

| Cyfeirnod | Teitl                | Disgrifiad   | Dyddiad        | Rhif Tudalen |
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| EMA1/6    | Abercynon Navigation | School assembled this morning after Summer Vacation but owing to outbreak of War the pupils were dismissed after morning assembly. HT and all staff present                          | 4 Med 1939     | 131          |
|           |                      | School opened this morning. All staff present except Mr D W Howells who has been transferred to Cwmpennar Junior school. 40 scholars transferred to Central school                   | 11 Med 1939    | 131          |
|           |                      | Children transferred to Central school returned to Senior school this morning  | 9 Hyd 1939     | 132          |
|           |                      | New times of opening and closing: 9am to 11.45am; 1pm to 3.10pm  | 20 Tach 1939   | 133          |
|           |                      | Provision of Meals (Free)-Dinners 3,354, Milk 17,800   | 18 Ebr 1940    | 140          |
|           |                      | Holidays cancelled-returned to school this morning. HT and all staff present   | 14 Mai 1940    | 141          |
|           |                      | School closed from Monday to Thursday (incl) to enable teachers to proceed with arrangements in connection with reception of Evacuees from Sheerness                                 | 3 Meh 1940     | 141          |
|           |                      | Director of Education called at school this morning. Discussed Plans I and II re safety of children in case of Air Raid  | 27 Meh 1940    | 142          |
|           |                      | First day Air Raid Warning at 12.25. All Clear at 12.50  | 3 Gor 1940     | 142          |
|           |                      | Alterations in time of opening and closing schools. The following will be the times for opening and closing schools from today: Junior and Senior: 10am to 12.30pm, 1.45pm to 4.30pm | 8 Gor 1940     | 142          |
|           |                      | Air Raid Warning this morning. Children remained at school and took cover in classrooms and cloakroom  | 15 Gor 1940    | 142          |
|           |                      | Air Raid Warning this morning  | 18 Gor 1940    | 142          |
|           |                      | School closed today (Canvass of district for evacuation purposes)  | 26 Gor 1940    | 143          |
|           |                      | School opens this morning after Summer Vacation. All staff present   | 19 Aws 1940    | 143          |
|           |                      | ARW 10.45am  | 21 Aws 1940    | 143          |
|           |                      | ARW 4.10pm   | 26 Aws 1940    | 143          |
|           |                      | Air Raid Warning 3.55pm. Children dismissed from school  | 29 Aws 1940    | 143          |
|           |                      | School closed at the end of the morning session; to re-open on Monday morning, the 23 <sup>rd</sup> instant (Summer Holidays)  | 6 Med 1940     | 144          |
|           |                      | School closed for billeting arrangements   | 4 Hyd 1940     | 144          |
|           |                      | ARW 2.25pm-2.50pm  | 16 Hyd 1940    | 144          |
|           |                      | School closed-billeting arrangements (150 Evacuees arrived from London 19.10.40)   | 18-21 Hyd 1940 | 144          |

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|  |  | Children dismissed after assembly and school closed until Thursday morning (Billeting arrangements)   | 25-27 Tach 1940 | 145     |
|  |  | Revised times of school sessions: 9.30am to 12.30pm: 1.45pm to 4.15pm   | 3 Maw 1941      | 147     |
|  |  | School closed today to enable teachers to make billeting arrangements for reception of Evacuees   | 14 Mai 1941     | 148     |
|  |  | Arrival of Evacuee children from Cardiff  | 31 Mai 1941     | 148     |
|  |  | School closed to complete billeting arrangements  | 2 Meh 1941      | 148     |
|  |  | Miss Thomas absent-granted leave of absence by LEA to attend a course for Youth Leaders held at Aberystwyth   | 30 Meh 1941     | 149     |
|  |  | Children who attain the age of 14 years this term interviewed by the Sect of Juvenile Advisory Committee and Mrs Dennis DC  | 15 Gor 1941     | 149     |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon to enable teacher to make a house-to-house canvass in connection with War-time nurseries   | 28 Gor 1941     | 149     |
|  |  | Mr Evans absent today owing to Evacuee child contracting Scarlet Fever  | 5 Med 1941      | 149     |
|  |  | Revised times for school meetings 10am to 12.30pm; 1.45pm to 4pm  | 17 Tach 1941    | 151     |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon in order to arrange billets for Evacuees expected from Birmingham  | 27 Tach 1941    | 151     |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon (Evacuees from Birmingham)   | 4 Rhag 1941     | 151     |
|  |  | Children who attained the age of 14 yrs. this term were interviewed by the Secretary of Juvenile Advisory Committee and Mrs Dennis DC   | 6 Rhag 1941     | 151-152 |
|  |  | The school reverts to old times of opening and closing, viz:-9.30am to 12.30pm, 1.45pm to 4.15pm  | 9 Maw 1942      | 153     |
|  |  | Secretary of Employment Exchange and Mrs Dennis interviewed children 14 years of age this term  | 24 Maw 1942     | 154     |
|  |  | Gas Mask Inspection-Forms 3b, 2a, 2b and 1b. Gas Mask Inspection Forms 3a and 1b  | 14-15 Med 1942  | 156     |
|  |  | Mr Lewis and Miss Parry (HMIs) called this afternoon (Feeding arrangements)   | 19 Hyd 1942     | 157     |
|  |  | School opened this morning after Mid-term Holiday. From today to 26 <sup>th</sup> February 1943, the school will open and close as follows: Morning session: 10am to 12.30pm, afternoon 1.45 to 4pm | 3 Tach 1942     | 157     |
|  |  | Miss Rogers, Secretary Juvenile Committee, the Director of Education and Mrs Dennis, interviewed pupils who attain the age of 14 years during this term   | 9 Rhag 1942     | 158     |
|  |  | School reverted this morning to normal times  | 1 Maw 1943      | 159     |

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|          |                                 | Miss Rogers, Secretary of the Juvenile Committee and Mrs Dennis DC interviewed pupils who attain the age of 14 years this term   | 7 Ebr 1943   | 159-160 |
|          |                                 | Received equipment from Emergency Meals Centre   | 10 Mai 1943  | 160     |
|          |                                 | Miss Rogers, Secretary of the Juvenile Committee and Mrs Dennis DC interviewed pupils who attained the age of 14 yrs. this term  | 6 Gor 1943   | 161     |
|          |                                 | School opened after Mid-term Holiday. All staff present. School hours from 2/11/43 to 25/2/44 (Morning 10am-12.30pm, afternoon 1.45pm-4pm) (Circular 60/43 7 <sup>th</sup> October 1943)   | 2 Tach 1943  | 163     |
|          |                                 | Miss Rogers and Mrs Dennis interviewed "Leavers"   | 14 Rhag 1943 | 164     |
|          |                                 | Mr Lewis HMI visited the school midday to see arrangements for school dinners  | 18 Ion 1944  | 164     |
|          |                                 | School assembled to see Ministry of Information film   | 3 Maw 1944   | 165     |
|          |                                 | Mr Evans granted leave of absence from 28 <sup>th</sup> March to the 4 <sup>th</sup> April to enable him to attend the Board of Education course on the United Nations to be held at Bangor  | 28 Maw 1944  | 165     |
|          |                                 | Miss Daniels (Juvenile Employment Exchange) and Mrs Dennis interviewed children eligible to leave school at the end of this term (2pm)   | 3 Gor 1944   | 167     |
|          |                                 | School closed today-billeting arrangements for 400 London Evacuees expected to arrive on Sunday next   | 7 Gor 1944   | 167     |
|          |                                 | School closed this afternoon (Billeting arrangements)  | 12 Gor 1944  | 167     |
|          |                                 | School closed this afternoon-Reception of London Evacuees  | 14 Gor 1944  | 167     |
|          |                                 | School closed today-Canvass of district for billeting purposes   | 18 Gor 1944  | 167     |
|          |                                 | School closed this afternoon (Reception of Evacuees)   | 21 Gor 1944  | 167     |
|          |                                 | Forms for Supplementary Coupons (outside children) completed and given to pupils concerned   | 12 Hyd 1944  | 168     |
|          |                                 | (Mrs) Gwendoline Laura Blake commenced duty this morning as temporary teacher during absence of Mrs Williams (husband home on leave from Holland)  | 10 Ion 1945  | 170     |
|          |                                 | School re-opened after Easter. Informed that Mr Virgoe had returned to London this morning, having been recalled by LCC  | 9 Ebr 1945   | 172     |
|          |                                 | The school assembled this morning and a "Thanksgiving Service" was held because the official announcement was made of the cessation of organised resistance on Europe. The children were then dismissed for the remainder of that day and the following day (VE Day) | 8-9 Mai 1945 | 172     |
| EMA3/1/1 | Abercyon Abertaf Infants School | School should have reopened, but owing to the outbreak of War with Germany, the reopening was postponed for a week. Staffs of various schools met each morning in case of a call for receiving Evacuees. Up to date no Evacuees have been sent to the district       | 4 Med 1939   | 239     |

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|  |  | School reopened after the Midsummer Vacation. Six children who have been sent by their parents from London were received in school. Classroom usually occupied by Std 2 taken over by ARP. The usual baby room is empty owing to regulations not to receive under five years old children in school. First class to be given this room and Std 2 to be accommodated in the old Class I room | 11 Med 1939        | 239 |
|  |  | Children who will be five this year allowed to come to school. Up to the present there is no available classroom for third class  | 9 Hyd 1939         | 240 |
|  |  | The ARP Committee have given up the classroom so Std II has returned to it and the baby room is now free  | 12 Hyd 1939        | 240 |
|  |  | Ten babies-between three and four years have been admitted to school  | 12 Hyd 1939        | 240 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO visited the school this morning and examined all children to discover any signs of malnutrition. Three were found to need special treatment. Dinners recommended   | 20 Chwe<br>1940    | 241 |
|  |  | School re-opened this morning owing to War Emergency  | 14 Mai 1940        | 243 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon at the end of the session and will not reopen till the seventh of June. During this period, arrangements will be made for the billeting of children from Kent  | 31 Mai 1940        | 243 |
|  |  | School re-opened this morning when 28 children from Sheerness C of E school were admitted. One teacher, Miss Miles, accompanied them and is at present in charge of a class of eighteen Sheerness children. Five others are working with second class and five are in the babies class  | 7 Meh 1940         | 243 |
|  |  | From today times of opening and closing are 10am-12.15pm and 2-4pm  | 8 Gor 1940         | 244 |
|  |  | School closed today to enable teachers to make preparations for further billeting of children from Birmingham   | 26 Gor 1940        | 244 |
|  |  | School closes today at the end of the morning session and will reopen on the nineteenth inst. Miss E Miles will be in charge of the Sheerness Evacuees during this period and will take her holiday when school reopens   | 2 Aws 1940         | 244 |
|  |  | School reopened this morning. Miss E Miles is now on holiday  | 19 Aws 1940        | 244 |
|  |  | School closes at the end of the morning session to re-open on Monday morning, the 23 <sup>rd</sup> instant. The Sheerness Evacuees will meet their teachers once daily during this period   | 6 Med 1940         | 245 |
|  |  | School closed all day to enable staff to make arrangements for reception of Evacuees  | 4 Hyd 1940         | 245 |
|  |  | Billeting of mothers and children from Battersea and Wandsworth. School was closed for two days   | 18-21 Hyd<br>1940  | 245 |
|  |  | School closed to enable staff to make arrangements for billeting children from Birmingham area  | 25-27 Tach<br>1940 | 245 |

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|  |  | Miss E Miles is now on holiday and Mrs Evans HT Sheerness is taking her class till Miss Miles returns   | 6 Ion 1941   | 246 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 3.50pm on sounding of "Alert" (10 min)  | 3 Maw 1941   | 247 |
|  |  | Afternoon session did not commence until 3.15pm owing to sounding of "Alert" (15 min)   | 7 Maw 1941   | 247 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 11.30am on sounding of "Alert" (30 min)   | 11 Maw 1941  | 247 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 3.35pm on sounding of "Alert" (25 min)  | 18 Maw 1941  | 247 |
|  |  | Morning session broke up at 9.35am and reassembled at 10.05am owing to sounding of "Alert" (30 min). Afternoon session dismissed at 3.50pm owing to "Alert" (10 min)  | 26 Maw 1941  | 247 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 3.15pm owing to "Alert" (45 min)  | 27 Maw 1941  | 247 |
|  |  | School closes today at end of the morning session for the Easter Holidays and will open on the 21 <sup>st</sup> instant. Miss E Miles will be in charge of the Sheerness Evacuee children during this period, and will take her holiday when school opens | 10 Ebr 1941  | 247 |
|  |  | School reopened this morning. Miss E Miles is on holiday. Mrs Evans (HT Sheerness) is in charge of class IV   | 21 Ebr 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | School closed to enable teachers to make preparations for further billeting of children   | 14 Mai 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO visited the school this morning and examined all the children for signs of malnutrition  | 20 Mai 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | Afternoon session broke up at 2.15pm and reassembled at 2.27pm owing to sounding of "Alert" (12 min)  | 22 Mai 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 10.55am owing to sounding of "Alert" (45 min)   | 28 Mai 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | "Alert" sounded 11am. "All Clear" 11.15am (15 min)  | 29 Mai 1941  | 248 |
|  |  | Owing to reception of Evacuees from Cardiff, school reassembled. The usual week's vacation postponed for a week   | 3 Meh 1941   | 248 |
|  |  | Alert sounded 2.15pm. All Clear 2.30pm (15 mins)  | 14 Gor 1941  | 249 |
|  |  | Alert sounded 3.05pm. All Clear 3.35pm (30 mins)  | 16 Gor 1941  | 249 |
|  |  | School closed during afternoon session for obtaining particulars for "Wartime Nurseries"  | 28 Gor 1941  | 249 |
|  |  | School closed in the afternoon to enable teachers to make arrangements for billeting of children from Birmingham  | 28 Tach 1941 | 250 |
|  |  | School was closed this afternoon, to enable teachers to billet Evacuees from Birmingham   | 5 Rhag 1941  | 250 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO visited the school this morning and examined all the children for signs of malnutrition  | 8 Rhag 1941  | 250 |

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|          |                                   | Miss Emily Miles (Sheerness), has been recalled by the Kent Education Committee, and so terminates her duties at this school today  | 2 Ebr 1942   | 251 |
|          |                                   | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO visited the school this morning and examined the children for signs of malnutrition  | 23 Tach 1942 | 253 |
|          |                                   | Dr Llewelyn Williams attended the school this morning and examined the children for signs of malnutrition   | 11 Mai 1943  | 255 |
|          |                                   | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO attended the school this morning and examined the children for signs of malnutrition   | 6 Rhag 1943  | 258 |
|          |                                   | School reopened this morning after the Easter Vacation. School dinners commenced today  | 17 Ebr 1944  | 260 |
|          |                                   | Dr Llewelyn Williams SMO visited the school this morning and examined the children for signs of malnutrition  | 9 Ebr 1944   | 260 |
|          |                                   | School closed today; Arrangements to be made for the billeting of children from London  | 7 Gor 1944   | 261 |
|          |                                   | Nine LCC schoolchildren admitted this morning   | 10 Gor 1944  | 261 |
|          |                                   | School closed this afternoon. Further arrangements are to (be?) made for the billeting of mothers and schoolchildren from the London Area   | 12 Gor 1944  | 261 |
|          |                                   | School closed for the afternoon, for the reception and billeting of LCC schoolchildren  | 14 Gor 1944  | 261 |
|          |                                   | Nine more LCC schoolchildren admitted this morning. Miss Nan Williams, LCC Teacher, reported this morning for temporary duty at this school   | 17 Gor 1944  | 261 |
|          |                                   | School reopened this morning after the Summer Vacation. Both Miss Nan Williams LCC and Mrs Blake, temporary supply teacher, terminated duties at the school today   | 4 Med 1944   | 261 |
|          |                                   | Dr LI Williams SMO visited the school and examined the children for signs of malnutrition   | 11 Rhag 1944 | 262 |
|          |                                   | Under the terms of the "New Education Act", the direction of education in this area has passed from the Mountain Ash Education Committee, into the hands of the Glamorgan County Education Authority, as from the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1945                                      | 1 Ebr 1945   | 264 |
|          |                                   | Dr LI Williams SMO visited the school this morning, and examined all the pupils present for signs of malnutrition   | 2 Mai 1945   | 264 |
|          |                                   | VE (Victory in Europe) celebrations. On Tuesday morning, a short service of thanksgiving was held. When this was over, the children marched round the school, waving their flags and singing songs. They then went home. The rest of the day was a holiday, as also was Wednesday | 9 Mai 1945   | 265 |
| EMA4/1/1 | Abercynon<br>Carnetown<br>Infants | School reopened today after a closure of five weeks. One extra week of closure due to the crisis. Children of five years and upwards were admitted in school today. The nursery class is closed for the present   | 11 Med 1939  | 272 |

