Reference	Title	Description	Dates	Page
EA1/2	Aberaman. Infants and Boys.	Miss Cronk absent having gone to London to see her brother who was in the hospital wounded.	21 Oct 1916	304
		No school in the afternoon, because of a Jumble Sale held at the Aberaman Park in aid of the Red Cross Fund.	21 Oct 1916	304
		Many of the children were kept at home because their mothers went to Aberdare to try and procure food.	31 Jan 1918	322-323
		The queues for food are also partly responsible for the low attendance.	15 Feb 1918	323
		Influenza epidemic	Nov 1918- Jan 1919	330-331
EA1/5	Aberaman. Girls.	A half holiday was granted the day before, because there was a Carnival held in Aberaman Park, the proceeds of which, were devoted towards providing winter comforts for the prisoners of war in Germany.	22 Sep 1916	281
		Attendance poor, especially in the upper standards, owing to many of the mothers having to leave their homes in search of food.	19 Dec 1917	301-302
		Attendance low owing to mothers or the girls themselves having to take their turns in the grocers and butchers shops in order to secure their supplies of provisions.	11 Jan 1918	302
EA1/9	Aberaman. Boys and Evening School).	Circular received, about the war conditions	11 Jan 1915	136
		Circular received, about the war bonuses	7 May 1915	140
		Circular received, about supplies meat	4 Jun 1915	
		Mr G. Parry left on Friday for Oxford as 2 nd lieut in army.	Oct 1915	147
		Mr Isaac J. Lewis, a teacher, left to join the army	29 Oct 1915	148
		Circular received, about teachers and military service	11 Feb 1916	150

		Mr Raymond J. Howells requested to attend in the recruiting office for a few days	18 Feb 1916	151
		Mr T. J. Williams, a teacher, joins the army.	07 Sep 1917	172
		Mr Ivor Rees commenced duties at school, been discharged from the army	23 Nov 1917	174
EA3/2	Aberdare. Higher Standard Selective Boys.	Circular received, requesting the names of the teachers earning less than 45s per week, in order to consider granting them a "War Bonus"	26 Apr 1915	83
		Circular received, about supplies of meat. Dealing with the shortage of the supply of meat – display in a prominent position in the school and give a lesson on subject	4 Jun 1915	87
		Circular received, about the War Loan, facilitating the distribution of the War Loan among the teachers and others in employ of L.E.A.	12 Jul 1915	90
		Circular received, requesting information concerning teachers of military age now in school	22 Nov 1916	119
		Circular received, requesting particulars concerning men between the ages of 18 and 42, for the Military Authorities	22 Jan 1917	121
		Mr Humphrey, having been discharged from the army, returned to duty.	2 Apr 1917	125
		Circular received, requesting to make known a course of lectures on War Cookery to be held in different centres	19 May 1917	129
		Circular received, about the "Food Economy Campaign", enclosing suggestions for propaganda in schools.	8 June 1917	129
		Circular requesting the distribution of books about Nation's heroes	19 July 1917	131
		Mr. W. James, a teacher, returned to duty, having been discharged form the Army until fit for General Service.	18 Feb 1918	142
EA5/1	Aberdare. Open Air School.	Circular received from the Office of Food Economy Campaign	7 Jun 1914	26

EA7/3	Aberdare. St. Fagan's (National), Trecynon. Boys.	Mr. D. R. Davies left without notice, having been accepted for Kitchener's Army (Royal Engineers)	4 Dec 1914	185
		Circular received about the supplies of meat	4 Jun 1915	189
		Circular received from the Education Office, relating to work in munitions factories	1 Jul 1915	190
		Circulars received from the Education Office, respecting enlistment of teachers and service of teachers during the holidays, war loans, teaching of thrift	12 Jul 1915	191
		Circular received dealing with copies of pamphlet "The great war and how it arose"	17 Sep 1915	192
		Mr Frank Jeffries, a teacher, left for the army.	4 Feb 1916	195
		Circular with information about the teachers of military age, now in the school: Thomas Walker. 20/3/16 (date of examination) Class, 3B William Henry Mitchell 29/3/16 (date of examination) class, 4B.	23 Nov 1916	207
EA9/1	Aberdare. Town (National) Mixed.	Mr John Edwin Howells absent, because he offered himself for the King Forces	14 Sept 1914	154
		Mr John Edwin Howells called this morning to let us know he would be unable to attend school for some time as he had been ordered to join his regiment at Pontypridd	8 Oct 1914	154
		Circular received with copies of circulars from War Office of Volunteer Training Corps	13 Jan 1915	160
		The Staffs of Girls and boys Departments presented Miss Lanman (Mrs Elson) with a silver cake stand and a salad bowl on the occasion of her marriage with Sergt. Elson, serving with the Sportsmen Battalion. Mrs Elson is allowed to continue her duties during the period of the war.	1 Sept 1915	168
		Mr S C Rees gave notice that he intended enlisting for the period of the war in the R.A.M.C	22 Oct 1915	169

