginger

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- 27.** Leaves
 - 28.** Dandelion
 - 29.** Eyes.
 - 30.** Paper.

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	— "Selections for Recitation" for 1889. — Std 1. The Minstrel Boy. Moore — 2 & 3. Verses. (I am monarch) Cowper. — 4 & 5. Lady of the Lake. Scott.
<i>Tuesday 7th Feb.</i>	A holiday was given today after the inspection.
<i>Thursday 9 Feb.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the School this morning and took the Higher Division in the Scripture Lesson.
<i>Friday 10th Feb.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again took the Higher Div. in Scripture.
	— Ernest and Mary Slade's names have been taken off the Register. — Average Attendance for past week 78.1.
<i>Monday 13th Feb.</i>	The Duplicate Examination Schedule has been received from the Department; shewing the percentage of passes to be but 80.
	— The Rev. D. Fidler took the first Division in Scripture this morning. — Kate Rosetta and Eli Jakeman were admitted this afternoon.
<i>Tuesday 14 Feb.</i>	There was no school today on account of the winterly weather.
<i>1888 Friday 17th Feb.</i>	The School has not been opened since Monday through the severe weather experienced during the week.
	— Average Att. - 80.5
<i>Monday 20 Feb.</i>	No School was held again today.
<i>Tuesday 21 Feb.</i>	School was opened this morning but not half the children whose names are on the Register have attended school during the day.
	— It is almost impossible for some of the children living at Ninchmore Hill to get here, as the snow, in places, has drifted to the depth of several feet.
<i>Wednesday 22 Feb.</i>	Very few children are in attendance again today, as we have experienced no improvement in the weather.
<i>Thursday 23 Feb.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the School this morning, and handed to me Her Majesty's Inspectors Report a copy of which will be found overleaf.

Pages 4 & 5 — Inspector's Report

- Copy of Her Majesty's Inspector's Report.
- **Mixed School.**
- Actual Average Attendance: Boys 27.1, Girls 23.2, Total 50.4
- Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable 50.
- Grants on Average Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 4.0
 - 2. Merit 1.0
 - 3. Singing (a) bar 6
 - 4. Elementary Subjects Percentage of Passes 1s. for 1 per cent. 6.8
- Grant on Total Average Attendance 12.8
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance, Girls Arts. 106 c and 109 c. 23.0
- Presented for Examination 50
- Absent without excuse 0
- Total 50
- Passes in Reading 40
- Writing 43
- Arithmetic 37
- Total 120
- Grant claimable On Average Attendance 31.13.4, 1.3.0
- Gross Total of claim 32.16.4
- **Infant class.** Boys Girls Total
- Actual Average Attendance 11 14.4 25.5
- Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable 26.
- Grants on Average Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 9.0
 - 2. Merit 2.0
 - 3. Singing (a) bar 6
- Grant on Total Average Attendance 11.6
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance Girls. Arts 106 c and 109 c. 1.1.0
- Grant claimable On Average Attendance 14.19.0, 14.0
- Gross Total of claim 15.13.0
- Amount of Grant £48.9.4

	— Summary of Inspectors Report. — Mixed School. The general results are this year very fair. — The Reading and the Arithmetic are not so good as they have often been before, but I have no reason to doubt that the School will do quite as well as usual in the future. — Infants' class. The Infants are still doing very fairly. — Some of their work is good, so that, in fact, if their Reading were more expressive, their Recitations were in unison and more marked by expression, and a little more in the way of sums were attempted with them, I should be able to recommend the Merit Grant Good. — The alterations asked for as regards the cleaning of the Room have been attended to. — Herbert Parker Cert. Teacher — Fanny Gibbs (Article 50) — D. W. Fidler Correspondent.
Friday 24 Feb.	The Average Attendance this week has been very bad indeed, but is accounted for by the weather, the Av. being but 40.6
Monday 27 Feb.	The Rev. D. Fidler took the higher division in Scripture this morning.
Tuesday 28 Feb.	— John Joseph Thompson's name was taken off the Register today Ethel Florence, Ada Caroline, & Alfred Ware were admitted this morning.
Wednesday 29 Feb.	The Rev. D. Fidler again took the first group in the Scripture lesson.
Friday 2 Mch.	The Average shows an improvement on last week's attendances being 63.1 but is still very bad.
Monday 5 Mch.	Elizabeth and Annie Gillman were admitted this morning.
Wed: 7 March	— Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler — Harry Dover was admitted in the afternoon Alfred Saunders was readmitted this afternoon.
Friday 9 March.	Some progress is being made with the new work, although the Average attendance is not yet so good as it should be.
	— Average for past week - 76.8

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<i>1888 13 Mch.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler took the first division in old Testament History this morning.
<i>14 Mch. Wed</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again took the Scripture Lesson with the Upper Division.
<i>16 Mch. Friday</i>	— Mr. F. Bryan, School Attendance Officer visited the school this afternoon, and took a list of the absentees. The average attendance is not so good as it should be, averaging but 71 for the past week.
<i>19 Mch.</i>	— Sickness and the winterly weather may partly account for it, but in the cases of Clarke & Gillman's summonses for non-attendance have been taken out by the Attendance Officer. The Rev. D. Fidler took 1st Division in Old Testt History this morning.
<i>21 Mch. Wed</i>	— The Simmons have returned to school after several weeks absence. The Rev. D. Fidler again took the first Div: in Scripture.
<i>Friday 23 Mch.</i>	The names of Frederick Shrimpton, Charles Sawyer, Henry Harris, Polly Elliott, Susan Shrimpton, Louisa Lane, and Charles Barker have been taken off the Register.
<i>1888 23 Mch</i>	The Average Attendance is this week again very bad.
<i>Tuesday 27 Mch.</i>	— The weather is undoubtedly very wintry, but with the names of 97 children on the register, the average ought to be more than 68.3 The attendance is very poor again both yesterday and today on account of the winterly weather.
<i>Thursday 29 Mch.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler paid a visit to the School this morning.
<i>Monday 9 Apl.</i>	— The children have attended Divine Service in Church this week as per Time-table, in lieu of Religious Instruction in school. — The Average Attendance shows a slight improvement notwithstanding the weather and has risen from 68 to 76. — The School broke up for the Easter Holidays this afternoon which extend to Monday 9th April. Reopened School this morning with 78 in attendance.
	— Admitted Sidney Deamer, and Frank Hancock, and readmitted Alice J. Clarke. — Agnes Harris was admitted this afternoon.

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<i>Apl. 12</i>	Tutor Registers & Journ Theme correct. D.W. Fidler
<i>Friday 13 Apl.</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler took the first division in the Scripture lesson this morning. Work has improved generally during the week, and the Av. Att. is also better - being 80.
<i>Wed: 18 April.</i>	— Monday William Saunders was readmitted today. The Rev. D. Fidler visits the School, and took the higher division in Scripture.
<i>Friday 20 Apl.</i>	The Average Attendance has fallen from 80 last week to 75 this through the rough winterly weather.
<i>Monday 23 Apl.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again assisted in the Scripture Lesson.
<i>Thursday 26 Apl.</i>	— Elizabeth & Annie Gillman's names have been taken off the Register. The Rev. D. Fidler took the 1st division in Old Testament History.
<i>Friday 27 Apl.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler assisted in the work of the school generally beside taking the Scripture Lesson.
<i>Monday 30 Apl.</i>	— Average for past week = 79.4. The Rev. D. Fidler again assisted in the work of the School.
<i>1888 1st May Wed</i>	The children attended Divine Service in Church as per Time Table.
<i>May 2nd</i>	Friday 4 May. The Rev. D. Fidler today again assisted with the work of the School.
<i>Monday 7 May</i>	— The Average Attendance is this week again very fair, although the weather has not been all that could be desired. — The Rev. D. Fidler again assisted in school. — Average 79.7 The Rev. D. Fidler took Division I in Scripture this morning.
<i>Thursday 10 May.</i>	Being Ascension Day the children attended Service in Church in lieu of Religious Instruction as per Time Table.
<i>Friday 11th May</i>	— A half holiday was given in the afternoon as usual. The Average Attendance this week has risen to 84.4 the highest of any week during the year.
<i>Monday 14th May</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler assists in the Scripture Lesson by taking the first Division.
<i>Tuesday 18</i>	The New School Attendance Officer (Mr. J. F. Bailey) visited the School this

May.

afternoon.

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<i>Friday 18 May</i>	The work in the various standards has somewhat improved during the week but the progress with Std 4 Arithmetic is slow.
	— The Average Attendance is not so good this week as last having fallen to 75.1. — The School broke up this afternoon for the Whitsun Holidays which extend to 4 June.
<i>Monday 4 June</i>	The school reopens again this morning with a poor attendance.
	— Martha E. Smith was admitted this morning.
<i>Tuesday 5 June.</i>	Frank and William Shrimpton were admitted this morning.
	— The Attendance Off. visited the School this afternoon and took a list of those children who have attended irregularly.
<i>Friday 8 June</i>	The school attendance has been fair throughout the week with the exception of Monday and the average amounts to 81.5.
	— Some progress is noticeable in the work of the school although some children seem rather backward after the Holiday.
<i>Monday 11 June.</i>	Admitted Annie Elizabeth Aldridge.
	— Received Clock from National Society. — Children attended Service in Church at 11.30.
<i>1888 11 June.</i>	School Attendance Officer visited the school this afternoon.
<i>12 June</i>	Kate & Eli Jakeman's names taken off the register having left the place.
<i>Wednesday 13 June</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler assisted in the Scripture Lesson this morning.
<i>Friday 15 June.</i>	The work of the school shows a noticeable improvement.
	— Standard 4 Arithmetic and Std 2 Dictation is very weak. — Average for past week 85.7
<i>Monday 18 June.</i>	Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
	— The Rev. D. Fidler assists in the Scripture Lesson. — Minnie Dunkley and Geo. Payne were admitted today.
<i>Tuesday 19 June</i>	The School Attendance Officer visited the school and took a list of the absentees.
<i>Friday 22 June</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again assists in Scripture.
	— The Av: Attendance this week exceeds that of any other week during the

present year being 88.5.

— The work is generally improving.

*Wednesday
27 June*

Mr. J. Bailes Attendance Officer paid a visit to the school.

*Thursday 28
June.*

The Rev. D. Fidler took Std 4 in Scripture this morning.

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<i>1888 Friday 29 June</i>	The children attended Divine Service as per Time-table this morning.
<i>Tuesday 3 July</i>	— Taught the children "The dusky night" (song) in singing lesson. — Average Attendance a little below last week's but still very fair, being 86.5. Rose Turner was admitted this afternoon.
<i>Friday 6 July</i>	— Wed: The Attendance Officer came in this morning and inquired after absentees. — Mary and Agnes Harris are still absent with ringworm and Stephen Wright is absent by doctor's order. Work has progressed very fairly during the week, and the average attendance is again good - being 88.5
<i>Tuesday 10 July.</i>	The Attendance Officer visited the School and the Rev. D. Fidler assisted in Scripture.
<i>Thurs: 12 July</i>	— Joseph Cyles, George Hancock, and Wm Lawrence have been admitted. The Rev. D. Fidler took Std. 4 in Scripture.
<i>Friday 13 July.</i>	Work is progressing favourably with the exception of Std. 2 Dictation, and 4th Arithmetic.
<i>1888 16 July.</i>	— The Av. Att. is the best of any in present year upto date. The Rev. D. Fidler took 4th Std. in Scripture.
<i>Friday 20 July.</i>	The Attendance Officer took a list of absentees.
<i>Tuesday 24 July.</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler has assisted with the Scripture. — Standard 4 Arithmetic and Std. 2 Spelling are still the worst features in the work of the School. — Av. Att: 85.9 The Attendance Officer visited the school and took a list of irregular children.
<i>Wed: 25 July</i>	The children attended Divine Service this morning in lieu of Religious Instruction as per Time-table.
<i>Friday 27 July.</i>	The work shows an improvement on that of last week, although the heavy rains somewhat affect the average attendance, which nevertheless is still very fair, being 86.5 as against 85.9 for preceding week.
<i>Monday 30 July</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler took Std. IV in Scripture.
	— Arthur Wingrovis name was taken off Register.

*Tuesday 31st
July.*

Mr. F. Bailey (School Attendance Officer) visited the School this morning and took a list of absentees.

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<i>1888</i>	Joseph Cyster's name has been taken off
<i>Aug. 6th</i>	— Aug. 3rd the Register. The Average Attendance this week amounts to 83.3 a slight falling off when compared with the previous week. — There are now 103 names on the Register. Being Bank Holiday the attendance is very meagre. The Rev. D. Fidler took Standard 4 in the Scripture this morning.
<i>Tuesday 7th Aug.</i>	A holiday was given today as the Choir were taken for their usual treat. (to Windsor.)
<i>Thursday 9. Aug.</i>	The Attendance Officer paid a visit to the school and took a list of the absentees.
<i>Friday 10. Aug.</i>	This week the attendance has been very poor, the average being but 69. Fair progress is being made with the work, both Std. 4 Arithmetic and Std. 2 Dictation having improved.
<i>Monday 13. Aug.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler took Std. 4 in Scripture and the Attendance Officer again called.
<i>1888 Sept. 24 Monday</i>	— 17th Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler — The Rev. D. Fidler took Std. 4 in Scripture. — Average for the week has increased to 81.8. — The School broke up for the Harvest Holidays. Reopened School this morning with 79 in attendance.
<i>Wednesday 26 Sep.</i>	— Ernest Edward Aldridge, Sarah Peptoe, and Frederick Howe were admitted, and John Joseph Thompson readmitted. Admitted Ada Bird this morning.
<i>Thursday 27 Sep.</i>	Mr. H. Watson School Attendance Officer for the Beaconsfield District visited the school and took a list of the absentees.
<i>Friday 28 Sep.</i>	Although the Harvest is not yet over the average attendance is very fair for the first week after the holiday-being 84.
<i>Tuesday 2 Oct.</i>	Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
<i>5 Oct. Friday</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler took Std. 4 in Scripture. — Jane Wheeler was admitted this morning. — The names of Annie, James, and Emily Elliott, and Henry Lawrence have been taken off the register, having left the place. Work is progressing slowly. Stands 4 & 2 are weak in Dictation Std. 1 in

Arithmetic.

— Average for past week. 82.3

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<i>Monday 8 Oct</i>	88. Admitted Harry Redding this morning.
<i>Tuesday 9 Oct.</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler took Division I in Scripture. Mr. Watson visited the School and took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday 12 Oct.</i>	Gave a test examination today with poor results. The same features were noticeable as in the preceding week.
<i>Monday Oct. 15.</i>	— Average for past week 81. The newly appointed School Attendance Officer (Mr. George Clarke) for the Amersham District paid a visit to the school on Saturday for the purpose of taking a list of absentees.
<i>Thursday 18 Oct.</i>	— The names of Mary, James, Elizabeth, and Agnes Harris have been taken off the register today as they have left the place. — Frederick Jenkins, Herbert Jenkins, and Francis Jenkins, and William Reed were admitted and Arthur Wingrove was readmitted. The children attended Divine Service in Church. vide Timetable.
<i>Friday 19 Oct.</i>	The Attendance has slightly improved this week being 83.3
<i>1888 22 Oct.</i>	Received notice of Diocesan Inspection which is fixed for the 12th prox. at 2 p.m.
<i>23 Oct. Tuesday</i>	— Admitted Albert and Mark Mills this morning. The names of Sarah, Elizh and Edward Lunnon were taken off the Register. The Rev. D. Fidler took Standard 4 in Religious Instruction this morning.
<i>Friday 26 Oct.</i>	— Arthur and Harry Sowden were admitted in the afternoon. Gave a test exam: with rather more favourable results, which perhaps may be partly accounted for by an improved average attendance.
<i>Thursday 1st Nov.</i>	— Av: Att: for past week 89.5. Being All Saints Day the children attended Divine Service in Church at 11.30.
<i>Friday 2 Nov.</i>	The work done today was rather more encouraging, but is not what it should be.
	— Std. 1 Dictation and Arithmetic and St. 4 Arithmetic are weakest, as is also St. 4 English. The Singing also was not good today. — Average Att: for past week 85.3.

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<i>Tuesday 6 Nov.</i>	Mr. H. Watson Attendance Officer for the Beaconsfield District attended the School for the purpose of taking a list of absentees resident in his district.
<i>9 Nov.</i>	Friday 9 Nov. Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
	— The Rev. D. Fidler took Standard 4 in the Scripture Lesson this morning after having tested the registers. — Average Att: for past week 85.2.
<i>Monday 12 Nov.</i>	The Rev. C.R. Adams Diocesan Inspector examined the children in Religious Knowledge this afternoon.
<i>Tuesday 13 Nov.</i>	Admitted, George Simmonds, Elizabeth, and Mary Ann Wright, and Julia Birch.
<i>Friday 16 Nov.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the School during the singing lesson.
	— The 4 Std Arithmetic is still the drawback in the first class. In other work they seem to be improving slowly. — Average attendance for past week 87.6
<i>Monday 19 Nov.</i>	Mary Jane Wheeler's name has been taken off the Register.
	— The Rev. D. Fidler brought in the Diocesan Inspector's Report which is as follows:- — The teaching has been careful and the answering was, as a rule, good. The Upper Division showed a very creditable knowledge of their subjects. — The 2nd Division was very uneven. The elder children answered particularly well, but the younger ones were too dependent upon them. The Infants have been very suitably taught and answered and repeated Catechism, Hymns to very brightly and well. The written work was good especially in the lower Standards. — Diocesan Prize: George Appleby — Commended: Kate Penn (has had prize) — Geo. Lane — Louisa Barker, Marjt. Shrimpton, Ernest Dramers, Thos. Hancock, John Thompson & Kate Hatch. — Charles E. Adams.
<i>Friday 23 Nov.</i>	Gave a test exam: today with rather better (still inferior) results than on previous occasion.
	— Average for past week 86.1

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<i>1888 Friday 30 Nov.</i>	The children attended Divine Service at 11.30 a.m. as per Time Table.
<i>Thursday 6 Dec.</i>	— Gave another test exam: today in better results were shown. Standard 4 is the great hindrance to a good percentage of passes. Av: Att: for past week 85.9 The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school this morning.
<i>Friday 7 Dec.</i>	Taught the song "Marines, spread the sail" during the singing lesson. The work as a rule shows an advance on that of last week. The Av: Attendance shows a slight falling off compared with last week being 83.9 against 85.9.
<i>Friday 14 Dec.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school this morning for a short time. Improvement in all the Standards appears to have been made during the week with the work while the average attendance is about the same. Av: Att: 83.
<i>Monday 17 Dec.</i>	Louisa, Alice, and Emma Barker were sent home this morning as they were found to have the ringworm.
<i>1888 Friday 21 Dec.</i>	Being St. Thomas's Day the children attended Service at 11.30 a.m.
<i>31 Dec. Monday</i>	— Fair progress has been made during the week with the work but the attendance has been far from good. Some of the children have been prevented by illness from attending. The names of Ethel, Ada, and Alfred Ware have been taken off the Register. Av: Att: 75.9. — The School broke up this afternoon for one week's holiday. Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
<i>1889 Friday 4 Jan.</i>	— Monarque have decided to exempt Percy Palmer on account of defective intellect from examination, & Jules James Dove owing to prolonged illness. The work of the school shows improvement during the past week - especially in Arithmetic. Dictation in Stds. 2 & 4 was weak. The attendance is not good being but 78.1 - considering that 106 names are on the register.
<i>Monday 7 Jan.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school this morning. There is also a better attendance to record.

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<i>1889 Wed. 9 Jan.</i>	Arthur and Harry Sowden's names have been taken off the Register.
<i>Friday 11 Jan.</i>	The work again shows improvement, and the average attendance is better than last week. Standard 4 Arithmetic is the weakest feature. Av: Att. 83.4.
<i>Friday 18 Jan.</i>	— Received notice of annual visit of H.M.I. on the 12th-, which is fixed for the 11th prox. The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school today.
<i>Monday 21 Jan.</i>	— The test work was not done quite so well today, and the attendance shows a slight decrease the average being one less than last week. Admitted Frederick and Thos. Priestley this morning.
<i>Friday 25 Jan.</i>	The general results of today's test show improvement. Children attended Divine Service.
<i>Monday 28 Jan.</i>	— Average Attendance for past week 83.4. Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
<i>Thursday 31 Jan.</i>	— Fanny James was admitted this morning. Thos. Priestley's name has been taken off the register, as he has left the place.
<i>1889 Friday Feb. 1st.</i>	— Last day of sch: year. Av: Att: 82.7 The results of today's test are about the same as last week. Learnt "Home, sweet home."
<i>Tuesday 5 Feb.</i>	— Av: Att: for today 81. The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school this morning.
<i>Friday 8 Feby.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again visited the school.
	— In test exam: today children did not do quite so well as last week. — The Average Attendance is still poor being but 81.9 for the week. — Songs for Infants. 1. Through lanes with hedgerows. 2. Chirping little cricket. 3. Away to school. — Recitations 1. The Goose 2. Mary had a little lamb.



3. Lazy Sheep

4. The horse.

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Varied Occupations

1. Mat making.
2. Picking.
3. Spill and
4. Frame making.

— Object Lessons for Infants for yr. ending 31st Jan. 1890.

1. Money.
2. Steel Pen
3. A Slate.
4. An Umbrella
5. A Brick
6. A Table
7. A Basket
8. A House.
9. The Cat
10. The Cow
11. The Dog
12. The Elephant
13. An Apple
14. Cotton
15. Wild Flowers.
16. The Stinging Nettle.
17. Leather
18. Silk
19. Wool.
20. Cork.
21. Wheat
22. Rice
23. Tea
24. A Coat
25. Salt.

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26. Carpenters Shop.
27. Grocers Shop.
28. Blacksmiths Shop.
29. Ice
30. Raisins.

Songs for Older Scholars.

1. Whatever you are to.
2. The dusky night
3. Mariner spread the sail.
4. Murmur gentle lyre.
5. Home, sweet home.

— **Selections for Recitations for 1890.**

— Stds. 1 & 2. Village Blacksmith (Longfellow)

3. Lucy Gray Wordsworth.

— 4 & 5. Deserted Village Goldsmith.

— [Signatures/Stamps]: E.H.K.A. 11.2.89

Monday 11
Feb.

This school was examined today by C.M. Kenney Herbert Esqre H.M.I. and Mr. Martin. Passes 87 per cent.

— The winterly weather greatly interfered with the Attendance of Infants for Inspection.

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1889 Tuesday 12 Feb.	There was no school again today on account of the bad weather.
Wed: 13 Feb.	Opened school with less than 40 in att.
Friday 15 Feb.	The weather has somewhat improved, but the average attendance for the 7 times that the school has been open reaches but 44.3.
Friday 22 Feb.	The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school in the morning. The average attendance is much better this week being 80.4.
Monday 25 Feb.	— Fair progress is also being made with the new work. Admitted Alice Aylett this morning.
Tuesday 26 Feb.	Mr. D. Watson S.A. Officer visited the school this afternoon. The name of James Door has been taken off the Register.
Friday 1 Mch.	The attendance this week has fallen to 75.2 owing to those who have passed Std. 4 absenting themselves altogether or attending very irregularly.
1889 Monday 4 March	Copy of Her Majesty's Inspector's Report. — Mixed School. — Actual Average Attendance: Boys 25.9, Girls 26.8, Total 52.7 — Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable 53. — Grants on Average Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 4.6 2. Merit 2.0 4. Singing (a) Ear 6 5. Elementary Subjects Percentage of Passes 1d. for 1 per cent. 7.3 6. Class Subjects 1st Subject (English) 1.0 — Grant on Total Average Attendance 15.3 — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance Girls. Arts. 106c and 109c. 27/- — Presented for Examination 55 — Absent without excuse - — Total 55 — Passes in Reading 51 — Writing 46 — Arithmetic 46 — Total 143

- Grant claimable: On Average Attendance 40.8.3, 1.7.0
- Gross Total of Claim: 41.15.3
- **Infant Class.**
- Actual Average Attendance: Boys 15.2, Girls 12.6, Total 27.8
- Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable 28.
- Grants on Average Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 9.0
 - 2. Merit 4.0
 - 4. Singing (a) Ear 6
- Grant on Total Average Attendance 13.6
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance, Girls, Arts 106c and 109c. 13.0
- Grant Claimable: On Average Attendance 18.18.0, 13.0
- Gross Total of Claim: 19.11.0
- Amount of Grant £61.6.3
- **Summary of Inspector's Report**
- **Mixed School.** "The school is fast recovering its old position, and is now doing very well, considering its circumstances. I recommend payment for English as an encouragement, and on the understanding that the knowledge of that subject next year must be more fully developed and the answering more general."
- **Infants' class.** "There was a very short attendance of infants on the day of my visit owing to the deep snow. Those present, however, gave evidence of having been well taught."
- Herbert Parker. Cert. Teacher.
- Fanny Gibbs (Art 50.)
- D. W. Fidler Correspondent.