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|  |  | Times of opening and closing school changed today owing to lighting restrictions due to the War. Morning-9.15am to 11.45am<br>Afternoon-1.10pm to 3.10pm   | 19 Tach 1939 | 273     |
|  |  | School reopened. Five new scholars were admitted today and four Evacuees returned home   | 8 Ion 1940   | 273     |
|  |  | Owing to conditions caused by the War, Form 9E was not issued by the Board of Education in respect of the year ended on the 31 <sup>st</sup> 1940  | 28 Ebr 1940  | 274     |
|  |  | Owing to sudden developments in the War Zone including the invasion of France, this school was unexpectedly reopened this morning, and work was carried on normally  | 13 Mai 1940  | 274-275 |
|  |  | School closed at 4pm today due to evacuation of children from Sheerness-a danger area (Length of closure-four days). On Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June a number of juniors and infants arrived at Abercynon. These were taken by teachers to billets which had been prepared for them before arrival, On Monday teachers and Evacuees met at the Abercynon senior school to collect old rations books and distribute emergency rations cards and to rearrange billets where necessary. On Tuesday afternoon we again met at the senior school to arrange the number to be allotted to the various schools in the district. On Wednesday afternoon the children allocated to Carnetown infants' school were brought to this school, and placed in their various classes. Thursday was a free day to enable the Evacuees to have an opportunity of enjoying the walks etc. at Abercynon | 31 Mai 1940  | 275-276 |
|  |  | School reopened at 9.30 and work was resumed normally  | 7 Meh 1940   | 276     |
|  |  | The time of opening school was altered today from 9.30am to 10am, owing to the interruption of rest at nights due to Air Raid Warnings. The time of opening for the afternoon session is the same as the usual time 2pm  | 8 Gor 1940   | 276     |
|  |  | The children of this school assembled this morning, and after registration were dismissed for the day to enable the members of the staff to make all windows and glass partitions of the school splinter proof against Air Raids   | 15 Gor 1940  | 276     |
|  |  | School closed today to enable the members of this staff to make another canvas for billets for children and adults in the event of another evacuation  | 26 Gor 1940  | 277     |
|  |  | School closed at midday for two weeks for the Summer Vacation. The Evacuees remained at Abercynon under the charge of their headmistress Mrs Evans, and met each morning at 10 o'clock at this school and spent the morning session in games, dancing etc.   | 2 Aws 1940   | 277     |
|  |  | School closed at noon today for a further period of two week's holiday. The work of the school has been disturbed many times this week owing to Air Raid Warnings. Children went home but returned immediately after the all clear signal  | 6 Med 1940   | 278     |

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|  |  | School closed today to enable the members of this staff to make another canvas for billets for mothers and children evacuated from the bombed areas of London   | 4 Hyd 1940     | 278     |
|  |  | School closed Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct and Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct for the billeting of mothers and children from the London area  | 18-21 Hyd 1940 | 278-279 |
|  |  | School closed for 3 days-Monday Tuesday and Wednesday-preparation for billets etc. for school Evacuees from Birmingham  | 25 Tach 1940   | 279     |
|  |  | No educational time lost this week through "Air Raid Alerts"  | 10 Ion 1941    | 279     |
|  |  | Scholars were dismissed at 11.45am this morning to allow the members of the staff to witness a stirrup pump demonstration on the grounds of Carnetown Junior school   | 4 Chwe 1941    | 280     |
|  |  | Head Teacher left school this afternoon at 2.30pm to attend a meeting at Penrhiwceiber senior school to discuss a scheme for Fire Watching at school  | 12 Chwe 1941   | 280     |
|  |  | Time of opening school Morning 9.30-12pm Afternoon 2pm-4pm  | 3 Maw 1941     | 280     |
|  |  | Mountain Ash War Weapons week has been held during the period of 26 <sup>th</sup> April to 2 <sup>nd</sup> May. Total amount collected by staff and scholars of this school was £56   | 2 Mai 1941     | 281     |
|  |  | School closed to enable the staff to find billets for another contingent of Evacuees  | 14 Mai 1941    | 281     |
|  |  | Under ordinary circumstances school would have closed at noon today for the Whitsun Holidays, but owing to the arrival of another contingent of Evacuees tomorrow (Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> May) the Whitsun Holidays have been postponed for a week, but the local children will have a holiday on Whitsun Monday                     | 30 Mai 1941    | 281-282 |
|  |  | Evacuees arrived from Cardiff Docks, and were taken to billets prepared for them  | 31 Mai 1941    | 282     |
|  |  | Whitsun Monday morning Evacuees assembled at the Abercynon infants' school were divided out and taken to the schools in the area in which they were billeted. Ten children from Eleanor St school and four from St Marys Clarence Road Cardiff Docks were placed in this school and put into their classes according to age and ability | 2 Meh 1941     | 282     |
|  |  | School reopened and normal work was resumed   | 3 Meh 1941     | 282     |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon to make a canvas of children from War-time Nurseries   | 29 Gor 1941    | 283     |
|  |  | Alteration of morning session today from 9.30 to 12 to 10am to 12.15pm. Afternoon session unchanged   | 17 Tach 1941   | 284     |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon to enable the staff to make another canvas for billets for Evacuees from Birmingham  | 28 Tach 1941   | 284     |
|  |  | School closed today. Arrival of Evacuees from Birmingham  | 4 Rhag 1941    | 284     |



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|  |  | School re-opened. All members of the staff are present. Two Evacuees returned home during the holidays   | 5 Ion 1942     | 284 |
|  |  | Morning session reverted to usual times of opening and closing-9.30-12   | 9 Maw 1942     | 285 |
|  |  | Warships Week in connection with the National Savings movement. Amount collected by staff and scholars of this school was £108   | 7-14 Maw 1942  | 285 |
|  |  | Spare classroom used as a War-time nursery class. Mrs Philippe and Miss Elizabeth Davies in charge. Attendance of children commenced on the 18 <sup>th</sup> May   | 11 Mai 1942    | 285 |
|  |  | School reopened this morning at 9.30 am. All members of the staff are present. Thirty four children were transferred to Carnetown junior school this morning. One Evacuee returned to Sheerness and eleven new scholars admitted | 1 Med 1942     | 286 |
|  |  | Alteration of morning session from 9.30-12pm to 10am-12.15pm. Afternoon session unchanged  | 3 Tach 1942    | 287 |
|  |  | Provision of a mid-day meal commenced at this school today. Dinner is served at 12 o'clock in the Central Hall to the Infants and at 12.30 to children attending the Junior mixed school   | 16 Chwe 1943   | 288 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams visited the school and examined children for malnutrition   | 10 Mai 1943    | 289 |
|  |  | The War nursery class was inspected by Dr D Llewelyn of the Board of Education   | 29 Med 1943    | 291 |
|  |  | Alteration of morning session to 10am-12.15pm. Afternoon session unchanged   | 2 Tach 1943    | 291 |
|  |  | The registers were marked at 1.30pm so that the children could be taken to the Merthyr Rd to see the King, Queen and Princess Elizabeth as they passed through on their way to Merthyr to visit the factories there              | 29 Maw 1944    | 293 |
|  |  | Visit of Dr LI Williams, 118 children were examined for malnutrition   | 8 Mai 1944     | 293 |
|  |  | Miss Eluned Williams (LCC-Evacuee teacher) commenced temporary duties here this afternoon  | 5 Meh 1944     | 294 |
|  |  | Miss Morgan resumed duties this morning and Miss Eluned Williams left  | 14 Meh 1944    | 294 |
|  |  | School closed to enable members of the staff to make another canvass for billets for children to be evacuated from London on Sunday-July 9th   | 7 Gor 1944     | 294 |
|  |  | "Salute the Soldier" week in connection with the National Savings movement. Amount collected by staff and scholars of this school was £450 2s 0d   | 10-17 Gor 1944 | 294 |
|  |  | Visit of Mr Lewis HMI and Miss Parry HMI to War nursery. School closed this afternoon to enable members of the Staff to make another canvass of district for billets for mothers and children                                    | 12 Gor 1944    | 295 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon to receive the Evacuee mothers and children   | 14 Gor 1944    | 295 |
|  |  | School closed all day for teachers to make a detailed canvass of district for another expected contingent of mothers and children  | 18 Gor 1944    | 295 |

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|        |               | Attendance half-holiday. Arrival of over 100 families of mothers and children  | 21 Gor 1944  | 295     |
|        |               | Visit of Dr Llewelyn Williams. 116 children were examined for malnutrition   | 21 Tach 1944 | 296     |
|        |               | The Education Act 1944 comes into force today. Mountain Ash Education Committee now becomes a District Sub-Committee of the Glamorgan Education Committee  | 1 Ebr 1945   | 297     |
|        |               | Dr LI Williams SMO examined 101 children for malnutrition and found 6 in need of milk  | 1 Mai 1945   | 298     |
|        |               | A short service of thanksgiving for Victory in Europe was held this morning, after which the children were dismissed for a holiday until May 10th  | 8 Mai 1945   | 298     |
|        |               | School reopened this morning, all members of the staff were present  | 10 Mai 1945  | 298     |
| EMA5/1 | Caegarw Mixed | As an Emergency was declared owing to the outbreak of War, school was closed for the week. The teachers of Newtown Caegarw and Cwmpennar met daily at 10am to await possible instructions from the Education Office  | 4 Med 1939   | 286     |
|        |               | School re-opened today. To enable the children to attend the school nearest their homes, during the War, 8 children were transferred to Newtown school and 27 to Cwmpennar school. 20 children were transferred from Miskin Central school to this school for the same reason  | 11 Med 1939  | 286     |
|        |               | 11 children returned to Miskin Central School as their parents desired them to do so   | 2 Hyd 1939   | 286     |
|        |               | As a result of instructions received from the Education Office, the children from Newtown and Cwmpennar who were recently transferred to those schools came back again   | 9 Hyd 1939   | 287     |
|        |               | The school garden has been added to by taking over an adjacent one   | 25 Hyd 1939  | 287     |
|        |               | In compliance with instructions received from the Director of Education, the times of opening and closing of school will be as follows. Morning-open at 9am to 11.45am, Afternoon 1pm to 3.10pm. Lessons in the morning are curtailed by 5 minutes each, and in the afternoon the first lesson is curtailed 10 mins and the third and last lesson by 5 mins each | 20 Tach 1939 | 292     |
|        |               | The normal Whitsun Holiday was cancelled. The invasion of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg by the Germans has restored to our minds the question of reception of Evacuees; consequently school was re-opened today instead of May 20th  | 14 Mai 1940  | 294-295 |
|        |               | Held a staff meeting in which we discussed the question of distribution of Evacuees  | 15 Mai 1940  | 295     |
|        |               | School closed at 3.30pm: Billeting meeting of all teachers in this ward. At 11am I had attended a meeting of billeting officers at the Town Hall. The Director instructed us to close schools at 3.30pm Monday and Tuesday to revise billeting lists for Evacuees  | 20 Mai 1940  | 295     |
|        |               | On Sunday June 2 <sup>nd</sup> the Evacuee children from Sheerness were received and allocated to their billets. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were devoted to all the necessary tasks consequent upon the reception. School opened today, Friday, June 7 <sup>th</sup> 1940   | 7 Meh 1940   | 295     |

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|  |  | At about 12.20pm while writing in the central, I heard the report of a distant explosion and the rattling of the school windows. Some time before I had heard the drone of an aeroplane, but I had not recognised it as a hostile one  | 11 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | The male teachers and the boys devote the day to protecting the school windows, with paper strips, from blast  | 12 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | Protective work was continued. At 3.30pm I attend a meeting of Head Teachers of Mountain Ash and Sheerness at the Town Hall to discuss Air Raid Precautions in schools and school holidays   | 13 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | Registers marked; children sent home; members of staff placed strips of paper upon windows as precaution against blast   | 15 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | The work of protecting windows was continued but the children were not sent home   | 16 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | An Air Raid Warning went this morning at 11.45 and this afternoon at 4. On each occasion children were sent home   | 18 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 2.55pm. Children sent home   | 19 Gor 1940 | 296     |
|  |  | The school was dismissed at 3.30pm. A meeting of all teachers from Cefnpennar to Newtown was held to receive instructions re billeting school children, troops, refugees and homeless. Officials from Cardiff inspected the school this morning with a view of using it as an emergency hospital | 23 Gor 1940 | 296-297 |
|  |  | The school was closed to enable teachers to visit all the houses of the Ward to find accommodation for Evacuees  | 29 Gor 1940 | 297     |
|  |  | School closed at 12.30pm for fortnights vacation   | 2 Aws 1940  | 297     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 10.45am. All children went home. All Clear sounded at 11.40am. Many children returned. Air Raid Warning again at 11.45am. All Clear at 12.17pm   | 21 Aws 1940 | 297     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 10.48am. All children sent home. All Clear at 11.11am  | 22 Aws 1940 | 297     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 3.49pm. All children went home and did not return  | 29 Aws 1940 | 298     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning went at 9.55am. All children ran home. "All Clear" at 10.45am. Air Raid Warning went at 1.45pm. "All Clear" at 2.17pm   | 2 Med 1940  | 298     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 9.40am. "All Clear" 10am. Air Raid Warning at 10.25am. "All Clear" 10.40am. Air Raid Warning 1.20pm. "All Clear" 1.43pm.   | 4 Med 1940  | 298     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 9.47am. "All Clear" 10am  | 5 Med 1940  | 298     |
|  |  | School closed after morning session for a fortnight's holiday  | 6 Med 1940  | 298     |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 11.40am. "All Clear" 12.10pm   | 25 Med 1940 | 298     |

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|  |  | Air Raid Warning at 3.55pm   | 26 Med 1940     | 298 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 11.50am. Air Raid Warning 2.05pm. "All Clear" 2.30pm  | 27 Med 1940     | 298 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 10.51am. "All Clear" 11.31am  | 1 Hyd 1940      | 298 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 10.45am "All Clear" 11.40am   | 3 Hyd 1940      | 299 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2.53pm. "All Clear" 3.34pm  | 8 Hyd 1940      | 299 |
|  |  | At 3.30pm, a billeting meeting was held to enable preparations for receiving mothers and children from London. The children had been sent home at 3pm  | 11 Hyd 1940     | 299 |
|  |  | School assembled at 10am. Children were informed that they would be sent home at 10.15am, and that they would reassemble at 1.45pm for the afternoon session. The teachers visited billets and made readjustments. The children were again dismissed in the afternoon to enable the teachers to continue the billeting | 14 Hyd 1940     | 299 |
|  |  | I attended a billeting meeting at 3.30pm in the Town Hall  | 17 Hyd 1940     | 299 |
|  |  | The school was closed to enable teachers to find accommodation for mothers and children arriving 19-10-40  | 18 Hyd 1940     | 299 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 3.10pm. All Clear 3.28pm. School work was not resumed   | 11 Tach 1940    | 299 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 3.40pm  | 13 Tach 1940    | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2pm. All Clear 2.15pm. Air Raid Warning 2.40pm. All Clear 3.23pm  | 21 Tach 1940    | 300 |
|  |  | School was closed on these three days. A canvas was taken of accommodation for Evacuees  | 25-27 Tach 1940 | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2.06pm. All Clear 3.10pm. At 3pm I attended a meeting of billeting officers in the Town Hall  | 3 Rhag 1940     | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2.55pm. "All Clear" 3.13pm  | 4 Rhag 1940     | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 12.09pm. "All Clear" 1.10pm   | 5 Rhag 1940     | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 1.50pm. "All Clear" 2.04pm. Air Raid Warning 2.15pm. "All Clear" 2.50pm   | 11 Rhag 1940    | 300 |
|  |  | Mr Glyn Thomas absent. His brother died, through enemy action, in Aldershot  | 13 Ion 1941     | 300 |
|  |  | The school manager, Mr Christopher, granted me permission to attend the funeral of Mr Glyn Thomas's brother whose body was brought home from Aldershot yesterday evening. I left school at 3.10pm  | 14 Ion 1941     | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 12.11pm. All Clear 12.23pm. Air Raid Warning 1.53pm. All Clear 2.04pm   | 20 Ion 1941     | 300 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 10.20am. All Clear 10.50am  | 28 Chwe 1941    | 301 |

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|        |               | Mr A J Clarke visited the school this afternoon and was still here when the Air Raid Warning went. Air Raid Warning 3.52pm. All Clear. Children did not return   | 3 Maw 1941             | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 1.21pm. All Clear 2.12pm  | 7 Maw 1941             | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 11.30am. All Clear 11.57am. Air Raid Warning 3.06pm. All Clear 3.30pm   | 11 Maw 1941            | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 3.35pm. All Clear 3.50pm  | 17 Maw 1941            | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 12.19pm. All Clear dinner hour  | 19 Maw 1941            | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 9.17am. All Clear 9.30am. Air Raid Warning 9.37am. All Clear 10.08am. Air Raid Warning 3.50pm. All Clear  | 26 Maw 1941            | 301 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 2.25pm. All Clear 3.18pm  | 27 Maw 1941            | 301 |
|        |               | Attended meeting of billeting officers in Town Hall at 11am. All teachers from Cefnpennar to Newtown attended meeting at 3.30pm at Caegarw Junior school to consider billeting of children from a Welsh Town | 12 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | School closed. Teachers canvassed for billeting accommodation  | 14 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 2.12pm. All Clear 2.29pm  | 23 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 4.20pm. All Clear 5.05pm  | 28 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 10.49am. All Clear 11.33am  | 29 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 11.02am. All Clear 11.14am  | 30 Mai 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | School closed. I attended Newtown Mixed school to obtain particulars of Evacuees billeted in Newtown on Saturday 31-5-41   | 2 Meh 1941             | 302 |
|        |               | Air Raid Warning 3.04pm. All Clear 3.26pm  | 15 Gor 1941            | 302 |
|        |               | The Secretary Juvenile Advisory Committee attended here this afternoon and interviewed boys and girls entitled to leave at end of term   | 16 Gor 1941            | 302 |
| EMA5/2 | Caegarw Mixed | The Speech Therapy class, taken by Miss Eileen Rickwell, started here because Dyffryn Boys' school had been bombed   | 6 Med 1941             | 1   |
|        |               | Mr H Rawlins has been ordered by the MO to be absent from school for a week because an Evacuee child billeted with him has contracted diphtheria   | 6 Hyd 1941             | 2   |
|        |               | Miss A G Jones of the National Milk Publicity Council lectured this morning (10.30-11.15am) to all the school on "The Food Value of Milk"  | 23 Hyd 1941            | 2   |
|        |               | Dr Williams examined all the children re Milk and Dinners  | 18 Tach 1941           | 2   |
|        |               | School closed during the afternoon to find billeting accommodation for Birmingham children   | 27 Tach 1941           | 3   |
|        |               | Reception of Evacuees from Birmingham. School closed during the afternoon  | 4 Tach<br>(Rhag?) 1941 | 3   |