Mr S C Rees enlisted	25 Oct 1915	169
Wm. Jno. Evans taught in the school for the last time. He had enlisted in the Royal Field Artillery for the period of the war. Miss Cleveland commenced duties in his place for the period of the war	24 Jan 1916	172
Mrs. Elson, whose husband is home from the front on leave, was absent from school today	6 Apr 1916	174
The local tribunal granted the Headmaster 6 months exemption from Military Service on the appeal of the managers and L.E.A.	18 Dec 1916	180
Commenced a War Savings Association with Headmaster as Secretary and Miss Williams Girls Department as Treasurer. This will be known as National School War Savings Association and will serve for the Boy's and Girl's departments	19 Jan 1917	181
Mr John Édwin Howells, who joined the King's Forces on Sept 14 th 1914, and who had risen in the Tank Corps, was killed in action on November 20 th .	27 Nov. 1917	188
The school commences to giving meals to 2 boys, 1 girl and 2 infants (is this due to a strike? Not much work in collieries?)	8 Jan 1918	189
The local tribunal granted the Headmaster another 3 months exemption from Military Service on the appeal of the managers and L.E.A.	11 Jan 1918	189
The Director sent word today that we provide no more meals after today. We have given 496 meals since 8 th January to children whose fathers have been working irregularly at Cwmaman. The meals (breakfast – porridge, dinner- soup) were prepared at the Wind Street Cookery Centre and sent here for distribution	4 Feb 1918	190
Mr. S.C. Rees resumed duties. He had been in the army since Oct 25 th 1915 and had now been discharged on medical grounds	25 Feb 1918	190

		St. David's day was celebrated in the school by unveiling a large framed photograph of the late Lieut. John Edwin Howells, one of our teachers, killed in action at Cambrai in Nov 20 th 1917. Colonel Morgan unveiled, Mrs Mander presented scripture certificates, and Councillor T.W. Griffiths presented attendance	15 Mar 1918	191
		certificates. A musical programme was gone throughSchool closed all day. "Tank" day in Aberdare. Theschool War Savings association purchased 309 warsavings certificates and one £5 bond	31 May 1918	194
		In consequence of so much sickness, a peculiar form of influenza, amongst teachers and scholars, all the schools were closed at noon today until August 26 th . 5 1/2 weeks.	17 July 1918	196
		Mrs Hall sent word to say she had permission from the director to absent herself for two weeks because her husband had arrived home on leave from France.	26 Aug 1918	197
		Mr W. J. Evans resumed duties here. He had been in the army since 21/1/16	3 Feb 1919	199
EA11/1	Abernant. Infants.	Circulars received. War Loan. "Comunication from the Parliamentary War Savings Committee" and teaching of thrift. Also leaflets to each member of the staff.	12 Jul 1915	274
		School been closed due to influenza epidemic	14 May 1918	300
EA11/4	Abernant. Boys, mixed and infants.	Lesson about the present war for the Sts IV and V, reference being made chiefly to Belgium and the Belgians. In the afternoon, lesson about geography of Belgium, Belgians and the refugees	27 Oct 1914	71
		One of the refugees from Belgium, a Mr De Metz, paid a visit to the school. He spoke a few words to the children, who were greatly impressed, and thanked them for singing the Belgian National Anthem. Mr De Metz was present for 24 hours at the bombardment of Antwerp. He was on the last boat which left that city before the entry of the Germans.	6 Nov 1914	72

Tomorrow flag day – proceeds to go to comforts for Welsh soldiers	12 Mar 1915	78
Teacher absent to give a send off to his brother, who was leaving to enlist in the army	8 Nov 1915	93
Mr. J. Trevor Jones leaves the school having enlisted in "the Majesty's forces" in the 23 rd Battalion Welsh Regiment- "The Pioneers"	22 Nov 1915	94
Mr Thomas Thomas, a teacher is terminating his services in the school as trained Certificate Master, in order to join His Majesty's forces. His group has been called up under Lord Derby's Scheme. Finally, after the medical exam, the doctors found that he is physically unfit for the military service.	25 Feb 1916 1 Mar 1916	101-102
Mr. (Sergt) J. Tr. Jones, who left this school on 22 November last to join the Majesty's forces, paid a visit to the school. He looked "well"	5 May 1916	107
Mr. T.D. Davies, C.T. left the school in order to join the Majesty's Forces, at present at Cardiff Castle with the 3 rd Welsh	28 Aug 1916	112
Miss D. James absent owing to a cousin from Canada after paying a visit, was leaving for the "front"	13 Sep 1916	114
The headmaster received permission to be absent in order to be present at the Inspection by Viscount French at Cardiff. Headmaster is a member of the Aberdare Corps.	13 Dec 1916	119
Sergeant J. Trevor Jones, formerly on the staff of the school, paid a visit this morning. Sergeant Jones is now at home, after having spent 7 months with the forces at Salonica, being recommended for a Commission. The children sang their songs in order to entertain Sergeant Jones.	22 Feb 1917	122
Headteacher absent from school being on duty at Cardiff last night in company with other men of 2 nd Battn. Glam. Volt. Regt., viz Guard Duty at Roath Docks	18 Jun 1917	130

		Headteacher absent from school duties being in training in the military camp at Porthcawl since last Saturday 22 Sep.	25 Sep 1917	134
		Mr T Thomas had permission to be absent being accompanist at the Abernant War Heroes Competitive Concert.	30 May 1918	151
		School closed tomorrow being "Tank days" for the Aberdare Valley	31 May 1918	151
EA12/1	Aberdare. Aman Board School.	Circulars relating to work in munitions factories.	5 Jul 1915	277
		Circulars with leaflets on the War Loan for distribution amongst staff.	12 Jul 1915	277
		Copy of circular issued by the War Agricultural Committee re holiday work on farms	10 Jul 1917	295
EA12/3	Aman. Mixed.	Circular received from Board of Education and The War Office.	11 Jan 1915	96
		Circular relating to War Bonus to cleaners.	23 Apr 1915	100
		Circular relating to War Bonus to teachers.	26 Apr 1915	100
		Circular received regarding work in munitions factories.	30 Jun 1915	102
		Circular received regarding War Loan.	10 Jul 1915	102
		Circular received – "The Great War and how it arose" and National Thrift	15 Sep 1915	103
		Mr. W. M. Watkins leaves the school to enlist in the army.	29 Oct 1915	106
		Circular received regarding Teachers of Military Service & Form.	31 Jan 1916	109
		Circular received regarding teachers serving with the forces.	3 Nov 1916	116
		Circular received regarding Payment of teachers on Military Service.	17 Apr 1917	121
		Mr. P. D. Davies left the school having been called for Military Service.	23 Apr 1917	121
		News received of Mr. W. M. Watkins, R.G.A., an assistant master at this school, prior to joining the	23 Jun 1917	123