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<i>1889 Monday 4 Mch.</i>	Annie Barrows and Eliza Barrows were admitted and Elizabeth and Edward Lunnon were readmitted this morning.
<i>Wed. 6 Mch.</i>	The children attended Divine Service at 11.30 a.m. and the school closed for the day.
<i>Thursday 7 Mch.</i>	The attendance again today is very small owing to the winterly weather.
<i>Friday 8 Mch.</i>	Attendance again poor. Average for the past week 68.7.
<i>Monday 11 Mch.</i>	Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
	— The Rev. D. Fidler took 1st div: in Scripture.
<i>Tuesday 12 Mch.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler again assisted in the Scripture lesson.
<i>Friday 15 Mch.</i>	Taught a new song in the singing lesson "Come here's a Robin Hood".
	— The Average Attendance has improved with the weather being about 10 higher than last week. viz 78.4.
<i>Tuesday 19 Mch.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler took Stds 4 & 5 in Scripture this morning.
<i>Thursday 21 Mch.</i>	There was no school this morning owing to the rough winterly weather.
	— The attendance this afternoon is very poor.
<i>1889 Friday 22 Mch.</i>	Fair progress is being made with the work of the different standards. Those children who have passed Standard 4 and are exempt from compulsory attendance by the Byelaws of the Amersham School Attendance Committee attend most irregularly. Average for week 68.5.
<i>Monday 25 Mch.</i>	The children attended Divine Service at 11.30 a.m. The object lesson given to the Infants today was on "A brick".
<i>Tuesday 26 Mch.</i>	Mr. H. Watson School Attendance Officer for the Beaconsfield and Penn Districts visited the school this afternoon.
<i>Friday 29 Mch.</i>	The Average Attendance this week is again very poor being but 68.3.
<i>Monday April 1st.</i>	The following names have been taken off the Registers: William and Eva Sears, Walter Boringdon, George Appleby, Rosa Bryant, Mary Bilbey, Rose Turner, Minnie Saunders, Elizabeth Hatch, and Ellen and Annie Finch.
	— The Rev. D. Fidler took 1st Div: in Scripture today.

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<i>1889 Friday 5 April.</i>	The Average Attendance has improved very slightly during the week. The work has, on the whole, shown an improvement. Taught song entitled "The Bay of Biscay" during singing lesson. Average for past week 71.2.
<i>Monday 8 April.</i>	Admitted Harriet Palmer and Ada Dunkley this morning.
<i>Thursday 11 Apl.</i>	Admitted Constance Glenister from Woodrow Sch. this morning.
<i>Friday 12 Apl.</i>	The following names have been taken off the Register today: Florence Hancock, George Muckley, Arthur Wingrove, and Archibald Bowler. The weather has interfered with the attendance of the children especially those living at a distance. Average 70.6.
<i>Thursday 18 April.</i>	The children have attended Divine Service in Church this week in lieu of Religious Instruction as per timetable. Average Attendance for the past week 70.3. The school broke up this afternoon for the Easter Holidays which extend to the 29 inst.
<i>1889 Monday 29 Apl.</i>	Reopened school this morning with a fair attendance. Mary Tapping, Elizabeth Cox, Esther Muckley, and Alice Deamer were admitted.
<i>Tuesday 30 Apl.</i>	Tutor Registers & Journ Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler
<i>Wednesday 1 May.</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler took Division I in Scripture this morning. Being a Saints Day the children attended Divine Service in Church as per Time-table.
<i>Friday 3 May.</i>	The attendance has improved since the Easter holiday, although Standards 4 and 5 attend very irregularly. Av: 75.
<i>Monday 6 May.</i>	Admitted Rosa Mills and Norah Birch this morning. The Rev. D. Fidler assisted with the Scripture lesson.
<i>Thursday 9 May.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler took Scripture with the 1st Division today and on the two preceding mornings.
<i>Friday 10 May.</i>	With an increasing average attendance a corresponding improvement is noticeable in the quality of the school work. Average for past week 77.7

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<i>1889</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler assisted in the Scripture lesson both yesterday and again today.
<i>Friday 17 May.</i>	— Tuesday 14 May. The attendance is gradually improving, the average this week amounting to 80.3.
<i>Monday 20 May.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler assisted with Scripture this morning.
<i>Tuesday 21st</i>	Miss Ada Dodkin late Assistant in Kebworth School (Herts) assisted in the elementary work this morning.
<i>Friday 24 May.</i>	The attendance this week has slightly fallen as several children are absent sick.
<i>Monday 27 May.</i>	— Mrs. Sawyer has been to me, stating that her son George is subject to fits, and that by doctor's orders his lessons must not be insisted upon. A holiday was given today on account of the Chapel Sunday School Treat or Anniversary taking place.
<i>Thursday 30 May.</i>	The children attended service at 11.30 a.m. being Ascension Day.
<i>Friday 31st</i>	Fair progress has been made with the work during the week.
<i>1889</i>	— Taught song "Gently is the fair stream flowing." Tested Registers & Jour. Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler.
<i>Wednesday 5 June.</i>	Stephen Wright, Frederick Muckley, Thomas Hancock, and George Sawyer were punished by the Rev. D. Fidler for getting over the churchyard hedge.
<i>Thursday 6 June.</i>	— The Rev. D. Fidler assisted in Scripture this morning. The Rev. D. Fidler took Division I in Scripture today.
<i>Friday 7 June.</i>	The attendance this week has fallen off principally in Stds. 4 & 5.
<i>Monday 17 June.</i>	— Average for past week 73. — The School broke up today for the Whitsun Holidays which extend to the 17 inst. The school reopened after the Whitsun recess with a moderate attendance.
<i>Friday 21 June.</i>	— Ruth May Thornback was admitted. — The Rev. D. Fidler assisted in Scripture. The names of Geo. Lane, Chas. Shrimpton, Fred Payne, Geo. Deamer and Gertrude Redrup have been removed from the Registers.
	— With 99 names still on, the average for the week is but 68.1.

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<i>1889 Monday 24 June.</i>	Being St. John Baptist's Day the children attended Divine Service.
<i>Friday 28 June.</i>	— Have written to the School Attendance Officer calling his attention to the disgraceful attendance of the past few days, which greatly impedes the progress of the work of the school. The average attendance is only an advance of 3 on the previous week, being now 71.3.
<i>Monday 1 July.</i>	Admitted George Slade and Rosa Jane Cane this morning.
<i>Friday 5 July.</i>	The attendance is somewhat better, but still is far from good.
<i>Monday 8 July.</i>	— The average amounts for the week to 74.6 and there are 101 names on the registers. The Rev. D. Fidler took Division I in Scripture this morning.
<i>Friday 12 July.</i>	— Mary Appleby has returned to school after several weeks absence. The attendance has improved a trifle this week - the average reaches 77.5.
<i>1889 Wednesday 17 July.</i>	— The School Attendance Officer paid a visit and took a list of absentees, several of which are to be reported to the Amersham Committee. The Rev. D. Fidler took Standards 3 & 4 in Scripture both yesterday and today.
<i>Friday 19 July.</i>	— Admitted Edith Ellen Hancock. By a curious coincidence the average att. is the same as last week viz:- 77 1/2.
<i>Monday 22 July.</i>	Tested Registers & Jour Theme Correct. D.W. Fidler.
<i>Thursday 25 July.</i>	Being St. James's the Apostles Day the children attended Service in Church at 11 1/2.
<i>Friday 26 July.</i>	The Average Attendance this week exceeds that of any week in the present school year up to date.
<i>Wednesday 31 July.</i>	— This may, perhaps, partly be accounted for by five of the parents, who were summoned, having to appear before the Amersham bench. — Av. Att: 83. The children in Stds. 4 & 5 appear to be very backward both in Arithmetic and Grammar the latter of which they do not take to very readily.
<i>Friday 2 Aug.</i>	A lesson on "Salt" was given to the Infants.
	— The attendance of the elder scholars has been very meagre again this week

| the average being 76.3.

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<i>1889 Friday Aug 9.</i>	The attendance has been very bad again this week.
	— Several of the children make very little more than 50 per cent of the possible number of attendances. — The following is a copy of the list sent to the Attendance Officer today: — Agnes Shrimpton 47 att: of a possible 80. — Constance Glenister 26. — William Muckley 44. — Lloyd Bowler 49. — Frederick Jenkins 44. — Elizabeth Lunnon 45. — The parents of C. Glenister were summoned last Petty Sessions and she has made 14 out of a possible 30 since. — The school broke up for the Harvest Holidays which extend to the 16th prox.
<i>Monday Sep. 16.</i>	Reopened school this morning with a very fair attendance of Infants and Stds. 1 and 2.
	— But of 27 in Stds. 3, 4 & 5, but 15 out of 27 were in attendance. — The Rev. D. Fidler visited the school.
<i>Thursday 19 Sep.</i>	Being Amersham Fair Day a holiday was given in the afternoon.
<i>Friday 20 Sep.</i>	The work of the school is progressing satisfactorily considering that it is but the first week after the Harvest Holiday.
	— The attendance of the upper standards is poor, and several have not yet returned to school. — Average for past week 73.8.
<i>Wed: 25 Sep.</i>	The Rev. D. Fidler paid a short visit to the school this morning previous to his departure to a Curacy at Warborö.
<i>Friday 27 Sep.</i>	Gave a test exam: today with results showing that the Dictation in Std. 1 and Arithmetic in Standard 3 are the weakest features.
	— Av. Att. 70.3.
<i>Friday 4 Oct.</i>	The average attendance shows a slight improvement on last week, but is very poor, being but 72.
<i>Monday 7 Oct.</i>	Annie Phoebe Burt was admitted this morning.
<i>Wed: Oct. 9.</i>	Annie and Christopher Carr were admitted this morning.

*Friday Oct.
11.*

The Av: Att: is about the same as last week.

— The att: is very poor today being 68.7.

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<i>1889 Friday 18 Oct.</i>	Gave a test exam: today, in which the work of the school appears to be progressing steadily.
	— The number to be presented to H.M.I. for Inspection in February next will be much smaller than in some previous years. — This is to be accounted for by the fact that many of the farm-labourers are hired on the 11 Oct., or thereabouts, by the year. — Several of the children whose names would have been on the examination Schedule have left, while many others who are only just admitted will not have been on the Register for the 22 weeks. — Av: Att: for past week 67.3.
<i>Wed: 23 Oct.</i>	Received notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit which is fixed for the 5 prox.
<i>Thursday 24 Oct.</i>	The following names have been taken off the Register: Annie Carr and Christopher Carr, Frederick, Herbert, and Walter Jenkins, and Albert, Mark, and Rosa Mills.
<i>Friday 25 Oct.</i>	Gave a test exam: with similar results to last week.
<i>1889 Friday 1st Nov.</i>	— The bad Average Attendance has been the great drawback to the work all the year. The names of Emma Barker and Eliza Barrows have been taken off the Register.
<i>Monday 4 Nov.</i>	— Average for past week 68.1. — The Attendance Officer paid a visit and took a list of absentees. Mary and John Bagley were admitted this morning.
<i>Tuesday 5 Nov.</i>	The School was examined in Religious Knowledge this afternoon by the Rev. C. Joyce Diocesan Inspector.
<i>Wed: 6 Nov.</i>	— The Rev. B. D'O. Aplin was present during the examination. John and Elizabeth Hazell were admitted this morning.
<i>Friday 8 Nov.</i>	Gave another test exam: today showing that Stds. 3, 4, and 5 are weak both in Dict: and Arithmetic.
	— The average attendance shows an improvement on that of last week viz 76.7 against 68.1. — Received Diocesan Inspectors Report copy of which will be found overleaf.

Pages 44 & 45*1889 Nov. 8.***Report:**

- "This school is doing well."
- "The answers both written and oral were fair, but the singing and repetition were much better than the answers."
- "Mr. Parker has exceptional difficulties to encounter through want of some more teaching power for the lower Standards."
- "The Infants in this well ordered little School are judiciously & carefully taught by Miss Gibbs, the tone & discipline are excellent."
- Bishops Prayer Book awarded to Stepn. Wright.
- Very highly commended Kate Penn, who took this prize in '87 again was first in '88.
- Commended Thos. Hancock, Ada Deamer, Fanny Pyke, Kate Hatch.
- Infants:
 - Fanny James
 - Harry Reading
 - Martha Smith
- C. Joyce, Dio: Inspector.

*Thursday 14
Nov.*

Mrs. Aplin paid a visit to the school this afternoon and also inspected the Knitting.

*Friday 15
Nov.*

Gave another test exam: with poor results.

*Friday 22
Nov.*

- The names of Ernest, Ada, Sidney, and Alice Deamer have been taken off the Register.
- Average for past week 73.

The average attendance is about the same as last week, and cannot be said to be good.

*Friday 29
Nov.*

- The results of test exam: show improvement.

Taught song entitled "Merrily over the snow" in the singing lesson this afternoon.

*Tuesday 3
Dec.*

- The work of the school shows some improvement.
- Average Att: about the same as the two previous weeks. 73.

The Rev. B. D'O. Aplin paid a visit to the school this afternoon.

Friday 6 Dec.

The improvement in the work of the school continues but is slow, while the average attendance remains about the same.

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<i>1889 Friday 13 Dec.</i>	There was a very poor attendance this morning; the usual weekly test exam: was therefore dispensed with.
<i>Thursday 19 Dec.</i>	— In the afternoon a half holiday was given on the occasion of Miss Kennedy of the Rosary giving a tea and Christmas Tree in the Schools, to the children of Coleshill, Winchmore Hill and Woodrow. — Average for past week 69.8. As Mrs. Aplin is about trying the experiment of giving 1d. (or free) dinners to some of the poorest of the children attending the schools, she visited the school this morning for the purpose of distributing the tickets to the children.
<i>Friday 20 Dec.</i>	The School broke up for the Christmas Holiday which extends to 30 inst.
<i>Monday 30 Dec.</i>	— Average for past week 75.5. Commenced school again this morning with a rather meagre attendance.
<i>Friday 3 Jan.</i>	— Sent a list of absentees to the School Attendance Officer at Amersham. The average att: is 9 lower than it was the week before the holidays being but 66 1/2.
<i>1890 6 Jan.</i>	Foolscap, pens etc. arrived from the National Society today.
<i>Thursday 9 Jan.</i>	— Attendance no better. The Rev. B. D'Ogley, and Mrs Aplin paid a short visit to the school this morning.
<i>Friday 10 Jan.</i>	— Fanny Pyke's name has been removed from the registers. Gave a test exam: today with improved results.
<i>Thursday 16 Jan.</i>	— The attendance in Stds. 3, 4 & 5 is very poor. — Mr. Geo Haynes calls and says ill health is the reason of his child's non-attendance. — Mr. H. Watson of the Beaconsfield District under the Amersham School Attendance Committee paid a visit to the School this afternoon as several houses are situated in that parish. — Av. Att. 71 1/2. — Sent a postcard to Mr. Geo Clarke School Attendance Officer Amersham calling his attention to the unsatisfactory attendance. Received notice of H.M. Inspector's visit which is fixed for 10th prox.

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<i>1890 Friday 17 Jan.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin visited the school - tested Registers and found them correct.
	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — George Simmonds's name has been taken off the Register, having left the place. — The result of today's test exam: shows the passes to be at the rate of 88 per cent, not quite so good as last week. — The Average Attendance is 6 below that of last week, and in the majority of cases is owing to illness.
<i>Tuesday 21 Jan.</i>	Arthur Slade is away from school suffering from "nettlerash" and Daisy Keen with ringworm.
<i>Friday 24 Jan.</i>	Register tested & found correct.
	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Not quite so good a percentage was passed this morning, but anything like a correct estimate cannot be formed on account of so many being absent through illness. — Average Attendance for the week 61.4.
<i>1890 Friday 31 Jan.</i>	Several children have returned to school who have been prevented by illness and the average attendance shows an improvement of 8 for the week.
	— Today's test shows a percentage of 90.
<i>Monday 3 Feb:</i>	Albert Henry Wright was admitted today.
<i>Friday 7 Feb:</i>	Gave another test exam: with very fair results.
	— The Average Attendance shows a marked improvement on any week since the Christmas Holiday. — Av. Att: 77.4.
<i>Friday 14 Feb:</i>	The Average Attendance is not so good this week being but 72.9.
	— Stds. 3 and 4 Dictation not done quite up to average today.
<i>Monday 17 Feb:</i>	Have written to the School Att: Officer calling his attention to those children who are attending most irregularly.
<i>Wed. 19 Feb:</i>	The usual half holiday was not given today on account of the impending exam:
	— The School att: officer paid a visit to the school this afternoon.

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1890 Friday Feb 21.	The Average Att: shows a further slight decrease for the week.
Tuesday 25 Feb:	— Ralph Palmer has been at home ill all the week, and Mary Tapping who fainted on Monday and again on Tuesday has been absent since. — Elizabeth Lunnon, whose parents were summoned a fortnight ago, has also been absent all the week. — Av. Att: 71.7. Mr. Joseph Hatch came to the school this morning, and said that his child Kate, who is ill in bed suffering from influenza, would not be able to attend the examination tomorrow.
Wed: 26 Feb:	Infants' Songs:
1890	1. The rain is falling very fast. 2. Murmur, gentle lyre. 3. Oh where, and oh where. Object Lessons for Exam. 1891: 1. Paper 16. Hay 2. Iron 17. The Eye 3. Coins 18. Fire 4. A bottle 19. The Dandelion 5. The Sheep 20. The Raven 6. Summer 21. Soap 7. An orange 22. A mirror 8. Ink 23. Wind 9. Milk 24. The bat 10. Sugar 25. The Railway 11. Bread 26. The Sailor 12. Meat 27. The Hand 13. Vinegar 28. A coat 14. A house 29. Butterfly 15. Corn 30. A knife — Varied Occupations: 1. Mat making. 2. Picking.

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3. Spill, and.
 4. Frame making.

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1. Try, try, try again.

2. The Rabbit.

3. The Clock.

4. The Swing.

— Songs for Older Scholars:

1. Bay of Biscay.

2. Come here's to Robin Hood.

3. Fly glorious news.

4. Gently is the fair stream flowing.

5. Merrily over the snow.

— Selections for Repetition for 1891:

— Stds 1 & 2. The brook Tennyson.

— Std 3. Bruce & the Spider E. Cook.

— Stds 4 & 5. The Inchcape Bell Southey and Lord Ullin's Daughter Campbell.

— H.M. Ins: 26.2.90.

*1890
Wednesday
26 Feb.*

The School was examined today by Mr. H. Martin.

— Kate Hatch (No. 7 on the examination schedule) was absent, suffering from influenza, and Clara Redrup (30) who has splintered her collarbone, was also absent.

— There was a half holiday in the afternoon.

*Friday 28
Feb.*

The Average Attendance this week amounts to 73.

— Have commenced the new work in the various Stds. and made satisfactory progress.

*Monday 3
March.*

The 1st class of Infants have been transferred to Std. 1 with their names on the 3rd Class register.

— Ethel Amiee Parker was admitted today.

*Tuesday 4
Mch.*

Received the Duplicate Examination Schedule which shows the passes to be at the rate of 95 per cent.

*Friday 7
March.*

The Average Attendance shows a decrease of 11 on that of the previous week.

— All the children with 1 exception in Stds 4 & 5 are able to leave school &

| several will not probably return.

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<i>1890 Tuesday 11 Mch.</i>	John Siret was admitted yesterday and Ada and Arthur Cook this morning.
<i>Friday 14 Mch.</i>	Illness, and the bad weather we experienced on Monday, have still further reduced the average which reaches but 57.7 for the week.
<i>Monday 17 Mch.</i>	Albert Appleby was admitted this morning.
<i>Thursday 20 Mch.</i>	There was no school this morning on account of the winterly weather.
<i>Friday 21 Mch.</i>	— The school this afternoon is very thinly attended. The attendance this week is very poor especially in the upper standards.
<i>Monday 24 Mch.</i>	— Illness, and the winterly weather partly account for it. — Elizabeth Lunnons attendances amount to 13 out of a possible 68. Alice Aylett's name has been taken off the Register.
<i>1890 Tuesday 25 Mch.</i>	— Failing the Sch: Att: Officer's usual Saturday (fortnightly) visit, I have written to him concerning the Lunnon's attendances. Mrs. Lunnon has been to me, stating that her children are suffering from measles & consequently, unable to attend School.
<i>Friday 28 Mch.</i>	— There is no sign of any improvement in our Average Attendance before the Easter Holiday. Frederick Howe's and Emma Humphries' names have been taken off the Register as they have left the place.
<i>Monday 31 Mch.</i>	— Av: 50.4. Harriet and Emma Jones were admitted this morning.
<i>Thursday 3 Aprl.</i>	— Mrs. Barrows has been to me, stating that her children, who are suffering from whooping cough, are to be kept at home by doctor's order. The fact that the children are suffering more from coughs and colds now than they have been at any time during the winter coupled with that of the post of Attendance Officer not yet been filled up accounts for our lamentably small attendance which averages but 54 for the week.

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1890	The school broke up for the Easter Thursday Holiday which extends to the 14th inst.
3 Apr.	Form 17a bearing date 22 March 1890 was handed to me today.
Copy of Her Majesty's Inspectors Report - Mixed School	
	— Actual Average Attendance: Boys 19.9, Girls 22.7, Total 42.6. — Average Attendance on which the grant is payable: 43. — Grants on Average Attendance: Fixed Grant 4.6, Merit 3.0, Singing (a) Ear 6. — Elementary Subjects Percentage of passes: 1st for 1 per cent 7.11. — Class Subjects: 1st English nil. — Grant on Total Average Attendance: 15.11. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance Girls (Arts. 106c and 109c): 23/-. — Presented for examination: 44. — Absent or withheld from examination without reasonable excuse: - (Total 44). — Passes in Reading: 43. — Passes in Writing: 40. — Passes in Arithmetic: 42 (Total 125 passes).
Grant Claimable	
	— On Average Attendance: £34.4.5. — Additional grant: £1.3.0. — Gross Total of Claim: £35.7.5.
Infant Class	
	— Actual Average Attendance: Boys 15.4, Girls 14, Total 29.5. — Average Attendance on which the grant is payable: 30. — Grants on Average Attendance: Fixed grant 9.0, Merit 4.0, Singing (a) ear 6. — Grant on Total Average Attendance: 13.6. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on Average Attendance girls (Arts. 106c and 109c): 14.0.

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<i>Grant Claimable (continued)</i>	On Average Attendance £20.5.0 and £14.0. Gross Total of Claim: £20.19.0. Amount of Grant: £56.6.5.
<i>Summary of the Inspector's Report</i>	
	— Mixed School: "The results of the examination in the elementary work are excellent in every way, and the order and sewing are as good as usual. No grant can be recommended for English, as the answering of the first class is so very indifferent, and meanings and allusions are not at all well known throughout the Standards. Similar ill success in the teaching of Grammar next year will certainly affect the merit mark." — Infants Class: "The infants are in thoroughly good order under Miss Gibbs." — Signed: Herbert Parker (Cert. Teacher), Fanny Gibbs (Art. 50, Correspondent).
<i>1890</i>	Reopened school this morning with Monday only a fair attendance.
<i>14 Aprl.</i>	Admitted: George Pursey, Levina Pursey, May Pursey, Helen Cook, and Eva Shrimpton.
	— Names removed from the Register: Frederick Muckley, Arthur Slade, Kate Aldridge, Kate Penn, Mabel Palmer, Agnes Shrimpton, Constance Glenister, Mary Tapping, and Margaret Shrimpton (passed the Standard for Exemption), and Thomas and Frank Hancock who have been removed to the Union at Amersham.
<i>Friday 18 Aprl.</i>	Average Attendance is still low due to sickness chiefly by whooping cough still prevailing; average for past week 64.7.
<i>Monday 21 Aprl.</i>	Admitted: Alice James, Alice Elliot, and Thirza Wright.

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<i>1890 Friday 25 Aprl.</i>	Average Attendance shows a slight improvement, but remains a great hindrance to progress.
<i>Monday 28 Aprl.</i>	Herbert Slade was admitted to school this morning.
<i>Thursday 1 May.</i>	Elizabeth Haynes's name taken off the register as she has not returned since Easter. Standard 4 attendance is very poor (not nearly 70 per cent of possible attendances).
<i>Friday 2 May.</i>	Average attendance for past week 67.6; lower Standards make fair progress, but Standard 4 makes under 60 per cent of possible attendances.
<i>Monday 5 May.</i>	Mabel Palmer readmitted and George Hazell admitted. Jane Jones also admitted.
<i>Friday 9 May.</i>	Average Attendance improved; need of a School Attendance Officer is felt regarding cases like the Lunnons (Elizh Lunnon made 20 attendances out of 116 last quarter, and Edward 50).
<i>Mon: 12 May.</i>	Kate Dazley admitted.
<i>Friday 16 May.</i>	Attendance improves further (Av. Att. 76.8), though Standard 4 and upwards attend badly. Singing attainment is much below former years.
<i>Monday 19 May.</i>	Admitted: Minnie Louisa Meadows, Ada Annie Meadows, and Percy Pursey.
<i>Tuesday 20 May.</i>	Supplies arrived from National Soc. Depository; Rev. B. Aplin and E.A. Fawcett Esq. visited.
<i>Friday 23 May.</i>	Registers tested and found correct by B. D'Ogly Aplin.

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<i>Friday 30 May.</i>	School broke up for Whitsun Holidays extending to June 2; average attendance for past week 76.8.
<i>Monday 2 June.</i>	School reopened; admitted Frederick Arthur, Mabel Rose Dean, Dora Lane, and readmitted Edith Ellen Hancock.
<i>Tuesday 3 June.</i>	Elizabeth Francis admitted; note sent to School Attendance Officer regarding irregular children.
<i>Friday 6 June.</i>	Average attendance reaches 82 1/2, higher than any previous week of the year.
<i>Monday 9 June.</i>	Half holiday given for Chapel Anniversary and annual treat.
<i>Thursday 12 June.</i>	William Baskin admitted (age 9, no further advanced than Standard 1).
<i>1890 Friday 13 June.</i>	Average attendance is 84, but several irregular children show little improvement; notified School Attendance Officer (Std 4 boys present on only 44 out of 49 meetings).
<i>Monday 16 June.</i>	George Saunders and Kate Redding admitted.
<i>Wed: 18 June.</i>	Mrs. Aplin and Mrs. Greenhill visited.
<i>Thursday 19 June.</i>	No needlework taken in the absence of the assistant.
<i>Friday 20 June.</i>	Average attendance reaches 88.5; work is proceeding fairly well overall though backward in Standard 4.