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|        |                             | Caegarw and Darran Las Senior schools are now amalgamated: 178 pupils are enrolled; 89 boys and 89 girls; of these 27 are Evacuees   | 5 Ion 1942   | 3   |
|        |                             | Midday meals under the supervision of Miss B Harris were started today. Sandwiches, Salmon and Cocoa Milk were provided at a charge of 2d per pupil                            | 15 Ion 1942  | 3   |
|        |                             | Labour Exchange representative and Mr J Christopher the school manager interviewed school-leavers  | 25 Maw 1942  | 3   |
|        |                             | Miss Harries is attending a course for leaders in the youth service at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth from June 27 <sup>th</sup> to July 11 <sup>th</sup>        | 29 Meh 1942  | 4   |
|        |                             | "Wings for Victory" week. The school collected £1,399  | 9 Ebr 1943   | 6   |
|        |                             | Whitsun Vacation extended from the afternoon session 11-6-43 to 18-6-43. School re-opened this morning. All members of staff present   | 21 Meh 1943  | 7   |
|        |                             | On 1-10-43 I visited Abertaf Junior school and today Carnetown Junior school to see the organisation in actual practice of dinners in school                                   | 5 Hyd 1943   | 8   |
|        |                             | School closed at 3.30pm for a meeting of all teachers re billeting   | 5 Gor 1944   | 10  |
|        |                             | Canvas for billeting on the 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 7 Gor 1944   | 10  |
|        |                             | Canvas for billeting on the 14 <sup>th</sup>   | 12 Gor 1944  | 10  |
|        |                             | School closed all day for billeting on 21 <sup>st</sup>  | 18 Gor 1944  | 10  |
|        |                             | Mr Lukey-Davies absent because the Evacuee billeted with him is suffering from Scarlet Fever   | 23 Hyd 1944  | 11  |
|        |                             | Labour Exchange Officer interviewed school leavers   | 30 Tach 1944 | 11  |
|        |                             | School re-opens under the jurisdiction of the Glamorgan County Council. The new name of the school is Caegarw County Secondary School  | 9 Ebr 1945   | 12  |
|        |                             | Closed on 8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> in celebration of the Allied victory over the Germans  | 10 Mai 1945  | 13  |
| EMA7/3 | Cwmpennar Mixed and Infants | On account of the declaration of War by Great Britain the schools were closed from Sept 4 <sup>th</sup> and were re-opened on 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept                            | 11 Med 1939  | 203 |
|        |                             | Thirty two senior children returned to Caegarw Senior and Miskin Central Schools, and one boy returned to RC School. Nine children were admitted from Cefnpennar Infnts school | 9 Hyd 1939   | 205 |
|        |                             | No on roll 54 -4 unofficial Evacuees having returned to Dartford   | 30 Hyd 1939  | 205 |
|        |                             | The times of opening and closing school from today until further notice are Infants 9.15am to 11.45am; 1.10pm to 3.10pm,; Others 9am to 11.45am; 1pm to 3.10pm                 | 20 Tach 1939 | 207 |
|        |                             | School restarted. During the Holidays electric light was installed throughout the school and minor repairs to roofs and flooring tc carried out                                | 8 Ion 1940   | 211 |

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|  |  | School finished midday today for 1 weeks Easter Holiday. 6 children on Free Milk (SMO) signified their intention of attending daily for Milk. They made 100% atts   | 21 Maw 1940  | 216 |
|  |  | All staff recalled to reopen school today. Emergency Order from Board of Educn  | 14 Mai 1940  | 219 |
|  |  | School closed early today. Staff attended meeting ("Billeting") at 3.30 Caegarw Sch   | 20 Mai 1940  | 219 |
|  |  | Staff visited householders (Class A) to find how many Evacuees they can fix up in case of sudden emergency  | 21 Mai 1940  | 219 |
|  |  | Meeting of Billeting Comm (Evac) Caegarw S at 3pm   | 31 Mai 1940  | 221 |
|  |  | (Sunday) Arrival of 576 Evacuees from Sheerness, mostly Infts and Juniors   | 2 Mai 1940   | 221 |
|  |  | Schools closed after Evacuation   | 3-6 Meh 1940 | 221 |
|  |  | School re-opened. Poor attendance. No Milk has been provided this week  | 7 Meh 1940   | 221 |
|  |  | In a form received from Office today it stated that of the 9 children who came here last sept only 5 came from Evacuation area  | 14 Meh 1940  | 221 |
|  |  | The following will be the times for opening and closing schools. Junior and Senior; 10am-12.30pm, 1.45pm-4.30pm. Infants; 10am-12.15pm, 2pm-4pm. The Infants commence in the afternoon at 1.45pm. This enables the infant teacher to help with needlework and games | 9 Gor 1940   | 222 |
|  |  | Air Raid Sirens sounded at 10.15am and the All Clear at 11am. Children living near were sent home, and the others assembled in Std II classroom. The school windows were covered with strips of paper as an Air Raid Precaution                                     | 15 Gor 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | Air Raid Sirens sounded in the morning at 11.45am and the All Clear at 12.05am, and in the afternoon at 3.55 and the All Clear at 5pm. Children dispersed as arranged and those who remained assembled in Std II classroom  | 18 Gor 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | Air Raid Sirens sounded at 2.50pm. All Clear at 4pm   | 19 Gor 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | Air Raid Sirens sounded at 3pm. All Clear at 3.45pm   | 24 Gor 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | School closed to enable the staff to revise the billeting list  | 29 Gor 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | School commenced this afternoon at 2pm. Late start due to an Air Raid Warning   | 1 Aws 1940   | 223 |
|  |  | School re-opened after the Summer Holidays  | 19 Aws 1940  | 223 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning sounded at 10.40am. All Clear at 12.15pm   | 21 Aws 1940  | 224 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning sounded at 10.40am. All Clear 11.10am  | 22 Aws 1940  | 224 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning sounded at 9.50am. All Clear 10.50am. Air Raid Warning 1.50pm. All Clear 2.15pm  | 2 Med 1940   | 224 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warnings lasted from 9.40am-10am and from 10.25am-10.40am. School commenced at 2pm this afternoon due to an Air Raid Warning which lasted from 1.15pm-1.45pm   | 4 Med 1940   | 224 |

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|  | School commenced later this morning due to an Air Raid Warning, which ended at 10.10pm   | 5 Med 1940      | 224     |
|  | School re-opened after the Summer Holidays   | 23 Med 1940     | 224     |
|  | School closed this morning at 12.15pm, due to an Air Raid Warning which sounded at 12.15   | 24 Med 1940     | 225     |
|  | Air Raid Warnings sounded twice today. 11.50am-12.15pm and 2.10pm-2.20pm   | 27 Med 1940     | 225     |
|  | An Air Raid Warning lasted from 10.50am-11.30am  | 1 Hyd 1940      | 225     |
|  | School closed at 3.30pm to enable the staff to attend a billeting meeting  | 2 Hyd 1940      | 225     |
|  | An Air Raid Warning lasted from 10.48am-11.45am  | 3 Hyd 1940      | 225     |
|  | School closed to enable the staff to revise the billeting list   | 4 Hyd 1940      | 225     |
|  | The 190 <sup>th</sup> Air Raid Warning was sounded at 2.53pm and the "All Clear" at 3.37pm   | 9 Hyd 1940      | 226     |
|  | School closed at 3.10pm to enable the staff to attend a billeting meeting at Caegarw Senior school   | 11 Hyd 1940     | 226     |
|  | Sirens sounded the "Alert" at 2.17pm and the "All Clear" at 2.40pm.<br>Councillors Mrs Bath, Mr Tom Davies, Mr Trevor Howells (Chairman of the Education Committee) and Mr Williams the school architect visited the school to decide upon the arrangements to be made for the safety of the children in Air Raids | 16 Hyd 1940     | 226-227 |
|  | School closed at 3.10pm to enable staff to attend a billeting meeting at Caegarw Senior school   | 17 Hyd 1940     | 227     |
|  | School closed-billeting arrangements   | 18 Hyd 1940     | 227     |
|  | Sirens sounded the "Alert" at 3.15pm and the "All Clear" at 3.24pm. Sirens sounded the "Alert" at 3.30pm and the "All Clear" at 4.05pm   | 21 Hyd 1940     | 227     |
|  | Sirens sounded at 1.30pm and "All Clear" at 1.40pm   | 24 Hyd 1940     | 227     |
|  | Sirens sounded "Alert" at 11.40am and the "All Clear" at 12.45pm   | 28 Hyd 1940     | 228     |
|  | Received a stirrup pump  | 31 Hyd 1940     | 228     |
|  | "Alert" at 3.09pm. "All Clear" 3.30pm  | 11 Tach 1940    | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 1.20pm. "All Clear" 1.45pm  | 13 Tach 1940    | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 2pm. "All Clear" at 2.15pm. Alert at 2.43pm. "All Clear" at 3.23pm  | 21 Tach 1940    | 229     |
|  | School closed for billeting arrangements   | 25-27 Tach 1940 | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 2pm. "All Clear" at 3.05pm  | 3 Rhag 1940     | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 2.55pm. "All Clear" at 3.15pm   | 4 Rhag 1940     | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 12.06pm. "All Clear" at 1.57pm  | 5 Rhag 1940     | 229     |
|  | "Alert" at 1.45pm. "All Clear" at 2pm. Alert at 2.14pm. "All Clear" at 2.45pm  | 11 Rhag 1940    | 229     |



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|  |  | A rehearsal with the stirrup pump was held today, the bigger boys and girls taking part, under the direction of the members of the staff             | 12 Rhag 1940    | 229-230 |
|  |  | "Alert" at 12.20pm. "All Clear" 12.27pm. "Alert" at 1.55pm. All Clear 2.07pm   | 20 Ion 1941     | 232     |
|  |  | "Alert" at 10.20am. "All Clear" 10.46am  | 28 Chwe<br>1941 | 234     |
|  |  | Summer Hours 9.30-12.30; 2-4.30pm. Infants 9.30-12; 2-4pm. "Alert" at 4pm. All Clear 4.30pm  | 3 Maw 1941      | 234     |
|  |  | "Alert" 1.30pm. "All Clear" 2.15pm   | 7 Maw 1941      | 234     |
|  |  | "Alert" 12.15pm. "All Clear" 12.30pm   | 10 Maw 1941     | 235     |
|  |  | "Alert at 11.26am. "All Clear" 11.55am. Alert at 3.07pm. All Clear 3.30pm  | 11 Maw 1941     | 235     |
|  |  | Alert at 3.35pm. All Clear 4pm   | 17 Maw 1941     | 235     |
|  |  | Alert at 9.35am. All Clear 10.08am   | 26 Maw 1941     | 235     |
|  |  | Alert at 2.25pm. All Clear 3.15pm  | 27 Maw 1941     | 235     |
|  |  | Alert 2.14pm. All Clear 2.26pm   | 22 Mai 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | School closed at 3.30pm-billeting meeting at Caegarw Senior sch  | 27 Mai 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | Alert 4.20pm. All Clear 5.01pm   | 28 Mai 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | Alert 10.50am. All Clear 11.35am   | 29 Mai 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | Alert 11.04am. All Clear 11.15am   | 30 Mai 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | The 500 <sup>th</sup> Alert was sounded at 1.55am  | 17 Meh 1941     | 238     |
|  |  | Alert 3.07pm. All Clear 3.40pm   | 15 Gor 1941     | 240     |
|  |  | School closed for the afternoon to enable staff to make a house-to-house canvas for the purpose of setting up War-time nurseries                     | 28 Gor 1941     | 240-241 |
|  |  | School closed in afternoon-billeting arrangements  | 28 Tach 1941    | 244     |
|  |  | School closed in afternoon-reception of Birmingham Evacuees  | 4 Rhag 1941     | 244     |
|  |  | An Evacuee sat the Metropolitan Evacuating Area Special Place Examination. Mobile Officer Poyntz gave a talk to the children on Road Safety          | 6 Maw 1942      | 247     |
|  |  | Summer Hours 9.30am-12.30pm, 2pm-4.30pm. Infants 9.30am-12.30pm  | 9 Maw 1942      | 247     |
|  |  | Wardens B Howells and J Canton examined the children's Gas Masks today and found several too small and a few defective                               | 13 Mai 1942     | 249     |
|  |  | The school assembled at 11am and took part in a religious service in accordance with the wishes of His Majesty the King for a National Day of Prayer | 3 Med 1942      | 255     |
|  |  | The Two Minutes Silence observed   | 11 Tach 1942    | 255     |

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|  |  | "Alert" 3.19pm. "All Clear" 3.46pm   | 19 Chwe<br>1943   | 259     |
|  |  | Reverted to Summer Time-9.30 to 12.30, 2 to 4.30. Infants 9.30-12. 2-4pm   | 1 Maw 1943        | 259     |
|  |  | Village School's £3,069 effort-Aberdare Leader-Wings for Victory   | 17 Ebr 1943       | 261     |
|  |  | Stds 2,3,4,5 were taken down to the Duffryn Woods to hear a lecture by Mr W J Bowen (Hospital Secretary) on the War Memorial   | 31 Mai 1943       | 262-263 |
|  |  | School re-opened at Winter times. Infants 10am to 12.15, 1.45pm to 3.45pm. Juniors 10am to 12.30, 1.45pm to 4pm  | 2 Tach 1943       | 264     |
|  |  | National Savings total for period Oct to March-£141-12s-6d   | 29 Maw 1944       | 267     |
|  |  | Received cards of thanks from 5 of HM Forces in Middle East for parcels of cigarettes paid for by children of the school thro' the Empire Tobacco Fund                                 | 3 Gor 1944        | 269     |
|  |  | School closed all day-Evacuees expected  | 7 Gor 1944        | 269     |
|  |  | School closed-evacuees expected on Fri. School closed to received evacuees   | 12-14 Gor<br>1944 | 269     |
|  |  | School closed all day to canvass for billets   | 18 Gor 1944       | 269     |
|  |  | School closed to receive Evacuees. Total savings realised by the school in "Salute the Soldier" week amounted to the magnificent sum of £6054-9s                                       | 21 Gor 1944       | 270     |
|  |  | I examined the Gas Masks of all the children present and found 8 defective from one cause and another  | 13 Med 1944       | 271     |
|  |  | Dinners were served in school for first time. 52 children (68 on books), Director of Education, Miss Williams and HT partook. Miss Harries was in charge with Mrs Gwen Lewis as helper | 2 Hyd 1944        | 271     |
|  |  | Miss Parry HMI and Director of Education visited school to inspect arrangements for feeding. (Mrs White started today as 2 <sup>nd</sup> dinner helper)                                | 9 Hyd 1944        | 271     |
|  |  | Miss Birch LCC and Miss Saunders visited school to inquire after LCC Evacuees  | 9 Tach 1944       | 273     |
|  |  | 2536 dinners have been served here since the opening on 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct  | 22 Rhag 1944      | 274     |
|  |  | Miss Parry HMI visited school with Miss Harries, and expressed her pleasure at the feeding arrangements and the improvement effected in the chn  | 8 Chwe 1945       | 274     |
|  |  | Mrs White ceased duties as canteen helper  | 20 Ebr 1945       | 274     |
|  |  | Mrs Beynon commenced in place of Mrs White   | 23 Ebr 1945       | 275     |
|  |  | School closed today and tomorrow to celebrate VE Day   | 8 Mai 1945        | 275     |