		colours, was seriously wounded by the explosion of a shell on the Western Front. He was taken to the Casualty Clearing Station on the 17 th inst and died the next day. Mr Watkins voluntarily joined the Army in October 1915, and served in France continuously since May 1916		
		Circular letter received from the War Agricultural Committee regarding volunteers for farm work during the holidays.	10 Jul 1917	124
		Circular received regarding "Supply of Fuel and "Nation's Heroes".	19 Jul 1917	124
		On Jan 28 th news was received from France that Private Oswald J. Davies, who prior to enlistment was a teacher in this school, was lying at the Second Stationary Hospital suffering from serious wounds in the back and shoulder caused by an enemy machine gun bullet. A fortnight later (Feb 8 ⁾ Mr Davies succumbed from the effect of these wounds and was buried with full military honours at Abbeville. Mr Davies served here as an Uncertificated Teacher for one year, leaving to join the Grenadier Guards on Aug 24 th 1916. Mr Davies is the third member of the school staff to make the supreme sacrifice.	21 Jan 1918	127-128
		Influenza epidemic – attendance fell from 85% on Monday to 66% today.	1 Nov 1918	133
EA14/2	Capoch. Infants.	Circular received enclosing a copy of a letter received from the Glamorgan County Council referring to "Work in Munitions Factories"	1 Jul 1915	126
		Circular received referring to the War Loan and teaching thrift to school children	13 Jul 1915	128
		Holiday was given all day to celebrate the coming of the Tank to Aberdare	31 May 1918	162
EA14/3	Capoch. Mixed.	Received circular referring to war loan, enlistment of teachers and teaching of thrift	!3 Jul 1915	301

		Received circular relating to the return of children over 13 and 13 ¹ / ₂ years of age, economy (food, fuel), pamphlets on the 'Great War', lecture on the laws of health	15 Sep 1915	303
		Mr Gwilym J. Rees left school today to join His Majesty's army – Motor Transport Section	22 Oct 1915	304
		Received circular relating to economy in use of fuel	1 Nov 1915	304
		Private J. Davies a member of the Australian expeditionary force, and an old pupil, visited the school yesterday	10 Sep 1915	306
		Captain Aneurin Rhydderch, 15 th Welsh Regt, paid a visit to the school this morning. He is an old pupil of the school and has been serving with his Battalion in France for the past six months.	22 May 1916	312
		Mr E. W. Thomas returned to the school today following being drafted to France where he was seriously injured and discharged. He left on 9 May 1916 to join army and drafted to France following August. Within a fortnight he was seriously injured and discharged from hospital only a fortnight ago having spent ten months in various institutions	5 Jun 1916	322
		Miss S D Davies absent yesterday, spending the day at Merthyr with her brother Sergeant J E Davies, R.G.A., who is home from the front.	15 June 1917	322
		The attendance was low on Tuesday last. Several children were kept home because it was 'quarter-day' at the Cooperative stores. The scarcity of butter, sugar, tea etc also affects the attendance.	14 Dec 1917	327
		Attendance still low 88% due to colds and partly to search for food – noted that some children been kept home on certain days in each week to stand in queues or in the Cooperative stores.	25 Jan 1918	328
EA15/2	Cwmaman. Infants.	Mrs Morgan has been absent all week due to her husband, who has been wounded in France, and is	6 Oct 1916	298

		present at a London hospital		
		Received circular referring to food economy campaign	6 Jun 1917	302
		Mrs Morgan has been away from school for 4 days, from June 11 to June 14 inclusive; her husband being home on leave from the hospital	15 June 1917	302
		Mrs Jones is absent due to her son being wounded in France	6 Sep 1917	304
		Mrs Jones was absent today having gone to Whitchurch for the weekend, while she was there her son-in-law went up to London to see how her son is, who has been wounded in France, and was held up owing to the air-raid, so Mrs Jones could not leave her daughter until he returned.	1 Oct 1917	305
		Mrs Peregrine was absent today owing to her brother being home on leave from France	20 Nov 1917	306-307
EA15/5	Cwmaman. Boys.	Mr Idwal Rees, a student teacher, was absent on Monday having gone to Cardiff with his cousin who is joining the army	26 Jan 1917	429
		Mrs N. G. Williams was absent today as her husband was called up to join the army	7 Sep 1917	437
		Miss Davies was absent yesterday as her brother had been killed in the war	14 Sep 1917	437
		Mrs Bowen was absent this afternoon. She was called away by wire, her husband having had a short leave before going to the 'front'.	14 Dec 1917	440
		Copy of report on school, visited in 1917. Owing to the enlistment of six male teachers with the Colours, and the subsequent changes in the staff, the school has recently been conducted under great difficulties	15 March 1918	444
EA15/6	Cwmaman. Girls.	Received several important circular pamphlets re. economy of fuel, the great war and national thrift	14 Sep 1915 - 15 Sep 1915	398