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<i>1890 24 June.</i>	William Norris admitted.
<i>Thursday 26 June.</i>	Attendance very bad due to weather.
<i>Friday 27 June.</i>	Fair progress made; Standard 4 still attending very badly; average attendance 83.8.
<i>Monday 30 June.</i>	Weather severely interfered with attendance (only 45 present); Attendance Officer notified.
<i>Wed. 2 July.</i>	Attendance Officer visited; Relieving Officer called to pay fees for children allowed by Guardians.
<i>Friday 4 July.</i>	Attendance affected by weather; average attendance 82.2.
<i>1890 Friday 11 July.</i>	Average attendance improves to 88.2; fair progress in work and grammar; singing is better.
<i>14 July.</i>	Alice Bilbey admitted.
<i>15 July.</i>	May Bowles admitted.
<i>Wed: 16 July.</i>	Rev. B. D'O. Aplin visited during Scripture lesson.
<i>18 July.</i>	Taught song "O have you heard Geography sung"; average attendance 86.
<i>Friday 25 July.</i>	Attendance Officer visited for absentees; average dropped to 79.
<i>Friday 1 Aug.</i>	Higher standards' bad attendance hinders progress (94 attendances out of 150 possible); average attendance 87.3.

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<i>1890 Aug 4.</i>	William Russell admitted; attendance meagre due to Bank Holiday.
<i>Aug 7.</i>	Registers tested and found correct by B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Aug 8.</i>	Irregular children list sent to Attendance Officer; average attendance drops to lowest for many weeks at 66.7. Rev. B. D'O. Aplin visited during Scripture. School broke up for Harvest Holiday. Miss Gibb's engagement terminated.
<i>Monday Sep. 15.</i>	School reopened with fair attendance; Miss Ada Pedder commenced duties in place of Miss Gibbs. Amelia Saunders admitted.
<i>1890 16 Sep.</i>	Mr. G.E. Smith (former master) visited.
<i>Wed 17 Sep.</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke (School Attendance Officer) took a list of absentees; Elizabeth Lunnon absent since April 24.
<i>Friday 19 Sep.</i>	Average attendance 78.5; half holiday given for Amersham Fair Day.
<i>Monday 22 Sept.</i>	Percy Lawrence and Ada Russell admitted; 1st class attendance still very bad.
<i>Friday 26 Sep.</i>	Children made more progress this week; average attendance 84.9.

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<i>1890 29 Sep.</i>	Fred Cook admitted.
<i>Friday 3 Oct.</i>	Average attendance spoilt by children visiting an Amersham circus on Wednesday afternoon (Average 86); test exam gave rather poor results.
<i>Wed: 8 Oct.</i>	Attendance Officer visited for absentees; Alice Elliot sent home due to a filthy state of her head.
<i>Friday 10 Oct.</i>	Average attendance fell by 10 (76.4); Eva, Clara Redrup, Mary Ann, Kate, and Alice Clarke made zero attendances.
<i>Monday 13 Oct.</i>	Admitted Kate Sophia, Mary Mercy Bradley, Bertha, Mary Ann, and William Glenister.
<i>1890</i>	Percy Pursey's name removed from register.
<i>Tuesday 14 Oct.</i>	Elizabeth Lunnon returned to school.
<i>Friday 17 Oct.</i>	Average attendance 86.5; 1st class attends most irregularly.
<i>Tuesday 21 Oct.</i>	Daisy Shrimpton admitted; Margaret and George Wright readmitted. Mrs Aplin brought form for Diocesan Inspector's visit on Nov 5 at 2:45 p.m..
<i>Friday 24 Oct.</i>	Average attendance highest of the year to date; Attendance Officer visited twice this week.

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<i>1890 Monday 27 Oct.</i>	Names removed: John Hazell, Mabel Palmer, Mary A. Clarke, Kate Clarke, Elizabeth Hazell, and Alice Clarke.
<i>Friday 31 Oct.</i>	Average attendance 87.9; May Bowles's name removed; taught new song "Hold your head up".
<i>Tuesday 4 Nov.</i>	Elizabeth and Edward Lunnon sent home for school fees; fees brought later by elder sister but children did not return.
<i>Wed. 5 Nov.</i>	Rev. C. Joyce (Diocesan Inspector) examined children in Religious Knowledge (84 in attendance, Rev. B. D'O. Aplin present).
<i>1890 Thursday 6 Nov.</i>	Received supplies from National Socy.
<i>Friday 7 Nov.</i>	Rough weather affected attendance (average 81.7).
<i>Monday 10 Nov.</i>	Attendance Officer visited.
<i>12 Nov.</i>	Registers tested and found correct by B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Diocesan Inspector's Report</i>	
	— "Religious Instruction is fairly well given in this school, but the Standards were less responsive than the infants. The Singing and Repetition were good throughout. There are exceptional difficulties in the upper School." — Winner of last year's prize and very highly commended: Stephen Wright. — Prize 1890: Elizth Francis. Highly Commended: Lloyd Bowler. Commended: Harriet Jones, Elizth Wright, A. Shrimpton, B. Glenister, Fanny James, Ada Sears, M. Glenister, M. Meadows, W. Shrimpton, Th. Saunders.

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<i>1890 Friday 14 Nov.</i>	Test examination showed better results; October withdrawals severely thinned Stds 4 and 5; George Hazell's name removed; average attendance 84.2.
<i>Friday 21 Nov.</i>	Average attendance 85; Lunnon family noted for worst irregularity where prosecutions effect no change; object lesson on "Corn" given to infants.
<i>Friday Nov. 28.</i>	Sharp weather affected attendance, notably infants; average 75.9.
<i>Tuesday 2 Dec.</i>	Attendance Officer visited; Wm and James Muckley arrived too late for registers and lost marks.
<i>1890 Friday 5 Dec.</i>	Work progressing fairly; dictation weak in Stds 2 and 3; lesson on "Milk" for infants; average 81.1.
<i>Wed. 10 Dec.</i>	Rev. B. Aplin called in.
<i>Friday 12 Dec.</i>	Work quality shows improvement with continuing weak points; average 79.5; severe weather severely affects attendance of younger children and those living far away.
<i>Friday 19 Dec.</i>	No school due to rough weather (Average 68.6).
<i>Monday 22 Dec.</i>	Weather prevents attendance; school closed for a fortnight instead of the usual week's holiday.

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<i>1891 Monday Jan 5.</i>	Weather prevents many children attending reopening after Christmas vacation; Rev. B. D'O. Aplin brought Government Examination Schedules.
<i>Wed 7 Jan.</i>	Note sent to Attendance Officer regarding irregular attendance.
<i>Friday Jan. 9.</i>	Attendance Officer visited; average attendance 69.6 (does not reach two-thirds of register).
<i>Monday Jan. 12.</i>	Several children not yet returned due to illness.
<i>Friday Jan. 16.</i>	Average attendance drops to 66.7 due to weather and sickness, making standard progress nearly impossible.
<i>1891 Tuesday 20 Jan.</i>	Message sent to Attendance Officer urging special efforts; weather continues severe.
<i>Wed 21 Jan.</i>	Attendance Officer (Mr. Geo. Clarke) visited and took list of absentees.
<i>Thursday 22 Jan.</i>	Rev. B. D'O. Aplin brought notice of H.M. Inspector's visit fixed for Feb 23.
<i>Friday 23 Jan.</i>	Test exam given with fair results considering weather and sickness; average attendance 68.3.
<i>Tuesday 27 Jan.</i>	Medical certificate received from Mr. J.R.H. Potts certifying William, James, and Esther Muckley unfit to attend school.

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<i>1891, Wed. 28 Jan.</i>	As William and Edith Russel have left the district their names have been taken off the register.
<i>Friday 30 Jan.</i>	The Average Attendance which a week ago amounted to 68.3 has this week risen to 79.8.
	— The results of test exam. are about the same as that of the previous week. — Where attendance is so very irregular (caused partly by disease, bad weather, &c) anything like a definite idea of average success cannot be arrived at. — The school year practically ends today.
<i>Monday 2 Feb.</i>	Cecil and Daisy Stronnell were admitted this morning.
	— New Registers and blotting paper arrived this morning from the National Society's Depository.
<i>Friday 6 Feb.</i>	Mrs. S. Saunders and Mrs. Francis have applied for James Saunders and Elizabeth Francis (grand-daughter) respectively to be examined for Labour Certificates or Certificates of Proficiency at H.M. Inspector's ensuing visit fixed for 23 inst.
	— The Average Attendance for the week ending today is higher than that of any week from Friday 31 Oct. 1890.
<i>Wed. 11 Feb.</i>	Mrs. Appleby applied for a Certificate of Proficiency for Mary Appleby.
	— On account of the impending inspection the usual half holiday was not given today (Ash Wednesday).
<i>Friday 13 Feb.</i>	Gave another test with fair results considering that the work of every scholar whose name appears on the registers is taken in connection with the average results (Av. Att: 87.5).
<i>Monday 16 Feb.</i>	Henry and Mary Ann Newton were admitted this morning.
	— Mrs. Barrows came to say that as they were leaving about the middle of the present week, her daughter Annie would not attend here again. — Examined H. Newton as to what Std. he is most fitted for, and find that he does not yet know his letters either capital or small. — Certificates of Proficiency have been applied for by Bowler, Aldridge & Muckley.

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Friday 20 Feb. '91	Gave another test examination with fair results.
Monday 23 Feb.	— The Average Attendance for the week is higher than that of any previous week for some years past, amounting to 9521.
Infants' Songs	
	1. Three mice went into a hole (Action) 2. A little bird (""") 3. Drummer boy (""") 4. School is begun. 5. Beside a blue lake. 6. The old black cat.
Recitations	
	1. The sick doll. 2. Which loved mother best. 3. Billy and me.
Varied Occupations	
	1. Mat making, Card Embroidery. 2. Frame making, and Card pricking. 3. Picking & bead threading.
List of Object Lessons for Exam. 1892	
	1. Money 2. A letter 3. A steel pen 4. A slate 5. An umbrella 6. A brick 7. A table 8. A basket 9. Outside of a house 10. A candle

11. The cow
12. The cat
13. The elephant
14. The lion
15. The dog
16. The camel
17. Cotton
18. Leather
19. Silk
20. Wool
21. Cork
22. Tea
23. Salt
24. A Grocer's Shop
25. Ice
26. Rain
27. Wild Flowers
28. Rice
29. Winter
30. A Carpenter's Shop

*Songs for
Older
Scholars*

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1. One flake at a time
 2. Oh! have you heard Geography sung
 3. The Union Jack
 4. My Grandfather's Song
 5. The Minstrel Boy

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Monday 23
Feb. 1891

Recitation
Repetition
for Older
Scholars for
1892 Exam
(Stds.)

- St. 1 - The little Trout
- St. 2 - The Village Blacksmith
- St. 3 - Little Jim p. 125 Royal Reader (Std III)
- St. 4 - Llewellyn & his dog
- Cloak room provision shmd be made (on the lines arranged with Correspondent) for both the upper & lower divisions - & a small gallery is wanted in the infrs room.
- Signature: E.H.K. (23.2.91).

Feb. 27 1891

The Average Att: is again good, and if it could only be kept up to this point throughout the year better results at H.M.I.'s visit could not but ensue (Av. Att: 92.6).

Friday Mch.
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The Average Att: this week has dropped back to 80.5, twelve lower than that of the preceding week.

Tuesday 10
Mch.

There was no school today on account of the snowstorm of last night and which is still raging.

Wed. 11 Mch.

As nearly all the roads are blocked with snow it is still impossible to open school.

Friday 13
Mch.

Through the severity of the weather the average attendance is but 65 for the week.

- The Rev. B.D.O Aplin brought in the Report of Her Majesty's Inspector, a copy of which will be found in succeeding pages.

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*Copy of H.M.
Inspector's
Report
(Friday 13
Mch. 1891)*

<i>Mixed School</i>	
	— Actual Average Attendance: Boys 21.3, Girls 25.3, Total 46.6. — Av. Att: on which the Grant is payable: 47. — Grants on Total Average Attendance: Principal Grant 12.6, Discipline and Organization 1.6, Singing (a) ear 6, Class Subjects 1st Subject English nil. — Grant on Total Average Attendance: 14.6. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls (Arts 98c and 101c): 25/-.
<i>Grant claimable</i>	On Average Attendance £34.1.6; Additional grant £1.5.0; Gross Total of Claim £35.6.6.
<i>Infant Class</i>	
	— Actual Average Attendance: Boys 13.7, Girls 15.4, Total 29.1. — Av. Att: on which the Grant is payable: 29. — Grants on Total Average Attendance: Principal Grant 9.0, Variable Grant 2.0, Singing (a) ear 6. — Grant on Total Average Attendance: 11.6. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls (Arts 98c and 101c): 15.0.
<i>Grant claimable</i>	On Average Attendance £16.13.6 and 15.0; Gross Total of Claim £17.8.6.
<i>Amount of Grant</i>	£52.15.0.

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Summary of the Inspector's Report

<i>Mixed School</i>	"The order is quite satisfactory, and the work is very fair. though some of the older children are decidedly backward. The points chiefly requiring attention are the style of the Handwriting and the intelligence of the children. They read mechanically and do not attempt to answer the simplest questions on what they read. Recitations, too, are mechanical, and the pieces selected do not appear to have been explained as they ought to have been. The classes again broke down in English. I am glad to hear that Geography will be the subject taken next year in lieu of English."
<i>Infants' Class</i>	"The infants' class is in very fair condition. I hope next year to find that a gallery has been provided, and that arrangements have been made for the fitting up of a suitable cloak room."
<i>Official Notices</i>	"Your attention is requested to Paragraph 18 of the Circular on Registration (see Appendix II of the Revised Instructions to H.M. Inspectors). The staff is not sufficient to satisfy Article 105."
	— "Unless suitable accommodation is provided for the Infants hats and cloaks, my Lords may be unable to continue the payment of the higher Fixed Grant under article 98 (a)." — "Plans of any new buildings (or alterations) which may be proposed, drawn in accordance with the rules which are contained in Schedule III of the Code, should be submitted to the Department for approval before the work is begun. Your attention is particularly requested to Article 85, and I am to point out that unless the plans are to be submitted and approved the Managers will have no sufficient security that the premises will be recognized as satisfying that Article."

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	— "A. Pedder is recognised under Article 68." — Herbert Parker Cert. Teacher, Ada Pedder Article 68, B. D'Ogly Aplin Correspondent.
<i>Friday 20 Mch.</i>	The Average Attendance shows some improvement on that of the preceding week (Av. Att: 79.5).
<i>Monday 23 Mch.</i>	The School Attendance Officer today paid his first visit since the Examination which took place on the 23 ult.
<i>Thursday 26 Mch.</i>	— The names of Stephen Wright, Arthur Aldridge and Elizabeth Francis have been taken off the Register. The Rev. B. Aplin visited the School during the afternoon.
<i>1891 Monday 6 Apl.</i>	— The School broke up for the Easter Holidays which extend to the 6th April. Reopened School after the Easter holiday with a fair attendance.
<i>Friday 10 Apl.</i>	— Percy Pursey was re-admitted, and the following admitted this morning: William John Worby, Frederick Alfred Worby, Edith Pusey, and Walter Willis Birch. — Ada Dunkley also returned to school after an absence of several months. — The School Attendance Officer called in and took a list of the children who attend most irregularly. Fair progress has been made with the work as the average attendance is good.
<i>Monday 13 Apl.</i>	— The children take to Geography much more readily than Grammar so that better results may be anticipated (Av. Att: for past week 84.7). Rhoda Lane and Edith Penn (b) were admitted this morning.
	— The School attendance Officer paid a visit and found the attendance more satisfactory than the week before the holiday.

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<i>1891 17 Apl.</i>	The Average Attendance is higher than that of the previous week - perhaps partly accountable for the fact that the School Att: Officer has lately paid us a visit on three or four successive Monday mornings.
<i>Monday 20 Apl.</i>	Robert Lane, Lillian Lane, and Robert James Worby were admitted this morning.
	— The names of Minnie and Ada Meadows have been taken off the Register. — May Bowler was readmitted. — The School att: Officer paid his usual visit.
<i>Friday 24 Apl.</i>	The Average Attendance is still good so that satisfactory progress is being made with the work (Av: 91.6).
<i>Monday 27 Apl.</i>	Lillian Wyatt, Emily Elliot and Bertram Saunders were admitted this morning - making with the readmissions a total of 15 during the month.
<i>30 April</i>	The following names have been taken off the Register: Jas. Saunders, John Slade, Lloyd Bowler, Rosa Boddy, Mary Appleby, Elizth Lunnon, Mary Dazley.
<i>1891 4 May</i>	The Attendance Officer called in this morning and took a list of those children who are attending irregularly.
<i>Tuesday 5 May</i>	— New books, slates &c. arrived from the National Society. Commenced working by New Time-table which has been approved by H.M.I. and arrived by post this morning.
<i>Friday 8 May</i>	The Average Attendance is again good, while the average att: for the 1st qr is 20 higher than that of the corresponding quarter of 1890, and the School fees are nearly £2 in excess of those for the above mentioned period of last year (This week's average - 90.5).
<i>Tuesday 12 May</i>	Commenced the teaching of Drawing with the upper Standards (3+4), while the girls are engaged in needlework.
<i>Friday 15 May</i>	Av. Attendance again very fair.
	— The School broke up for the usual Whitsun Holiday which extends to the 25 inst.

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<i>1891 Monday 25 May</i>	Reopened school after the Whitsun Holiday with a fair attendance.
<i>Tuesday 26 May</i>	— Three fresh children were admitted: Frank Bovington, Florrie Francis, and Ethel Allen. Harry Saunders, Rebecca Lunnon, and Lily Payne were admitted.
<i>Thursday 28 May</i>	— School Att: Officer paid a visit. Edward Lunnon and Percy Lawrence have been taken off the Register, the former having been admitted into Dr Barnado's Home and the latter has left the village.
<i>Friday 29 May</i>	The Elementary Subjects are proceeding satisfactorily - Std 4 Arith: excepted (Av. Att: for the week is 92.9).
<i>Monday 1 June</i>	The School Att: Officer paid a visit this morning, and the average att: is very fair.
<i>Thursday 4 June</i>	On account of the heavy rainfall very few children (38) attended this morning.
<i>1891 5 June</i>	— The attendance was slightly better in the afternoon. The Standards throughout the school are making fair progress with Geog.
<i>Monday 8 June</i>	— Taught a new song "Poor Oliver Twist" (Av. Att: for past week 84.9). There was no school this afternoon, as is usual, on the occasion of the Chapel Anniversary and Sunday School Treat taking place.
<i>Friday 12 June</i>	The Average Att: is very good and if it does but continue a fair amount of work may be accomplished ere the Harvest Holiday (96.1).
<i>15 June</i>	Registers tested & found correct by B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Friday 19 June</i>	The Average Att: is even better than that of the preceding week, amounting to 98.
<i>Friday 26 June</i>	The Average Att: is again good and the work of the school is steadily progressing (Average 95.1 for the wk).
<i>29 June</i>	The School Att: Officer called for the purpose of reporting cases of irregularity to Sch: Att: Committee.

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<i>30 June</i>	John Wm. Sawyer, late a scholar in Grosvenor Sq. Bd. School Manchester, was admitted this morning.
<i>Friday 3 July</i>	The Average Attendance is again good.
<i>Tuesday 7 July</i>	— Drawing was taken, as usual, on Tues. and Thursday afternoons, but is at present confined to slate work (Av. Att: for past week 98.7). Ernest Francis and George Glenister were admitted today.
<i>Friday 10 July</i>	The work is steadily progressing although Std 4 Arithmetic and 2 Dictation is rather backward (Av: Att: 95).
<i>Monday 13 July</i>	George and Rowland Hazell and Rose Wyatt were admitted today.
<i>Friday 17 July</i>	— The School Att: Officer called and took a list of irregular children. — Stds 3 and 4 attend most irregularly. The Average Attendance is exactly the same as last week.
<i>Monday 20 July</i>	— The work of the school generally is proceeding satisfactorily. The School Att: Officer visits the school and took a list of absentees.
<i>1891 24 July</i>	The Attendance is again very fair, with the exception of Std. 4.
<i>Tuesday 28 July</i>	— Taught a new song in the last lesson this afternoon "The roast beef of old England". — Rulers arrived from Arnold's Leeds on 22 inst (Av. Att: 94). Drawing material from E.J. Arnold arrived today.
<i>31st July</i>	— Florence Gertrude Cox has been admitted and Harriet Jones's name taken off the register. Registers tested & found correct by B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Monday 3 Aug.</i>	— The Average Attendance is again good, and fair progress is being made with the standard work (For past week 94.14). Being Bank Holiday the attendance is very short at both openings of the school.
<i>Friday 7 Aug.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin visited the school this morning.
	— The Average is but 75.1 this week, or a decrease of more than 19 since the previous week.

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<i>1891 Aug. 10 Monday</i>	The School Att: Officer called in, but did not take a list of absentees as is usual, as there is no meeting of the Amersham Sch: Att: Committee previous to the Harvest vacation.
<i>Friday 14 Aug.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin visits the school this morning and it was decided to close the school for 4 weeks instead of 5 and to have a few days holiday after the Govt. Exam: in lieu of the 5th wh (Average Att: for the week 87.6).
<i>Monday 21 Sep.</i>	The School reopened this morning after the holiday, and as the Managers have decided to adopt the "Fee Grant" all scholars were admitted free.
<i>Friday 25 Sep.</i>	— The following children were admitted: Percy Slade, Frederick Loyatt, Reginald Shrimpton, and William Hine. The Average Att: this week amounts to 104.7.
<i>28 Sep. 91 Monday</i>	— Stds 3 & 4 take drawing from 1.45 p.m. to 3.5 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Stds 1 & 2 from 3.5 to 3.50 p.m. vide entry 12 May 91. Henry Muckley was admitted today.
<i>Friday 2 Oct.</i>	— The School Attendance Officer visited the school. The Attendance, especially that of the Infants has been very good this week.
<i>Monday 5 Oct.</i>	— The Upper Standard children attend the most irregularly (Av: 104.3). Several children who have been away from home since the August Bank Holiday have only just returned to school.
<i>Friday 9 Oct.</i>	— They are, consequently, very badly up in their work. — Standard 3 and 4 children are attending most irregularly again today. Gave a test exam: this morning.
<i>Monday 13 Oct.</i>	— The Dictation of Std 2 and Arith: in 4 are rather backward (Average Attendance for past week 101.5). Decimus Lane returned to school today - his first attendance since the Holidays, as he has been suffering from shingles.
	— The School Att: Officer called.

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<i>1891 Tuesday 13 Oct.</i>	Elizabeth, Kate and William Higgs were admitted today.
<i>Wed. 14 Oct.</i>	George and Margaret Wright returned to school today - This is their first attendance since 31st July.
<i>Friday 16 Oct.</i>	— Received notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit. Several children in the higher Stds. are still attending irregularly.
<i>Oct: 20th</i>	— The work generally shows improvement on that of the previous week. — Av. Att: 105.1. Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Oct. 23</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Alice Elliott was sent home today on account of the very filthy state of her head, - the top being also covered with [striketrough/unreadable word]. Gave another test exam today with better results.
<i>Friday 30 Oct.</i>	— Av: Att: 93.7. The work again shows improvement notwithstanding the extraordinary wet weather which has affected the Av. Att.
<i>1891 Monday 2 Nov.</i>	The Rev. C.E. Adams, Diocesan Inspector examined the children in Religious Knowledge this afternoon.
<i>Tuesday 3 Nov.</i>	— The Rev. B. D'Oly Aplin was also present. Mary A. and Kate Clarke were re-admitted today.
<i>Friday 6 Nov.</i>	Alice Elliott was again sent home on account of filthiness.
<i>Monday 9 Nov.</i>	— Her head and clothes are literally alive. — She is nearly 10 years old and the most backward child in the school, and likely to remain such at the present rate of progress. — She only returned to school on the 2 inst. after having been at home since the 20 ult. (vide p. 96). — The Average Attendance is good - 107.2 for the week just ended. The School Attendance Officer paid a visit to the school today and took a list of those children who attend the most irregularly.
<i>Wed. 11 Nov.</i>	Overleaf will be found Copy of Diocesan Inspector's Report.