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| EMA9/1 | Darren-Las<br>Mixed and<br>Seniors | School re-commenced this morning after the mid-summer vacation, but the children were immediately dismissed until further notice, in accordance with instructions received from the office-the nation being at war with Germany. At 11am the staff proceeded to Dyffryn Junior School for a meeting to discuss the billeting of incoming children. The staff is to attend at the school every morning for further instructions | 4 Med 1939   | 410     |
|        |                                    | Attended the Education Office this morning, and was informed that at a meeting of the LEA held on the 5 <sup>th</sup> inst it was decided that for the duration of the war that Darrenlas Senior School and Duffryn Junior School revert to "All Standard" schools. Arrangement are consequently being made to effect the change   | 6 Med 1939   | 410-411 |
|        |                                    | It was decided that owing to the fact that a room is required as a first aid post, Standard II will be accommodated at the Infants' School. There is no change in the personnel of the staff   | 12 Med 1939  | 411     |
|        |                                    | Representatives (Doctor and Architect) from the ARP County Com came to inspect the arrangement made in the First Aid Post room   | 26 Med 1939  | 412     |
|        |                                    | Mr E W Rees, Head Teacher of Duffryn Sch Called re billeting arrangements. A Staff meeting was held from 3.15 to 3.50  | 29 Med 1939  | 412     |
|        |                                    | A ward meeting of teachers having been called for at Duffryn School at 3.45. The necessary time alterations in commencing and dismissing school have been made. Business billeting   | 2 Hyd 1939   | 412     |
|        |                                    | School commenced this morning at 9.55. A Staff meeting was held from 9.30 to 9.55 to make arrangements for canvassing for billeting  | 3 Hyd 1939   | 412     |
|        |                                    | Received a notice from the Director stating that the LEA had rescinded the motion making this school an "All Standard" School, and that it was to revert to its pre-war status of a Senior School. Arrangement are accordingly being made to effect the change   | 5 Hyd 1939   | 413     |
|        |                                    | Mr E W Rees paid a visit re billeting arrangements   | 10 Hyd 1939  | 413     |
|        |                                    | Left school at 3pm to attend a HT Conference-Business-Provision of air-raid Shelters at School.  | 19 Hyd 1939  | 413     |
|        |                                    | Mr E W Rees called to discuss billeting accommodation  | 15 Tach 1939 | 415     |
|        |                                    | Several children receiving milk under the means test are having their supply cut off, as from today. Informed the staff that I intend postponing this term's written tests, to the end of February, owing to the recent upheavals in school organisation   | 4 Rhag 1939  | 416     |
|        |                                    | Arrived at school 2pm having been to see Mr Rees (Duffryn Sch) on billeting business   | 4 Maw 1940   | 420     |
|        |                                    | Acting on an emergency order from the Board of Education the school was re-opened this morning   | 14 Mai 1940  | 423     |
|        |                                    | Arrived at school 2pm having visited Duffryn School on evacuation business. A Staff meeting was called to discuss re-canvassing of householders  | 20 Mai 1940  | 423     |

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|  | School dismissed at 3.05pm to enable the teachers to complete their arrangements for billeting  | 23 Mai 1940 | 423 |
|  | Arrived at 3.05pm having been to Duffryn Junior School on billeting business  | 27 Mai 1940 | 424 |
|  | School closed at 2.30pm, news having been received that evacuees are coming on Sunday. So a ward meeting of the Staffs was held at the Duffryn Sch this afternoon   | 31 Mai 1940 | 424 |
|  | I arrived at 2.50pm in the afternoon having been to Duffryn Junior on billeting business  | 11 Meh 1940 | 424 |
|  | Arrived at school at 10.15am having been to Duffryn School on billeting business  | 5 Gor 1940  | 425 |
|  | Left at 3pm to attend a conference at the Council Chamber-air-raid pre in schools   | 12 Gor 1940 | 426 |
|  | An air-raid warning was sounded before the registers were marked and the children sent home. The registers were not marked in the afternoon to enable the teachers to paste paper on the windows as suggested at the Conference | 15 Gor 1940 | 426 |
|  | An air raid signal was sounded in the morning-children dispersed and in the afternoon-children dispersed  | 18 Gor 1940 | 426 |
|  | Air raid signal given. Children dispersed   | 19 Gor 1940 | 426 |
|  | School dismissal at 2.30pm to enable the teachers to attend a meeting re billeting, at the Duffryn School   | 24 Gor 1940 | 427 |
|  | School closed today to enable the staff to re-canvas the districts for billeting purposed   | 29 Gor 1940 | 427 |
|  | Air raid warning sounded at 10.45. Children were sent home. Another warning went at 11.30, so they did not return to school. School resumed at 1.45pm   | 21 Aws 1940 | 427 |
|  | Air raid warning sounded at 10.40. Children sent home, but school was resumed at 11.30  | 22 Aws 1940 | 427 |
|  | Two air raid alarms this morning. Children dispersed but school commenced at 11am   | 4 Med 1940  | 428 |
|  | One air raid alarm this morning. School commenced at 10.30am  | 5 Med 1940  | 428 |
|  | Air raid alert sounded at 11.40am. Children dispersed-school restarted 1.45.  | 25 Med 1940 | 428 |
|  | Air raid alarm sounded at 3.45pm. Children dismissed  | 26 Med 1940 | 429 |
|  | Air raid alarm sounded at 9.30am. School commenced at 10.15am. Air raid alarm sounded at 11.50am. Children dispersed. Air raid alarm sounded at 2.05pm. School commenced at 2.45pm  | 27 Med 1940 | 429 |
|  | Air raid alarm sounded at 11am. School resumed at 11.45am   | 1 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  | Air raid alarm during morning   | 2 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  | Air raid alarm during morning. School reassembled 1.45  | 3 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  | School closed today to allow the Staff to canvas householders for the purpose of billeting London mothers and children  | 4 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  | Arrived at 2.30pm having been to Dyffryn Junior-billeting business  | 7 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  | Air raid alarm sounded at 3.15pm. Children dispersed, and did not return during the afternoon   | 8 Hyd 1940  | 430 |

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|  |  | School closed for the morning session, the Staff being engaged upon matters concerning the billeting of London mothers and children                                 | 14 Hyd 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | Arrived in School at 11.15am-billeting business at Duffryn School. Air raid warning sounded during afternoon. Children dispersed, but were able to return at 3.30pm | 15 Hyd 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | School was closed today to prepare billet arrangements for London mothers and children  | 17 Hyd 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | School closed on 18 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> inst. Billeting and compiling statistics   | 18 Hyd 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | Air raid alar, sounded at 11.30am. School resumed in the afternoon  | 28 Hyd 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | Air raid alert sounded at 3.15pm. Children dispersed, and did not return  | 11 Tach 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | Air raid alert sounded at 1.35pm. School commenced at 2.05pm. Air raid alert sounded at 3.45pm. School dispersed and did not return                                 | 13 Tach 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | School re-commenced. The air raid wardens have removed their apparatus to another post in the district. The Science room is still used as a First-aid Post          | 19 Tach 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | Air raid "Alert" sounded at 2.10. Children dispersed, but returned at 2.30. The "Alert" sounded again at 2.45. The children again dispersed, and did not return     | 21 Tach 1940 | 432 |
|  |  | Air raid alert sounded at 3.45pm. Children dispersed  | 22 Tach 1940 | 432 |
|  |  | School closed until the 28 <sup>th</sup> inst. Evacuees from Birmingham expected  | 25 Tach 1940 | 432 |
|  |  | Air raid alert sounded at 2pm. Children dispersed, but school re-commenced at 3.15pm  | 3 Rhag 1940  | 432 |
|  |  | Air raid alert sounded at 3pm. Children dispersed and did not return  | 4 Rhag 1940  | 432 |
|  |  | Miss A Jones. Swansea, delivered a lecture on Food Values and Milk, but was interrupted by an air raid alert at 12.05. The children were dispersed                  | 5 Rhag 1940  | 432 |
|  |  | Air raid "Alert" sounded at 1.45pm. "All clear" at 2.10-another "Alert" at 2.15 and "All Clear" at 2.45. School commenced at 3pm                                    | 11 Rhag 1940 | 433 |
|  |  | A representative from the Labour Exchange interviewed pupils eligible to leave at Christmas   | 16 Rhag 1940 | 433 |
|  |  | I arrived in school this afternoon at 2.30pm having been to Duffryn School on billeting business  | 17 Rhag 1940 | 433 |
|  |  | Arrived at 10.30am having been to Duffryn School-billeting business   | 19 Rhag 1940 | 433 |
|  |  | An air raid alarm was sounded at 12.15 and the pupils were sent home<br>Another air raid alarm was sounded at 1.50, and the children were dispersed                 | 20 Ion 1941  | 434 |
|  |  | School dismissed at 2.45pm-a party of London evacuees arriving at 4pm   | 23 Ion 1941  | 435 |
|  |  | School closed this morning to enable teachers to obtain information concerning the London evacuees billeted yesterday. School open for the afternoon session        | 24 Ion 1941  | 435 |
|  |  | London evacuees attending the Junior Dept. are now attending the Duffryn School   | 3 Chwe 1941  | 435 |
|  |  | Attended a conference at the Educ Office in the afternoon, to discuss "Fire Watching" in schools  | 6 Chwe 1941  | 435 |

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|  |  | London evacuees who were to attend Duffryn Sch (See 3-2-41) have returned to this school  | 7 Chwe 1941  | 436     |
|  |  | School dismissed at 3.30-canvassing for fire watchers   | 11 Chwe 1941 | 436     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm sounded at 10.15am. Children returned at 10.45am   | 28 Chwe 1941 | 436     |
|  |  | School commenced at 2.20pm in the afternoon session, due to a lunch time air raid alert   | 7 Maw 1941   | 437     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm 12.15. Children dispersed  | 10 Maw 1941  | 437     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm 11.25-12 noon. Children dispersed and returned. Air raid alarm sounded at 3pm. Children returned at 3.30pm   | 11 Maw 1941  | 437     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm at 3.35pm. Children dispersed and did not return   | 17 Maw 1941  | 437     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm at 9.15, all clear 9.30, another at 9.35 and all clear 10.10am. School commenced at 10.30am  | 26 Maw 1941  | 437     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm at 2.30pm. School recommenced at 3.30pm  | 27 Maw 1941  | 437     |
|  |  | Leavers interviewed by Advisory Committee and employee from the Labour Exchange   | 4 Ebr 1941   | 438     |
|  |  | School recommenced. Mr WJ Pretly, a teachers under the LCC is doing duty at this school during afternoon sessions, primarily to keep contact with the LCC evacuees  | 6 Mai 1941   | 438     |
|  |  | School closed at 2.50pm, the Staff to attend a Billeting Conference to be held at the Duffryn School  | 12 Mai 1941  | 439     |
|  |  | School closed today to enable to Staff to go canvassing for billets   | 14 Mai 1941  | 439     |
|  |  | I arrived at 3.20 in the afternoon, having been to view some premises re billeting  | 20 Mai 1941  | 439     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm sounded at 2.15pm. School recommenced at 3.10  | 22 Mai 1941  | 439     |
|  |  | A staff meeting was held in the Infants School from 3-4pm-to discuss billeting arrangements for Saturday  | 27 Mai 1941  | 439-440 |
|  |  | Air raid alarm sounded at 10.45am. School resumed at 11.30am  | 29 Mai 1941  | 440     |
|  |  | A short air raid alarm 11-11.10am. School resumed at 11.30am  | 30 Mai 1941  | 440     |
|  |  | School reopened. Owing to the Duffryn schools having been demolished in the raid Friday night, a half time system has been adopted temporarily. In the mornings this school will be occupied by the Darrenlas Seniors, and in the afternoons by the Duffryn Juniors | 3 Meh 1941   | 440     |
|  |  | The girls attending Cookery and Home making now attend this school on Mondays and Thursdays, the Centre having been destroyed through enemy action  | 24 Meh 1941  | 441     |
|  |  | Air raid alarm sounded at 2.50pm. School recommenced at 3.45pm  | 15 Gor 1941  | 441     |

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|         |                         | A short Staff Meeting was held to discuss the dispersal of pupils about the school premises (if necessary) during an air raid. In view of the experience gained in the case of the Duffryn Sch it was unanimously decided that the children remain in their rooms taking cover under the desks. Gas mask drill to be continued  | 8 Med 1941   | 442-443 |
|         |                         | Mr J Hughes and Mr Baton paid a visit re evacuees   | 7 Tach 1941  | 444     |
|         |                         | School closed this afternoon to enable the Staff to canvas the district for evacuee billets   | 27 Tach 1941 | 444     |
|         |                         | Arrived in school at 11.15, having been in conference re billeting. School closed this afternoon to receive evacuees from Birmingham  | 4 Rhag 1941  | 445     |
| EMA10/1 | Duffryn (Board) Infants | Acting in accordance with "Government Instruction" the scholars who put in an appearance this morning was sent home. As War was declared yesterday all schools are to be closed "Until further notice". All teachers have been requested to "Report" at their various schools daily during this week  | 4 Med 1939   | 442     |
|         |                         | School re-opened this morning, Instructions were received to admit no children under 5, so it had been decided to admit children "who are 5 during the term until further notice". Since "Evacuation" commenced several children have arrived from London and Birmingham and have arranged to stay with relations for the duration of the War. As we have no "Threes" of "Fours" there is no babies class | 11 Med 1939  | 442-443 |
|         |                         | Official instructions have been received to re-admit "under-fives", so there will be a return to former arrangements re classes, from today   | 9 Hyd 1939   | 443     |
|         |                         | Owing to the War situation instructions have been received that schools are to be re-opened this morning (Tuesday). All the teachers are present except Miss Davies. The "Babies" are now taught by Miss Oliver-during Miss Davies' absence   | 14 Mai 1940  | 445     |
|         |                         | School is closed by order of Education Committee to enable teachers to "Receive" and "Place" children "Evacuees" from Sheerness. 22 have been admitted at Duffryn infants' school. Two teachers (Miss Rice and Mrs Lyle) are in charge and Miss Randall (HT) visits the Sheerness pupils in various schools   | 3-6 Meh 1940 | 445-446 |
|         |                         | School is closed this afternoon by order of the Director of Education to enable the teachers to attend to protection of windows and partition   | 15 Gor 1940  | 446     |
|         |                         | School is closed-at end of morning session-for two weeks' vacation  | 2 Aws 1940   | 446     |
|         |                         | School re-opened. All the teachers are present. Miss Randall is in charge of Sheerness children-Miss Rice-who had supervised during the fortnight's holiday-having been instructed to take her fortnight's holiday. Two pupils returned to Sheerness  | 19 Aws 1940  | 446     |
|         |                         | 53 children were today promoted to the Junior Dept. (39, +14 Sheerness children)  | 2 Med 1940   | 446     |

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|  |  | Instructions have been received that school is to be closed from midday today until Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup> for the second half of the "Summer Vacation"   | 6 Med 1940      | 446     |
|  |  | School is re-opened, all the teachers are present. The "Sheerness" children are taught by their own teachers and have been accommodated in a room in the Junior boys' school   | 23 Med 1940     | 447     |
|  |  | School will be closed tomorrow (Oct 4 <sup>th</sup> ) to enable teachers to "Canvas" the area to find accommodation for additional Evacuees expected. Closed also on Oct 18 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup>   | 3 Hyd 1940      | 447     |
|  |  | School was closed this morning to enable teachers to visit "Billets" for Evacuees  | 24 Ion 1941     | 447     |
|  |  | 35 Evacuees were admitted this morning   | 27 Ion 1941     | 447     |
|  |  | School is closed today by order of the Ed Committee to enable the teachers to canvas the district for "Billets" for possible Evacuees  | 14 Mai 1941     | 448     |
|  |  | Official instructions have been received that school is to be closed on Monday June 2 <sup>nd</sup> (Whit Monday) but, as Evacuees are expected, to re-open on Tuesday the usual "Whit week" holiday to be taken June 9 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup>  | 30 Mai 1941     | 448     |
|  |  | <p>At 2.45am on Saturday morning May 31<sup>st</sup>, a very powerful HE bomb was dropped by a German plane in the "Green" of the boys' school causing great damage to the three departments, home-making centre, cookery centre and clinics. Residences in near vicinity were rendered uninhabitable-several almost demolished, and many children and parents were forced to leave the district to seek shelter and temporary homes. It was fortunate that the bomb fell on soft ground and not on the asphalt playground. It was miraculous that there were so few serious personal injuries and no immediate loss of life.</p> <p>On Whit Monday morning (June 2<sup>nd</sup>) the area teachers were requested to attend the Education Office to meet the Chairman of the Education Committee, Sub Committee and officials, to discuss alternative accommodation. It was decided that the area teachers should assist the Director in making enquiries regarding the accommodation available in the district and schoolrooms belonging to the churches in the neighbourhood. The suggestion of the Director that Duffryn school teachers might meet their pupils at Darran Las schools on the three remaining "school afternoons" during "Whit week" was adopted. The infants were assembled in the Darran Las infants' school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon, and the juniors in the senior school.</p> <p>The attendance of infants was poor (66%). During the mornings of the week ended June 6<sup>th</sup> the area teachers and members of staffs helped to salvage material and to remove school furniture and apparatus to the various vestries.</p> | Mai-Meh<br>1941 | 449-452 |



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|  |  | <p>After visits to and interviews with, the different church officials, it was arranged that the infants were to be accommodated in Duffryn St Vestry (Classes III and II), Brotherhood Church Hall (Class I) and Dama Rd (Eng Wesleyan) Church schoolroom (Std I) and the Sheerness group in Providence Vestry. Owing to the demand for lorries by residents in the bombed area there was a scarcity of transport vehicles for some days, and by the time lorries were obtainable, pouring rain added to the difficulties. Council workmen were aided in the shifting and transport of heavy cupboards, desks etc. by the men teachers Messrs Parfitt, Garfield Evans and WD Christopher and S Fidle and Mr J Hall attendance officer. The bigger boys too gave valuable assistance and after depositing each lorry load, caused much amusement by singing themselves hoarse during the ride back to the "School".</p> <p>Official instructions were received that all schools in the district would be closed for "Whitsun Vacation" during the week June 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>-School to be re-opened on June 16<sup>th</sup>. On June 11<sup>th</sup> the area teachers of the Junior and Infants' depts. were requested to meet the Director to complete arrangements, and to visit the different vestries to discuss their suitability for different classes.</p> <p>Mr TN Lewis (HMI) attended the meeting, and, together with the Director and Head Teachers, visited the vestries to inspect the premises with regard to lighting, heating and sanitary convenience.</p> <p>All were agreed that the chief inconveniences were the entire absence of playing space (making it impossible for children to have recreation in free play), and insufficient "Office" conveniences (one WC connected with each "Vestry" and some vestries containing 40 and some 70 chn) and no "Cloakrooms".</p> <p>On Monday morning June 16<sup>th</sup> the Head Teacher of the infants' department met members of the staff at Duffryn St Chapel Vestry to sort out furniture, books, and apparatus, have them removed to the vestries, and during the week to aim at getting all in working order as soon as possible. School cleaners scrubbed all floors; furniture, desks and apparatus were conveyed to the vestries by teachers workmen and pupils and school was opened on Thursday afternoon June 19<sup>th</sup></p> |                   |         |
|  |  | <p>Attendance for June 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> reached only 60%. We found that a large number of Woodland St children had gone to other districts to stay with relatives while several have found shelter in the homes of people in Ayl St and Napier St. On Monday June 23<sup>rd</sup> attendance was better-86%, while for the month of June percentage was 82. On Monday evening of July 7<sup>th</sup> members of the "Sub-Committee" met in the Education Office.</p>   | 19-20 Meh<br>1941 | 452-453 |