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		Received circular referring to voluntary collections of eggs for wounded soldiers	1 Oct 1915	399
		Attendance very low today – girls staying home to see soldier returning. He does not return until 5 o'clock so I think the girls should be punished.	1 Oct 1915	399
		Received notice referring to flag day for wounded soldiers. Several staff promise to help	26 Oct 1915	399
		Received notice about flag day for Russia, Belgium and France	9 Nov 1915	400
		From the hospital received a letter of thanks about the 'eggs' sent by our girls to wounded soldiers	20 Nov 1915	400
		Some of the wounded soldiers Australian, English and Welsh paid a visit to the school. We had half-an-hours singing	25 Jan 1916	401
		Very nice letter of thanks, accompanied by a certificate signed by the Bishop of London, has been received from Serbian War Relief Fund, to whom we sent £20 – proceeds of concert	3 April 1916	403
EA16/1	Glynhafod. Cwmaman.	Sell Flags for the Welsh Flag day Sat 13 March. Some of the girls will be dressed in welsh costumes and also as fisher girls and ambulance maids (war concert costumes)	12 Mar 1915	40
		Received circular war bonuses	25 Apr 1915	40
		Miss Jessie .A. Thomas absent since Monday. She was wired to return home to see her brother in Liverpool Hospital. He had been seriously wounded at the attack on Hill Co. In the battle around Ypres on 4 May.	21 May 1915	41
		Several circulars received e.g. work in munitions factory	1 Jul 1915	43
		Miss J.A. Thomas absent because her soldier brother has been seriously injured in France.	23 Aug 1915	44
		Miss. S. A. Owen (uncertificated) was to start duties here today but absent owing to the death of her fiancé	23 Aug 1915	44-45

Lieutenant Gwilym Jones fighting in the Dardanelles		
Miss Jessie .A. Thomas absent visiting her soldier brothers in Liverpool, one of whom lies wounded there in hospital	19 Oct 1915	48
Miss Sarah B. Thomas absent due to her fiancé enlistment	12 Nov 1915	48
The Headmaster attested today under Lord Derby's scheme for enlistment in the army	9 Dec 1915	50
Mr William Mackintosh enlisted but was rejected	10 Dec 1915	50
Mr. James Oliver (staff) got attested today. All the male members of staff enlisted under the Group system	13 Dec 1915	50
School closed due to a tea party for the local children of the soldiers of the district	21 Dec 1915	51
Circular about 'Teachers on military Service who have been attested'	1 Feb 1916	53
The Head teacher absent due to a voluntary medical examination before the Military Board at Cardiff	23 Mar 1916	55
The Head teacher has been placed in class 2 by the Military Board in the Reserve Army	24 Mar 1916	55
Mr. Mackintosh absent in order to appear before the Military Board at Cardiff for a re-examination as he was rejected before	21 Sept 1916	59
The Head teacher absent due to a medical re- examination before the Military Board at Cardiff. He was placed in class c.	30 Nov 1916	61
Mr. William Mackintosh absent due to being called up for military re-examination	9 Feb 1917	63
Mr. William Mackintosh left for Military Service on 28 March	30 Mar 1917	64
Several circulars about volunteer work on farms during the holidays	27 Jul 1917	66

		The Head teacher is absent due to a medical re- examination at the Military Board in Cardiff. Placed in C1	30 Aug 1917	67
		Miss S.A. Owen absent due to her brother on final leave before proceeding to military service	20 Mar 1918	75
		Mr. Wm .J. Evans was absent due to a military medical examination	15 Apr 1918	76
		The attendance for the week in 85%. It is rather low owing to 'shopping' at the local co-operative stores. This is very bad usually on Fridays.	19 April 1918	77
		Mr. W.J. Evans absent due to military arrangements	19 Apr 1918	77
		Mr. Wm. J. Evans absent due to military arrangements	26 Apr 1918	77
		The Headmaster has been placed in Grade 1 at the medical re-examination for military services	10 Jun 1918	79
		Mr. Wm.J. Evans joined the army early in the holidays and has left	26 Aug 1918	80
		Influenza epidemic. Today only 147 present out of 253 owing to 'Spanish' influenza chiefly	8 Nov 1918	84
		Received circular (15 Nov) for Head teachers to arrange a tea for the children to celebrate the end of the war	30 Dec 1918	85
EA18/2	Cwm-Bach. Infants.	Circular on strict economy on consumption of coal	24 Nov 1915	396
		Received circular from war agricultural committee	10 Jul 1917	424
		Head teachers urged to exercise strictest economy in consumption of coal	11 Oct 1918	438
EA18/3	Cwm-Bach. Mixed.	Received circular 'War Bonus'	26 Apr 1915	235
		Received circular for work in munitions factories	1 Jul 1915	239

		Received circular about enlistment of teachers and war loans and teaching of thrift	12 Jul 1915	240
		Leaflet on the Great war and National thrift	14 Sep 1915	241
		Mr. D. E. Jones left to join the King's Forces	25 Oct 1915	243
		Each member of staff received a copy of 'Patriotism' and a circular on teachers on military service	1 Feb 1916	247
		Mr. Bowen absent having gone to Cardiff to be examined by the Military Medical Board	20 Mar 1916	250
		Mr. E. Davies absent to be examined by the Military Medical Board at Cardiff	21 Mar 1916	250
		School closed early for Carnival (R.A.O.B.) in aid of the War Prisoners Fund	21 Sep 1916	255
		Mr. E. Davies absent due to a re-examination by the Military Medical Board in Cardiff	28 Nov 1916	256
		Miss Owen absent due to the death of one of her brothers	27 Jun 1917	261
		Mr. E. Davies is absent as he is appearing before the Medical Board for examination	28 Aug 1917	261
		Mr. E. A. Bowen absent due to a medical examination	3 Jun 1918	268
		Head teacher will be absent after 11 am as he is having to appear before the Medical Board at Merthyr Tydfil	9 Jul 1918	269
		Teacher Miss Pardoe has influenza. Attendance low 65%. Large number of children suffering from Spanish influenza	11, 12, 15 July 1918	269
		Miss Jane Price to replace Mr Evan Davies as he is leaving at the end of the week to join the army	26 Aug 1918	270
EA19/1	Cwm-Bach. Infants.	No references to the First World War.		
EA19/2	Cwm-Bach. Infants.	School closed for the day due to a fete held in aid of the soldiers	21 Sep 1916	13