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1891 Wed. 11 Nov.	Report.
	— "The Religious Instruction has been painstaking and good. — The answering in the lower classes was not quite general enough, but in the highest division a good knowledge was shown of the Scripture Subjects and especially of the Old Testament. — The Catechism was accurately repeated and written out in both the higher divisions but its meaning needs to be better understood. — The Infants and St. 1 on the whole did very well and have evidently been carefully taught."
Dioc: Prize	Bertram Dover.
Commended	Wm Muckley, Eveline Lane, Geo. Sawyer, Annie Shrimpton, Wm Baskin, Emma Jones, Fred Dean, A. Aldridge, Fanny James, M. Smith, Kate Higgs, Wm Worby, W. Glenister, Esther Muckley.
Friday 13 Nov.	Gave a test exam: today with better results.
	— Taught a song - "Early one morning" in the singing lesson this afternoon. — Av: Att: 100.1.
Mon: 16 Nov.	The School att: Officer paid a visit and took a list of absentees.
	— The Arith: in Stds 1 & 2 especially - is improving.
Friday 20 Nov.	The work of the week has been one of steady progress.
	— Several of Std 4 boys absent themselves from school for two half-days in the week almost regularly, but no action whatever is taken by the Amersham School Att: Committee in such cases. — Av. Att: 108.2.
27 Nov.	The results today shew Stds. 1 and 4 Arithmetic and Std. 2 Dictation to be weak.
Friday	The Admission Register up to the 16 inst. shows that since the 1st of February of the present year no less than 49 Children have been admitted.
Dec: 4th	Registers tested & found correct.
	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Taught Song "Fire Brigade". — Av: Att: 105.3.

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<i>1891 11 Dec.</i>	The stormy weather experienced during the week has greatly affected the attendance the average being but 92.9 - the lowest in the present qr.
<i>15 Dec. Tuesday</i>	The following names have been removed from the Register.
	— Bertha Glenister, Mary A., Kate, and Alice Clarke.
<i>18 Dec. Friday</i>	The Average Attendance shows very little improvement on that of last week.
	— Several of Std. 3 (Jas. Muckley, Kate Saunders, and Kate Bradley) children's attendances equal barely 70 per cent.
<i>Thursday 24 Dec.</i>	The children broke up for their Christmas Holiday which extends to 4 Jan. 1892.
	— The Average Att: this week has been worse than any previous week of the qr. - 83.2.
<i>Monday 4 Jan '92</i>	Reopened school today after the Xmas Vacation with a fairly good attendance, but as the Master was suffering from an attack of congestion of the liver, it was decided to close the Schools for the remainder of the week.
	— Av: Att: 8421.
<i>Mon: 11 Jan</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke - School Att: Officer paid a visit to the school, but did not take a list of absentees as he said many of the children were ill, and the weather so treacherous.
	— I was absent today.
<i>Tues: 12 Jan</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in school material ordered from E. J. Arnold.
<i>Wed: 13 Jan</i>	I found Alice Elliott's head to be in a most filthy state again today, and accordingly sent her home.
	— Note. Oct. 20. Nov. 6.
<i>Friday 15 Jan</i>	Illness has much reduced the Av. Attendance this week, and it is the lowest of any week in present qr. 78.3.
	— The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the Gov! Ex: Papers.
	— The following names have been removed from the Register viz - Robert Worby and Robert Lane.

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<i>1892 Jan. 18</i>	Mr. G. Clarke Sch. Att. Officer called in and took a list of absentees.
<i>Tuesday 19 Jan</i>	Mrs. Aplin came in and assisted in the Std work this morning, and in the absence of the Assistant who is ill, took the needlework in the afternoon.
<i>Wed. Jan 20</i>	Mrs. Aplin again assisted this morning and the Rev. B. Aplin in the afternoon took Std 4 in Dictn and Reading.
<i>Friday Jan. 22</i>	There has been some improvement in the average this week, but there still seems a great deal of sickness about amongst the children.
	— Av: Att: 84.4.
<i>Mon: 25 Jan</i>	The Sch: Att: Officer paid a visit to the school.
<i>Wed: 27 Jan</i>	Alice Elliott's head being in a most filthy state again, I sent her home.
	— This is the second time during this month.
<i>1892 Thursday 28 Jan.</i>	Alice Elliott returned to school again in the same beastly state in which I sent her home yesterday.
	— It is needless to say I again sent her home.
<i>Friday 28 Jan.</i>	The Av. Att. has improved to some extent this week, but is still far from what it ought to be.
	— The 4th Std is the worst in the school concerning the regularity, and especially the boys.
	— Av: 87.3.
<i>5 Feby. Friday</i>	Gave a test exam: again today with fair results.
	— The drawing is fairly done, but the freehand is not quite equal to the ruler work.
	— Av: Att: 94.8 for past week.
<i>Monday 8 Feby</i>	The Sch: Att: Offices called in again and although the average att: is higher than of previous week some of the children are attending very irregularly. e.g. George Sawyer has been employed.
	— Av: Att: 102.8.

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<i>1892 Monday 15 Feb</i>	The Rev. B. D'Oply Aplin brought notice of Drawing Inspection which takes place on Thursday 18th at 241 p.m.
<i>Thurs. 18. Feb.</i>	The school was inspected today by H. Harcourt-Smith Esqre.
<i>Friday 19 Feb.</i>	— The Rev. B. D'Oly Aplin and Mr. Evan Hodgson were present during the examination. — The weather interfered with the attendance especially in the morning. Gave a test exam: this morning, but as the weather was very inclement several of the children were absent so could not arrive at any true test as to results.
<i>Monday 22 Feb.</i>	— Av: Att: 94.2.
<i>Infants' Songs</i>	
<i>Recitations</i>	1. Dolly's Dresses. 2. The old black Cat. 3. The Birdie's Ball. 4. Snow.
<i>Varied Occupations</i>	1. Oh! Who's that? 2. The Omnibus.
<i>List of Object Lessons for Exam: 1893</i>	— 1-2 Mat-making, & Card Embroidering — 3-4 Frame-making, & Card Pricking — 5-6 Picking, & bead threading
	1. A book 2. A Penny 3. Straw Hat 4. A Farmyard 5. A bottle 6. A Kite 7. Ink

8. A looking glass
9. A Glass Tumbler
10. Inside of a House
11. A yard Measure
12. Catching fish
13. India-rubber Ball
14. The Sheep
15. The Tiger
16. The Butterfly
17. The Horse
18. The Hen
19. The Robin
20. The Frog
21. A tree
22. An Orange
23. The Potatoe
24. The Primrose
25. Soap
26. Sponge
27. Butter
28. Gloves
29. Bread
30. Milk

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Songs for Older Scholars	
Recitations for 1893 Exam	1. Poor Oliver Twist. 2. The roast beef of Old England. 3. Summer Rain. 4. The Fire Brigade. 5. Early one morning.
	— Std 1. Twilight. 2. Casabianca. 3. Casabianca & A Sea Song. 4. The Wreck of the Hesperus. — The School was examined in the 3 R's by Mr. H. Martin this morning. — A holiday was given in the afternoon.
Tuesday 23 Feb.	The Rev. B. D'O. Aplin visited the school this morning.
Friday Feb 26	The Average Attendance is very fair considering the illness that is prevalent amongst the children.
1892 29 Feb.	— Av: Att: 10421. The Att: Officer called in this morning, but with the exception of a few cases of illness the attendance is good.
Tues Mch. 1st	Ada Parker and Arthur Palmer were admitted today.
Friday 4 Mch.	E. M. Kenney-Herbert Esqre. H.M.I. examined the Infants, & the Stds in Geography and Recitation yesterday.
	— New time-tables were also signed. — The weather during the week has been unfavourable to a good att: and consequently has fallen from 10521 to 89.6.
Monday Mch. 7	Edward Brickwell was admitted and Robert Lane readmitted this morning.
Friday Mch. 11	— The School Att: Officer paid us a visit, and took a list of some of the most irregular children. The rough winterly weather of yesterday and today has caused a great falling off in the attendance.

- Taught the Canadian Boat Song.
- Average Att: for past week 82.2.

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<i>Friday 18 Mch.</i>	With an improvement in the weather, we have an increased average att: Last week it was only 82.2 while this week it amounts to 95.2.
<i>21 Mch. Monday</i>	Maud Edith Francis was admitted today.
<i>22 Tues.</i>	Harry Appleby was admitted this morning.
<i>24th March</i>	Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Friday 25 Mch.</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. The Average Att. is again very fair being 3 higher than previous week.
<i>Monday 28 Mch.</i>	— Fair progress is being made with the new work of the different Stds. — The new Std. I are rather backward. The School att: Officer called in and took a list of some of the children who attend irregularly.
<i>Tuesday 29 Mch.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Oly Aplin brought in the Drawing Report which shows that the mark "Fair" has been obtained.
<i>Wed. 30</i>	Sidney Hancock was admitted.
<i>1892 Friday Apr 1st</i>	The following names have been removed from the Register. Emma, and Jane Jones, Edwin Appleby, & Edith Hancock.
<i>Mon: 4 Apr.</i>	— The Average Att. of Infants is very good. — Std 1 and 2 are fair, but the upper Stds are very irregular. — Average Att: for past week 97.6. The School Att: Officer paid us a visit and took a list of some of the absentees, with what result remains yet to be seen.
	— The Rev. B. D'Oly Aplin brought in the Government Report, a copy of which will be found in succeeding pages.

1892 Apl. 5th	Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report.
Mixed School	
	— Actual Average Attendance: Boys 26.6, Girls 26, Total 52.7. — Av. Att: on which the Grant is payable: 53. — Grants on Total Average Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 12.6, 2. Discipline, and Organization 1.6, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6, 5. Class Subjects 1st Subject Geography nil. — Grant on Total Average Att: 14.6. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls Arts 98(c) and 101(c): 26.0.
Grant claimable	On Average Attendance £38.8.6; Additional £1.6.0; Gross Total of Claim £39.14.6.
Infant Class	
	— Actual Av: Att: Boys 17.1, Girls 22.7, Total 39.8. — Av: Att: on which the Grant is payable: 40. — Grants on Total Average Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 9.0, 2. Variable Grant 2.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6. — Grant on Total Average Attendance 11.6. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls, Arts. 98c and 101c: 23.0.
Grant claimable	On Average Attendance £23.0.0; £1.3.0; Gross Total of Claim £24.3.0.
Amount of Annual Grant	£63.17.6.
	— Fee Grant (under El. Education Act 91) On the Av: Att: of children over 3 and under 15 yrs of age, viz 93 @ 10/- (for 5 months) 19.7.6. — Deduct 1st Instalment 9.10.0. — Final Payment of Fee Grant 9.17.6.
Total sum payable	£73.15.0.

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<i>1892 Apl 5</i>	Summary of the Inspector's Report.
<i>Mixed School</i>	"The children have passed a very fair examination as regards accuracy in the elementary subjects, but their general intelligence is still rather meagre, though Recitations have been carefully taught.
	— A start has been made in Geography. — Not much of that is known of that subject at present, but I hope that it will become popular and productive as time goes on. — The order is good and the Sewing is fair."
<i>Infants class</i>	"The Infants do not form a very satisfactory class.
	— There is very little intelligence about any of the work and the writing and formation of figures are irregular and careless. — The childrens' Reading is no more than identification of words; it is quite expressionless. — Recitations have been taught, but not explained. — I am willing to approve A. Pedder under Article 68 for one more year, but unless the condition of this class is improved in all respects very materially next year, this approval will certainly be withdrawn. — The infants room should be well cleaned and put in thorough repair." — "The special attention of the Managers is requested to the enclosed Form 69. — The staff is not sufficient to qualify the School for a grant under Article 105. — It should be at once strengthened, so as to meet the requirements of Article 73, which are not at present satisfied (Article 108)." — "The Registers must be tested by the Managers at least once a

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<i>1892 Tuesday Apl. 5</i>	quarter, at irregular intervals, as required by paragraph 6 of the circular on Registration (Appendix II of the Revised Instructions to H.M. Inspectors).
<i>Friday Apl. 6</i>	— Attention is requested to Article 85 (d). — A. Pedder is continued under Article 68. — Herbt. Parker. Cert. Teacher. — Ada Pedder Article 68. — Correspondent. The Average Attendance is again very good having been exceeded but once during the present quarter.
<i>1892 11 Apl.</i>	— Standards 3 and 4 are still the most irregular, and so long as that is the case, their progress can be no other than slow. — Average for past week 103.2. The School att: Officer paid us a visit this afternoon and took a list of the absentees.
<i>Thursday 14 Apl.</i>	The school broke up this afternoon for the Easter Holidays which extend to the 25 inst.
<i>Mon: 25 Apl.</i>	— Average Att: for past week 99.2. At the reopening of school this morning the following children were admitted - Ernest Sawyer, Daisy Ray and Norah Dean.
<i>Friday 29 Apl.</i>	The Average Attendance is again good having reached 105.7 for the week.
<i>Monday 2 May</i>	— Parcel from National Society arrives containing "Star Readers" for Stds. 1 and 2 &c. Alice Hazell and Amelia Slade were admitted this morning.
	— The School att. Officer called in and took a list of the most irregular children in Stds. 3 and 4 - some of whom are most irregular in their attendance and backward in attainments.

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<i>1892 Friday 6 May</i>	The Attendance has been very fair again with the exception of the 4th Std.
	— The new work of the various Standards is gradually progressing - the 3rd Std. Arithmetic is the weakest feature. — Taught a new song entitled "Jack Johnson". — Average for the past week 101.5.
<i>Monday 9 May</i>	Sidney Pursey and Annie Tilbury were admitted this morning.
<i>Thursday 12 May</i>	John Thompson's name was taken off the Register today.
<i>Friday 13 May</i>	Fair progress is being made with the work, and the attendance is again good.
	— Average for the week 104.1.
<i>Monday May 16</i>	Annie Charge and Thomas Steptoe were admitted this morning.
	— In the afternoon Mr. Geo. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer called in and took a list of the absentees.
<i>Friday 20 May</i>	The Av: Att: is, this week, higher than that of any previous week during the present school year, being 107.8.
<i>1892 Friday 27 May</i>	The stormy weather of yesterday has caused a slight decrease in the Av: Att: for this week, being 100.3.
<i>Monday 30 May</i>	A half holiday was given this afternoon in consequence of the Chapel School treat taking place.
<i>June 1st</i>	Registers tested & found correct.
	— B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Friday 3 June</i>	The work on the whole shows improvement especially in Stds 1, 2 and 5, but Std 3 and 4 seem to be progressing slowly.
	— Std. 3 is decidedly the most backward. — The attendance of the upper Standards is very far from good, hence the slow progress. — Av: Att: for past week 98.7. — The School broke up this afternoon for the Whitsun Holiday which extends to the 13 inst.
<i>Monday 13 June</i>	School reopened this morning with a fair attendance.
	— Annie Dover, Alfred Smith, and Ellen Walker were admitted, and Edith Hancock readmitted.

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<i>1892 14 June</i>	Joy Annie W. Lane was admitted this morning.
<i>Thursday 16 June</i>	The Rev. B. Aplin visited the school this morning and stayed a short time.
<i>Friday 17 June</i>	Although several of the children are away from home the av: att: is very fair, last week's average (106.9) being the second highest in the quarter.
<i>Thursday 23 June</i>	The attendance this morning numbers 33. and is accounted for by the heavy rain we have had.
<i>Friday 24 June</i>	The Av. Att: this week shows a decrease of more than 12 on that of the week preceding. 94.6.
	— Progress in the work of the school seems to be greatly impeded by the number of children who are sent away from home at this time of the year to spend several weeks with their friends at a distance. — The following is a list of some who are, or have been away - M. Dunkley, Annie Burt, Alice Elliott, Daisy Stronnell, and Arthur Book, while the following have been prevented through illness from attending, viz Bertha Glenister, Frank Bovingdon, and Albert and Harry Appleby.
<i>Mon: June 27</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke School Att: Officer paid a visit today.
<i>Tuesday 28 June</i>	Mr. H. Watson School Att: Officer for the Penn District called today to look up the attendances of those children residing at Winchmore Hill who live in the Parish of Penn or of those residing at Coleshill who may be in Beaconsfield parish.
<i>Friday 1 July</i>	The Av: Att: is very fair, and fairly good progress is being made in school work with the majority of the children who attend at all regularly.
	— James Muckley, Frank Bovingdon, Geo. and Rowland Hazell and Thos. Hine are most irregular. — Av: Att: 107.5.
<i>Mon: 4 July</i>	The School att: Officer paid his usual visit this morning.

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<i>1892 8 July</i>	The Average att: this week is higher than that of any previous week in the school year viz 110.5.
<i>13 July</i>	Thomas Bilbey was admitted today.
<i>Friday 15 July</i>	The Av: Att: this week (103.5) is not so good as last being interfered with by rain on one or two mornings.
<i>Monday 18 July</i>	— Taught "May Song" in the singing lesson. Mr. Geo. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer called in and took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday 22 July</i>	— Several of the children are away from home still, while George, and Margaret Wright are suffering from measles. The work of the various Stds. is progressing very favourably taking into consideration the irregularity of the elder children.
<i>Mon: 25 July</i>	— Where the bulk of the work lies the att: is the worst. — Av: Att: 104.9. The names of Florence Cox, and James Bestley have been taken off the Register.
<i>Thursday July 28th</i>	— The Sch: Att: Officer paid us a visit. Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Friday 29 July</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. The Average Att: shows a slight improvement on that of the week previous although the improvement certainly does not come from the upper Standards.
<i>Monday 1 Aug.</i>	— Av: Att: 106.2. Being Bank Holiday not half of the total children on the Register are in attendance.
<i>Tuesday 2 Aug.</i>	As several of the children are suffering from mumps the attention of the Medical Officer has been called to the fact, but, unless there should be an increase of cases, he sees no reason, at present, for closing the school.
<i>Friday 5 Aug.</i>	The Average Attendance this week shows a very material decrease, the reason as stated above.
	— Av: Att: for past week 77.5.

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<i>1892 Friday 12 Aug.</i>	The School broke up this afternoon for the Harvest Holidays (5 weeks).
<i>Tuesday 20 Sep.</i>	— As Amersham Fair Day falls on a Monday, the day we should open school again, an extra day was given. — Miss Ada Pedder's engagement as Assistant terminates on the 31st inst. — Av: Att: for past week 83.9. School reopened this morning with a fair attendance - 92.
<i>Friday 23 Sep.</i>	— John Henry Saunders, and Mary Ellen Higgs were admitted. — The Rev B. Aplin and Mr. H. Watson S.A. Officer visited the school this morning. The following children are absent from school - some suffering from measles, others from members of their families being down with it.
<i>1892</i>	— Elizth., Mary, and Albert Wright, Fred and Norah Dean, George, Leavinia, May, Percy, and Sidney Pursey, Frank Bovingdon and Thirza Wright. The names of Ellen Walker, Jas. Hazell and Beatrice Brown have been removed from the Ad.n Register.
<i>Monday 26 Sep.</i>	— Av: Att: for past week 94.8. Mr. G. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer called in and took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday Sep. 30</i>	The Average Att. for the past week is very poor, consequently the progress of the school is slow.
<i>Oct. 5.</i>	— Av: Att: for past week 87.4. Called the attention of the Managers to the suspected cases of measles today, and they deemed it advisable to close the Schools forthwith, pending arrival of the certificate of the Medical Officer.
<i>6th</i>	Received order to close Schools from Dr. J.S. Turner until further notice.
<i>Wed: Nov. 16</i>	Reopened School today with the permission of Dr. Turner, but not seventy per cent. of the children are in attendance.

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<i>1892 Nov. 18</i>	The Av: Att: this week is a very poor one being only 77.8.
<i>Monday 21 Nov.</i>	— Many more of the children will probably return to school on Monday next. — The children are very backward after six weeks absence from School. The School Att: Officer called in this morning for the purpose of looking up the absentees.
<i>Friday 25 Nov.</i>	— The following names have been taken off the Registers George, Rowland and Alice Hazell and Annie Tilbury. The Average Att: for this week is higher than it has ever been before reaching 114.7.
<i>1892 Friday 2 Dec.</i>	— Margaret Wright's name has been taken off the Register. — Since Ada Pedder terminated her engagement here in August last Mrs. Parker has temporarily undertaken the task as the Managers, up to the present, have been unable to obtain the services of a properly qualified Assistant. A. Roger's name has been taken off the Register.
<i>5th Dec.</i>	Registers tested & found correct.
<i>6 Dec. Tues.</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Class Registers and Drawing Material &c arrived from National Society today. — As the following children have not attended for several weeks past I have taken their names off the register. — May and Milly Bowler, Ada Lane, Annie Dover, and Louisa Saunders. The Att: today is very meagre consequent on the rough weather.
<i>Friday 9 Dec.</i>	— Thos. Smith's name took off the Register. The results of today's test examination show that the work of the school is very backward compared with that of previous years at the same date.
	— Having had to close the Schools for 6 weeks through measles being so prevalent throughout Oct. and part of Nov. and the irregular attendance of children in Stds. 3 and 4, in addition to several of the children being sent away from home to their friends at a distance, in the summer months other than at holiday-times, cannot but greatly retard the general progress of the work of the School.

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	— For instance, Alice Elliott made 7 attendances from 3 June to 21 Nov. — Av: Att: for the week 93.1.
<i>Dec 16 Friday</i>	The Average Att. has somewhat improves this week, and results of test exam: correspondingly, but great room for improvement.
	— Av: Att: 102.7.
<i>Friday 23 Dec.</i>	The Average Att shows an improvement on that of last week.
	— The Rev B. Aplin visits the School this afternoon. — It was decided to close the Schools for one week for the Christmas Holidays. — Av: Att: for past week 104.9.
<i>1893 Monday 2 Jan.</i>	Reopened School after the Christmas Holiday with a very fair attendance considering the severity of the weather.
<i>Thursday 5 Jan.</i>	The Rev B. Aplin brought in notice of the Drawing Exam: which is fixed for tomorrow week.
	— Form IX &c has been received from Whitehall.
<i>Friday 6 Jan.</i>	The Average Att: falls 10 below of the week previous to the holiday, it amounts to but 93.7.
<i>Monday 9 Jan.</i>	The School Att: officer paid a visit and took a long list of absentees.
<i>Wed. 11 Jan.</i>	Mr. Evan Hodgson called in and signed the Drawing Schedules.
<i>Thurs: 12 Jan.</i>	As Thomas Hine is very often truanting, I sent a note to his father today requesting his attendance tomorrow, in view of H. Harcourt-Smith Esq. holding the Drawing Exam:
<i>Friday 13 Jan.</i>	The Drawing Exam: was held this morning.
	— The Rev. B. Aplin was present, and Mr. E. Hodgson called in at its close.

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<i>Jan 20th</i>	Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Friday 27 Jan.</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. The Av: Att: (78) this week is very bad.
<i>Mon: 30 Jan.</i>	— Several are absent suffering from bad colds, while the rough weather has, no doubt, prevented others from long distances attending. — Some progress has been made with the work during the week, but the loss the children sustained by their enforced absence from school during the epidemic of measles cannot be recovered ere the exam. — Several of the children during the quarter are not making more than between 60 and 70 per cent of their attendances. The School att: Officer paid a visit.
<i>Wednesday Feb, 1st</i>	— The Rev. B. Aplin brought in the Report of the Drawing Inspector. - The result is marked Fair. Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Monday 6 Feb.</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. The School att: Officer paid a visit to the school.
<i>Wed: 8 Feb.</i>	— Received certificates from him stating that Bertha Glenister and William Shrimpton were ill and unable to attend the examination. Infants' Songs: 1. The rain is falling very fast.
<i>Recitations</i>	2. Little Bopeep. 3. Come soft & lovely evening. 1. Mary's little Lamb.
<i>Varied Occupations</i>	2. The two little Kittens. 3. In a wood. 1. Card Pricking.
	2. Card Embroidering. 3. Mat making. 4. Frame making. 5. Picking. 6. Bead threading.

1893 Wed: 8
Feb.

List of Object Lessons for 1894: 1. Rain.

2. Leather.
3. The Cow.
4. Ice.
5. The Carpenters Shop.
6. A Table.
7. Chair-making.
8. A House.
9. The Cat.
10. Money.
11. Cotton.
12. The Dog.
13. Cork.
14. A Slate.
15. Bread.
16. The Elephant.
17. Tea.
18. Wild Flowers.
19. The Railway.
20. Butter.
21. The Camel.
22. A Letter.
23. The Blacksmiths Shop.
24. Sugar.
25. The Seasons.
26. The Horse.
27. The Fire.
28. A Clock.
29. The Schoolroom.
30. A Lion.

1. Oh dear! what can the matter be.

2. Come soft and lovely evening.
3. O'er the ice.
4. May song.
5. Jack Johnson.

1893 Wed: 8
Feb.

Recitations for Exam: 1894: Std. 1. Good night & good morning.

- Std. 2. Homes of England. (Hemans)
- Std. 3. Battle of Blenheim. (Southey)
- Std. 4. Battle of Blenheim & Excelsior. (Southey & Longfellow)
- The Pipes of Lucknow (Whittier)
- The School was inspected this morning by Mr. Martin.
- No afternoon school was held.
- The Rev. B. Aplin was present during the greater part of the examination.

Friday 10
Feb.

The Rev. B. Aplin visits the School and it was decided to close the schools for one week.

Monday 20
Feb.

- Average for past week 96.4.

The school opened again with a fair attendance.

- Several of the children, having passed the 4th Standard, have on application, been supplied with Labour Certificates.