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|  |  | <p>There were present Mrs Bath JP Chairman of Education Committee (in the chair), Councillors T Morgan and ST Griffiths, Miss A Davies (HT infants' Dept.), Mr S Fidles (representing Mr Edgar Rees NT Junior Dept. who was unable to attend through illness), Mr Price (Director of Education) and Mr Salisbury Roberts.</p> <p>All members of the Sub-Committee again visited the vestries and returned to the Education Office to compare and discuss observations. Members stated that all that could possibly be done to make the vestries more pleasant, convenient and sanitary should be done during the Midsummer Vacation. Councillor Griffiths mentioned that the walls might be coloured and hooks fixed for hanging coats. Councillor Morgan said that there would be difficulty in procuring hooks, but the NT suggested that the hooks might be procured from the cloakroom of Duffryn schools-fixed on pieces of boarding and then fixed on passage (entrance) walls of vestries. This suggestion was adopted. Head Teachers were requested to send a report to the Education Office giving an approximate estimate of missing and damaged material. It will be impossible to give a detailed and correct estimate at once as we shall find out only as we proceed with the school work</p> |              |     |
|  |  | <p>During the week commencing July 21<sup>st</sup> the Head Teacher tested all classes in the "Three R's and in Handwork. Considering the circumstances the work accomplished was very satisfactory. The children all seemed quite happy</p>  | 14 Gor 1941  | 453 |
|  |  | <p>School is closed this afternoon to enable teachers to canvas the district to collect information re pupils eligible for nursery schools and classes</p>  | 29 Gor 1941  | 453 |
|  |  | <p>32 children (aged 4 and 5) have been admitted as a new "Babies" Class. The Sheerness and London groups have been "Absorbed" into other classes. After the first term the "Fives" in the babies' class will be promoted to second class. Mrs Eyles (LCC) has been sent to assist. Nothing was done during the Summer Vacation to render the improvements suggested for the vestries by the "Sub-Committee". The walls are very dirty, and sadly need washing down and re-cleaning. The HT of infants' Dept. procured the assistance of a local woman to wash down the walls of the smaller room in Duffryn St Vestry</p>  | 5 Med 1941   | 454 |
|  |  | <p>Official instructions have been received that from today school will commence at 10am instead of 9.30 during dark winter months. Morning session 10-12.15. Afternoon 2 to 4</p>  | 17 Tach 1941 | 455 |
|  |  | <p>School will be closed this afternoon to enable teachers to seek "Billets" for the Birmingham children expected</p>   | 27 Tach 1941 | 455 |
|  |  | <p>School is closed this afternoon owing to the arrival of Birmingham Evacuees</p>  | 4 Rhag 1941  | 455 |

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|  |  | Twelve Birmingham children of Infant school age are to be placed in various classes of Duffryn infants' S (Std I 4, CI I 3, CI II 1 CI III 4)   | 5 Rhag 1941 | 455     |
|  |  | Three boxes of sweets and two boxes of toy blocks have been "Gifts" received from American friends to Evacuee children in our district. The sweets will be "Shared out" and a letter of thanks afterwards dispatched  | 12 Ion 1942 | 456     |
|  |  | A number of children have been promoted from babies to CI II, some from CI II to CI I-This will make possible the admission of new "Four year old children"   | 9 Chwe 1942 | 456     |
|  |  | The Head Teacher applied for the use of the Social Service Hall Iron St this afternoon, for a "Concert" (to be given by First Class and Std I). Parents and friends were invited and Mr Price (Director of Education) presided. A collection in aid of "Warship week expenses fund" realised £2 16s   | 12 Maw 1942 | 457     |
|  |  | Head Teachers applied for a "Supply Teacher", as she has been unable to visit the vestries accommodating St I and First Class for 3 weeks   | 24 Maw 1942 | 457-458 |
|  |  | Miss Turner-a Birmingham Evacuee teacher has been sent here for the remainder of this term  | 25 Maw 1942 | 458     |
|  |  | Head Teacher has reported the difficulties experienced at Napier St and Duffryn St Vestries, and has applied for some improvements to premises-and if possible for alternative or additional accommodation  | 31 Maw 1942 | 458     |
|  |  | Mrs Engels was absent this morning. She had missed the train "connection" from Hengoed. Head Teacher was therefore more than "Fully occupied), as "Moneys" are taken on Monday morning for bank, dinner and Milk  | 20 Ebr 1942 | 458     |
|  |  | School is re-opened this morning. First class children (who formerly occupied the "Brotherhood meeting hall" in Napier St), and the Second class children (who were accommodated with babies in Duffryn St Vestry) have been removed to Bethlehem Vestry. This rearrangement gives the babies a room apart-which is very essential for that class. The time table for the two classes which occupy Bethlehem will be re-arranged, to enable the teachers to take some oral work   | 1 Meh 1942  | 459     |
|  |  | During the past week the Head Teacher examined the work of all classes and arranged for the promotion of children. At Duffryn St the teachers of the "Nursery" class and second class have experienced a very trying year. In spite of the fact that both classes (consisting of 38 and 40 children respectively) shared the room for 9 months it is gratifying to note the progress made by the children. This also applies to Bethlehem Vestry-now occupied by First and Second classes. It is very difficult for teachers, but it does give the children aged 5 or 6 yrs. an opportunity of knowing the generation preceding and succeeding them. It also helps to give them and idea that they from part of a "School". | 27 Gor 1942 | 460-461 |

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|         |                      | <p>After repeated appeals by the Head Teacher, some her suggested improvements for the hygienic convenience of the little ones at Duffryn St have been carried out, but it is very disappointing that the recommendation of the Sub-Committee last year to have the walls re-coloured has been ignored. The Head Teacher will again appeal to the Education Committee that the work might be carried out during the holidays. A request will also be made that a tap and wash basin be fixed in Bethlehem Vestry, and that some improvements be made at Dana Rd Vestry.</p> <p>The caretaker of the Bethlehem Chapel has very kindly allowed the children to use his garden as a playground. The ground is very soft, and a request will be made that the Education Committee might do something to harden the surface to make it more suitable for playing on. As the infants of Duffryn area will have to be accommodated in vestries for a long time it is hoped that all that can possibly be done may be attended to the before the cold weather sets in</p> |              |     |
|         |                      | School closed for afternoon session-billeting   | 12 Gor 1944  | 467 |
|         |                      | School closed for afternoon session-evacuation  | 14 Gor 1944  | 467 |
|         |                      | School closed-billeting   | 18 Gor 1944  | 467 |
|         |                      | School closed-attendance Half-holiday and arrival of Evacuees   | 21 Gor 1944  | 467 |
|         |                      | School closed on account of Peace celebrations  | 8-9 Mai 1945 | 469 |
| EMA13/4 | Miskin/Meisgyn Mixed | Emergency closing of school-War crisis  | 4-8 Med 1939 | 202 |
|         |                      | School re-opened. All the teachers present  | 11 Med 1939  | 202 |
|         |                      | All children from the Infants dept. except St I were transferred to Clarence St Infant dept. The St I children were admitted to the Junior dept.-This necessitated a rearrangement of teachers  | 2 Hyd 1939   | 202 |
|         |                      | Nurse Richardson paid a visit and weighed all children receiving Milk Emulsion and Dinners by instructions from SMO. ARP classes (taken by Mr Smith were held Nov 7 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> , Dec 5 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> (1939)  | 17 Ion 1940  | 204 |
|         |                      | Requisition (Garment making scheme) sent to office. Return re Evacuees in reply to Circ 10/40 and result of enquiries re times of starting school sent to office  | 13 Chwe 1940 | 205 |
|         |                      | Nurse Richardson called to weigh children on MOH list receiving Milk emulsion and dinners   | 26 Chwe 1940 | 205 |
|         |                      | Form 208M (B of E) Milk in schools sent in to office  | 29 Chwe 1940 | 206 |
|         |                      | Nurse Richardson called to weigh pupils in receipt of dinners, emulsion   | 12 Maw 1940  | 206 |
|         |                      | Children informed of new times viz; 9.15am-12.15pm; 1.45pm-4.15pm   | 21 Maw 1940  | 206 |

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|  |  | Holiday curtailed through National Emergency. School reassembled this morning   | 14 Mai 1940  | 208 |
|  |  | School to be closed on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (June 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> ) to make arrangements for the reception of 815 Evacuees into the area (urban)   | 31 Mai 1940  | 209 |
|  |  | School re-opened after reception of first group of Evacuees (from Sheerness, Sittingbourne). Three rooms on the ground floor set apart and occupied by 70 children from Sheerness RC school   | 7 Meh 1940   | 209 |
|  |  | Head Teacher of Sheerness RC school whose school is accommodated downstairs left for Sheerness to see about transfer of stock and stationery  | 11 Meh 1940  | 209 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning. Children to be kept in school took up positions previously assigned to them and remained in them until the "All Clear" signal. The whole operation carried out peacefully and exceptionally. Registers marked in the afternoon and children dismissed soon to enable teachers to protect windows against splinters by fixing gummed strips across panes | 15 Gor 1940  | 210 |
|  |  | Children dismissed early to enable combined meeting of Miskin group to discuss billeting  | 23 Gor 1940  | 210 |
|  |  | School closed to enable a re-cavass of the district to be made  | 24 Gor 1940  | 210 |
|  |  | School closes for Midsummer Vacation of a fortnights duration to reassemble on August 19 <sup>th</sup> 1940   | 2 Aws 1940   | 211 |
|  |  | School closed for two weeks, to re-open on 23/9/40  | 6 Med 1940   | 211 |
|  |  | School closed for morning session to make a revised billeting canvas  | 3 Hyd 1940   | 213 |
|  |  | Afternoon session closed at 3.30pm to allow for staff meeting to deal with billeting of mothers and children. Order for coal and request for electric lamps sent in. A statement about dinners at Canteen and payment of 4d forwarded to office   | 11 Hyd 1940  | 214 |
|  |  | School closed during morning to allow for completion of billeting arrangements in connection with evacuated mothers and children from London  | 14 Hyd 1940  | 214 |
|  |  | School closed for afternoon session to allow teachers to visit billets  | 18 Hyd 1940  | 214 |
|  |  | School closed for purpose of checking billets   | 21 Hyd 1940  | 214 |
|  |  | Particulars of children accommodated from other areas sent to Education Office  | 4 Tach 1940  | 214 |
|  |  | School hours were changed from today as follows: Morning 10-12.30, afternoon 1.45-4   | 11 Tach 1940 | 215 |
|  |  | Form 208M (B of E) Milk in schools sent to Ed Office  | 14 Tach 1940 | 215 |
|  |  | School closed to enable revised canvass of billets to be made with a view to reception of Evacuees from Birmingham. School to re-open on Thursday 28/11/40. Milk supplied and Penny Bank deposit taken before dispersal   | 25 Tach 1940 | 215 |
|  |  | Attendance, Teachers' Absence, Meals, Bank paying in Slip for November sent in to Ed Office   | 29 Tach 1940 | 215 |

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|  |  | Miss Jones, a lecturer under the National Milk Publicity Council, delivered a discourse on the Food Value of Milk from 10.30-11.30am  | 5 Rhag 1940  | 216     |
|  |  | Dr Williams SMO carried out a routine examination (for malnutrition) of the whole school  | 6 Rhag 1940  | 216     |
|  |  | Received cheque of £ 2s 0d towards expenses for Christmas Treat for Evacuees  | 10 Ion 1941  | 217     |
|  |  | Left school at 3 o'clock to attend meeting at Penrhiwceiber Senior in connection with Fire Spotting in schools  | 12 Chwe 1941 | 217     |
|  |  | Form 214M B of E-Provision of meals-Public Elementary Schools sent to Ed Office   | 20 Chwe 1941 | 217     |
|  |  | Attendance, Meals Return for February 1941 and 3 Bank Paying Slips sent to Education Office   | 3 Maw 1941   | 218     |
|  |  | School closed for afternoon to enable billeting canvas to be made   | 25 Maw 1941  | 218     |
|  |  | School closed during the afternoon for reception of 91 Evacuees from Birmingham   | 28 Maw 1941  | 219     |
|  |  | Nineteen children, evacuated from B'ham on 28/3/41 admitted   | 2 Ebr 1941   | 219     |
|  |  | Milk Return for Sept 1940 sent to office  | 9 Ebr 1941   | 219     |
|  |  | The school's contribution to War Weapons week amounted £2279-7s-1d  | 6 Mai 1941   | 219     |
|  |  | School closed-to enable a fresh survey of billets for Evacuees to be made   | 14 Mai 1941  | 220     |
|  |  | Evacuees from Radnor Rd and St Mary's RC Cardiff received   | 3 Meh 1941   | 220     |
|  |  | School closed at the end of morning session for the Whitsun Holidays which had been postponed for one week on account of reception of Evacuees from Cardiff   | 6 Meh 1941   | 220     |
|  |  | Attendance, Meals, Teachers' Absence and three paying in slips for the month of June sent to the Ed Office  | 1 Gor 1941   | 221     |
|  |  | Miss Matthews (evacuated teacher from St Mary's RC Infants school Canton Cardiff) returned to Cardiff for duty  | 18 Gor 1941  | 221     |
|  |  | List of Evacuees with attendances for year ending 31/3/41 (Claims from Education Authorities) sent to Education Office  | 23 Gor 1941  | 221     |
|  |  | School closed during afternoon to enable canvass of district with reference to Nurseries to be carried out  | 29 Gor 1941  | 221-222 |
|  |  | School re-opened after Summer Vacation. All Staff present. Miss Edith Joy Garner TC from B'ham commenced duties in place of Miss D M Petherick TC who has returned to B'ham. Mr Frances Patrick Rahill and Miss Vera Margaret Lewis commenced duties with St Mary's RC Canton Senior children and Infants class in place of Mr Keeley TC (with the RAF) and Miss Cronin TC (returned to Cardiff). Miss Olive Theresa Connor TC commenced duties in place of Sister Ryan and Sister Gertrude (returned to Cardiff) | 1 Med 1941   | 222     |

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|  |  | Miss Vera Margaret Lewis (TC) ceases duties with infants' class (St Mary's RC) on returning to Cardiff. Children in St Mary's infants' class transferred to Our Lady's RC School. Children over 10 yrs. of age for St Mary's R Junior school transferred to St Mary's RC Senior class, with the permission of the Director of Education                               | 5 Med 1941   | 222-223 |
|  |  | Details of distribution of Cardiff Teachers returned to office  | 10 Med 1941  | 223     |
|  |  | School closes at 3.30pm for the reception of 29 children from B'ham   | 23 Med 1941  | 223     |
|  |  | 9 children (4 boys 5 girls) from B'ham (unaccompanied Evacuees) admitted  | 24 Med 1941  | 223     |
|  |  | 4 girls from Birmingham (unaccompanied Evacuees) admitted   | 25 Med 1941  | 223     |
|  |  | Times of starting and closing school changed as from today as follows: 10am-12.30pm morning-1.45pm 4pm  | 17 Tach 1941 | 224     |
|  |  | School closed for afternoon session to enable a canvas of billets to be made  | 27 Tach 1941 | 224     |
|  |  | School closed for the afternoon session for the reception of 30 Evacuees from B'ham (part of our quota of party of 408 expected)  | 4 Rhag 1941  | 225     |
|  |  | Christmas Tea given to all the children including Evacuees  | 18 Rhag 1941 | 225     |
|  |  | School closed for Xmas Holidays to re-open on Jan 5 <sup>th</sup> 1942. Miss Garner, Mrs Quinn cease duties on return to Birmingham and Sheerness respectively. Miss Connor and Mr Rahill uncertain about return. EV 42's Monthly attendance, Teachers' Absence, Meals Return, Form 214M, Bank Paying Slips (3), Teachers Holiday Addresses sent to Ed Office         | 19 Rhag 1941 | 225     |
|  |  | School re-opened after Xmas Holidays. Miss Green and Miss Herlihy reported for duty vice Miss Connor and Mr Rahill who have returned to Cardiff. Miss Turner (Birmingham) reported for duty vice Miss Garner. Miss Quinn (Sheerness) returns to arrange for accommodation of Sheerness children with Miss Hales (Our Lady's RC School) and with Cardiff children here | 5 Ion 1942   | 226     |
|  |  | Amended Meals Return sent to Ed Office (covering holiday period)  | 6 Ion 1942   | 226     |
|  |  | Mrs Quinn (HT) Sheerness Evacuees ceased duties on return to Sheerness. Three of the younger children transferred to Our Lady's RC School-ten (Junior and Senior) absorbed into St Mary's RC School (Canton Cardiff) evacuated here   | 9 Ion 1942   | 226     |
|  |  | Attendance, Meals, Teachers' Absence, Bank Paying in Slips for January 1942 sent to Education Office. Coal ordered for upper floor  | 30 Ion 1942  | 226     |
|  |  | Miss Greene ceases duty on return to Cardiff. By arrangement with Cardiff the Senior St Mary's children, together with Senior Sheerness children are transferred to Our Lady's as from today  | 20 Chwe 1942 | 227     |
|  |  | Warship week commences  | 9 Maw 1942   | 228     |
|  |  | Six children sat the Birmingham Secondary school place examination  | 12 Maw 1942  | 228     |