		School closed for day on the occasion of the visit of the 'Tank' to Aberdare	31 May 1918	28
		School closed for 'peace' celebrations.	18 Jul 1919	38
EA19/5	Cwm-Bach. Mixed.	Mr David Edwards left to join the Grenadier Guards.	12 Jan 1915	243
		As part of the St David's Day celebrations: an address on 'why we went to war'.	1 Mar 1915	248
		Mr David Edwards (Welsh Guards) called in school this morning.	10 May 1915	251
		Circular received concerning economy in the use of meat.	4 Jun 1915	252
		Circular received concerning Munition Factories	1 Jul 1915	254
		Circular received concerning enlistment of teachers and holiday service.	12 Jul 1915	255
		Received two copies of the National Food Fund's advice for housewives and six copies of 'the Great War and how it arose.' Also received leaflets on 'Housekeeping and saving fuel' and 'National thrift'.	15 Sep 1915	259
		Circular received concerning economy in the use of fuel.	1 Nov 1915	261
		Circular received concerning teachers on military service.	31 Jan 1916	265
		Circular received on vacation courses in physical training and on hospital subscriptions.	11 Apr 1916	270
		Mr David Edwards (late teacher of St. IV) visits school on furlough from the Front.	10 May 1916	271
		Mr D. S. Nicholas absent as he is being examined for military service.	11 May 1916	271
		Mr D. S. Nicholas absent owing to a military examination.	17 May 1916	271

		New system of savings (War Savings Certificates) introduced with fairly good results.	10 Jul 1916	274
		Circular received concerning 'Male Employees Defence of the Realm Regulations' with a form to be attached to the school wall.	27 Jul 1916	275
		Margaret June Williams left following news that her father had died at the Front.	3 Nov 1916	278
		Mr Jm. S. James left, called up for military service.	21 Dec 1916	281
		St David's Day Celebrations: an address on 'Thrift and the War' and some patriotic recitations in English and patriotic songs sung – listed in log book	1 Mar 1917	284-286
		Circular received concerning the payment of teachers on service.	19 Apr 1917	288
		Circular received concerning vacation courses on physical training.	2 May 1917	288
		Circular received concerning the Food Economy Campaign.	7 Jun 1917	290
		Circular received concerning fuel supplies and 'A Nation's heroes'.	19 Jul 1917	292
		28 copies of 'A Nation's heroes' distributed.	27 Jul 1917	292
		Mr James resumed his duties, having been discharged from the army.	3 Sep 1917	293
		Mr D. Edwards (Welsh Guards) visited the school.	8 Oct 1917	294
		Mr D. Edwards (Welsh Guards) visited the school and gave an address to the older scholars on France and Belgium.	16 Oct 1917	295
		Circulars received concerning the Food Economy	17 Apr 1918	301
EA19/6	Cwm-Bach. Mixed.	The master left school at 3.45 to take up 'guard duty' in Cardiff.	1 Oct 1918	2

		A false rumour that armistice had been agreed with Germany led to a very low attendance. The children who had come to school were sent home.	8 Nov 1918	3
		Mr David Edwards has been discharged from the army and visited in the afternoon. He is not decided when he will resume his duties as he has some private business to attend to.	30 Dec 1918	4
		Mr David Edwards resumed his duties.	20 Jan 1919	4
		The school will be closed for Peace Celebrations on Friday 18 July	9 Jul 1919	13
		Armistice Day was observed in the manner desired by the King. An address on the League of Nations was given by the master. A hymn of thanksgiving for peace and the National Anthem were sung. The school closed in the afternoon as a procession of discharged soldiers and sailors was likely to affect attendance.	11 Nov 1919	19
		Yesterday afternoon the scholars were presented with a cup each in commemoration of the 'Peace'	14 Jan 1920	21
EA20/1	Cwmdare. Infants.	School shut in the morning to allow the teachers to attend the re-opening of the Hospital for Wounded Soldiers.	16 Sep 1915	227
		Notice received that school will be closed as a tank is visiting Aberdare.	29 May 1918	247
		School is to be shut the following day for peace celebrations.	17 Jul 1919	257
EA21/2	Hirwaun. Infants.	Circular (copied in full) received stating that appeals from the National Sailors' Society and YMCA to allow collections to be made by schoolchildren in support of their funds must be rejected according to Regulation 43 – no matter how deserving the cause.	3 May 1915	423-424
		Circular (copied in full) received concerning the shortage in meat supply. Posters should be placed in the school to inform the children. The older girls will	2 Jun 1915	430

soon receive a pamphlet of domestic advice for the present circumstances.		
Letter (copied in full) received from the Chief Education Official concerning the gathering of information on pupils who wish to work at the Munition Factories	1 Jul 1915	434
A circular (copied in full) received on the same day recommends that the school teach children about the benefits of cleanliness in the home and the threat posed by flies as 'the condition of affairs on the Continent' increases the likelihood of outbreaks of infectious diseases.	1 Jul 1915	435
Circular (copied in full) received concerning the inauguration of War Loan Vouchers for teachers on sale for 5/- each.	12 Jul 1915	437-438
Circular (copied in full) received concerning lessons on thrift. Leaflets from the National Food Fund should be given to the older children. Pupils should be aware of the severity of the national situation and discuss the information they learn in these classes with their family.	12 Jul 1915	438-439
Circular received on war savings and the teaching of thrift.	2 Jun 1916	454
School closed in the afternoon as a soldier's funeral taking place at 2pm will affect attendance.	28 May 1918	475
School will be closed tomorrow as a tank is coming to Aberdare.	30 May 1918	475
The H.M. Inspector's Report (in full) indicates that the school's buildings will be re-modelled after the war and a new school set up.	11 Oct 1918	479
School will be closed tomorrow to celebrate Peace Day after the War. Tea will be provided for the children in the pm.	17 Jul 1919	485