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<i>1893 21 Feb.</i>	The following names have been taken off the Register, Arthur, Frederick, Ada and Ellen Cook.
<i>23 Feb.</i>	The undermentioned names have been removed from the Register, viz - Walter Harris, Bertram Dover, Helen Aldridge, Elizabeth Hatch, Kate Saunders, Kate Hatch, Leavinia Pursey, Bertha Glenister, and Emma Tapping.
<i>Feby Friday</i>	The Average Att. shows a falling off compared with previous weeks, but is accounted for by several of the children having left after having obtained Certificates of Proficiency.
<i>Mon: 27 Feb.</i>	— Taught a new Song this afternoon - "See where the rising sun". — Av: Att: 90.6. Miss Clara St. Thompson, late Asst. in Ospringe National School commenced duties here today.
<i>1893 Tuesday 28 Feb.</i>	— The Needlework for Girls in the Stds. will in future be taken by (Mrs.) R. C. Parker, and not as formerly by the Asst. mistress, (index N). Ada Lillian Lane has been readmitted and Rosa Leith, a visitor admitted.
<i>Friday 3 Mar.</i>	The Av: Att: this week shows a small decrease beyond that of last week, having fell to 89.8.
<i>Mon: 6 Mar.</i>	— Taught a new song in the infant class - Tramp, tramp &c. The School att: Officer paid us a visit and took a lengthy list of the most irregular children with a view to prosecution.
<i>Friday</i>	Taught a new song this afternoon - "The harp that once thro' Tara's hall".
<i>Monday 13 Mar.</i>	— Av: Attendance for past week 89.3. Admitted Horace Leith, and readmitted May and Millicent Bowler, and Norah Dean.
	— The Sch: Att. Officer came in this morning, and took another long list of absentees, also had forms filled up respecting att: age &c of Fredk. Dean, and Fred Ryder who's parents have been summoned.

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<i>1893 17 March</i>	Registers tested & found correct.
<i>Mon: 20 Mar.</i>	— B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Many of the children have been attending very irregularly during the past fortnight which may be attributed to the influenza. — Av: Att: 81.5. Annie Shrimpton's and Ada Cox's names have been taken off the Register.
<i>Friday 25 Mar.</i>	— Ellen Eliza, and Kate Chilton have been admitted today. The Average Attendance for the week shows a great advance upon that of last week: being 94.2 against 87.5.
<i>Mon: Mar 27</i>	— The children are beginning to show very much more interest in their Geog: which it is to be hoped will continue. — George Birch was admitted on Wed: — Object Lessons given to the Infants this week were on "The House" and Table. As Thomas Hine and Mary Stevens have left the place, their names have been taken off the place Register.
<i>1893 30 Mch.</i>	— Louisa Saunders was readmitted today. The School broke up this afternoon for the Easter Holidays which extend to 10th April.
<i>Mon: 10 Apr.</i>	— Lessons on 'A Table' and 'Slate' have been given to the Infants, and Recitn "My dead Dolly" taught. — Av: Att: for past week. Reopened school with a good attendance this morning.
	— The School Attendance Officer called but found nearly all present. — Margaret Grainger, Kate Norris, James Hazell and John Lawrence were admitted, and Percy Lawrence, Annie Dover, and Alfred J. Smith readmitted. — A Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report which has been handed to me by the Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin will be found on succeeding pages.

Mixed School. Actual Average Attendance: Boys 27.4, Girls 32.9, Total 60.3.

- Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable: 60.
- Grants on Total Average Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 12.6, 2. Discipline and Organization 1.6, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6, 5. Class Subjects: 1st Subject, Geography nil.
- Grant on Total Average Attendance: 14.6. Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Av. Attendance of Girls, Arts 98c and 101c: 33/=.
- Grant claimable: On Average Attendance £43·10·0, 1·13·0. Gross Total of Claim £45·3·0.
- Infants' Class: Actual Av. Att. Boys 20.5, Girls 17.4, Total 37.9. Av: Att: on which the Grant is payable: 38.
- Grants on Total Average Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 9.0, 2. Variable Grant 2.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6. Grant on Total Average Attendance: 11·6.
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls, Arts 98c and 101c: 17·0.
- Grant Claimable: On Average Attendance £21·17·0, 17·0. Gross Total of Claim £22·14·0.
- Amount of Annual Grant: £67·17·0. Fee Grant (under El. Education Act 1891): On the Av. Att. of children over 3 and under 15 years of age, viz. - 98 @ 10/-: £49·0·0.
- Deduct Instalments: 34·17·6. Add underpayment for last year: 1·0·10. Final Payment of Fee Grant: 15·3·4. Total Sum Payable: £83·0·4.

Mixed School. "Great allowance must be made for weak places in the work of the school this year on account of the difficulties which have attended its instruction."

- "Mr. Parker knows where the weakness lies and will have to work hard to remedy it, especially as regards the children's want of intelligence."
- "The answering in Geography is not worth anything." "The Sewing is fair, considering the circumstances under which it has been taught."
- "The schools have been well cleaned etc., but the supply of offices is altogether unsatisfactory." "A completely new block, separated and separately approached, must be built."
- Infants' Class: "The infants have been under no recognised Teacher since Miss Pedder left before the summer holidays."
- "Mrs. Parker has done what she could to keep matters going, but of course the condition of affairs is eminently unsatisfactory and prejudicial to the efficiency of the schools."
- "The Managers, after repeatedly advertising, have at last secured the services of a qualified Teacher." "She will find plenty to do when she takes up the work."
- "My Lords will look for very great improvement in the instruction of the Infants Class." "If this is not obtained H.M. Inspector will probably be compelled to report that the class is not efficient (Article 86 of the Code)."
- Mrs. Parker has been recognised under Article 68 of the Code from 20th September 1892 to the 31st January 1893.
- Herbert Parker, Cert. Teacher. Clara N. Thompson, Art. 50 Correspondent.

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<i>1893 Friday 14 Apr.</i>	The Average Att: this week is higher than for any previous week during the present quarter, being 107.6.
<i>Monday 17 Apr.</i>	The following children have been admitted today viz - Ernest Shrimpton, Percy and Maud Bryant, and Ada Dover. The School Att. Officer paid a visit to the school this morning.
<i>Tuesday 18 Apr.</i>	Alice Elliott, who has frequently been sent home before, was again sent through the filthy state of her head. It was only last week that her sister had to go for the same reason.
<i>Friday 21 Apr.</i>	The Average Att: is again very fair, being 107.3 as against 107.6 for the previous week. Lessons on "Butter" and the "Elephant" have been given to the Infants, and a new song entitled "Pretty Kit" taught.
<i>Monday 24 Apr.</i>	Susan Edith Lane, Fred Saunders, and Lily Redding have been admitted today.
<i>25 Apr.</i>	Ada Aldridge was admitted this morning.
<i>Friday 28 Apr.</i>	The Average Attendance is about the same as last week. Very fair progress, so far as I am able to judge, seems to have been made with the work, though Standard 2 are decidedly the weakest.
<i>1 May Mon.</i>	The Sch: Att: Officer called in and took a list of some of the most irregular children with the view of reporting to the Amersham Sch: Att: Committee tomorrow.
<i>Friday 5 May</i>	The Av: Att: this week is very good having been exceeded but once (week ending 25 Nov. 1892.) It reaches 111.4. Lessons on 'Cork' and 'Bread' have been given to the Infants this week. More interest, than formerly, appears to be taken in the Geography since the introduction of the Atlas Geog: Text books, which, it is to be hoped, will be maintained.

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<i>1893 8 May</i>	Flora, Frederick and Alice Bates were admitted this morning. The parents state that Flora is consumptive and that any pressing of lessons causes expectoration of blood.
<i>9 May</i>	Philip Oliver Lane was admitted this afternoon.
<i>Friday 12 May</i>	The Av: Att: is again very fair amounting to 113.7 for the week. Lessons on "Sugar" and "The Camel" have been given to the Infants.
<i>Monday 15 May</i>	The Sch: Att: Officer called this morning and took a list of some of the most irregular children.
<i>Friday 19 May</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin visited the school today. School material, including Drawing Cards, Atlas Readers to arrived from National Society. Average Att: for past week: 110.6. The School broke up this afternoon for the usual Whitsun Holiday and will reopen on the 29 inst.
<i>1893 Monday 29 May</i>	Reopened School this morning with a good attendance. Elizabeth, Mary and Albert Wright's att's were cancelled having left prior to the completion of 2 hours from the closing of the Registers. E. Sawyer's att: was also cancelled.
<i>Tuesday 30 May</i>	Gladys Lane was admitted today.
<i>31st May</i>	Ada Florence Pusey has been admitted.
<i>Friday 2 June</i>	The Av: Att: is again very fair. 110.3. Lessons on "A Letter" and "A Carpenter's Shop" were given to the Infants.
<i>Monday 5 June</i>	Today being the Anniversary of the Chapel Sunday School Treat taking place there was a meagre attendance. Ada Sears and George Wright left early and accordingly their att's were cancelled. Emily Elliott was again sent home on account of the filthy state in which her head was found.
<i>Friday 12 June</i>	The Av: Att: is fair being 108.4 for the week.

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<i>1893 Friday 16 June</i>	Lessons on the "Builder" and the "Carpenter's shop" were given to the Infants this week. The Av: Att: this week is higher than that of any previous week during the year - 115.7.
<i>Friday 23rd June</i>	Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin. Lessons on "Money" and "The Horse" have been given to the Infants. Mr. C. Vaughan Asst. Master at Holloway College, assisted in the work of the School to day by taking all lessons as per Time Table with Std. IV. Av: Att: for past week 111.4.
<i>Monday 26 June</i>	Edith and Sidney Hancock were sent home this morning suffering from ringworm. Mr. Geo. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer called and took a list of absentees this morning. Amy Ryder was admitted today.
<i>1893 Friday 7 July</i>	The Av: Att: this week is not so good; many of the children in Std. IV are attending very irregularly. Considering the attendance fair progress is being made with the work of the various Standards. Average for past week 111.4.
<i>Monday 10 July</i>	The School Att: Officer called and took a list of some of those children who are most irregular in their attendance.
<i>Wed: 12 July</i>	A whole holiday was given today, being the day on which it was arranged to celebrate the marriage of the D. of York and the Princess Victoria Mary of Teck, in this village.
<i>Friday 14 July</i>	The Av: Att: is about the same as last week, not much improvement is made in that respect in Std. IV.
<i>Monday 17 July</i>	The School Att: Officer called in. Georgina, Ada, and Florence Sears lately attending Penn St. School were admitted, and are found to be very backward in attainments.

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<i>1893 Friday 21 July</i>	The rain greatly interfered with the attendance yesterday morning, but the average is fair notwithstanding. An Average of but 110 with 138 names on the Register, and none of the children absent through illness cannot be considered a good att:
<i>Friday 28 July</i>	The Av: Att: is slightly higher than that of last week being 111.9.
<i>Aug 3</i>	The school broke up today for the Harvest Holidays.
<i>1893 Monday 11 Sept.</i>	— Visited School Oct. 21. 66 in main room: 55 in the left room. of which 16 (11 Stds. I & II, 5 Infants) came from Winchmore Hill. Registers correct. Sc: pgn on coke. [Signed] E.M.K., 21 Sept 1893. Reopened School this morning with a good attendance - 121 being present. E. M. Kenney-Herbert Esqr H.M.I. visited the school vide p. 146. Edith Bowler and John Muckley were admitted today.
<i>Friday 15 Sept.</i>	Edith Slade was admitted on Tuesday. The Av: Att: this week has been very good as it amounts to 116.
<i>Tuesday 19 Sept.</i>	Being Amersham Fair Day a half holiday was given this afternoon. The school att: Officer paid a visit to the school yesterday.
<i>Thursday 21 Sept.</i>	The Rev. B. Aplin visited the School today and handed to me Report of a visit without notice paid to the School on the 11th Sept. 1893 by E. M. Kenney-Herbert Esqr H.M.I. of which the following is a copy.
	— "'I visited this School today. I found what seems to be a dangerous settlement of the west wall of the"

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	— "Infants' room at the south end. Not only is there a serious crack, in fact several cracks, extending down the wall, but the wall itself seems to be bulging." "I think that the Managers should take an expert's opinion on the condition of this building without any delay." — B. D'Ogly Aplin, Correspondent.
<i>Friday 22 Sept.</i>	The Average this week is higher than it has ever been before having reached 121.2.
<i>Friday 29 Sept.</i>	The Av: Att: is not so good as that of the preceding week being 5 short. Lessons on the Carpenter's Shop & A Table were given to the Infants. The singing of both the Infants and children in the Stds. is very fair. Av: Att: 116.
<i>Friday 6 Oct.</i>	The School Attendance Officer paid us a visit during the week and found many of the upper Standard children attending very irregularly. Today the Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit which is fixed for the 31 inst. Average Att: for past week 116.7.
<i>Friday 13 Oct.</i>	The Average Att: is not so good as last week having fallen to 110.7. As John and Mary Grainger have left the place their names have been taken off the Register. Annie Burt (name still left on) has been at Stoken Church for some months past. Av: Att: 110.7.
<i>Mon: Oct. 16</i>	The School Att: Officer called in and took a long list of absentees.
<i>Friday 20 Oct.</i>	The Attendance shows a little improvement, as does some of the work of the children, whilst others seem scarcely to have recovered the ground they lost in the Harvest Hol: with the 2 or 3 weeks some took in addition.

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<i>Tuesday 24 Oct.</i>	Elsie and Maud Shirley were admitted yesterday. John Gibbs and Rhoda Dean were admitted this morning. The Sch: Att: Officer called in.
<i>Friday 27 Oct.</i>	Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Monday 30 Oct.</i>	School material from the N.S. arrived today.
<i>Tue: 31 Oct.</i>	The Rev. C Joyce examined the children in Religious knowledge this afternoon. The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin was present.
<i>Friday 3 Nov.</i>	The Attendance is again very fair, and the results of today's test (the first) are on the whole encouraging. Taught a new song "Run little rivulets". Average for past week, 110.6.
<i>Mon: 6 Nov.</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke, School Att: Office called in and took a list of absentees.
<i>1893 Thursday 9 Nov.</i>	The following is the Report of the Rev. C. Joyce, Diocesan Inspector of Schools, which has been received today. Report. — "Both the Infants and the Standards have passed a very good examination in Scripture subjects. The youngest children are very well taught in the Infant School, and Mr. Parker although single handed in the Upper School obtains good results and maintains excellent discipline." — "The following children are commended: Std. IV: Ellen Chilton awarded the Bishop's Pry. Bk. Sarah Steptoe: Highly commended. Fanny James: Commended. Std. III: Wm Shrimpton, Mary Wright. Std. II: Thirza Wright, Mabel Dean, Rose Lane. Std. I: Milly Saunders, Thos. Steptoe, Hy. Saunders, Harry Appleby, Eva Shrimpton."

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<i>1893 Friday 10 Nov.</i>	The Average Attendance is again fair. The Upper Stds. especially shew an improvement in this respect.
<i>Mon: 13 Nov.</i>	The School Att: Officer called in this morning.
<i>Tues: Nov. 14</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Off: for the Penn District paid us a visit this morning.
<i>Friday 17 Nov.</i>	The Att: is about the same as of the week previous. 110.3 as against 110.9. The Arith: in the test exam: given today was very indifferently done.
<i>Thurs: 23 Nov.</i>	I was absent today on account of illness of father-in-law. Miss Thompson took the school in my absence.
<i>Friday 24 Nov.</i>	Gave a test exam: today with better results. Several of the children are absent suffering from bad throats. Esther Muckley is at home by the order of the doctor, as her Mother is suffering from erysipelas. Average Att: for past week, 100.6.
<i>Friday 1 Dec.</i>	The rough weather has greatly interfered with the attendance during the week. Av: 99.4.
<i>7 Dec. Thurs.</i>	Gave a test exam: today and found Stds 2. and 4. weak in Arithmetic. Henry and George Barrett have been admitted during the week. Taught a new song today entitled "Laughing Moon". A holiday will be given tomorrow as a "Jumble Sale" is to be held in both the main and class rooms.
<i>Monday 11 Dec.</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke & Mr. H. Watson S.A. Off: for the Amersham and Penn Districts respectively paid us a visit. Tom Bysart was admitted today.
<i>Friday 15 Dec.</i>	The Average Attendance has fallen short of the previous week by 12, so that the average for this week is but 97. Whooping Cough is very prevalent and that accounts for the most part for the decrease, although many who are well attend very irregularly.

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<i>1893 Dec 22</i>	The result of today's test exam: is more encouraging. The School broke up this afternoon for the Christmas holiday which extends to the 1st prox.
<i>Monday 1 Jan 1894</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke visits the school today on resumption of work, after the vacation. The att: is far from good.
<i>4 Jan. Thurs.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the Schedules &c. and notice of the Drawing Exam: which is fixed to take place at 2.30 p.m. on the 29 inst.
<i>Friday 5 Jan.</i>	There was such a poor attendance this morning (about 30) on account of the winterly weather, that it was deemed advisable to give a half holiday in the afternoon. Average for past week 80.3. William Bysart's name has been taken on the register as the Sch: Att: Officer reports he has left the place.
<i>1894 12 Jan.</i>	The Attendance this week is again very poor. Several of the children are still absent through illness. The School has been visited by Mess. Clarke & Watson School att: officers.
<i>18th Jan.</i>	Registers tested this morning & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>19 Jan.</i>	The Attendance this week is about 24 (in average) than last week reaching 103.6 as against 79.8. Taught a new song entitled "The Land of Freedom". Today's test shows weakness in Stds 1. and IV Arith, but the irregular attendance produces a great want of uniformity in the work of the several standards.
<i>Wed. 24 Jan.</i>	New Drawing Material (paper, slates, dividers &c) and Registers arrived from the National Society today.
<i>Friday 26 Jan.</i>	The Average Att: is about the same as last week. Dictn: weak in Stds 3. 4.

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<i>Mon: 29 Jan</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke attended and gave a Certificate stating that Geo. Saunders, and Harry Dover would be unable to attend the Drawing exam: tomorrow as the former is suffering from mumps, and Dover from rheumatic fever.
<i>Tuesday 30 Jan.</i>	The boys were examined in drawing this afternoon by Herbert H. Harcourt-Smith Esqre of the Science & Art Department. 30 boys were present. Harry Dover and George Saunders being absent through illness.
<i>Friday 2 Feb.</i>	The Average Attendance for the past week is better amongst the upper Standards than it has been for months. Av: Att: 104.5.
<i>Tues: 6 Feb.</i>	Mr. H. Watson School Att: Officer for the Penn & Beaconsfield district paid a visit to the School this morning.
	— Infants' Songs. 1. Pretty Kit. 2. The little watch (action). 3. Where do all the daisies go. (acn.)? 4. The Railway Train. (action). — Recitations. 1. My dead dolly. 2. The little kittens tale. — Varied Occupations. — 1st Class. 1. Card Embroidering. 2. Mat weaving. 3. Frame making. — 2nd Class. 1. Stick laying. 2. Picking. 3. Card pricking.

— **List of Object Lessons for 1895.**

1. The Cat
2. The Camel
3. Salt
4. Wheat
5. Mustard
6. A book
7. Glass
8. Butter
9. The Ostrich
10. Coal
11. Candles
12. Indiarubber
13. Wood
14. Honey
15. The wolf
16. Umbrella
17. Hunting.
18. Sky.
19. Earthenware (man.)
20. The Horse.
21. The Sun.
22. Washing.
23. Gardening.
24. Chalk.
25. Building.
26. A Postage Stamp.
27. The Farmyard.
28. Snow.
29. The sea.
30. Trees.

— **Recitations for Exam: 1895.**

- Std. 1. Where to walk (Hogg).
 2. Harry and the Guidepost.
 3. The Bridge (Longfellow).
 4. The May Queen (Tennyson).
- **Songs for Older Scholars.**
 1. The Rivulet.
 2. See where the rising sun.
 3. The Laughing Morn.
 4. The harp that once.
 5. The Land of Freedom.
- The School was examined today by E. M. Kenney Herbert Esq. H.M.I. The Rev. B. D'Ogley Aplin and Mr. Frank Hodgson (Managers) were present.
- The Av: Att: for the week. 118.5.

<i>Monday 12 Feb.</i>	The School Att: Officer visited the school today. Emily Saunders was admitted.
<i>Tues: 14 Feb.</i>	Ernest Palmer was admitted this morning and Helen Parker yesterday.
<i>Thursday 15 Feb.</i>	Received the Duplicate Exam: Schedule from the Ed: Department today.
<i>16th</i>	Average Attendance for past week 106.6.

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<i>1893 Friday Feb. 23</i>	The Rev. B. Aplin brought in Form 523 from the Science & Art Department bearing date 14 Feb. 94 in which the award "Good" has been made in respect of the instruction in Drawing.
<i>Mch 2</i>	— Taught a new song today "Morning, noon, and night." — Av: Attendance for past week 110.5. The Average is not quite so good as that of last week having been interfered with by the rough weather of yesterday.
<i>Tuesday 6 Mch.</i>	— Drawing material (rulers etc.) from the Educational Supply Assn. arrd. Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer visits the school today.
<i>Friday 9 Mch.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in H.M. Inspector's Report a copy of which will be found on succeeding pages.
	— Av: Att: for past week = 108.7. — Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report. Mixed School. Actual Average Attendance: Boys 27.2, Girls 33.3, Total 60.5. — Average Attendance on which the Grant is payable: 61. — Grants on Total Av. Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 12.6, 2. Discipline and Organization 1.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6, 5. Class Subjects: 1st Subject Geography 1.0. — Grant on Total Average Attendance: 15.0. — Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls, Arts 98c and 101c.: 33.0. — Grant claimable: On Average Attendance £45·15·0, 1·13·0. Gross Total of claim £47·8·0.

- **Infant Class.** Actual Av: Att: Boys 24.4, Girls 20.1, Total 44.6.
- Av: Attendance on which the Grant is payable: 45.
- Grants on Total Average Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 9.0, 2. Variable Grant 2.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6.
- Grant on Total Average Attendance: 11.6.
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls: 20.0.
- Grant claimable: On Average Attendance £25·17·6, 1·0·0. Gross Total of claim £26·17·6.
- Amount of Annual Grant: £74·5·6. Fee Grant (under El: Education Act 1891): On the Average Attendance of children over 3 and under 15 years of age viz. - 105 @ 10/-: £52·10·0.
- Deduct Instalments: 36·15·0. Final Payment of Fee Grant: 15·15·0. Total Sum Payable: £90·0·6.
- **Summary of the Inspector's Report.** Mixed School. "The Reading is very fair indeed throughout the classes, the Writing is also very fair, and the Arithmetic is good on the whole. The Spelling of the junior classes is pretty good, but that of the first class (the fourth Standard) is curiously bad. Only one child passed in consequence, and she had 4 mistakes. The rest 12 in number, failed entirely, shewing an average of 11 mistakes to each child. I hope that this will be remedied by next year, as it is a fatal fault. The children's intelligence, to, must be cultivated; they must be taught, that is, how to think when easy questions are put to them and how to express themselves. The"

	— "answering in Geography is very fair. The Directress of Needlework has reported that the Sewing of the Girls is good on the whole, though improvement will be expected from some of the groups next year. The children's behaviour is quite satisfactory, but the full Grant under Article 101(b) cannot be recommended in view of deficiency in the organization." — Infants' Class. "Miss Thompson has made a very fair start with the infants division, whose condition is improving under her. I shall look for better Reading and answering questions in tables and numbers from the children generally next year, and I feel pretty sure that I shall find it. The boys know nothing about the use of the thimble. No Grant can be" — "recommended, therefore, in respect of them under Article 98(c). The girls Sewing is fair." — Herbert Parker Cert. Teacher. Clara N. Thompson Art. 50. B. D'Ogly Aplin Correspondent.
12 Mch.	Mr. Clarke visited the school today and took a list of the most irregular children.
16 Mch Friday	Although the average attendance for the week amounts to 109.5 the average is by no means good. In fact, the attendance is always the worst - almost without exception - where the chief part of the work of the school lies.
Monday 19 Mch.	Eveline Merryfield and Amy R. Langston were admitted this morning.
Thursday 22 Mch.	The names of Fred Dean, Geo. Wright, K. Bradley, M. Glenister, F. James, K. Higgs, E. Chilton & F. Ryder take off the register.

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	— The Average Attendance for the week amounts to 112.3. — The building of new w.c.'s was begun on the 19 inst. according to plans approved by the Department. — The School broke up this afternoon for the Easter Holiday which expires on the 1st prox.
<i>Mon: 2 Apr.</i>	There were 122 children present at the reopening of the school this morning after the Easter Vacation. The School Att: Officer came in during the morning.
<i>Tues: 3 Apr.</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer for the Beaconsfield & Penn Districts called in this morning and took a list of the most irregular children from those parishes attending this school.
<i>Friday 6 Apr.</i>	The Average Att: this week is very fair being 115. Taught a new song this afternoon "Far Away".
<i>Friday April 13</i>	Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Mon: 16</i>	— Ethel Loorby was admitted on the 9th. The Att: has again been good, and fair progress made with the work. Average for past week 112.8. The School att: Officer took a list of absentees this morning.
<i>Friday 20 Apr.</i>	The new buildings mentioned under date of 22nd ult. are now finished. New cords to have also been attached to the ventilators. Average Att: for the past week 113.6.
<i>Friday 27 Apr.</i>	Out of the 40 times the School has been opened since the Easter vacation 20 children have not been present 30 times, and several have made but 23 attendances. Average Att: for past week 111.5.
<i>Monday 30 April</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin and the School Att: Officer visited the School this morning, the latter having a long list of irregular children to look up.