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|  |  | This school's effort during "Warship" week amounted to £2015-17s-8d  | 16 Maw 1942 | 228     |
|  |  | School closed at 2.45pm for reception and medical examination of 31 Evacuees from Shenley Fields Home, B'ham   | 2 Meh 1942  | 229     |
|  |  | Seven boys (Evacuated from Shenley Field Home) admitted  | 3 Meh 1942  | 229     |
|  |  | Dr Williams (MOH) paid a visit and examined 245 children for malnutrition  | 26 Meh 1942 | 230     |
|  |  | School re-opened after Summer Vacation; 52 children admitted from Clarence St Infts' School. All the staff present with the exception of Miss C M Kelly who takes a week holiday in lieu of week's supervision of Evacuee children during the vacation   | 1 Med 1942  | 231     |
|  |  | B of E Meals return from 214 and particulars re LCC Evacuees sent to Ed Office   | 16 Hyd 1942 | 232     |
|  |  | School closed for Half-term Holiday-to re-open at 10am on Tuesday November 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1942. New times to operate until February 26 <sup>th</sup> 1943   | 29 Hyd 1942 | 232     |
|  |  | Mr S Netherway, Assistant Architect came here today re accommodation for the storing of furniture in the event of a Blitz  | 6 Ion 1943  | 235     |
|  |  | The four top class visited the Navigation Colliery and received a lecture on the skeleton at the First Aid Post. The boys were also shown over the Fitting Shop  | 12 Ebr 1943 | 237     |
|  |  | School re-opened. All Staff present. The school's effort during "Wings for Victory" week Apr 5-9 <sup>th</sup> was £1/563-14s-6d   | 3 Mai 1943  | 237     |
|  |  | School closed for Half-term holiday-to re-open at 9.45am on Tuesday Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1943. New times to operate until Friday Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> 1944  | 28 Hyd 1943 | 240     |
|  |  | The following programme of Dramas was presented to large audiences at St Teilo's Hall on the 9 <sup>th</sup> for children, on the 10 <sup>th</sup> for parents. The proceeds amounting to £15 15s 0d were handed to the Red Cross Fund<br>Std 5b-The Pied Piper-Produced by Mr James<br>Std 2-Snow-White-Mrs Kelly<br>Std 1-At Sixes and Sevens-Miss Thomas<br>Std 4a-A Nativity Play-Miss J Evans<br>Std 5a-Horse Play-Miss Turner<br>Std 3a-Fireworks-Miss Earley<br>Std 3b-The Auction-Mr W E Davies<br>Std 4b-Simple Simon-Mr P E Davies | 9 Rhag 1943 | 240-241 |
|  |  | School re-opened. All staff present. As Mrs Kelly left at the end of last term and no one was sent to take her place Miss Turner was transferred to Std 2 and Mr Phil Davies to Std 5a. Mr Davies' class was divided out equally among the three top classes   | 17 Ebr 1944 | 243     |



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|  |  | Dr Llewellyn William examined all the children for malnutrition. Mr P E Davies and Miss J Evans left school at 2.45pm to attend a meeting at the Town Hall re Ordnance Survey of Mountain Ash   | 28 Ebr 1944     | 244     |
|  |  | Mr Davies and Miss Evans attended again at the Town Hall at 3pm to make further arrangements re Ordnance Survey of the District   | 5 Mai 1944      | 244     |
|  |  | "D" Day. The Allies landed on the beaches of Normandy at 6am  | 6 Meh 1944      | 244     |
|  |  | School closed-billeting arrangements  | 7 Gor 1944      | 246     |
|  |  | (Sunday) 342 Evacuees from London were safely accepted in the homes of the district   | 10 Gor 1944     | 246     |
|  |  | School closed-billets canvass   | 18 Gor 1944     | 246     |
|  |  | 106 mothers and 236 children arrived from London  | 21 Gor 1944     | 246     |
|  |  | Miss Yvonne Guiseppi an LCC teacher was sent here today to assist with billeting and clothing difficulties  | 27 Gor 1944     | 246     |
|  |  | Dr Llewellyn Williams examined the children for malnutrition  | 17 Tach 1944    | 248     |
|  |  | Nurse Richardson examined all the Shenley Homes children  | 20 Tach 1944    | 248     |
|  |  | On books today-153 residents, 77 Evacuees   | 30 Tach 1944    | 248     |
|  |  | Nurse Richardson examined the Shenley Fields Homes children   | 14 Chwe<br>1945 | 249     |
|  |  | Dr Llewellyn Williams examined children returning to Birmingham   | 15 Chwe<br>1945 | 249     |
|  |  | Miss Sparks and seven children from this school returned to B'ham   | 16 Chwe<br>1945 | 249-250 |
|  |  | The last of the Shenley Fields Homes children returned to Birmingham today  | 9 Maw 1945      | 250     |
|  |  | School re-opened after Easter Holidays. Owing to the return of Mrs Hughes to Birmingham the following staffing arrangements were made.<br>4c Mr P E Davies<br>4a Miss J Evans<br>4b Mr E T James<br>3 Mr W E Davies<br>2 Miss Guiseppi<br>1a Miss C Earley<br>1b Miss Thomas<br>The Glamorgan County Authority take over from today | 9 Ebr 1945      | 250     |
|  |  | Italian Campaign ended  | 2 Mai 1945      | 250     |

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|         |  | School closed for Victory in Europe celebrations   | 8-9 Mai 1945    | 251 |
| EMA16/1 | Mountain Ash<br>York Street<br>Seniors Mixed | School re-opened-but due to War and as a Precautionary measure-children were assembled and after a few words by HT were sent home for a week   | 4 Med 1939      | 184 |
|         |  | School re-opened. On books=204. No present=179. All Staff present  | 11 Med 1939     | 184 |
|         |  | School closed at 3.30-no recreation period-for meeting of Billeting Officer and Teachers of Miskin area, at Miskin Junior school   | 3 Hyd 1939      | 185 |
|         |  | A Savings Bank commenced in this school  | 13 Hyd 1939     | 185 |
|         |  | New school hours. Commencing today the hours are:-Morning session 9-11.45. Aft session 1-3.10  | 20 Tach 1939    | 185 |
|         |  | Dr Llew Williams SMO examined all children for malnutrition  | 16 Chwe<br>1940 | 187 |
|         |  | School closed 3.40pm. Meeting re Evacuation at Miskin Junior-no recreation   | 30 Ebr 1940     | 188 |
|         |  | School re-opens, due to probability of immediate Evacuation of Birmingham school children to this area. All teachers present   | 14 Mai 1940     | 188 |
|         |  | School closed at 3.20pm. Evacuation meeting at Miskin Junior school  | 20 Mai 1940     | 188 |
|         |  | Sunday. Evacuation of children from SE Coast, to Mountain Ash area. 31 Junior girls-all Roman Catholics-received in Miskin Ward (Sheerness)  | 2 Meh 1940      | 188 |
|         |  | Schools closed for Evacuation Purposes   | 3-6 Meh 1940    | 188 |
|         |  | At 12.15, the Air Raid Warning was sounded. Children rushed home. Nine children remained in school with HT and 5 teachers. The all clear signal went at 12.55  | 3 Gor 1940      | 189 |
|         |  | Change of times of sessions as from today:-Morning-10-12.30. Afternoon 1.45-4.30   | 9 Gor 1940      | 189 |
|         |  | Air Raid Warning sounded at 10am. Children immediately went home. At 11am, All Clear went and children returned to school. Children dismissed at 2.30 and Teachers finished pasting strips on school windows | 15 Gor 1940     | 189 |
|         |  | School closed-Evacuation Survey by Teachers  | 24 Gor 1940     | 189 |
|         |  | School closed for Summer Holidays-a fortnight  | 2 Aws 1940      | 189 |
|         |  | At 10.30am Air Raid Warning sounded. Children rushed home. All Clear sounded at 11.35. At 11.40 Air Raid Warning again-all clear at 12.05pm  | 21 Aws 1940     | 189 |
|         |  | At 10.32 Air Raid Warning sounded. Children went home. All Clear sounded at 11.12. Children returned to school   | 22 Aws 1940     | 189 |

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|  |  | At 10 o'clock, Air Raid Warning sounded; All Clear at 10.45. At 1.45, Air Raid Warning-All Clear at 2.17  | 2 Med 1940         | 190  |
|  |  | Siren 9.40; All Clear 9.57; Siren 10.25. All Clear 10.38  | 4 Med 1940         | 190  |
|  |  | School closed after Morning session for a fortnight   | 6 Med 1940         | 190  |
|  |  | School closed-morning session only-for Evacuation Survey  | 3 Hyd 1940         | 190  |
|  |  | School closed after morning session-Billeting Survey  | 18 Hyd 1940        | 190  |
|  |  | School closed all day. Evacuation Survey tc   | 21 Hyd 1940        | 190  |
|  |  | Lecture to forms G3 and B3 by Miss A G Jones, National Milk Publicity Council   | 21 Tach 1940       | 190  |
|  |  | School closed-Evacuation Survey. 2000 Birmingham Evacuee children were expected   | 25-27 Tach<br>1940 | 1940 |
|  |  | School re-opens. Evacuee children did not arrive  | 28 Tach 1940       | 190  |
|  |  | School closed aft session-Evacuation St Joseph RC school from Birmingham expected   | 17 Chwe<br>1940    | 191  |
|  |  | School hours commencing today: 9.30-12.30: 2-4.30   | 3 Maw 1941         | 192  |
|  |  | School closed, aft session-91 Birmingham children evacuated here to Miskin  | 28 Maw 1941        | 192  |
|  |  | Mr Guest, TC Birmingham-Evacuated Teacher commenced duties here today   | 31 Maw 1941        | 192  |
|  |  | Mr Guest absent-returns to Birmingham   | 24 Ebr 1941        | 192  |
|  |  | Mr Guest returns to duties  | 5 Mai 1941         | 192  |
|  |  | School closed-Evacuation Survey   | 14 Mai 1941        | 192  |
|  |  | School closed-Afternoon session-Billeting and Medical Examn   | 4 Meh 1941         | 193  |
|  |  | School closed aft session for Canvas-War-time Nurseries   | 29 Gor 1941        | 193  |
|  |  | Mr Rose, Evacuated Teacher from Birmingham commenced duties here today. Has taken the place of Mr Guest-Birmingham Evacuated Teacher                                | 1 Med 1941         | 194  |
|  |  | 29 Evacuee children arrived in Miskin from Shenley Homes Birmingham   | 23 Med 1941        | 194  |
|  |  | Two minutes silence, preceded by talks and suitable hymn singing  | 11 Tach 1941       | 194  |
|  |  | New school hours. 10-12.30: 1.45-4  | 17 Tach 1941       | 194  |
|  |  | School closed-aft session. Billeting canvas   | 28 Tach 1941       | 195  |
|  |  | Evacuation of 39 Birmingham children to Miskin. School closed aft session   | 4 Rhag 1941        | 195  |
|  |  | Mr Rose terminated duties. Returns to Birmingham. School closed for Christmas Holidays  | 19 Rhag 1941       | 195  |
|  |  | School re-opens after Christmas Holidays. Mrs Dilys Breese (TC) and Mr W Jesper (TC) commence duties today. Both teachers engaged by Birmingham Education Authority | 5 Ion 1942         | 195  |

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|  |  | School re-opens after Easter Holiday. All staff present. Miss Beatrice M Ladd commences duties here today, as an Evacuated Birmingham Trained Certif teacher. Mr W Jesper terminated duties on Friday April 10 <sup>th</sup> inst and returned to Birmingham on same day | 13 Ebr 1942     | 196     |
|  |  | Thirty-one children, evacuated from Birmingham, 28 being Shenley Homes' children, were billeted here in Miskin, this afternoon   | 2 Meh 1942      | 197     |
|  |  | Miss Ladd, excused duties here this afternoon, in order to assist Billeting Officer at Ynysboeth school  | 4 Meh 1942      | 197     |
|  |  | Miss Ladd ay Ynysboeth school, assisting Billeting Officer, aft session  | 9 Meh 1942      | 197     |
|  |  | Mrs Breese absent for this week. LEA's permission granted in lieu of Aug week's Evacuees' supervision  | 6 Gor 1942      | 197     |
|  |  | School re-opens. 10-12.30: 1.45-4pm  | 3 Tach 1942     | 198     |
|  |  | 15 children received Supplementary Clothing Coupons  | 17 Tach 1942    | 199     |
|  |  | All the Evacuated children had a tea, prepared by Miss Jones, cookery centre and supervised by Mrs Breese, Miss Ladd and Miss Skill  | 15 Rhag 1942    | 199     |
|  |  | Roll of Dinner Tickets received from office  | 8 Chwe 1943     | 201     |
|  |  | Air Raid "Alert" sounded 3.17pm. Children sent home with one exception who remained until the "All Clear" sounded at 3.40pm  | 19 Chwe<br>1943 | 201     |
|  |  | School hours revert to those operating in Summer Time, viz morning 9.30-12.30; afternoon 2-4.30pm  | 1 Maw 1943      | 201     |
|  |  | Left school at 3.15pm to attend an Evacuee Welfare meeting at the Town Hall  | 3 Maw 1943      | 201-202 |
|  |  | Attendance, Meals, Teachers' Absence, Paying in Slips returned to Ed Office  | 31 Maw 1943     | 202     |
|  |  | Wings for Victory week commenced   | 5 Ebr 1943      | 202     |
|  |  | A representative of the Juvenile Advisory Committee attended (10am) to interview 18 intending leavers (9 boys, 9 girls)  | 20 Ebr 1943     | 203     |
|  |  | Mrs Williams terminates her duties here on return to Birmingham  | 22 Ebr 1943     | 203     |
|  |  | Form LM 43 sent to Milk Division, Ministry of Food, Thames Dutton, Surrey  | 13 Hyd 1943     | 205     |
|  |  | School closed for Half-term Holiday. To re-open on Tuesday Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> when winter times will commence viz Morning Session 10 to 12.30, afternoon 1.45 to 4  | 28 Hyd 1943     | 206     |
|  |  | Left school at 3.10pm to attend a conference of Head Teachers at the Town Hall to discuss-Christmas treat for Evacuees, Milk for unaccompanied Evacuees, and pupils' Record Cards  | 17 Tach 1943    | 206-207 |
|  |  | Cash book showing receipts to 31/3/1943 and Statement of Accounts for Xmas (1943) school treat sent to the Education Office  | 11 Ion 1944     | 208     |

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|  |  | Mrs Kempster absent with permission, on a few days' service leave with her husband   | 31 Ion 1944  | 208 |
|  |  | Mrs Breese absent from school during her husband's leave from Forces   | 3-6 Ebr 1944 | 210 |
|  |  | Mrs Kempster left early during the afternoon session to attend a consultation at the Education Office at 3.30pm, re suggested survey of Llanwonno District   | 21 Ebr 1944  | 211 |
|  |  | Mr Rosser absent during the afternoon session attending lecture discussion on Mental Measurement in relation to the School Record Care at Aberdare Central School  | 3 Mai 1944   | 211 |
|  |  | Mrs Kempster left early during the afternoon session to attend a conference of teachers re suggested survey of Llanwonno and district, held at the Town Hall   | 5 Mai 1944   | 211 |
|  |  | 160 porcelain beakers for Milk distribution received from the Education Office   | 9 Mai 1944   | 212 |
|  |  | Mr Rosser absent during the afternoon session attending lecture discussion at Aberdare (Gadlys) Central School on Mental Measurement in its relation to the School Record Card   | 18 Mai 1944  | 212 |
|  |  | Attendance, Teachers' Absence, Meals Return for May and Bank Paying in Slips sent to Education Office  | 26 Mai 1944  | 212 |
|  |  | School re-opened after the Whitsuntide recess. All the staff present. During the vacation, a Shenley Fields Homes Evacuee died at the GI Hospital following an operation for appendicitis                                  | 5 Meh 1944   | 212 |
|  |  | Mr Rosser absent during the afternoon session attending a lecture discussion on Mental Measurement in its relation to the School Record Card at Gadlys Central School Aberdare   | 8 Meh 1944   | 213 |
|  |  | Children dismissed at 3.30pm so that staff could attend a meeting of combined staffs of schools of the Miskin area to arrange for a fresh canvass of billets   | 6 Gor 1944   | 214 |
|  |  | School closed-district canvass for billets   | 7 Gor 1944   | 214 |
|  |  | Attended a meeting of Billeting Officers at the Town Hall 10am to arrange for the reception of a second contingent of Evacuees-school closed during the afternoon to enable an extended canvass of the district to be made | 12 Gor 1944  | 215 |
|  |  | School closed during the afternoon for the reception of Evacuees from London   | 14 Gor 1944  | 215 |
|  |  | School closed the whole day to enable a complete and final door to door canvass for billets to be made   | 18 Gor 1944  | 215 |
|  |  | School closed during the afternoon for an attendance holiday. All schools also closed for reception of Evacuees from Tunbridge Wells   | 21 Gor 1944  | 215 |
|  |  | No Milk delivery-no dinners provided   | 3 Aws 1944   | 215 |
|  |  | Mrs Kempster. Husband on leave from Forces   | 8 Med 1944   | 216 |
|  |  | Mrs Kempster absent-husband on leave from Forces. Mr Rosser absent with permission accompanying daughter to London   | 12 Med 1944  | 216 |