EA21/5	Hirwaun. Girls.	Leaflets concerning economy in the use of fuel were received and distributed to the upper standard girls.	16 Sep 1915
		Miss Lloyd delivered a lecture on health and the prevention of tuberculosis.	6 Oct 1915
		The Laundry Mistress could not take classes because there was no coal.	29 Oct 1917
		The school will be closed on the afternoon of May 3, May 10, May 31 and Jun 7 because the teachers will be attending a Conference on Physical Training.	3 May 1918
		Inspector's Report: the school's buildings will be re- modelled and a new school built after the war owing to a lack of space in the present building.	22 Oct 1918
		On 18 Nov 1918, the girls were invited to tea by Mr and Mrs D. R. Llewelyn to commemorate the end of the war and the signing of the Armistice on 11 Nov.	31 Dec 1918
		School will be closed tomorrow for Peace Celebrations.	17 Jul 1919
EA22/3	Llwydcoed. Infants.	Circular received on 'Work in Munition Factories'.	1 Jul 1915
		Circular received on War Loan Vouchers and lessons on thrift.	12 Jul 1915
		School had to be cancelled as there was no coal. The coal was ordered three weeks ago.	5 Dec 1916
		The children take part in a simple Empire Day pageant which includes singing the songs of the Allies.	24 May 1917
		Conferences on Physical Training to be held on 3, 10, 31 May and 7 Jun.	16 Apr 1918
		School will be closed tomorrow as a tank will be visiting Aberdare.	30 May 1918
		School will be shut tomorrow for Peace Celebrations.	17 Jul 1919
		Peace Celebrations were a success. The children marched along the streets of Llwydcoed, congregated	21 Jul 1919

		on the 'green' and sang songs. They returned to the school, had tea and went to the park.	
EA23/2	Park. Infants.	Circular received requesting that schools open and close an hour earlier in the afternoon during winter in order to save fuel and light.	15 Nov 1915
		A half holiday has been granted to commemorate the opening of a new hospital in Aberdare.	19 Jul 1917
		School closed in the afternoon owing to Physical Training Demonstration in Aberdare.	3 May 1918
		School closed in the afternoon owing to Physical Training Demonstration in Aberdare.	10 May 1918
		Peace Celebrations. The children had tea and played sports in Aberdare Park.	18 Jul 1919
EA23/5	Park. Boys.	Some of the staff would be resigning in mid-summer or mid-September to attend a Training College.	27 Apr 1913
		A circulation 48/14 was sent which stated "Separation Allowance to Wives and children of soldiers married off the strength." There were no such children in this department but that the circulation would be sent over to the girls' department.	31 Aug 1914
		A teacher's corps has been set up due to the war. The head teacher attended a drill session at 6.30 on Thursday and also on the evening of this particular day. All the other male teachers attend except for Mr H. Williams who suffers from eczema on his feet.	31 Aug 1914
		A circulation no.50 was sent which stated "Teachers volunteering for active service in H.M, Forces or Medical or Hospital service on return to private life will find their occupation open to them without prejudice to seniority or enhanced of promotion. 10/- per week will be paid to each wife or dependent mother and 1/-/per week for each child during their absence." The head teacher has to inform the Director when any teacher volunteers are called up to active service.	7 Sep 1914

		A circulation 53/14 was sent around entitled "Education and the war".	7 Sep 1914
EA23/6	Aberdare. Park. Boys.	Children have to be dismissed from school at 4.15pm this month.	9 Oct 1914
		Received a circulation 57/14 entitled "Why did we go to war?"	30 Oct 1914
		A letter from the Director which states that the Board of Education and the War Office expect male teachers to assist in training by acting and being instructors in Military Drill and Physical Exercises. The teacher has to be under the age of 35; be physically fit and produce a certificate that he is a competent Drill Instructor. If he is enlisted he will be given the title of Corporal. If a teacher is unable to be enlisted then he will be given a role as an instructor in his neighbourhood. This letter is asking whether any of the teachers at this school would be interested in working in either of these two capacities. One teacher gave his name forward – Mr D Beynon Jones.	30 Oct 1914
		Circular No 66/14 The contractors for the supply of coal are unable to fulfil their contract due to the war. If coal is needed, it needs to be sent seven days before the coal runs out. Therefore coke is to be used wherever possible. Cleaners are instructed to use as little of coal as possible.	4 Dec 1914
		A circular was received from the Board of Education and the War Office No 1/15 They hope that all male teachers of military age will would join the Regular Forces either as Officers or Privates. Teachers are already committing a public service so they are not necessarily needed to attend active service. Any teacher who does however enrol in the Volunteer Training Corps will be subject to being called up to active service. The War Office hopes that the teachers will give their service in an emergency.	11 Jan 1915