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<i>1894 1st May</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer for the Penn and Beaconsfield Districts came in this morning and took a list of children who are attending here on an average of about 8 times weekly.
<i>4 May Friday</i>	— Amy Ryder's name has been taken off the Register. The Average for past week amounts to 114; and on the average there are 25 children absent from every school meeting.
<i>7 May</i>	Amy Langston and Ernest Francis have returned to School this morning the former having been absent a fortnight and the latter a week suffering from measles, but as the period is so short I thought it best to send them home for another week and have accordingly done so.
<i>Friday 11 May</i>	The Av: Att: is 10 below that of last week, but several of the children are suffering from blisters etc. The School broke up for the Whitsun Vacation - 1 week.
<i>Mon: 21 May</i>	Reopened school this morning but many of the children are absent. Wm Hy. Upton and Reginald Francis were admitted.
<i>22 May Tuesday</i>	It has been decided to close the school again until Monday next owing to illness of Miss Thompson. Average for past week 107.2.
<i>Mon: 28 May</i>	William, Albert, and Thomas Heath have been admitted. The School Att: Officer called in today.
<i>Wed: 30 May</i>	New easels and pointers were received today.
<i>Friday 1st June</i>	Taught a new song entitled "Spring! lovely Spring!". Fair progress is being made with the work. Std IV shew an improvement in dict: but Std 2 are weak in that subject. Reading & Geography are very fair, and the Arithmetic is improving. Average for past week 114.4.

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<i>Mon: 4 June</i>	This morning, being very wet, only 48 children attended. In the afternoon the Chapel Sunday School Treat took place and only 44 attended school.
<i>Friday 8 June</i>	The Av: Att: has not been quite so good as it fell very short the earlier part of the week. It amounts, however to 106.6.
<i>11 June</i>	The School Att: Officer called in today.
<i>15 June Friday</i>	The Dictation in Std. 2 is still weak & perhaps the worst feature found in the work during the week. Average Att: for past week 117.1.
<i>Wed: 20 June</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in a communication from the Education Department asking to be furnished with the number of Winchmore Hill children attending this School - their names, age, and attendances made by each for last school year ended 31 Jan. 1894.
<i>Friday 22 June</i>	The Av: Att: for this week is higher than any previous one during the current school year reaching 119.6. William Saunders (b) has been admitted this week, and Percy Palmer's name taken off the register.
<i>Mon: 25 June</i>	The School Att: Officer calls in today. Leonard Gibbs was admitted.
<i>Wed: 27 June</i>	Several of Std. IV children were punished this afternoon for great carelessness shown in their Dictation.
<i>Friday 29 June</i>	The Average Attendance this week is higher than it has ever been before being exactly 123 for the week.
<i>Monday 2 July</i>	Amy Ryder was readmitted today after having been away for several weeks past.
<i>Friday 6 July</i>	The Av: Att: has not been nearly so good as that of the previous week. Miss Thompson has taken the sewing since 21st June, through the absence of the Sewing Mistress caused by illness.

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<i>1894 Friday 13 July</i>	Fair progress has been made with the work this week although the average attendance shows a decline. The School Att: Officer called on Monday.
<i>20th July Friday</i>	— New air bricks were affixed in the walls of the main room yesterday. Daisy Keen's name has been taken off the register. Av: Att 111.2. Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Monday 23 July</i>	— The Average is slightly better than last week, but there is still room for great improvement. Av: Att: 116.1. Amy Ryder's name has been taken off the register as she attends Penn St. School.
<i>Tuesday 24 July</i>	— The School Att: Officer called in and took a list of some of the children who are attending irregularly. Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer for Penn & Beaconsfield District paid us a visit & took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday 27 July</i>	On the whole good progress is being made with the work. The Arith: of Std. IV is indifferent and the spelling in Std. 2 very weak. Av: Att: 114.1. Average Attendance for the qr. 113.9.
<i>Tues: 31 July</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin visited the school this morning and it was decided to close the school on the 3rd prox. for two weeks.
<i>Friday 3 Aug.</i>	The Average Attendance for the week is 105.6. The School broke up this afternoon to reopen again on Sept. 10.
<i>Monday 10 Sep.</i>	School was reopened today with rather a meagre attendance.
<i>Tuesday 11 Sep.</i>	This morning the Assistant called my attention to the state of Emily Elliott's head. On examining it I found it to be one complete mass of sores. I accordingly sent the child home, there to remain until it is quite free again. Mrs. Parker again took the Needlework.
<i>Friday 14 Sep.</i>	The Average for the week is very fair considering the harvest not yet being quite finished. It amounts to 107.7.

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<i>1894 Wed. Sep. 19</i>	School material arrives from the Educational Supply Association. Being Amersham Fair Day a half holiday was given this afternoon.
<i>Friday Sep. 21</i>	The att: is good for the past week averaging 122.7. The Sewing Mistress is ill. Taught a new song Murmur gentle lyre.
<i>Mon: 24 Sep.</i>	The Sch: Att: Officer for the Amersham District called in at the commencement of afternoon school.
<i>Friday 28 Sep.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit which is fixed for the 15th prox.
	— The Att: shows a marked falling off this week as only 9 atts more have been made this week than when a half holiday was given in the week previous. Av: Att: 111.4. The Asst. took needlework.
<i>Monday 1 Oct.</i>	The returns required by the Diocesan Inspector were forwarded to the Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin this morning.
<i>Wed. Oct 3</i>	The Attendance continues to be very indifferent the atts being barely 2/3 of the possible number.
<i>1894 Friday 5 Oct.</i>	The Att: for the week is fair, altho' Stds 1 & 2 are attending very badly. The Assistant took the needlework on Tuesday, and on Thursday none was taken in the absence of the Sewing Mistress through illness. Average Att: for past week 116.7.
	— 11 Oct.*: Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Friday 12 Oct.</i>	The Average shows a marked falling off again this week and by the same Standards as mentioned last week. 108.7 as against 116.7.
<i>Monday 15 Oct.</i>	The School was examined in Religious Knowledge this afternoon by the Rev. C.E. Adams. The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin was present. The Bishop's Prize was awarded to Martha Smith.
<i>Tuesday 16 Oct.</i>	Edward and Arthur Wright were admitted today. The following names were taken off - having left the district. Sarah Steptoe, Leonard Gibbs, A. Elliott, Alice James, R. Lunnon, & Annie Newell.

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<i>Friday 19 Oct.</i>	The Average Attendance is about the same, showing little sign of improvement amongst Stds. 1 & 2.
<i>Friday 26 Oct.</i>	— The School Att: Officer (Mr. Clarke) for the Amersham District has paid one visit to the school since it was reopened on the 10th Sept. - a period of 6 school weeks. Daisy Keen, who was readmitted six weeks ago, made 22 atts out of a possible 30 in the first 3 weeks, and in the last 3 never attended once, so her name has again been taken off the register.
<i>Nov. 2nd</i>	— Av: Att: for past week 112.2. The attendance this week is not so good as it has been, in fact the term good is scarcely ever applicable to it.
<i>1894 5 Nov.</i>	— The average is 110.6 for the week. — In a test exam: given today the work was found to be rather uneven, but with an improved attendance better results may follow. Mr. Clarke Sch: Att: Off: called in and took list of absentees.
<i>Tuesday 6 Nov.</i>	The Sewing Mistress being ill and unable to attend to her duties, Mrs. Muckley is acting as her locum tenens.
<i>Wed: 7 Nov.</i>	The Rev. B. D'Ogley Aplin brought in the Diocesan Inspector's Report which is as follows.
	— "The School has, on the whole, passed a creditable examination in Religious Knowledge. Considering the drawbacks a very good knowledge was shown of the several subjects." — "The Infants & Std. 1 were altogether excellent. The teacher has secured their interest and attention, and their answering & repetition were alike deserving of the highest praise." — Dioc. Prize: Martha Smith. — Comm: Cecil Stromnell, Flora Bates, F. & W. Shrimpton, Geo. Slade, Hy. Saunders, B. Saunders, M. Shirley, A. Dunkley, T. Smith, B. Wright & H. Appleby.

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<i>1894 Nov. 9th</i>	The average att: shows a slight improvement for the week, accompanied by a proportionate improvement in school-work.
<i>Friday 16th</i>	— Av: for past week 113.1. The attendance has been very greatly interfered with by the rough weather on Mon: & Wed:
<i>Friday 23 Nov.</i>	— Mr. Watson Sch: Att: Officer called in on Tuesday and Annie Harding was admitted on that day. — Mrs. Muckley is still taking the sewing. — Average for past week 101.5. The work of the various Standards shows improvement, although there are weak places.
<i>Thursday 29 Nov.</i>	— Std. 2 Dict: and Std. 3 Arith. (problems) want great attention. — Av: for past week 118.6. Mrs. Shaw of Prospect House came into the school this afternoon, and expressed her pleasure with the work that was going on especially the needlework.
<i>Friday 30 Nov.</i>	Some improvement is noticeable in Std. 3 problems today as compared with last week although of course they are not yet perfect.
<i>Tuesday 4 Dec.</i>	— Std. 2 Dictation is certainly weak. — The att: has kept up well during the week - the habitual absentees are sure to cause weak places in the work of the school, and better results be obtained. Mr. Geo. Clarke paid a visit to the school this morning and took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday 7 Dec.</i>	— Flora Bates's name has been taken off the register. By a strange coincidence the average att: is exactly the same as that of last week 116.8.
<i>Tuesday 11 Dec.</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer for the Penn District (& Beaconsfield) paid us a visit this morning.
<i>Friday 14 Dec.</i>	The weather has again interfered with the atts of the children living a distance from the School - Av: 104.8.

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<i>1894 Tuesday 18 Dec.</i>	The School was used today as the polling station for the election of a District Councillor for the Parish.
<i>Friday 21 Dec.</i>	The School broke up this afternoon for the Christmas Holiday which extends to the 31 incl.
<i>31 Dec. Mon:</i>	— Average Att: for past week 96.6. Reopened School this morning with a fair attendance.
<i>Friday 4 Jan. 1895</i>	A half holiday was given this afternoon as the Infant room was needed for the trimming of a Christmas tree, which, with tea, is provided by Mrs. Jarvis for the benefit of the whole of the Day School, and to be given tomorrow.
<i>Mon: 7 Jan.</i>	— Mrs. Parker has resumed her duties. The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the notice of the Drawing Exam: which is fixed for 2.15 p.m. tomorrow.
<i>Tuesday 8 Jan.</i>	The boys were examined in drawing this afternoon by H.H. Harcourt-Smith Esqre.
<i>1895 Friday 11 Jan.</i>	Many of the children are absent this week suffering from colds, &c.
<i>Wed: 16 Jan.</i>	— Tested the first class Infants and found their reading and writing fair, but with arithmetic they were not quite so successful. — No test was given to the Standards. — Average Att: for past week 103.7. The Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin brought in the notice of H.M.I.'s visit which is fixed to take place on Tuesday the 12th prox. at 10.45 a.m.
<i>18 Jan.</i>	— The School Att: Officer called in this afternoon. Registers tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin.
<i>Friday 18 Jan.</i>	Gave a test exam: today with very fair results.
	— Std 2. Dictation is still weak and perhaps the same may be said of Std. 4. — The Attendance is not so good as the average is but 95 for the week.

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<i>1895 Jan. 25</i>	The test today shows that Std. 4 is weak in Dictation, and Std 1 in Arithmetic.
	— The weather for the past fortnight has been very rough and winterly interfering greatly with the average attendance. — On an average - 40 are absent from every school meeting.
<i>Mon: 28 Jan.</i>	School Material from the E.S.A. arrived today.
<i>Wed: 30 Jan.</i>	Mr. H. Watson School Att: Officer took a list of the children who reside in the Penn & Beaconsfield parishes and attend irregularly.
<i>Friday 1 Feb.</i>	The sharp weather still greatly interferes with the attendance and the average is therefore a poor one.
	— Several children are absent, caused by chilblains. — 49 children are absent at each school meeting today. — Average Att: 86.
<i>Friday 8 Feb.</i>	The Average Att: as the Government Inspection draws near, is improving - 107 being the average for the week.
	— The Duplicate Examination from the Education Department, Whitehall has been received. — The Report on the Drawing Examination held on the 8 ult. has been received from the Science and Art Department. — The result is marked Good.
<i>Tuesday 12 Feb.</i>	Infants' Songs.
	1. Playtime (Action) 2. Snowflakes 3. Bedtime (Action) 4. Sewing Song — Recitations. 1. Tiny Tim 2. Dolly's Mamma & the Doctor

- Varied Occupations.
- **1st Class.**
 1. Embroidery.
 2. Mat-weaving.
 3. Frame-making.
- **2nd Class.**
 1. Sticklaying.
 2. Picking.
 3. Card-pricking.
- List of Object Lessons for 1896.
 1. Tea things.
 2. Clock.
 3. Table.
 4. Sugar.
 5. Knife.
 6. Bread.
 7. Glass.
 8. Soap.
 9. Grazing.
 10. Fishing.
 11. A Duck.
 12. Rabbit.
 13. Fox.
 14. Sheep.
 15. Cart.
 16. Pin.
 17. Pig.
 18. Lighting a fire.
 19. A Picture.
 20. A Railway Station.
 21. A Windmill.
 22. Washing.

23. Snowstorm.

24. Moon.

25. A Pinafore.

26. Cotton.

27. Harvest.

28. Thunderstorm.

29. A House.

30. The Skylark.

— Recitations for Inspection 1896.

— Std. 1. The beggar boy and the flower.

2. Somebody's Mother.

3. Barbara Frietchie. (Whittier.)

4. On receipt of my Mother's picture (Cowper.)

— Songs for Older Scholars.

1. Springtime.

2. 'Tis dawn.

3. Murmur gentle lyre.

4. Catch the Sunshine.

5. Far away.

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<i>Wed: 13 Feb.</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke School Att: Officer called in this morning. - previous visit 16 Jan.
<i>Friday 15 Feb.</i>	Of 135 children whose names appear on the books the average for the week is but 98.8.
<i>Mon: 18 Feb.</i>	The Duplicate Examination has been received from the Education Department.
<i>Tues: 19 Feb.</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer (for Penn and Beaconsfield Districts) called in this morning.
<i>Friday 22 Feb.</i>	The average attendance shows but a slight improvement for the week 102.4 against 98.8.
<i>Friday Mch 1</i>	Fair progress is being made with the new work when the average attendance is taken into consideration.
<i>Mon: 4 Mch.</i>	— The average amounts to 106.8 and there are 135 on the books. Harry Redding and Wm Saunders H. Welloranes have been removed from the Register after having been examined for Labour Certificates.
<i>1895 Thurs: 8 Mch.</i>	The wool & Scotch fingering from Allan, Dick, and Buchanan for Needlework to be shown next exam: arrived today.
<i>Friday 9 Mch.</i>	The Average Att: is again very bad amounting to only 92.2 for the week. — Some of the children have not yet attended school since the visit of H.M.I. on the 12 ult. — Below is a list of children who attended the most irregularly last year. The School was opened 425 times and the number placed against each of the several names denote the number of times they were absent. — Est. Muckley: 208 — Mary Bradley: 152 — Mary Wright: 142 — Alf. Slade: 124 — Min. Dunkley: 122 — Annie Burt: 121 — Martha Smith: 115 — Ada Dunkley: 115 — Edith Pusey: 114 — Fredk. Bates: 112 — Kate Chilton: 107 — Arthur Slade: 106

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- Alice Bates: 105
 - Ernest Sawyer: 105
 - Thirza Wright: 103
 - Alfd. Saunders: 102

1895 Friday
16 Mch.

Copy of H.M. Inspector's Report.

— **Mixed School.**

- Actual Average Attendance: Boys 31.1, Girls 30.6, Total 61.8.
- Av: Att: on which the Grant is payable: 62.
- Grants on Total Av. Attendance: 1. Principal Grant 12.6, 2. Discipline and Organization 1.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6, 5. Class Subjects: 1st Subject Geography 1.0.
- Grant on Total Av: Attendance: 15.0.
- Grant for Needlework at 1/- on separate Average Attendance of Girls. Arts 98c. and 101c.: 31.0.
- Grant Claimable: On Av. Attendance £46·10·0, 1·11·0. Gross Total of Claim £48·1·0.

— **Infant Class.**

- Actual Av: Att: Boys 25.3, Girls 23.4, Total 48.7.
- Av: Att: on which the Grant is payable: 49.
- Grants on Total Av. Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 9.0, 2. Variable Grant 2.0, 3. Needlework 1.0, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6.
- Grant on Total Av. Attendance: 12.6.
- Grant Claimable: On Average Attendance £30·12·6.
- Gross Total of Claim: £78·13·6.
- Amount of Annual Grant: £78·13·6.
- Fee Grant (under El: Ed: Act 1891) On the Av. Att. of children over 3 and under 15 years of age, viz. - 111 @ 10/-: £52·10·0.
- Deduct Instalments: 39·7·6.
- Final Payment of Fee Grant: 16·2·6.
- Total Sum Payable: £94·16·0.

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Friday 15 Mch. 1895	Summary of the Inspector's Report.
	— Mixed School. "The children's work in the elementary subjects is very fair as regards accuracy, but their want of intelligence is very noticeable, and still shows weakness in the organization of the School. The Sewing is satisfactory, and the answering in Geography is fair." — Infants' Class. "The Infants' division is in very fair general condition. The Writing is the best feature, Reading and knowledge of numbers not being better than very fair. I hope to see improvements in these subjects next year, and to find also, that the children's intelligence is being more satisfactorily developed. I notice that there are no fewer than 20 children over 7 years of age (8 of whom are over 8 years of age) on the books of this division, out of a total of 61. I do not know why a third of the class should thus require exceptional classification." — Herbert Parker. Cer. Teacher. — Clara H. Thompson Art. 50. — B. D'Ogly Aplin. Correspondent.
Tuesday 19 Mch.	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer for Penn & Beaconsfield Districts called in this morning and took a list of irregular children from those parishes attending here.
Friday 22 Mch.	The Average is slightly in advance of last week, but still very poor. — The following names have been taken off: William, Fredk., Robert, and Ethel Loorby, Decimus Lane, Hy. Newton, Annie Burt, Cecil Stromnell and Eph. Palmer.

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<i>Friday 29 Mch</i>	The weather interfered greatly with the attendance on Wed: and again this morning.
	— Fair progress is being made with the new work in the various standards, especially of the first class. — Av: Att: for the week 91.8.
<i>Thurs: 4 Apr.</i>	Material for Needlework arrived today.
<i>Friday 5 Apr.</i>	Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin & Rev. - Greenhill visited the School this morning.
	— Taught a new song entitled "The dusky night". — Av: Att: 100.5.
<i>Thurs: 11 Apr.</i>	The school broke up this afternoon for the Easter Holiday which extends to the 22 incl.
	— Av: Att: for past week.
<i>Monday 22 Apr.</i>	Reopened school this morning.
	— 111 were present, but many absentees. — Ernest Prattley, William Pedder, Frederick Dover, Edith Carter, Frederick Nicholas, and Frances Saunders were admitted and Daisy Stromnell readmitted.
<i>1895 Thurs: 25 Apr.</i>	New Maps, Readers &c arrived from the E.S. Association.
<i>Friday 26 Apr.</i>	The names of Fredk. and Alice Bates have been taken off the register.
	— Registers Tested & found correct. B. D'Ogly Aplin. — Frank Shrimpton, who was absent thro' illness last year has again been presented by the same cause from attending school. His atts for the first qr. number 18. — Esther Muckley is again absent suffering from a sore head, the result of neglect and filthiness. She was absent 208 times last year. — Av: Att: for past week 106.
<i>Tuesday 30 Apr.</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke School Att: Officer paid us a visit this afternoon after School.
	— Date of previous visit 13 Feb. 1895.
<i>Friday 3 May</i>	The Attendance is far from good.
	— Mary Wright has not attd since the Exam: 12 Feb. & M. Dunkley since 22 Mch. — Av: Att: 104.4.

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<i>1895 Monday 6 May</i>	A holiday was given today as the school was wanted for a Concert and Dramatic Entertainment in the evening.
<i>Friday 10 May</i>	The Average Att: shows an improvement this week.
	— The work of the school, too, is progressing satisfactorily. — Average for past week 107.8.
<i>Friday 17 May</i>	The Average is about the same as that of last week 107.4 as against 107.8.
	— Mary Wright has not attended school since the Government Inspection and M. Dunkley since March 22nd up to date. — Std. I are rather backward in their work and Reading seems to be the worst feature.
<i>May 21st</i>	Mr. H. Watson Sch: Att: Officer (Penn District) called in this afternoon & took list of absentees in his districts.
<i>Wed: 22 May</i>	Drawing Paper and Slates arrived from the Ed: Supply Association today.
<i>1895 Thursday 23 May</i>	Having satisfied the condition to be entitled to the Special Drawing Certificate the Rev. B. D'Ogly Aplin some time since wrote to the Department of Science and Art concerning it.
	— It came duly to hand this morning.
<i>Friday 24 May</i>	Have sent a note to Mr. G. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer calling his attention to the very bad attendance.
	— That gentleman's visits for current year up to date are 3-16 Jan., 13 Feb. and 30th April. — The Attendance averages exactly the same as last week - 107.4. — There has been one admission this week viz:- Arthur Slade (b). His age on Admission is.
<i>Monday 27 May</i>	Alfred Slade (b) and Florence Pearce were admitted this morning.
<i>Friday 31 May</i>	The School broke up for the usual Whitsun Holiday this afternoon.
	— The Av: for past week is 109. — Edith Pusey is in London attending an eye Hospital.

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<i>1895 Monday 10 June</i>	Reopened School this morning after the Whitsun vacation. The lower standards and infants have turned up well, but such cannot be said of the higher stds.
<i>Friday 14 June</i>	Mr. G. Clarke S.A. Officer called in this morning and took a list of children who have been attending most irregularly for the past 6 or 7 weeks.
<i>Friday 21 June</i>	— Raymond Pratley and Lily Slade have been admitted. — Average for past week 106.9. Instead of taking the usual lesson in Singing this afternoon a first attempt was made at teaching the children to sing from sight. The results were quite satisfactory.
<i>28 June Friday</i>	The last visit of the Sch: Att: Officer has been productive of good since several children have returned to school who had been absent for weeks past. The Av: Att: for this week is the highest in the present school year up to date being 115.4.
<i>1895 Monday 1 July</i>	Lily Chilton was admitted today. Mary Wright has not attended school since the Gov: Inspection in Feb.
<i>5 July Friday</i>	The Rev. F. Taught and the Rev. Butler Bryan both paid a visit to the School this afternoon. The Att: is not so good as last week but fair ground is being made with the work. Gave another lesson on sight singing this afternoon and most of the children appear to be much interested in it.
<i>Friday 12 July</i>	For the second lesson on this afternoon the children in Std. 1, 2, & 3 had a first lesson in Kindergarten Geography (Lisson & Parker's) as a suitable occupation.
	— The Average Att: has dropped from 115 to 106 so have sent a postcard to the School Att: Officer calling his attention to the fact.

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<i>1895 Friday 19 July</i>	Of 84 children in the Standards, only 19 have made their full number (10) of attendances for the week ending today. Av. 106.4.
<i>Mon: 22 July</i>	The Sch: Att: Officer (Mr. Geo. Clarke) of the Amersham District called in this morning and took a list of absentees.
<i>Friday 26 July</i>	Good progress has been made with the work of the school during the week. Composition was given to Stds 4 & 5 this morning instead of Dictn and several in both Stds. did very creditably. Average for past week 109.4.
<i>Aug 2 Friday</i>	— Tested Registers & found them correct. Evan L. Hodgson. The School broke up today for the Harvest Holidays, and reopens again on the 9th Sep. Av. Att. for past week 105.
<i>1895 Monday 9 Sep.</i>	Reopened School today with an attendance of 117.
<i>10 Sep. Wed</i>	— Mary Wright attended for the first time since the last Gov: exam: held in Feb. last. — Doris Bilbey was admitted. Ada Keen was admitted this morning. Box of stationery arrived from the Ed: Supply Asson today.
<i>Friday 13 Sep.</i>	The att: is higher than it has been for several weeks past. The children appear to be rather backward since their return to school.
<i>Tuesday 17 Sep.</i>	— Average for past week 113.7. Sidney and Herbert Howell were admitted this morning and Mr. H. Watson S.A. Officer also paid a visit at the same school meeting.
<i>Thurs: 19 Sep.</i>	The usual half holiday was given today, it being Amersham Fair Day.
<i>Friday 20 Sep.</i>	The att: is very much better the average being 118.21. A good week's work appears to have been done.

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<i>1895 Tues. 24 Sep.</i>	Mrs. and Miss Shaw visited the school after playtime this morning.
<i>Friday 27 Sep.</i>	The work of Stds 1.-3. is still rather backward. There is more intelligence shown as to meanings in the Reading lessons but Std 1 is far from good in Reading.
<i>Tues 10 Oct.</i>	— Average Att: for past week 118.1. (Note: entry for 1 Oct.) Kate Redding was sent home this afternoon as it was found her sister Lily is suffering from measles.
<i>Friday 4 Oct.</i>	The School att: Officer paid a visit to the school this morning.
<i>Friday 11 Oct.</i>	— Received notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit which is fixed for the 22nd inst. — Taught a new song this afternoon entitled the "Union Jack": — Frank Shrimpton who has been absent for more than 7 months through rough illness has returned to school this week. — Alice Norris is absent through deformity. — Average for the week 112.6. The work is fast recovering the lost ground occasioned by the Harvest Holidays, although there are still weak points.
<i>Tues: 15 Oct.</i>	— The time (9.40 to 9.50 a.m.) devoted to physical exercises since the vacation is eagerly looked forward to by the children. — Average Att: for past week 113.1. Mr. H. Watson S. A. Officer of the Penn & Beaconsfield District visited the school this morning.
<i>Oct. 18th</i>	Visited the two Schools & checked the registers & found them correct. Phil Knight.
<i>Monday Oct. 21</i>	— The Av: Att: for the week shows an increase of 2 on that of last week. The work is steadily progressing but a great deal still remains to be done in Standards 1.-3. Anna Shrimpton has been engaged as Monitress and commenced work today.