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|         |               | Mrs Kempster absent husband on leave from Forces  | 13-15 Med 1944 | 216 |
|         |               | Form 214M Provision of Meals-sent to Education Office   | 6 Hyd 1944     | 217 |
|         |               | HMI Miss Parry MA called to make a few enquiries in connection with the provision of facilities for midday meal   | 21 Tach 1944   | 218 |
|         |               | The Juvenile Advisory Officer interviewed school leavers at 2pm   | 29 Tach 1944   | 218 |
|         |               | Mrs Kempster absent with the consent of the LEA on account of her husband's leave from HM Forces  | 11 Rhag 1944   | 219 |
|         |               | Attendance Return of Evacuees for Davidson's Report sent to Education Office  | 28 Chwe 1945   | 221 |
|         |               | The six children left, evacuated from Shenley Field Homes, Northfields, Birmingham returned to the Homes today  | 8 Maw 1945     | 222 |
|         |               | Mrs Kempster commences a ten day leave of absence-on account of her husband's leave from HM Forces  | 14 Maw 1945    | 222 |
|         |               | News of cessation of War against Germany expected throughout the day. Children in an excited mood   | 7 Mai 1945     | 223 |
|         |               | Children assembled at 9.30 am for a short service of thanksgiving (having heard on the wireless that the Prime Minister The Rt Hon Winston Churchill would be officially announcing the end of the War with Germany today), and were then dismissed for the day, and were also granted the following day, 9/10/45 as a holiday, to celebrate the event. The celebration was carried out very enthusiastically. It took the form of street teas followed by singing, dancing and burning of bonfires | 8 Mai 1945     | 223 |
|         |               | Very few children turned up for assembly. Some were attending Ascension Day service at St John's church while many were undoubtedly too tired, after two days of hectic celebration in connection with VE and V+1 days  | 10 Mai 1945    | 223 |
| EMA18/5 | Newtown Mixed | Staff assembled. Instructions received from Education Office to dismiss any children who put in an appearance and close school until further notice; teachers asked to keep in touch with Billeting Officer (The above instructions are accounted for by the State of War which has existed between Britain and Germany since yesterday). School camping arrangements for the 6 <sup>th</sup> inst cancelled  | 4 Med 1939     | 500 |
|         |               | School re-opened after Midsummer Vacation. Infants under five years of age not admitted. Children from Newtown attending Miskin Central (7 in number) and Caegarw Senior (15 in   | 11 Med 1939    | 500 |

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|         |               | number) were sent back during the morning to their home area for admission and registration. A few Evacuees from other areas were admitted   |              |     |
|         |               | Letters were received from the parents of four of the children from the Miskin Central asking that they be allowed to return to the Central school and accepting full responsibility for the transfer  | 13 Med 1939  | 500 |
|         |               | School closed at 3.50pm to enable staff to attend joint meeting of Caegarw, Cwmpennar and Newtown staffs at Caegarw school to discuss billeting of Evacuees  | 2 Hyd 1939   | 501 |
|         |               | Letter received from Education Office giving decision of LEA re children under five and those who prior to the Summer Vacation were attending Senior and Central schools. Children under five to be admitted into Infants' schools under the same conditions as obtained prior to the Emergency regulations. In districts where Senior and Junior schools were converted into All Age schools they will revert to pre-crisis conditions and scholars will attend the Senior and Junior schools they would ordinarily have attended after the Summer Holidays-scholars who would have attended the Central schools after the Summer Holidays had Emergency regulations not been introduced will now proceed to the Central schools. The above noted changes to take effect from Monday next, the 9 <sup>th</sup> October 1939 | 5 Hyd 1939   | 502 |
|         |               | School closed early in the morning session to enable the staff to attend a joint meeting of staffs in the Dyffryn Ward dealing with billeting of Evacuees  | 6 Hyd 1939   | 502 |
|         |               | School closed a little earlier to enable staff to attend a combined meeting of staffs in the Dyffryn Ward for the purpose of hearing report of meeting of Billeting Officers held on Friday 6/10/39  | 9 Hyd 1939   | 502 |
|         |               | Four curtains for blacking out one room received from Council  | 12 Hyd 1939  | 502 |
| EMA18/6 | Newtown Mixed | Sent a letter to the office enquiring re payment for keep of official Evacuees   | 13 Hyd 1939  | 1   |
|         |               | Billeting List A, B and C sent to the Billeting Officer for the Newtown Area, Mr Davies, Caegare Senior School; Provision of Meals forms sent out to parents of every child in receipt of free milk  | 18 Hyd 1939  | 1   |
|         |               | Left school at 3pm to attend a meeting of Head Teachers at the Home Making Centre (Duffryn School) to consider question of school evacuation during possible Air Raids   | 19 Hyd 1939  | 1   |
|         |               | School Evacuation Drill Exercise signal given at 3.15pm. By 3.23 every child had been home and returned to his or her place in the classroom   | 9 Tach 1939  | 2   |
|         |               | Alterations in times come into force today. From today until further notice times will be as follows: Juniors, Morning 9am-11.45am, afternoon 1pm-3.10pm. Infants, Morning 9.10am-11.45am, afternoon 1.10pm-3.10pm   | 20 Tach 1939 | 2   |

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|  | List of children entitled to free meals received from Ed Office together with names of children to be struck off. 24 allowed-8 disallowed  | 24 Tach 1939 | 3    |
|  | Paid £1-14s 4d into Bank-sale of Milk for Jan  | 1 Chwe 1940  | 5    |
|  | Started National Savings scheme in the school  | 5 Chwe 1940  | 6    |
|  | Dr Williams School Medical Officer saw all the children in the school and recommended free Milk meals for 2 children   | 22 Chwe 1940 | 6    |
|  | Special Milk Return for B of E sent to LE Office   | 1 Maw 1940   | 7    |
|  | School closed after the morning session for Easter Holidays and to re-open on April 1 <sup>st</sup> when the times of opening and closing will be Morning session 9.15am to 12.15am, afternoon session 1.45pm to 4.15pm                                      | 21 Maw 1940  | 7    |
|  | Paid £1 12s 0d to Lloyd's Bank-Milk for March  | 30 Maw 1940  | 8    |
|  | The school re-opened today as all previous arrangements have been cancelled. The teachers of class III IV V VI and VII had written the words "Whitsun Vacation" on their registers, so the marks for those days had to be superimposed                       | 14 Mai 1940  | 9    |
|  | I left school at 10.50am to attend a meeting in Town Hall at 10am re reception of Evacuees. I was authorised to close school 1 hour earlier in the afternoon so that the staff could attend at Caegarw to discuss the arrangements for reception of Evacuees | 20 Mai 1945  | 9    |
|  | The school was closed at 3.30pm so that the teachers could verify lists already prepared of householders who will take Evacuees  | 21 Mai 1940  | 9    |
|  | I left school at 10.50am to attend a meeting of Billeting Committee at 11am in Town Hall   | 28 Mai 1940  | 9    |
|  | School was closed today and will remain closed till Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> inst. Billeting of Evacuees   | 3 Meh 1940   | 9    |
|  | School was re-opened today and seventeen children from Rose St Infants school Sheerness were admitted  | 7 Meh 1940   | 9-10 |
|  | Miss Muriel Elizabeth Burns (TC), a member of the staff of Rose St school commenced duties. I left school at 2.50pm to attend meeting of Billeting Officers at Town Hall   | 7 Meh 1940   | 9-10 |
|  | I left school at 2.50pm to attend meeting of Billeting Committee in Town Hall  | 18 Meh 1940  | 10   |
|  | Miss M E Burns was ordered to return to Sheerness immediately and left at 3pm  | 2 Gor 1940   | 10   |
|  | From Monday next, 8 <sup>th</sup> July the times for opening and closing will be:-Junior sch 10am to 12.30pm and 1.45 to 4.30pm, Infant sch 10am to 12.15 and 2pm to 4pm   | 5 Gor 1940   | 11   |
|  | I left school at 3.20pm to attend a meeting of HTs-Air Raid Precautions in school and holidays   | 12 Gor 1940  | 11   |
|  | School closed-papering windows   | 15 Gor 1940  | 11   |
|  | Two Air Raid Warnings, school dismissed at 11.55am and 4.05pm  | 18 Gor 1940  | 11   |



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|  | School closed at 3.15pm for teachers to attend Billeting meeting in Caegarw Senior school  | 23 Gor 1940  | 12 |
|  | Air Raid Warning at 3pm  | 24 Gor 1940  | 12 |
|  | School closed to enable teachers to make new Billeting Survey  | 29 Gor 1940  | 12 |
|  | School closed after Morning Session for 2 week's holiday, and will reopen on Aug 19th  | 2 Aws 1940   | 12 |
|  | Air Raid Warning at 10.30am. School did not reassemble again during morning session  | 21 Aws 1940  | 12 |
|  | Air Raid Warning at 10.40am. All Clear 11.15am and school reassembled and continued work   | 22 Aws 1940  | 12 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 12.25pm   | 30 Aws 1940  | 13 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 9.55am. All Clear 10.45am. The yearly promotion takes place today. As children under 5 years of age cannot be admitted there will not be a "babies" class. Air Raid Warning at 1.45pm. All Clear 2.15pm               | 2 Med 1940   | 13 |
|  | The school was closed after the morning session and will re-open on 23 inst  | 6 Med 1940   | 13 |
|  | Air Raid Warning at 12.15pm. All Clear 12.25   | 24 Med 1940  | 13 |
|  | Air Raid Warning at 11.30am. All Clear 12.15pm   | 25 Med 1940  | 13 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 3.45pm. All Clear 4.10pm  | 26 Med 1940  | 14 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 11.30am. All Clear 12.20pm  | 27 Med 1940  | 14 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 10.45am. All Clear 11.35am  | 1 Hyd 1940   | 14 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 10.45am. All Clear 11.40am  | 3 Hyd 1940   | 14 |
|  | School closed-Billeting Survey   | 4 Hyd 1940   | 14 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 2.55pm. All Clear 3.35pm  | 8 Hyd 1940   | 14 |
|  | School closed at 3.20pm. Meeting of teachers in Caegarw Senior school-Billeting  | 11 Hyd 1940  | 14 |
|  | School closed for the morning session to enable teachers to visit billets to make any readjustments and take particulars   | 14 Hyd 1940  | 14 |
|  | I was informed that we were to expect more Evacuees (mothers and children) on Friday, so I left school at 11am to try to find billets. Miss Brown and Miss Morgan left to re-canvass at 2pm. Air Raid Warning 2.25pm. All Clear 2.45pm | 16 Hyd 1940  | 14 |
|  | School closed 3.20pm. Billeting meeting 3.30pm   | 17 Hyd 1940  | 14 |
|  | School closed all day. Billeting Survey  | 18 Hyd 1940  | 14 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 11.35am. All Clear 12.25pm  | 28 Hyd 1940  | 15 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 3.10pm. All Clear 3.45pm. From today school closes at 4pm   | 11 Tach 1940 | 15 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 1.25pm. All Clear 1.50pm. Air Raid Warning 3.47pm   | 13 Tach 1940 | 15 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 2pm. All Clear 2.30pm. Air Raid Warning 3pm. All Clear 3.35pm   | 21 Tach 1940 | 15 |

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|  |  | School closed. Billeting for Evacuee children   | 25-27 Tach<br>1940 | 15 |
|  |  | Paid £ 7s 4d to Lloyd's Bank sale of Milk for Nov. Air Raid Warning 2pm. All Clear 3.05pm   | 3 Rhag 1940        | 15 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 3pm. All Clear 3.20pm  | 4 Rhag 1940        | 15 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 12.05pm. All Clear 12.55pm   | 5 Rhag 1940        | 16 |
|  |  | Miss Wood called to see what arrangements are being made for providing a Christmas Treat for the Sheerness children   | 6 Rhag 1940        | 16 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 1.50pm. All Clear 2.05pm. Air Raid Warning 2.15pm. All Clear 2.50pm  | 11 Rhag 1940       | 16 |
|  |  | Paid Milk, which has been temporarily suspended due to shortage, was resumed today  | 13 Ion 1941        | 17 |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 12.10. All Clear 12.25. Air Raid Warning 1.50. All Clear 2.05. Miss Woods, Headteacher of Rose St Infants' school paid a visit during the afternoon session to inspect the clothing and footwear of her scholars, evacuated to Newtown from Sheerness  | 20 Ion 1941        | 18 |
|  |  | Mr Ben Thomas, Head Teacher of Caegarw School and the Billeting Officer of this area called, and informed me that a new batch of Evacuees was to be expected tomorrow, Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst. The members of staff were requested to visit the billets in preparation for same, the school to be closed at 3pm for that purpose   | 22 Ion 1941        | 19 |
|  |  | School closed at 3.15pm afternoon session to assist in billeting  | 23 Ion 1941        | 19 |
|  |  | I received instructions to attend a meeting at the Educ Office today at 3.15pm for the purpose of discussing the question of Fire Prevention in the schools   | 6 Chwe 1941        | 20 |
|  |  | A staff meeting was held at 9.50am to 10.15am to discuss the regulations of Fire Prevention in schools. I got into touch with the ARP Wardens of Newtown, who kindly consented to interview the inhabitants with the view to securing volunteers for Fire Prevention in the schools. An innovation (as far as Newtown Junior Mixed is concerned) was started this week on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> inst when dinners by payment was commenced at the Canteen | 7 Chwe 1941        | 20 |
|  |  | ARP equipment of a bucket, empty petrol tins, and sacks of sand received  | 10 Chwe<br>1941    | 21 |
|  |  | I left school this afternoon at 2.50pm to attend a Head Teachers' Meeting at Penrhiwceiber Senior school to report progress made re Fire Watching in schools. The Wardens of Newtown had canvassed the village, and it was reported that the organised Street Watchers would include the school in their vigilance. There would be no watchers, however, on the school premises themselves  | 12 Chwe<br>1941    | 21 |

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|  |  | Received information from Glam County Council that an unofficial Evacuee from Ongar, Essex, would be unable to sit the scholarship examination, as his age did not conform to those governing entrants in Essex   | 14 Chwe<br>1941 | 22    |
|  |  | Received intimation from Glam County Council that an official Evacuee from Bath, would be unable to sit the scholarship examination, as the Bath Educ Com were not accepting responsibility for him   | 17 Chwe<br>1941 | 22    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 10.25. All Clear 10.55am   | 28 Chwe<br>1941 | 23    |
|  |  | From today Monday March 3 <sup>rd</sup> the school will revert to the normal opening and closing, as follows. Junior school 9.30am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 4.30pm, Infants 9.30am to 12 noon and 2pm to 4pm.<br>Paid £2 11s 8d into Lloyd's Bank, sale of Milk for February '41. 3.55pm Air Raid Warning. 4.25pm All Clear  | 3 Maw 1941      | 24    |
|  |  | Paid £1 1s 8d into Lloyds Bank, sale of Dinners for Feb 1941.<br>From 11.45pm to 12 noon I gave a demonstration to the staff and the children in the use of the school stirrup pump. In the afternoon, pupils of the top classes assisted in taking measurements of the school to ascertain floor area, such information being needed at the office in connection with Fire Watching and Fighting | 4 Maw 1941      | 24    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 1.25pm. All Clear 2.15pm   | 7 Maw 1941      | 24    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 12.20pm. All Clear 12.33pm   | 10 Maw 1941     | 25    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 11.32am. All Clear 11.58am. Air Raid Warning 3.10pm. All Clear 3.30pm  | 11 Maw 1941     | 25    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 3.25pm. All Clear 3.51pm   | 17 Maw 1941     | 25    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning. 12.27pm. All Clear 12.36pm  | 19 Maw 1941     | 25    |
|  |  | I authorised Mr Colwill, Senior Warden ARP Newtown to make use of the school as a Warden's Post during the nights only. They would be assisted by the Fire Watchers of the surrounding streets, the vigil to commence tonight, Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> March '41   | 21 Maw 1941     | 25    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 9.40am. All Clear 10.05am. Air Raid Warning 2.52pm. All Clear 5.30pm   | 26 Maw 1941     | 26    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2.30pm. All Clear 3.20pm   | 27 Maw 1941     | 26    |
|  |  | The Fireplace of the classroom usually used by Std III and IV was out of use this morning. Reported the matter to the office immediately, as this room is in use at night by the Fire-Watchers  | 4 Ebr 1941      | 26-27 |
|  |  | A list of Evacuees received in this school during Apr 1 <sup>st</sup> 1940 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 1941 sent to Office, also, the Milk A/C for Sept 1940, by request  | 8 Ebr 1941      | 27    |