Circular No. 2/15 This is rules which members of the Volunteer Training Corps have to abide by.	11 Jan 1915
Mr D. B. Jones did not think that he would be in the school on St David's Day as he was going to enlist before then.	18 Jan 1915
Circular 13/15 was sent to the school which stated that new bonuses for teachers would be put in place if they were earning below 45/ per week. This was mainly married new teachers and widows who had dependent children or children who were in school, or children who could not work due to a disability. This did not apply to any of the teachers in this school.	26 Apr 1915
An E. P. C parcel was received containing 138 Senior Child's Book of the Great War and 150 Junior Child's Book of the Great War.	14 Jun 1915
A circular was received No. 30/15 entitled Enlistment of Teachers and Service of Teachers during Holidays. The Board of Trade is ready to receive any applications from volunteers who would like to do a national service during their holidays. Some of these volunteers will need to work centrally but many of them would be able to work locally. There is an urgent need for male school teachers as the 3 rd Line Battalion of the 5 th Welsh Regiment needs to reach 350 men. Major G. A. Evans will arrange that all the school teachers will be in the same platoon so that they can train and live together.	12 Jul 1915
No 31/15 War Loan. War Loan vouchers will be on sale to Teachers each voucher being 5/. They can either purchase them through their head teacher or they can purchase them directly from the Post Office. The vouchers will be available on "Pay Day" and on Saturdays. A leaflet has also been circulated amongst the teachers called ""Silver Bullets" will win the war".	12 Jul 1915
Circular 32/15 Teaching of Thrift. Each class has to learn about thrift. Children were encouraged to	12 Jul 1915

research posters and leaflets about the war and the Prime Minister's speech at Guildhall was a theme for many lessons. Children were encouraged to speak to their parents about these issues. The leaflets of the Committee on the National Food Fund which were issuing economical use of food and fuel should form the basis of special lessons and the leaflet would be handed to the older children so that it came to the notice of their parents. Thrift was seen to encourage the children with a sense of community and that they were playing their part in the war effort and doing a national service.		
A letter was received for each teacher on the National Registration Act and a form for each of them to fill in. They were wanted to distribute and collect registration forms in the Aberdare region.	19 Jul 1915	
A circular was received 41/15 and copies of the pamphlet "The Great War and How it arose". A copy was given to each teacher as was a copy of National Thrift. The teachers had to make this the topic of one lesson and set homework on it.	13 Sep 1915	
Mr D. G. Davis has been selected as one of the ambulance men to attend to the wounded who would be brought in by tram that afternoon. He did that work from 2 until 3.	4 Oct 1915	
A letter from Mr Jack Thomas, secretary of the Aberdare Association of the NUT stated that all the teachers would be helping with the Clerical work with the Pink Registration Forms at the Education Office from 6.30 until 9 each evening. The head teacher has written down all the names of the teachers involved and when they were expected to attend.	18 Oct 1915	
Mr W. Williams and Mr D. B. Jones have enlisted. They have now moved to London to join the Army Motor Transport Service.	25 Oct 1915	

	Aiss Walter did clerical work at the Education Office in esponse to recruiting for the week.	22 Oct 1915
te	The Director called and asked whether the Student eacher could be spared Monday next to attend ecruiting work at the Memorial Hall.	24 Jan 1916
	2 members of staff were on military service. 4 other eachers have not been called up for military service.	31 Jan 1916
0 5	Ar Williams' group has been called up. He also handed over the Roll of Honour which had the names of 84 old scholars of the school "who have answered their country's call".	31 Jan 1916
N	Ar W. C. Hughes has now joined the Glamorgan reomanry.	7 Feb 1916
S	Ars Davies asked whether her son Emlyn might leave school at 11.45am in order to go to Cardiff to see his incle who had been wounded at the front.	14 Feb 1916
	The Roll of Honour has been framed and a second roll of honour is being prepared.	21 Feb 1916
d	Lieutenant Henry Davies has sent a letter which is to be distributed to certain teachers which gives information about enlisting.	21 Feb 1916
N	Ar E. De Lloyd went to the recruiting officer at 11am on Monday and is absent today as he has a lot of packing o do.	20 Mar 1916
P	Councillor Illtyd Hopkins has stated that he knows that Park Boys School has been 'harder hit' than any in egards to teachers leaving to attend the war.	20 Mar 1916
C S A F p	Circular 11/16 was received regarding Poor Law Scholars, also a form on which to make the Return. Also Circular 12/16- Evening School Sessions and Form. Mr D.G Davies has undertaken to get the particulars required from Dr. Wilson teacher of the Ambulance Classes which are the only classes that	12 May 1916
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circumstances of their particular localities.		
David Gwynne Griffith IV is the first boy from this school to buy a 15s 6d War Saving Certificate. I have made this known to each class so as to induce other boys to do likewise.	17 Jul 1916	
Mr Harry Williams Tr C having visited his home on furlough called this week. As he is unfit for military service through dislocation of wrist of longstanding it is to be hoped for the sake of the school and esp[ecially] the teaching of Gardening and Nature Study that he will soon return to his school duties. Cabbages sold from garden- Mr D. H. Parry kindly attended to this - account kept in proper book.	20 Jul 1916	
Mr Sidney Montague Silverman Tr. C commenced duties here on Monday August 28 th 1916. He takes the place of Mr D.H. Parry Tr C who has been called up.	31 Aug 1916	
Friday Afternoon letter brought from the officer requiring the following particulars which were supplied on Saturday morning: David James-Private 134885 DM/2 ASC MT 648 Coy British Expeditionary Force to East Africa c/o General PO London William Williams-Private 134911 ASC MT 595 Coy 17 th MAC Salonika Fronteer David Parry-46398 3 rd Battalion Welsh Regiment B Company Hut 16 Camp 3 Kimmel Park Denbighshire William Hughes-Trooper 2594 3/1 st Glamorgan Yeomanry B.Squadron Park Hall Camp Near Oswestry	1 Nov 1916	230-231
Circular 28/16-Teachers of Military age now serving in school Head Teachers Report Circular 29/16-Summer Time Act	24 Nov 1916	242-247
On Wednesday Mr D G Davies was in Cardiff being examined for the second time by the Medical Board. He	27 Nov 1916	247-248