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<i>1895 Oct. 22</i>	The Rev. C. Joyce Diocesan Inspector of the Rural Deanery of Amersham examined the children in Religious Knowledge.
<i>Friday 25 Oct.</i>	The following is the Report of the Diocesan Inspector. -
	— "Good and useful work is being done for this School in Religious Instruction. The teaching and discipline is very satisfactory both in the Upper and Lower Departments" — The following children are commended: — Ada Sears awarded the Bishop's Prayer Book — Wm. Shrimpton H. C. — Edith Pusey, George Barrell — Walter Slade, Harry Appleby — J. Shrimpton, Harry Saunders — Thirza Wright, Ada Parker — May Pursey, Helen Parker Infants — Elsie Shirley, Thomas Smith — C. Joyce. Diocesan Inspector of Schools.
<i>Tuesday 29 Oct.</i>	The following names have been taken off the Register: Annie Aldridge, Ernest Sawyer (left the place), Alice Norris (suffering from spinal disease), and Herbert Howell who has also left the place.
<i>Thurs: 31 Oct.</i>	Several of the children are absent suffering from Scarlet fever and Alfred Saunders was sent home this morning through it having been discovered that other members of the family were suffering from the same malady.
<i>Friday 1st Nov.</i>	The average attendance has suffered for the reason explained above.
	— The great majority of the children here attend irregularly so that it is almost impossible to say whether some are kept at home in the ordinary way, or suffering from scarlet fever, measles or other complaint. Few of the parents call in a doctor, and they (the parents) are reticent, too, as to why they are kept at home, or to state the disease.

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<i>1895 Nov 8.</i>	The Average Att: has fallen considerably this week, in fact, 19 short of that of the previous one. A formal notice has been received from the Medical Officer of Health to the Amersham Rural Sanitary Authority closing the school from today "until further notice."
<i>1896 June 27</i>	The school was reopened today by permission of the Medical Officer of Health after having been closed for 11 weeks through an epidemic of Scarlatina. One family, at least, is excluded from attending School at present.
<i>1896 Jan 30th</i>	— The following names have been taken off the Register: Frank Shrimpton (deceased), Wm. Glenister, John Gibbs, Ernest Pratley, Sidney Howell, Geo. Glenister & Raymond Pratley - all having left the place. Visited the School & tested Registers & found them correct. J. Lee Fawcett.
<i>Friday 31 Jan.</i>	The average attendance this week has been good amounting as it does to 114.9. The children of Harry Saunders are still excluded from school as he is still lingering in the last stage of consumption and therefore impossible for the Sanitary Officer to disinfect his house.
	— Through the kindness of Mrs. Weatherby of Coleshill House I have been able to draw up a scheme for a "School Clothing Club" making the bonus (given by Mrs. Weatherby) on each card dependent on their attendance. Children who make less than 350 atts will receive a bonus (on 4/4) of 1/2; between 350 and 380 - 1/6; 380 to 400 - 1/10 and those who make 400 or over receive 2/2.

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<i>1896 4 Feb.</i>	The School Att: Officer (Watson) for the Penn & Beaconsfield District visited the school this morning.
<i>7 Feb. Friday</i>	Several of the children are absent this week suffering from bad colds and the average is poor being 105.4 for the week.
<i>Friday 14 Feb.</i>	— Taught a new song entitled "Early one morning". The children have dropped back very much in attainments since the school was closed in Nov. last. Although a good amount of work is being done the results fall very far short of what they usually are at this period, and considerably below what they promised in the earlier part of the year so far as regards general answering and intelligence.
<i>19 Feb.</i>	— Taught a new song "Come lasses & lads". Average for past week 106.4. Visited the school & tested the registers & found them correct. J. Lee Fawcett.
<i>1896 19 Feb.</i>	The names of Ernest and Reginald Kingham have been taken off the Register as they have left the village.
<i>Friday 21 Feb.</i>	Gave a test exam: today and the results show a great improvement on those of the previous week. Stds 2 & 3 are weak in Dictation, while Std. 3 did well in Arith: and Std. 4 in Dictn.
<i>Friday 28 Feb.</i>	— Average Att: for the week = 112. — Received notice from the Rev. F. Le C. Taught this evening that the Government Inspection would be excused this year. (Art 84 (a)). Another test exam: was given again today in which further improvement was shown. Std 3 did not do quite so well in Arith: as hitherto, but Std 4 which did well in Dictn last week much improved their position in Arith: today.
	— Average for past week 107.5. — Mrs. Geo. Shaw & party visited the schools yesterday afternoon & commented favourably on the work.

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<i>1896 2 Mch</i>	Mr. Geo. Clarke Sch: Att: Officer visited the school this morning - previous visit 4 Oct. 1895.
<i>Tues: 3 Mch.</i>	Gave a lesson on "Soap" to the new Standards 2 & 3 instead of the usual Copybook writing.
<i>Thursday 5 Mch.</i>	Gave a lesson to Stds 4 & 5 on Soap this morning in place of Copy book lesson. Specimens were shown illustrating the processes of manufacture.
<i>Friday 6 Mch.</i>	Good progress has been made with the work of the various Stds. this week. Singing by note has been resumed since receipt of Form excusing the usual examination and some of the children are doing well in that subject.
<i>Tuesday 10 Mch.</i>	— Average for past week 10521. Gave a lesson on Cotton to Stds 2 & 3 today instead of Copy-books. As it was found the matter to be dealt with was too much for a single lesson, the "Processes of converting into Yarn" was reserved for one or more future lessons.
<i>Thurs: 12.3.96</i>	Instead of Copybook writing Stds 4 & 5 took "Cotton" for an Object Lesson.
<i>Friday 13 Mch.</i>	Received Timetable from E. M. Kenney Herbert Esqre. H.M.I. this morning which had been forwarded to him for his signature.
<i>Tues: 17 Mch.</i>	— The names of Edward and Arthur Wright have been removed from the register as they have left the place. Alfred, Annie and Fredk. Harding are absent suffering from mumps. Average for past week - 103.4. Stanley Francis was admitted this morning.
<i>Friday 20 Mch.</i>	The heavy rain on Wed: has somewhat interfered with the attendance this week, so that the average is but 101.9.
	— Lisson & Parker's Kindergarten Map drawing was given to Stds 1, 2 & 3 as a Suitable Occupation. — The Object Lesson to Std. 4 & 5 was on "The processes of converting the raw cotton into yarn".

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<i>1896 27 Mch</i>	The Average Att: shows a great improvement for the week. Of the 5 candidates who presented themselves at Penn St. (26) for examination for Labour Certificates four passed, and their names have therefore been removed from the Register.
<i>Thurs: 2 Apr.</i>	Received notice that H. Harcourt-Smith Esq. had definitely decided to visit the school on Monday next at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of holding the Drawing Exam:
<i>Monday 6 Apr.</i>	— Average for past week 112.2. H. H. Harcourt Smith Esqre visited the school this morning for the purpose of holding the Drawing Exam: The school afterwards broke up for the Easter Holiday, work resumes on the 13 inst.
<i>Monday 13 April</i>	— Average for present week 108. The School reopened this morning after the Easter vacation.
<i>14 Apr.</i>	A lesson was given to Std. 1, 2, & 3 on Guttapercha.
<i>17 Apr.</i>	Average for past week 110.
<i>1896 Friday 24 Apr.</i>	Object Lessons have been given to Stds. 1, 2 & 3 on "A table Knife" and "A lead pencil". Fair progress, on the whole, is being made with the work of the various Stds, and Singing by note is improving. The Average Attendance for the week is 108.1. On an average 25 children are absent at each school meeting.
<i>Monday 27 Apr.</i>	The School Att: Officer for the Amersham district visited the school and took a list of the children who have been attending most irregularly for the past month.
<i>Wed: 29 April</i>	The following names have been taken off the Registers - Alfred Harding, Minnie Dunkley, Kate Dover, and Esther Muckley. The Sch: Att: Officer (Watson) for the Penn & Beaconsfield District visited the school yesterday.
<i>Friday 1 May</i>	The report of the Drawing Inspector H. H. Harcourt Smith Esqre was received this morning. The award which has been made in respect of the instruction in that subject is "Good."

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	— The object Lessons given this week were "The Primrose" to the upper Stds & on "The Potato" to 1, 2 & 3. A half-holiday was given in the afternoon. — Average att: for past week 108.6.
<i>Tuesday 5 May</i>	Sidney and Frederick Payne were admitted this morning.
	— A Lesson on "Sulphur" was given to Stds. 1, 2, & 3 this morning. — The Rev. L. Fenn visited the school in the afternoon.
<i>Friday 8 May</i>	Fair progress is being made with the work. Std. 2 is weak in Reading and Std. 3 in Arithmetic. More general answering is noticeable as to meanings of words and phrases in the Reading lessons. Average 107.3.
<i>Friday 15 May</i>	Object Lessons have been given this week to Stds 1, 2 & 3 on "Cork" and to 4 & 5 on "Asbestos". The map drawing in the latter Std. has been very creditably done. The Average Att: has fallen to 103.5. The Upper Stds. attend most irregularly.
<i>1896 May 18</i>	School material including new Rdrs. for Std. 5 & Drawing models arrived from the Educational Supply Asson.
<i>Friday 22 May</i>	The singing by note has very much improved of late and gives fair promise of success. The Attendance of the Upper Standards is very bad and I have written to the Sch: Att: Officer (Clarke) calling his attention to it. The school broke up this afternoon until 1st June.
<i>Monday 1 June</i>	The school reopened again this morning with a fair attendance. Elizabeth Burt was admitted.
<i>Friday 5 June</i>	The work of the various Stds as per the Time-table is strictly adhered to, but the results of the elementary part - so far as regards the 3 R's - do not seem in so forward a state as is usual at this time of the year.
	— A great improvement is noticeable in the singing at sight. — Average for past week 108.8.

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<i>1896 June 9th</i>	William and George Glenister returned to School after an absence of several weeks, but on setting the various Std. to work I observed their heads still covered with large masses of sores and sent them home. Every member of that family for years past has had to be dealt with in the same way.
<i>June 12</i>	The Av: Att: this week is not so good many of the children being absent on Monday afternoon to attend the Chapel School Treat. Good progress has been made in Geog: this week and in the upper Stds. singing was well done. The 3 R's seem to be progressing very steadily. Av: 98.7.
<i>Friday 19 June</i>	John Sirel and the Carters were sent home yesterday as some of the children in the family are suffering from measles. Std. 2 & 3 Dictation is weak and does not seem to be much improved by the lessons given on "Wordbuilding". Av: Att: 103.3.
<i>1896 June 25 Thurs:</i>	Inspector Collis of the N.S.P.C.C. called in this afternoon in respect of the Glenisters. They were readmitted on 31 March and up to date have made but (William) 17 and (George) 18 attendances. (Cause of absence see p. 214).
<i>Friday 26 June</i>	The work of several of the children in each Std. is poor, in fact, many appear never to have recovered the lost ground occasioned by the closing of the school during the winter. Average for past week 104.6.
<i>Friday 3 July</i>	The results of the week's work are a little more encouraging although the attendance does much to retard good progress. Stds 2, & 3 are still the weakest standards.
<i>Friday 10 July</i>	— Average for past week 105.2. Have written to the S. A. Officer calling his attention to the bad attendance. Two or three families have been excluded from School for several weeks through being infected with measles (?).

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<i>1896</i>	The work of Stds 2 & 3 is still the poorest in the school. Composition in Std. 5 is fairly done and the Singing of Div. 3 is good. Average for past week 100.1.
<i>13 July, Friday</i>	The School att: Officer (Clarke) visited the school this morning.
<i>17 July, Friday</i>	The Glenisters have returned to school after 11 weeks absence. The children in the Infants' class attend very fairly but the attendance of those in the Stds. is very bad. Average 102.6.
<i>July 24th</i>	Visited the school & checked the Registers & found them correct by F. Le C. Taught.
<i>Monday 7 Sep.</i>	— As the attendance is gradually declining and the harvest progressing rapidly, the Managers decided to close the Schools from today until the 31st prox. The School reopened today after the Harvest Vacation. An extra week's holiday was given owing to the Master not having recovered from influenza.
<i>1896</i>	The following children were admitted: Fred Ireland, Herbert Ireland, Edith Harris and William Bryant.
<i>Friday 11 Sep.</i>	The Average Att: for the week is fairly good, amounting to 111 for the week. The work done appears to be greatly under the average at this time of year.
<i>Friday 18 Sep.</i>	A poor start seems to have been made with the work since the holidays and progress appears very slow. Great inconvenience is often caused through want of more desk accommodation causing interruption and loss of time. Average for the past week 112.7.
<i>Mon: 21 Sep.</i>	Daisy Norris and Charles Birch were admitted.
<i>Wed: 23 Sep.</i>	Received notice of the Diocesan Inspector's visit which is fixed to take place on Friday 30th Oct.
<i>Friday 25 Sep.</i>	The Average is about the same as last week - 111.3. Several of the children do not make more than 50 per cent. out of the possible no. of attendances.

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<i>1896 Friday 2 Oct.</i>	Taught a new song entitled "The Miller of the Dee". The Geography and Arith: appear to be progressing but slowly, but Reading and Dictation show an improvement. Suitable Occupations were discontinued on the issue of the Code. Average for past week 116.3.
<i>Monday 5 Oct.</i>	Mrs. Helps came in this morning and took Stds 4 & 5 in Reading.
<i>Friday 9 Oct.</i>	The work has been steadily progressing but still appears to be in a backward state. Average for past week 108.
<i>Tuesday 13 Oct.</i>	The S. A. Officer (Watson) for the Penn and Beaconsfield parishes came in this morning and took a list of irregular children.
<i>Friday 16 Oct.</i>	Some improvement is noticeable in the work this week. The att: is a trifle better than last week, but many of the children do not make 60 per cent. of the total number of possible attendances, and progress is therefore slow. Average for past week 111.6.
<i>1896 Friday 23 Oct.</i>	The Composition of Std. 5 is improving and the Reading of the different stds is fairly good, but the Dictation is a weak feature in both Stds. 2 & 3. There is no improvement in the att.
<i>Oct. 28th</i>	Examined the Registers, which are correct by C. J. Fenn.
<i>Friday 30 Oct.</i>	Today the school was to have been inspected by the Diocesan Inspector and everything was in readiness at the time (9.30) fixed for his visit. After waiting until 11 a.m. and no Inspector arriving in the meantime the children were dismissed for the day.
<i>Friday 6 Nov.</i>	In a test exam: today rather better results were obtained than were anticipated. Std 2 Dictation is still very weak, & Std. 4 Arith: might be better. As the Sch: Att: Officer (Clarke) for the Amersham District has paid no visit to the school during the nine weeks it has been open since the Harvest Holidays I have sent a list of names of the most irregular...

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<i>Tuesday Nov. 10</i>	— children to the chairman of the Amersham School Attendance Committee asking him to enforce their attendance. Average for past week = 110.8. Mr. Clarke visited this school at 9 a.m. & Mr. Watson at 1.30 p.m. (Sch: Att: Officers for Amersham & Penn respectively).
<i>Friday Nov. 13</i>	The Attendance this week is better than it has been during the past six weeks. Stds 3 & 5 did very well in a test exam: today but Std 4 work is not so good. The Singing by note in Div. 3 is very fair.
<i>Friday Nov. 20</i>	Taught a new song this afternoon "The dusky night rides down the sky". Gave a lesson on "Coins" and their relative values. Drill cannot be given anything at all like satisfactory here, for there is room neither in the school nor playground, and moving the desks would take up so much time, that if drill was given at all we could not conform to Time-table. Average 117.4.
<i>Friday Nov. 27</i>	Another test exam: was given today in which the Arith: did not figure quite so well - Std 5 being the chief defaulters. The average is fairly good and fair progress made. Mr. J. A. Howland of Rushymead visited the school this morning. Average for past week 116.4.
<i>Monday 2 Dec.</i>	The school was visited this afternoon by E. A. Helps Esq. H.M.I. who took Stds 2 & 5 in Geography. Std. 2 are rather backward in that subject, but he expressed himself as well pleased with the answering in Std. 5, and presented a book to William Shrimpton for showing the most knowledge in the Geog: of Europe.

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<i>Friday 4 Dec.</i>	Received form from H. Harcourt Smith Esqre requesting to be furnished with the several numbers to be presented in each Std. for Drawing. The Average Att: is about the same as last week 115.6 against 116.4. During the 13 weeks the school has been open since Harvest Clarke the Sch: Att: Officer for the Amersham District has paid us one visit. The following names have been taken off the Register - John Sirel, Ernest Carter & Edith Carter (left the place) and Mary Bradley.
<i>Wed: 9 Dec.</i>	Received box of stationery from the Ed: Supply Asson (new registers etc.).
<i>Friday 11 Dec.</i>	The Av: Attendance is again fair and better results were obtained in a test exam: given today.
<i>Friday 18 Dec.</i>	The Dictation of Stds. 2 & 3 is still weak, but the Arith: in the latter Std. shows great improvement. Taught a new song entitled "The men of our nation".
<i>Dec. 21st</i>	Tested the Registers & found them correct by F. Le C. Taught.
<i>Wed 23 Dec.</i>	The Att: this week has fallen off the average amounting to only 103.8. The school broke up this afternoon until 4 Jan. 1897.
<i>1897 Jan. 4</i>	The School reopened this morning with a good attendance. There are a few children absent through illness.
<i>Friday 8 Jan.</i>	The work has been going on as per Time Table during the week but that shewn by Std. 2 is very backward. The work of the lower part of the school has suffered through the numbers in Stds. 3, 4, & 5 and the changes made in the Time Table. Average for past week = 100.5.
<i>Wed 13 Jan.</i>	Received notice of H. Harcourt Smith Esqre that he intended visiting School for exam: in Drawing on the 25 inst. at 11 a.m.

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<i>1897 Friday 15 Jan.</i>	The work generally shows improvement. Std. 2 are still weak in Dictation. The Reading of the lower Stds. is backward. Average for past week 105.8.
<i>Friday 22 Jan.</i>	So many of the children are suffering from colds that our Av. Att: has dropped 20 lower than that of last week. It necessarily interferes with the progress of the work which is not in an over and above advanced state. An Asst. Master was advt: for in the "Schoolmaster" of the 16inst. for 3 months, to help with the Stds, but no one has yet been appointed.
<i>Monday 25 Jan.</i>	The School was inspected today by H.H. Harcourt Smith Esqre in Drawing. The Rev. F. le C. Taught and Mr. Howland came in during the examination. A half holiday was given in the afternoon.
<i>Friday 29 Jan.</i>	The work of the 3 R's shows improvement, but the lower Stds. are weak in Geography. Average for week = 84.5.
<i>1897 1 Feb.</i>	E. A. Helps Esqre again came in and assisted in the work of the school by taking Std. 4 & 5 in Reading and 3 in Geography.
<i>5 Feb.</i>	The Average Attendance which was 8421 last week, has, through the severe weather dropped to 70.7.
<i>Monday 8 Feb.</i>	An Assistant - C. R. Godlington has been engaged to help with the work of the Standards for 13 weeks, Mr. Weatherby pays his expenses.
<i>9 Feb.</i>	Mr. Watson S.A. Officer visited the school this morning.
<i>Friday 12 Feb.</i>	Gave a test examination today and the work shows improvement. The Average has gone up to 10521 for the week.
<i>Wed: 17 Feb.</i>	The songs, recitations, varied occupations &c., will be found on succeeding pages.

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Wed: 17 Feb.

Songs - 1. Past eight o'clock (action). 2. Little boy blue ("). 3. Babyland ("). 4. Come children (marching). 5. By-and-by.

— Recitations - 1. Points of the Compass. 2. A new Mother Hubbard.

— Varied Occupations - 1st Class: Embroidery; Scarf Knitting; Word-building; Mat & Picture weaving; Paper-toy-making; Drawing.

— 2 & 3 Classes: Stick-laying; Pricking; Fraying; Brick-building.

— Object Lessons for 1898 - 1. Rabbit, 2. Silk, 3. Rain, 4. Butter, 5. Whale, 6. Glass, 7. Chair, 8. Haymaking, 9. A dinnertable, 10. Autumn leaves, 11. Cow, 12. Rice, 13. Frost, 14. Wolf, 15. Monkey, 16. Camel, 17. A tree, 18. Ship, 19. Cart, 20. Shells, 21. Goat, 22. Cheese, 23. A Rainbow, 24. Tiger, 25. Sponge, 26. Harvest, 27. Ostrich, 28. Soap, 29. Grazing, 30. Sugar (signed E.M.K.H. 17 Feb 97).

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<i>Thurs: 18 Feb.</i>	Songs for Older Scholars - 1. The Bay of Biscay. 2. The dusky night. 3. The Miller of the Dee. 4. Hurrah! for the Union Jack. 5. The men of our nation.
<i>1897 Feby 25th</i>	— Recitations for 1898 - Std. 1: The River (Mrs. Southey). Std. 2: The Spring-walk. Std. 3: Barbara Frietche. Std. 4 & 5: The Armada (Lord Macaulay) (signed H.M. / 18.2.97). The report on the Drawing Examination held on the 25th Jun. has been received from the Science and Art Dept., the result being marked "Good".
<i>Mch 1st</i>	Florence Sears has been engaged as Monitress in place of Annie Harding, who left Feby. 25th.
<i>Wed. 17th</i>	Miss Thompson the Infant Mistress left today & the Infant School closed for rest of the week.
<i>19th</i>	Owing to the illness of the Master, Mr. H. Parker, a weeks holiday was given to the children.
<i>26th</i>	Mr. Parker died today, and another weeks holiday was given in consequence.
<i>April 5th</i>	Reopened School this morning, 102 children present.
<i>12th</i>	Miss Stonebridge E.P.I. commenced her duties this morning, with Standard I & II, Mrs Parker taking the Infants & part of the needlework.
<i>16</i>	Taught a new song, "The British Grenadiers".

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<i>Apr. 27</i>	Visited the school & checked the Registers & found them correct by F. Le C. Taught.
<i>28th</i>	E. A. Helps Esq. H.M.I. visited the school this morning, & heard Standards 1 & 2 read.
<i>May 27th</i>	Ascension Day. Half holiday in the afternoon.
<i>28th</i>	Owing to Mr. Godlington being ill, I had the school to myself this afternoon. Ada Stonebridge Art: 50. Alice Slade sent home this afternoon with a dirty head.
<i>June 3rd</i>	Mr. Godlington left his school situation and the School has not since then been in charge of Miss Ada Stonebridge.
<i>June 4th</i>	School broke up today for the Whitsun Holiday. The usual week's holiday is postponed until Jubilee, we shall therefore reopen on June 8th.
<i>June 8th</i>	Reopened school this morning, with a very poor attendance, 62 being present in the upper Deptnt, and 32 Infants.
<i>June 14</i>	Received Medical Certificate from Dr. Kennedy of Beaconsfield this morning, stating that Harry Muckley in St. I. is suffering from bronchial asthma, and is unfit to attend school.
<i>June 15</i>	— Owing to the death of Mr. Parker and the consequent unsettled state of the school, the admission of Alice Slade, has not been noted. Alice Slade was admitted on May 10th. Sent a post card to Sch: Att: Officer - Mr. Clarke, calling attention to the irregular attendance of some of the children. I taught a new jubilee song this morning 11.30 - 11.55.

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Copy of H. M. Inspector's Report.

- Mixed School Actual Average Attendance: Boys 31.9, Girls 33.9, Total 65.8. Average Attendance on which grant is payable: 66.
- Grants on Total Av. Attendance: Principal Grant 12.6, Discipline and Organization 1.0, Singing (& Note) 1.0, Class Subjects 1st Subject Geography 1.0. Grant on Total Av. Attn: 15.6. Grant for Needlework (a) 1/- on Separate Av: Attendance of Girls. Arts. 98c. and 101c. 34.0.
- Grant claimable on Average Attendance: £51.3.0 / 1-14. Gross total of claim: £52.17.0.
- Infant Class Actual Av. Attn: Boys 20.9, Girls 20.5, Total 41.4. Av: Att: on which the Grant is payable: 41.
- Grants on Total Av: Attendance: 1. Fixed Grant 9.0, 2. Variable Grant 2.0, 3. —, 4. Singing (a) Ear 6. Grant on Total Av: Attendance: 11.6.
- Grant claimable: £23.11.6 / On Average Attendance: 1.1.0 / £24.12.6.
- Gross total of claim: £44.9.6 / Amount of Annual Grant: £44.9.6.
- Fee Grant (under El: Ed: Act 1891) On the Av: Att: of children over 3 and under 15 years of age, viz: 104 @ 10/- = £53.10.0. Deduct Instalments: £40.2.6. Final Payment of Fee Grant: £13.7.6. Total Sum Payable: £90.17.0.

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Summary of the Inspector's Report.

- Mixed School: "The children have acquitted themselves very fairly in examination in the elementary subjects and Geography; much better in fact than I expected."
- "The conditions under which this school has been carried on could hardly have been worse."
- "Mr Parker has been required to teach it entirely alone, and his health has completely collapsed."
- "The numbers show over 80 on the books, of whom 45 have been in habitual and 66 in average attendance, divided into five classes."
- "One man, in wretched health, has been the sole teacher, though the funds of the school were in good circumstances."
- "As Article 73 of the code is being habitually violated I must ask for some enlargement on the staff."
- Infants' Class: "The infants' division is in a state of very fair efficiency considering the circumstances under which it has been taught."
- "Miss Thompson has had to deal singlehanded with a large class, and she has done her best with it."
- "Another row of desks is wanted for the first class, and the services of a monitor should be engaged."
- "I am to request attention to the small print of Art: 73 of the code."