has been placed in a still lower class. Thursday morning received Mr J M Davies' National Insurance Card and forwarded it to him per post		
On Tuesday received from the National War Savings Committee Leaflet No.128 "To British Boys and Girls" Circular 29/16-Staff and percentage of attendance" Circular 30/16	11 Dec 1916	250-252
Letter received from Mr E.Black, Secretary of the National War Savings Committee, requesting my attendance at a conference to be held at the Memorial Hall Aberdare on Thursday 21 st at 7.30pm to discuss a matter of extreme national importance.	18 Dec 1916	252-254
Circular no. 3/17brought by clerk from the office. "The military Authorities have asked for certain particulars concerning men between the ages of 18 and 42 in the Committee Service."	22 Jan - 26 Jan 1917	261
Letter appealing for the school to contribute to the war effort and the war savings as the 'need of the country is so great'. Explains high demand as the cost of war is so great.		262
A fair start has been made with the war savings – Boys have commenced to transfer their money from the Post Office. Owing to withdrawals there was more work on Monday than usual. The deposits were sent to the P.O on Tuesday.	12 Feb - 16 Feb 1917	269
Wartime savings in this school amount to £49"6"4 up to date.	2 Apr - 6 Apr 1917	285
A letter from the Glamorgan County Council War Agricultural Committee asks if the teachers would be willing to call for volunteers in their holidays to work on the farms. This was due to the need for the greatest amount of food to be gathered not being possible because of the shortage of labour.	28 Jun 1917	307

		Miss M. E Davies absent this afternoon (Friday) – her brother leaving home for the army.	28 th October to 1 st November 1918	398
EA23/10	Aberdare. Park. Girls.	Standard V performed a piece entitled "Britain's Call". It brought in all the Allies and the Colonies. Dresses appropriate to each country and national anthems of each sung.	nt in all the Allies and the Colonies. Dresses priate to each country and national anthems of	11
		It is decided that afternoon school will commence at 1.30 instead of 2 o' clock in order to economise gas and fuel.	25 Nov 1915	17
		Christmas entertainment was held in the school. Appropriate hymns for a time of war were sung.	22 Dec 1915	18
		Address given to the assembled school on our national flag and patriotism. 'Rule Britania', The National Anthem and 'Before all lands in East or West' are sung by the assembled school. Names on the Roll of honour (Old Park School boys who are serving the country) are read out. The response of the men of the Empire – at home and from our colonies – have given to the call of England attended to.	24 May 1916	26
		This school is now affiliated to the National War Savings Committee.	29 Jan 1917	32
		Normal timetable suspended and a program involving presentations on the Union Jack, patriotism and the Economy was adopted. Procession by children in the school yard past a Union Jack. Cheers given by children for the following: "The King", "The Sailors", "The Soldiers", "Munitions Workers", "Land Workers", "Women carrying on the work of men" and "all people of the empire".	24 May 1917	40
		315 War Savings Certificates have been taken up by the scholars in this school during the year 1917.	19 Dec 1917	47

		Miss Hughes and Miss Stephens absent this afternoon owing to a military funeral.	28 Jan 1918	51
		The school will be closed tomorrow (Friday) on the occasion of the visit of the Tank to Aberdare.	30 May 1918	60
EA25/1	Robertstown. Infants.	Circular received regarding the shortages of the supply of meat. Lessons should be given to older children on the importance of restricting the consumption of meat with a view to economising the national supplies and avoiding an excessive increase of price.	4 Jun 1915	235
		In view of scarcity of paper, prices of exercise books, note paper and envelopes will probably be doubled. Strictest economy should therefore be observed in their use.	10 Mar 1916	242
		All waste paper to be saved and stored owing to the scarcity of paper pulp.	17 Apr 1917	251
		Empire Day concert. Songs, games and dances.	24 May 1917	252
EA25/4	Robertstown. Mixed.	Received circular 13 – Re the waste of water in schools.	16 Mar 1917	133
		Circular Re supply of fuel – Nations Heroes. Opening of new hospital.	19 Jul 1917	137
		Miss Morris away engaged upon food rationing cards.	1 Jul 1918	144
EA26/2	Ynyslwyd. Mixed.	Received circular 31/15-War Loan	12 Jul 1915	246
		Received circular 41-Pamphlets on Thrift and the War	15 Sep 1915	248
		Mr Davies terminated his duties today, having enlisted	9 Nov 1915	251
		Received circular 51/15-Lord Derby's Recruiting Scheme	14 Dec 1915	253
		Received circular 6/16-St David's Day, Exhibition and Conference on Teaching of Welsh, Information re	1 Feb 1916	254

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Received circular re Barry Summer School Salaries for August. Defence of Realm Regulations	27 Jul 1916	260
Received Circular 28/16 Re Teachers of Military Age	24 Nov 1916	263
Received Circular 1 on County School Entrance Scholarship Exam, 1917. Inadvertent disclosure of military information. Cymru a'r Gymraeg	15 Jan 1917	265
Received Circular 3/17-Particulars re Teachers of military age	26 Jan 1917	265
Received Circular 16/17-Scale of Salaries, Waste paper, Summertime Act, Summer School Scholarship, County School Scholarship, Payment of teachers on military service, Temperance Certificates, Patriotic Readers	17 Apr 1917	268
Received 10 copies of Win the War Cookery Book	8 Jun 1917	270
Received Circular today-Volunteers for war work, Labour examination midsummer holidays, Aberdare General Hospital	10 Jul 1917	271
Received Circular 30/17-Supply of Fuel. Nation's Heroes. Salaries for July.	19 Jul 1917	271
Closed school today on occasion of visit of the Tank to Aberdare and physical training conference in the afternoon	30 May 1918	282