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<i>18th June</i>	Broke up today for a week in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
<i>28th June</i>	Reopened school this morning with 110 children.
	— George Freeman is absent from school on account of sore eyes. His mother came to see me this morning to say that he would be unable to attend all the week. — Julia Davis came to school this morning, after an absence of 10 weeks, through illness.
<i>29th June</i>	Alice Slade has left the school having gone into Amersham Union.
	— Owing to Mrs. Parker having taken ill, the work of the Infant class is being carried on by Miss May Stonebridge Art: 68, who commenced duties yesterday June 28th.
<i>July 2nd</i>	Owen Glenister was sent home ill this afternoon.
<i>July 15th</i>	George Slade (St IV) is absent from school, suffering from a bad leg which has been severely wounded.
<i>July 19th</i>	Took charge of this school today. Attendance very poor. Morn: 103 Aft: 100. No doubt affected to some extent by early harvest. Ada Stubbings, Cert. Teacher, Late Head Assistant St. Mary's Boys' Willesden.
<i>July 20th</i>	Commenced teaching "Spanish Armada" to Standards IV & V. Although nearly six months of the school year have passed, nothing whatever of the poetry has been taught.
<i>July 23rd</i>	Drill was taken this afternoon for the first time. Mrs. May Stonebridge temporarily engaged during the illness of Mrs. Parker completed her duties this afternoon. Average attendance for the week 107.5.

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<i>Mon. July 26</i>	School closed today on account of Band of Hope treat.
<i>July 27th</i>	Mrs. Parker recommenced work today.
<i>July 28th</i>	Visited the school & checked the registers & found them correct by F. Le C. Taught.
<i>Mon. Aug. 2</i>	Today being Bank Holiday the school was closed.
<i>Wed. Aug. 4</i>	Tested St. III in simple multiplication with the result that only two sums were correctly done out of fifteen. The children seem quite to have forgotten the arithmetic taught in Standard II.
<i>Fri. Aug. 6</i>	Closed school today for Harvest Holidays – one month – Only 79 children present in the morning. No school in the afternoon.
<i>Mon. Sep. 6</i>	Recommenced school today. Attendance Morn 109, Aft 110.
<i>Tue. Sep. 7</i>	Mary and George Bilbey were admitted today.
<i>Fri. Sep. 10</i>	The attendance which was 110 yesterday afternoon dropped today to 99 and 103. No attendance officer has visited this school for some months & although I have seen Mr. Clark personally and asked him to look up the irregulars he has not done so.
<i>Tue. Sep. 14</i>	Rhoda Lane was admitted today.
<i>Wed. Sep. 15</i>	St. III were given their first lesson in Long Division this morning. This afternoon they were tested in Subtraction with fair results.
<i>Fri. Sep. 17</i>	Wrote to Mr. Orton Clerk to the Guardians informing him of the very bad attendance, and also of the fact that no attendance officer has visited the school since Feb. 19. Requested him to bring the matter before the Attendance Committee. Received box of stationery from S.S.A. Average attendance for past week 106.8.
<i>Mon. Sep. 20</i>	Gilbert Slade was admitted this morning. The usual half-holiday was given this afternoon on account of Amersham Fair.
<i>Wed. Sep. 22</i>	E. A. Helps Esq. H.M.I. visited the school this morning & brought a framed picture of the Houses of Parliament for the upper school & a picture for the Infants' room. He heard Standards IV & V read.

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<i>Fri. Sep. 24</i>	The attendance has improved considerably this week the average 113 being the highest this year.
<i>Tue. Sep. 28</i>	Rhoda Bilbey was admitted today.
<i>Wed. Sep. 29</i>	Examined Standards I and II today. In Standard I the Writing was good but Reading & Arithmetic are in a backward state. In Standard II Reading is Good, Arithmetic is fair (53% of the sums were correctly worked), but spelling is very poor, the average number of mistakes being 5.
<i>Fri. Oct. 1</i>	Standard III are still very backward in Reading, while Stds. IV, V & VI are all making considerable improvement in Arithmetic. The attendance is still improving, the average for the week being 116.
<i>Mon. Oct. 4</i>	Clara Bilbey was admitted today.
<i>Tue. Oct. 5</i>	William Rogers was admitted today. Mr. Helps visited the school today.
<i>Fri. Oct. 8</i>	Attendance still further improved, average for past week 117.4.
<i>Mon. Oct. 11</i>	Received notice, Scripture exam: which will take place on Mon. Oct. 25. Admitted George, William, & Joseph Slade.
<i>Tue. Oct. 12</i>	Daisy Lane was admitted today.
<i>Fri. Oct. 15</i>	Received from E. H. Kenney-Herbert Esqre H.M.I. two approved schemes of object lessons, as follows:
<i>Standards I & II</i>	1. The Bow, 2. Milk, 3. Butter, 4. Cheese, 5. Bees, 6. Honey, 7. Want of its uses, 8. Candles, 9. Winter, 10. Frost, 11. Ice, 12. Snow, 13. Coal, 14. Coal mine, 15. Lead, 16. Iron, 17. Sugar, 18. Cotton, 19. Rice, 20. Cocoa, 21. Coffee, 22. Tea, 23. Wool, 24. The Windmill, 25. Lead Pencil, 26. Brushes, 27. The tree, 28. Roots, 29. Trunks, 30. Leaves.

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<i>Fri. Oct. 15 (Cont.)</i>	
<i>Standard III Object Lessons</i>	1. Cotton, 2. Wool, 3. Flax, 4. Clay & earthenware, 5. Iron, 6. Coal, 7. The coal mine, 8. Pens, 9. The Paraffin Lamp, 10. Leather, 11. Wood, 12. Brush making, 13. A Knife, 14. Sponge, 15. Filter, 16. Corn, 17. Rice, 18. Maize, 19. Starch, 20. The Frog, 21. Snakes, 22. Fish, 23. The Mole, 24. The Rabbit, 25. Plants - Parts of, 26. The Root, 27. The Stem, 28. Leaves, 29. Flowers.
<i>Oct. 18</i>	— Average for week 116.4, a slight decrease. Visited the school & checked the registers found them correct by F. Le C. Taught. Admitted George, William, & Joseph Taylor Woodhams & William Rose today.
<i>Oct. 22</i>	Art. 21. Harry Martin: "I found 40 children being 'taught' in a tiny room abt 10 ft square – one of the rooms of the old sch. house. This must not be allowed to occur again." Average for the week 122.
<i>Mon. Oct. 25</i>	Arthur Slade in the infants room was sent home today. Its clothes & body are in a filthy condition. The examination in Scriptures was held this afternoon by the Diocesan Inspector the Rev. C. E. Adams.
<i>Tue. Oct. 26</i>	E. A. Helps Esq. H.M.I. visited the school this afternoon & presented a book to Eva Shrimpton for good progress.
<i>Fri. Oct. 29</i>	The attendance has gone down considerably this week, the average being only 114.5 against 122 last week. Several of the children are away through Measles.

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<i>Nov. 1</i>	Reginald Shrimpton was sent home today as there are two cases of Diphtheria in the house where he resides. Wrote to the Attendance Officer calling attention to the unsatisfactory state of the attendance.
<i>Nov. 2</i>	The Attendance Officer Mr. J. Knight called today & took the name of irregular children. Amy Ryder was admitted today.
<i>Nov. 5</i>	Standards IV, V, VI and I were examined in Arithmetic today with unsatisfactory results – not so good as had been anticipated. Average for week 111.6, the decrease is doubtless due to sickness, about eight children being absent through measles & some with throat complaints.
<i>Nov. 8</i>	Received the Diocesan Report from the Rev. C. E. Adams.
<i>Report</i>	"The present staff of teachers have all been recently appointed. The amount of work which had been prepared for the examination was, therefore, smaller than usual but what had been taught was well known. The school is in good order and the children are attentive & interested in their work. The Infants & Standard I who have been taught together constitute too large a class to handle satisfactorily and the arrangement does not admit of proper attention being given to the younger children. I may add, however, that Standard I answered very well & recited distinctly & reverently."
<i>Diocesan Prize</i>	Wm. Shrimpton.
<i>Commended</i>	Dora Lane, Sty Barrell, Eva Shrimpton, Ada Bunkley, St Slade, May Bowles, Rhoda Bean, Sty Dover, Jak Barrell, Alice Norris, Ada Lane, Sty Muckley, Wm Saunders, Lily Redding, Ernest Shrimpton, Daisy Appleby.
<i>Nov. 11</i>	Visited by H. H. Harcourt-Smith, Insp. of Science & Art.

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<i>Fri. Nov. 12</i>	Examined Arithmetic throughout school, slight improvement is shown. Average for week 104.5. No less than 17 children have been absent the whole week through illness.
<i>Mon. Nov. 15</i>	Received a telegram from Mrs. Stonebridge West Kensington this morning stating that she is too unwell to attend school.
<i>Thu. Nov. 18</i>	Mrs. Stonebridge recommenced duties this morning.
<i>Fri. Nov. 19</i>	Gave test exam: to Stds. III, IV & V today. Improvement shown in all subjects except Dictation in St. III which continues to be in a very unsatisfactory state. Average for week 110.2.
<i>Wed. Nov. 24</i>	Received two medical certificates from Dr. Kennedy of Beaconsfield stating that Harry & John Muckley are both suffering from Bronchitis & are therefore unable to attend school.
<i>Fri. Nov. 26</i>	Average for week 109.4. There are still many children away through illness.
<i>Fri. Dec. 3</i>	The results of a test exam: today show that Standard III are still in a very backward state. The other Standards however are progressing favourably. Average for wk: 105.5.
<i>Thu. Dec. 9</i>	Mr. J. Knight Attendance officer for Amersham called today & took a list of irregular children.
<i>Fri. Dec. 10</i>	In an Arithmetic test today 12 children out of 74 present failed to get two sums right out of four set. Average for week 107.5.
<i>Mon. Dec. 13</i>	Received parcel of stationery from S.S.A today.
<i>Fri. Dec. 17</i>	The school was closed today in order that the rooms might be prepared for a Rummage Sale which takes place tomorrow.
<i>Thu. Dec. 23</i>	Gave test exam: with very satisfactory results. Broke up for Xmas Holidays.
<i>1898 Mon. Jan. 3</i>	Reopened school, 101 present.
<i>Fri. Jan. 7</i>	Average for week 107.9. Received remainder of stationery from E.S.A.

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<i>Jan. 10</i>	Visited the Schools, checked the registers & found them correct by F. Le C. Taught.
	— The Drawing Examination took place this morning, the Inspector Mr. H. Harcourt-Smith arriving at 11.30 A.M. The girls took needlework during the examination. The examination terminated at 1.30 P.M. and a holiday was given in the afternoon in consequence.
<i>Jan. 11</i>	Admitted Edward & Arthur Mortemore. Rose Brown was admitted Jan. 6.
<i>Jan. 21</i>	Gave a test exam today. The arithmetic on the whole was well done. Spelling is not so good. St. III are still the weakest Standard in the school in Spelling, Writing, and Arithmetic. Average for the week 110.3. In the mixed school the attendance is good. In the Infants class however about ten children are absent through whooping cough.
<i>Jan. 27</i>	Received new registers and summary from E.S.A.
<i>Jan. 28</i>	St. III are steadily improving in Spelling. Average for week 107.
<i>Jan. 31</i>	Received medical certificate from Dr. Turner of Amersham stating that Ada Dover of Coleshill aged 6 yrs is suffering from pustular eczema & is unable to attend school.
<i>Feb. 4</i>	The attendance this week has been very bad. The average is only 100.7 while there are 134 on the books. Eighteen children have been absent the whole week, twelve of whom have whooping cough, one has diphtheria & scarlet fever & several influenza. This greatly impedes the progress of the infants department to which most of the absentees belong. In a test exam: today there were four failures in arithmetic, one in St. IV and 3 in St. III. Spelling on the other hand was very poorly done, there being about 16 failures.

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<i>Feb. 4 (Cont.)</i>	Reading shows a slight improvement.
<i>Feb. 7</i>	Information has been received from the Education Dept. that this school has been allotted the sum of 30 pounds under Section 1 (4) of the Voluntary Schools Act. This grant is made for the purpose of strengthening staff.
<i>Feb. 11</i>	— The Drawing Report has been received today, the result being marked "Good". The results of the examination were as follows: St. I Excellent, St. II Good, St. III Good in each subject, St. IV Good in each subject, St. V Fair in Freehand & Model, Excellent in Geometry. The attendance this week has been very poor, the average being only 99. This is due to the great amount of sickness prevalent in the village.
<i>Feb. 16</i>	Arthur Slade was sent home today as he was suffering from whooping cough. Mr. Howland called today.
<i>Songs (Infants)</i>	1. While at night alone I stood, 2. Suppose, 3. Little Bopeep, 4. The Little Watch (Action Song), 5. Dolly at School (Action Song).
<i>Recitations</i>	1. My dead Dolly, 2. Little Mischief, 3. Which one was kept.
<i>Varied Occupations</i>	
<i>1st Class</i>	Scarf Knitting, Word Building, Mat & Picture weaving, Paper-toymaking, Drawing.
<i>2nd & 3rd Classes</i>	Sticklaying, Pricking, Fraying, Brick building.

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<i>Object Lessons for 1899 (Infants)</i>	1. Tea, 2. Cocoa, 3. Bread, 4. Salt, 5. Honey & Bees, 6. Potato, 7. Corn, 8. Coal, 9. Iron, 10. Wool, 11. Windmill, 12. Railway Station, 13. Knife, 14. Brush, 15. Pin, 16. Lead Pencil, 17. Chair, 18. Table, 19. Candle & candlestick, 20. Slate & Pencil, 21. Duck, 22. Sheep, 23. Horse, 24. Donkey, 25. Elephant, 26. Lion, 27. Snake, 28. Silkworm, 29. Fish, 30. Cat.
<i>Songs for Older Scholars</i>	1. Awake, awake ye maidens all, 2. Lullaby, 3. Spring song, 4. Canadian Boat Song, 5. Come where the violets bloom.
<i>Recitations for 1899</i>	1 & 2. Somebody's Mother, 3. Bruce & the Spider, 4. Marmion - selection from (signed E.M.K.H. 17.2.97).
<i>Feb. 25</i>	Work has been carried on this week according to the new Time Table. Average for the week 100.
<i>Feb. 28</i>	Fred Bryant was admitted today.
<i>Mar. 4</i>	Average for week 96.
<i>Mar. 7</i>	William Bryan was admitted today.
<i>Mar. 9</i>	Emma Nash was admitted today.
<i>Mar. 11</i>	The Attendance officer called today & took the names of irregular children.
<i>Mar. 18</i>	There is an improvement in the attendance this week, the average being 107. Received stationery & a new board & easel.

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<i>Mar. 21</i>	Four children were admitted today.
<i>Mar. 22</i>	Five children were admitted today. The report of the Government exam! was received today, as follows:
<i>Mixed School</i>	"The school has passed through a critical year; in fact it was not until the middle of July, when Mr. Stubbings took charge of it, that it could be said to have started fairly on its way. He found everything at sixes and sevens; but he is pulling matters round and ought, I think, to show a greatly improved condition of affairs next year. It is a difficult school to teach, as all the standards have to be taken in one awkwardly shaped room which is very frequently, if not habitually, overcrowded. I am glad to learn that the Managers have succeeded in obtaining the large plot of ground adjoining the schools and that it is their intention to form a playground out of this, to provide a suitable teacher's residence and to build new offices. If to this they could add a new class room for the upper school they would be supplying a deficiency that is a very glaring one. The usefulness of this school, which local circumstances combine to make an important one, would be without limit if it were only well found as to premises and equipment."
<i>Infants Class</i>	"Mrs. Parker has made a very fair start with the infants, who promise to do well under her. In this, as in the upper division, Singing by note does not deserve recognition at present."
	— "The special attention of the Managers is requested to the enclosed Form 69."
	— "Mrs. Parker is recognised under Article 68 of the code."
<i>Mar. 25</i>	Only 40 children came to school this morning as Magpie Lane & the roads from Winchmore Hill & Woodrow were blocked with snow which had drifted in some places to a depth of 8 feet.

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<i>1898 Mar 25</i>	On entering the schoolroom I found that the snow had drifted under the tiles and had melted and was coming through the ceiling, covering the floor with water. The children were therefore sent home for the day. The attendance has greatly improved being 116.3.
<i>April 1st</i>	The average for the week is 118.5.
<i>April 4th</i>	Two children were admitted today.
<i>6</i>	The school broke up today for the Easter Holidays.
<i>April 18</i>	Reopened school this morning with a good attendance 80 in the upper school and 42 in the infants division. Three children were admitted.
<i>April 22</i>	The average attendance for the week is 123.5. Good progress is being made but spelling in St III is very backward.
<i>April 26</i>	Visited the Schools & checked the Registers & found them correct. F. Le C. Taught.
<i>April 29</i>	The Attendance Officer called and took a list of irregular children. The average for the week is 121.8.
<i>May 2</i>	Two children were admitted today. Mrs. Stonebridge has sent in her resignation.
<i>May 6</i>	The attendance this week has been very good 123.4. All the standards have been examined in Writing & Arithmetic this week. Standards III & IV are backward in spelling and IV & V in arithmetic.
<i>May 10</i>	Ernest Slade was admitted this morning.
<i>11</i>	Commenced recitation in Standard IV.
<i>13</i>	The reading has been examined this week. St I are very backward but the other Standards are fairly well up in this subject. Average for the week 122.2.
<i>May 19</i>	Today being Ascension Day the children went to church in the morning. A holiday was given in the afternoon.
<i>May 20</i>	Average for the week 121.7.
<i>23</i>	Ethel Davis was admitted today.
<i>26</i>	Received new museum cupboard from E.S.A. today. Mrs. Stonebridge leaves today. School broke up for Whitsuntide holidays.

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<i>1898 June 6</i>	School re-assembled 175 present in morning & 151 in afternoon. Mrs. Walduck (Art 50) from S. Paul's Luton commenced duties today, taking Standards I & II.
<i>June 10</i>	Good progress is being made with the work of the school. Average for the week 118.7.
<i>June 13</i>	A half-holiday was given this afternoon to enable the children to attend a Band of Hope Treat.
<i>June 17</i>	Examined St III in arithmetic with very satisfactory results. The reading & writing in the First Class Infants appears backward. Mrs Parker was absent today by permission. Mrs Walduck took the Infants. Measles has broken out at Winchmore Hill. This affects our attendance to some extent.
<i>June 24</i>	Now that the hay season has commenced the attendance has fallen off considerably, our average this week being only about 114.
<i>June 27</i>	Received medical certificate from Dr. J. Turner of Amersham stating that Louisa Saunders is suffering from scald on instep.
<i>June 28</i>	Five cases of measles occurred today. The children were sent home.
<i>29</i>	Four more cases of measles were reported today.
<i>30</i>	Ivy Lane was sent home today, with measles. The rash came out during morning school.
<i>June 30th</i>	Visited the Schools checked Registers & found them correct. F. Le C. Taught.
<i>July 1st</i>	Less than ninety children were present today. Mrs Parker was absent by permission. An order was received from Dr. Turner M.O.H. of Amersham closing the schools until further notice on account of the measles.
<i>July 19</i>	The school was re-opened today by permission of Dr. J. Turner. 97 present in morning & 99 in the afternoon. Several children have fallen with measles since the order to open has been received.

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<i>July 19</i>	About 30 children still have measles or are convalescent.
<i>July 20</i>	Notice was received from Dr. Turner of Amersham stating that Thomas Brown is suffering from Rheumatism.
<i>July 22</i>	Average for the week 100.3.
<i>July 25</i>	The school was closed today on account of the Band of Hope Treat.
<i>July 26</i>	A number of children are still absent through measles. A list of irregular children was sent to the Attendance Officer today.
<i>July 29</i>	The attendance has slightly improved the average for the week being 106.3.
<i>Aug 1</i>	Today being Bank Holiday the school was closed.
<i>4</i>	The school broke up today for 4 weeks.
<i>Sep 5</i>	School re-assembled today with a fair attendance, 107 present in the morning and 105 in the afternoon.
<i>Sep 9</i>	Fair progress has been made this week. A new song was commenced this afternoon. The attendance this week has been fairly good the average being 111.5.
<i>Sep 16</i>	The attendance this week has been good the average being 119, nearly 90%.
<i>Sep 19</i>	A half-holiday was given this afternoon, it being Amersham Fair day.
<i>23</i>	Good progress is being made with the work generally, but St VI & the first class Infants are very backward in reading. Average for week 120.6.
<i>28</i>	Mr & Mrs Helps visited the school today.
<i>29</i>	The Monitress Florence Sears is absent today by permission. Mrs Walduck (Art 50) is suffering from acute neuralgia unable to attend school.
<i>Sep 29</i>	Visited the Schools checked the Registers & found them correct. F. Le C. Taught.
<i>30</i>	Average for the week 120.6. just 90%.
<i>Oct. 7</i>	The average this week is 121.9.
<i>10</i>	The first class infants show considerable improvement in reading. Received notice that the Diocesan exam would be held on Thursday Oct. 27 at 2.30.

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<i>Oct 14</i>	Average for the week 121.7.
<i>17</i>	Received parcel of stationery from E.S.A.
<i>21</i>	The arithmetic throughout the school was examined this morning. Standards I, II & III did very well, St IV fairly well but Standard VI did very poorly. Average this week 118.6. The decrease is owing to wet weather.
<i>Oct 24</i>	Mrs Weatherby very kindly presented a piano to the school today in excellent condition.
<i>27</i>	The scripture examination was to have been held today, but a notice was received about 10.30 stating the Rev. Kong the Diocesan Inspector could not attend. The children were therefore sent home for the rest of the day.
<i>Nov. 4</i>	The children in the upper school were examined in the three R's. Arithmetic is well done throughout only five children failed to get two sums correct. Reading is not so good Standards I & IV being both backward. Spelling is weak in St IV. The average has gone down this week 117.4.
<i>Nov. 11</i>	Milly Saunders has been absent from school since June 17, and although the child is in good health has been warned by the Attendance Officer several times, the parents refuse to send her. At the last Attendance Committee meeting the Attendance Officer was ordered to send another caution, while another child was summoned.
<i>Nov 15</i>	Examined 1st Class Infants today. Reading has greatly improved during the last two months; Writing is very fairly done but Arithmetic is in a backward state. The singing is too loud and harsh and the actions are poorly done.
<i>Nov 25</i>	The attendance this week, owing to bad weather, has not been so good. The Attendance Officer called & took the names of irregular children.

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<i>Nov 29</i>	The school was closed today as the room was required for a dramatic performance given in aid of the School Building Fund.
<i>Dec 2</i>	Steady improvement is noticeable throughout the school. In the Infants dept. Singing is taken last lesson instead of first as the light at the end of the afternoon session is too bad for varied occupations. Average for the week 119.8.
<i>Dec 5</i>	The school has been granted the sum of £35 under Section 1 (4) of the Voluntary Schools Act. "This grant is made for the purpose of improving school staff, or maintaining improvement effected since the passing of the Voluntary Schools Act (£30), and improving equipment (£5)."
<i>Dec 9</i>	Average for the week 117.
<i>Dec 13</i>	The Rev F. Long of Latimer Diocesan Inspector called this afternoon & left the Bishops Prize.
<i>Dec 16</i>	Gave a test exam today with satisfactory results. Arithmetic is well done throughout. Reading is also pretty good. Spelling however is weak. Average for the week 120.2.
<i>Dec 21</i>	A letter was sent to the Attendance committee today calling attention to the case of Amy Ryder, who, although in good health has not attended school for six months.
<i>Dec 23</i>	The school broke up today for the Christmas Holidays.
<i>1899 Jan 9</i>	School reassembled this morning. The attendance was good viz. 76 in the upper school and 51 infants. Received a parcel of stationery from the National Society's Depository. Standards I & III read from their new readers (Royal Science Readers).

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<i>1899 Jan 13</i>	Gave a test exam: today. Arithmetic was well done Reading & Spelling fairly well.
<i>Jan 20</i>	Attendance has been bad this week. A great number of children are suffering from bad colds. The Attendance Officer called and took the names of irregular children. Emma Nash has only been present 33 times during the last ten weeks.
<i>Jan 25</i>	Visited the Schools & checked the Registers & found them correct. F. Le C. Taught.
<i>Jan 27</i>	Arithmetic & Spelling were not so well done today. A great number of sums were done wrong through carelessness. A slight improvement is noticeable in the reading of St I. The weather still prevents good attendance.
<i>Jan 31</i>	A great improvement has been made in Arithmetic in the First Class Infants. Singing is also much better than it was, though there is still room for improvement.
<i>Feb 3</i>	The Attendance Officer called today. Edith Bowler has only been present 20 times since Christmas. The attendance is still very poor. A number of children mostly infants being away ill.
<i>Feb 8</i>	Received notice that the examination is fixed for Feb 14.
<i>Feb 9</i>	E. Helps Esq called this morning.
<i>Feb 10</i>	J.H. Howland Esq visited this school this afternoon. Gave a test exam: today. Arithmetic was very well done; only three children failed to work two sums correctly. About 70% of the problems were correctly worked. Spelling was not so good, Standard IV doing badly in that subject. Reading on the whole was good.
— Carried on to the new logbook.	