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|  |  | School re-opened after East Recess. All the staff present. Two Evacuee children were admitted today and entered on registers v and vi. As they are pupils of Rose St school Sheerness I cancelled their attendance on above registers, and entered them on the special register kept for Rose St children | 21 Ebr 1941 | 27    |
|  |  | Forwarded to Commissioner at Cardiff and to local sec Mr Roberts, half yearly returns of National Savings Group of Newtown school, ending 31 <sup>st</sup> March '41. Total £72 15s 11d. 100 members  | 23 Ebr 1941 | 28    |
|  |  | War Weapons week is being held at Mt Ash this week. A total of £23 8s 8d was taken in this school today   | 28 Ebr 1941 | 28    |
|  |  | Paid 16/4 into bank-paid dinners. Paid £1 2s 0d into bank for sale of Milk for 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of April  | 1 Mai 1941  | 28-29 |
|  |  | The clocks having been pushed on another hour many children were late this morning, and the lower classes a few absences  | 6 Mai 1941  | 29    |
|  |  | Sent a Return to Mr Roberts Sec Mountain Ash Savings Movement that a sum of £411 10s 8d had been invested thro' the Schools Savings Group at Newtown during War Weapons week at Mt Ash  | 7 Mai 1941  | 29    |
|  |  | Received instructions from the office to supply Free Milk and Emulsion to a Sheerness Evacuee. The school was closed at 3.15pm this afternoon so that members of the staff might attend a Billeting meeting at Caegarw schools (3.30pm)   | 12 Mai 1941 | 29    |
|  |  | Authorised to supply Free Milk to an Evacuee from Croydon-not in SMO's list (means test list)   | 13 Mai 1941 | 29    |
|  |  | School closed today. Staff arranging about billeting  | 14 Mai 1941 | 30    |
|  |  | Mr Ben Thomas, Head Teacher of Caegarw called with latest information concerning billeting  | 16 Mai 1941 | 30    |
|  |  | Received intimation from Mr Collins, Chairman of the Newtown Firewatchers' Association that that body had ceased to exist, and that Newtown school was no longer included in a scheme of vigil at night. I reported the matter to the Office  | 20 Mai 1941 | 30    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 2.15pm. All Clear 2.30pm   | 22 Mai 1941 | 30    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 4.23. All Clear after school time  | 28 Mai 1941 | 30    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 10.52am. All Clear 11.35am. 1 bag of waste paper forwarded to Cardiff  | 29 Mai 1941 | 31    |
|  |  | Air Raid Warning 11. All Clear 11.15  | 30 Mai 1941 | 31    |
|  |  | The ordinary Whitsun Holiday was postponed due to reception of Evacuees. The school was however, closed today (Whitsun Monday) but the members of the staff attended during the morning to complete billeting forms etc.  | 2 Meh 1941  | 31    |
|  |  | Three Cardiff Bay Evacuees returned home  | 4 Meh 1941  | 31    |

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|  |  | I was informed that during the recess that 4 more Evacuees from Cardiff had left Newtown, one for Penrhiwceiber, and three for home   | 16 Meh 1941 | 32    |
|  |  | Authorised to supply Free Milk and Emulsion to an Essex Evacuee   | 25 Meh 1941 | 32    |
|  |  | Banked at Lloyds £1 18s 11d for Milk and 13/4 for Dinners   | 1 Gor 1941  | 32    |
|  |  | Miss Ward, the LCC representative paid a visit this afternoon. Air Raid Warning 3.03pm. All Clear 3.37  | 15 Gor 1941 | 33    |
|  |  | The Jun Dept. of the school was dismissed at 12.10pm. A staff meeting was held re the question of children attending Nursery schools  | 25 Gor 1941 | 34    |
|  |  | Replied to Director re question of Fire Watchers in the school. School closed this afternoon-staff engaged in ascertaining no of children under 5, living in the area   | 28 Gor 1941 | 34    |
|  |  | Received instructions from the Ed Office to admit children over 4 years of age if there is sufficient accommodation. A few such children were admitted today, accommodation for some being ample.<br>Miss Ward (LCC) paid a visit this afternoon  | 8 Med 1941  | 35    |
|  |  | Miss A G Jones a lecturer employed by the National Milk Publicity Council, delivered a lecture this afternoon on "The Food Value of Milk" to Std II III and IV  | 11 Med 1941 | 36    |
|  |  | An application for a special permit for the supply of liquid milk to the school was forwarded to the Food Control Office, Mt Ash.<br>Miss Elizabeth M Olden terminated her engagement as student teacher today. She is proceeding to Southampton Training College (now evacuated to Cheltenham) | 19 Med 1941 | 36    |
|  |  | A meeting of the Fire-Watchers in Newtown was held at the school this evening   | 22 Med 1941 | 36    |
|  |  | Sixteen steel helmets and three stirrup pumps were delivered at the school. Milk Permit received from the Food Office   | 24 Med 1941 | 36    |
|  |  | EV 42 forms (Evacuation) for 12 Evacuees forwarded to the office today  | 26 Med 1941 | 36-37 |
|  |  | National Savings Returns sent to Commissioner, 26 High St Cardiff and to local sec. Amt collected for 6 months ended 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept:£479 3s 11d. Sept Summer Drive:£20 5s 5d   | 8 Hyd 1941  | 37    |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC paid a visit. Milk was delivered today for the first time since Fri July 25 <sup>th</sup> last  | 9 Hyd 1941  | 37    |
|  |  | Arrangements have been made for Fire Watching to re-commence in the school tonight  | 13 Hyd 1941 | 37    |
|  |  | Three extra blankets received in school from office for use of Fire Watchers, making a total of eight   | 13 Hyd 1941 | 38    |

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|  |  | Meals Form 214M (B of E) forwarded to Office with a list of Evacuees of LCC and administrative areas (for Christmas Treats)  | 15 Hyd 1941     | 38    |
|  |  | A representative of the Food Office called to examine the Emergency Rationing Documents deposited at the school  | 21 Hyd 1940     | 38    |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC paid a visit this morning  | 6 Tach 1941     | 39    |
|  |  | Alterations in the school hours of attendance come into force today until further notice. Juniors: Morning 10-12.30, afternoon 1.45-4. Infants: Morning 10-12.15, afternoon 2-4. A Return sent to Office concerning application for Supplementary Clothing Cards. NIL Return   | 17 Tach 1941    | 39    |
|  |  | Nil Returns for Evacuees from Ilford, Birmingham and Cardiff-re Christmas Festivities  | 24 Tach 1941    | 40    |
|  |  | The school was closed this Friday afternoon to enable the staff to make a billeting survey of the area. Evacuees from Birmingham are expected on Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> 1941  | 28 Tach 1941    | 40    |
|  |  | Mr Collins, the Chairman of the Newtown Firewatchers' Association informed me that Fire-Watching in the school had terminated since Nov 30 <sup>th</sup> due to a local dispute. Six extra stirrup-pumps were handed in the school today.<br>The school was closed this afternoon to enable the staff to assist in the reception and billeting of Evacuees from Birmingham | 4 Rhag 1941     | 40-41 |
|  |  | The children were given a Christmas Tea Party this afternoon, starting at 3.30pm. Arrangements have also been made to accommodate the children to a free show of pictures at the Workmen's Hall, Mt Ash on Sat afternoon 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 17 Rhag 1941    | 41    |
|  |  | Due to lack of information concerning the Birmingham Evacuees, it was impossible to forward Forms EV 42 to the Office by 20 <sup>th</sup> inst as requested  | 19 Rhag 1941    | 41    |
|  |  | School re-opened. Forms EV 42 for Birmingham children, forwarded to the office   | 5 Ion 1942      | 42    |
|  |  | Miss Wilson, a Birmingham Teacher inspected the Evacuees for B'ham re clothing etc.  | 27 Ion 1942     | 42    |
|  |  | Filled in forms to enable the cleaners to obtain extra soap rations for school cleaning  | 16 Chwe<br>1942 | 43    |
|  |  | Note that allowed for Firewood to cleaners is now 3/6 per fire instead of 2/-  | 26 Chwe<br>1942 | 43    |
|  |  | Mobile Officer Glynne Poyntz delivered a lecture to the upper school this morning (11.30 to 12) on Road Safety   | 6 Maw 1942      | 43    |
|  |  | Today the school reverted to the old times of opening and closing viz-Infants school: Morning 9.30am to 12 noon, afternoon 2pm-4pm. Upper school: Morning 9.30am to 12.30pm, afternoon 2pm to 4.30pm.  | 9 Maw 1942      | 44    |

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|  |  | Today the children commenced their campaign in the Mt Ash Warships week. Miss Ward LCC representative paid a visit   |             |    |
|  |  | A return for Soap Rations (6lb per annum) forwarded to the Office  | 11 Maw 1942 | 44 |
|  |  | The school War Savings for Warship week amounted to £63 9s 0d  | 17 Maw 1942 | 44 |
|  |  | Monthly returns for Milk, Dinners, Attendances etc. forwarded to the Office, together with annual attendances of Evacuees for year Apr 1 <sup>st</sup> 41 to Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> 42   | 1 Ebr 1942  | 45 |
|  |  | Forwarded half yearly returns of National Savings sent to Office. Amt collected:- £146-17s-6d for half year ending 31 <sup>st</sup> March '42  | 14 Ebr 1942 | 45 |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC paid a visit   | 23 Ebr 1942 | 45 |
|  |  | Mr Heath, Chief Fire Prevention Officer called, and arranged that a duplicate key to Girls Entrance should be given to Mr Colwill, Senior Warden of Newtown Post   | 15 Mai 1942 | 46 |
|  |  | A ladder, a hosepipe and three empty petrol tins were delivered at the school today  | 2 Meh 1942  | 47 |
|  |  | Miss Ward, LCC paid a visit  | 4 Meh 1942  | 47 |
|  |  | Clothing received from Birmingham for Evacuees. Coupons collected for return to B'ham  | 11 Meh 1942 | 47 |
|  |  | Dinner and Milk Money for May banked at Lloyds'  | 16 Meh 1942 | 48 |
|  |  | 50 sand bags received for ARP purposes   | 22 Meh 1942 | 48 |
|  |  | Dr Llew Williams SMO inspected the children for malnutrition this morning  | 25 Meh 1942 | 48 |
|  |  | Milk was delivered today in Pint Bottles, and a revised method of distribution among the children was adopted  | 7 Gor 1942  | 49 |
|  |  | Miss Ward, LCC, paid a visit   | 14 Gor 1942 | 49 |
|  |  | Two Sheerness Evacuees returned to Sheerness on 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst. This information forwarded to the Office today  | 29 Gor 1942 | 50 |
|  |  | Night classes will commence on Monday Sept 14 <sup>th</sup> as follows: Dressmaking, Monday 6 to 8pm. Quilting: Wednesday 6 to 8pm. Instructions received to see that the lighting arrangements and Blackout arrangements are satisfactory | 1 Med 1942  | 51 |
|  |  | Two London Evacuees (unofficial) left today to return to London  | 4 Med 1942  | 51 |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC paid a visit   | 14 Med 1942 | 52 |
|  |  | Meals Return for year ending June 30 <sup>th</sup> forwarded to Office. These statistics are necessary to be forwarded to the Fuel Control. Returns concerning the duties of members of the staff in Civil Defence also forwarded          | 17 Med 1942 | 53 |
|  |  | Clothing and boots received from Birmingham. 24 coupons to be collected from Mrs Jefferies   | 18 Med 1942 | 53 |

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|  |  | Clothing and boots received from Birmingham. 18 coupons to be collected from Mrs Simmonds. Acknowledgement sent to B'ham for same, together with a request for socks   | 25 Med 1942  | 54    |
|  |  | Forwarded to Mr Salisbury Roberts the half-yearly Return Form for War Savings. A total of £84 10s 0d was collected for half year ending 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept '42  | 29 Med 1942  | 54    |
|  |  | Clothing (socks and mufflers) received from Birmingham. Four coupons to be collected from Mrs Gardiner. These coupons are in possession of mother in B'ham.<br>An Evacuee child, a beginner was admitted today and entered on Register VI as the child is from the LCC. I cancelled her attendance on Reg VI and entered her on special register kept for Evacuees | 1 Hyd 1942   | 55    |
|  |  | Clothes Rationing Forms ED 277 (General Occupational Supplement) sent to Office on behalf of the two cleaners. Coupons for soap also given to cleaners.<br>Milk for London children. If necessary, free milk may be granted to LCC children  | 9 Hyd 1942   | 55-56 |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC paid a visit   | 13 Hyd 1942  | 56    |
|  |  | Form 214M (Provisions of Meals and Milk)-a return for Wd Oct 14 <sup>th</sup> sent to Office. Also a return of no of Evacuees from London and other areas-re Christmas Treats  | 16 Hyd 1942  | 56    |
|  |  | Mrs Milne, Children's Officer, Ministry of Pensions, Dumfries Place, Cardiff paid a visit to see a Birmingham Evacuee  | 17 Hyd 1942  | 56    |
|  |  | Form relating to an Evacuee from Sheerness Kent (a candidate for the Metropolitan Evacuating Authorities Examinations for Secondary schools) forwarded to County Hall, Cardiff   | 29 Hyd 1942  | 57    |
|  |  | School re-opened after half term. Alterations in the school hours of attendance come into force today until beginning of March 1943. Juniors 10am-12.30pm, 1.45pm to 4pm. Infants 10am-12.15pm, 2pm-4pm  | 3 Tach 1942  | 57-58 |
|  |  | Dr Llew Williams, the SMO carried out a routine inspection of the children for malnutrition. Of the dozen or so cases discovered, it appear that six of them were confined to two families (3 each)  | 12 Tach 1942 | 59    |
|  |  | Miss Ward LCC called this afternoon. With the permission of the Director of Educ, the Infants' Dept. will commence school at 1.45pm in the afternoon session, the same as the Mixed Dept., and finish at 3.45pm, instead of the scheduled times conveyed by Circular   | 16 Tach 1942 | 59    |
|  |  | Forwarded to Food Office an application for rationed goods for Christmas Treats  | 20 Tach 1942 | 59    |
|  |  | Free Milk was ordered today for LCC Evacuees, payment for same to be recovered by LCC from parents in London.<br>Clothing received from B'ham. 18 coupons collected and forwarded to the Lady Mayoress' Dept., 75 Broad St, Birmingham   | 23 Tach 1942 | 59-60 |



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|  |  | Replied to PD Innes B'ham Juvenile Dept. Council House, Margaret St B'ham re despatch of clothing   | 24 Tach 1942 | 60    |
|  |  | Nil Returns sent to Office re Free Milk for LCC school children   | 25 Tach 1942 | 60    |
|  |  | Miss Turner attends to Office every Wednesday afternoon at 3.30pm to attend to Birmingham correspondence concerning clothing for Evacuees   | 9 Rhag 1942  | 61    |
|  |  | The children were given a Christmas Tea Party this afternoon commencing at 3.30pm. Due to the kindness of the people of the village, commodities were obtained, now unprocurable in the shops. Arrangements are being made to take the children of the Junior dept. to a free show at the Workmen's Hall, Mt Ash on Tues Dec 29 <sup>th</sup> '42                     | 16 Rhag 1942 | 61    |
|  |  | The 17 Evacuee children received 6d each from the residue of money received from the Office for the Xmas entertainment of the Evacuees  | 11 Ion 1943  | 62    |
|  |  | Memorandum No 435-Disposal Surplus Milk received from Office. The Income Scale for provision of Free Meals has been received and as follows:<br>Father or mother and 1 child-50/0 weekly. Father or mother and 2 children-62/0 weekly, plus a sum of 6/- in respect of each additional child. Rent is not to be deducted from total in arriving at income given above | 14 Ion 1943  | 62-63 |
|  |  | Received from Miss Turner (B'ham), a pair of boots  | 3 Chwe 1943  | 64    |
|  |  | Sent a requisition to Miss Turner for further clothing etc.   | 8 Chwe 1943  | 64    |
|  |  | Clothing received from Birmingham. 1 pair boots and 2 pair of socks   | 17 Chwe 1943 | 64    |
|  |  | School Times this week, starting on Monday have reverted to the Summer times  | 4 Maw 1943   | 65    |
|  |  | Miss War LCC paid a visit   | 23 Maw 1943  | 65    |
|  |  | Forwarded a return to Mr Roberts of amount of National Savings for half-year ending Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> 1943. Amount saved-£169 3s 0d. During this half year of Nat Savings, the school group reached the £1000 mark since the formation in Feb 1940   | 31 Maw 1943  | 65-66 |
|  |  | New Roll of Dinner Tickets received from Office 29/3/43   | 5 Ebr 1943   | 66    |
|  |  | Forms for renewal of Permits for Soap Rationing for the school cleaners were received today, and delivered to the cleaners. Form G 246  | 6 Ebr 1943   | 66    |
|  |  | In the "Wings for Victory" Savings eek the sum of £67 12s 0d was collected by the School's Savings Association  | 9 Ebr 1943   | 66    |
|  |  | In response to a request from the Financial Office, the school cash books (Bank, Meals) were sent to the Town Hall, Mt Ash  | 4 Mai 1943   | 69    |

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|  |  | Dr Llewellyn Williams carried out an inspection of the pupils for malnutrition. No serious case was discovered  | 7 Mai 1943  | 70    |
|  |  | Mrs Dring paid a visit to the school to report that 2 Birmingham Evacuees had been removed to 6 Albert St, Miskin. They were accordingly marked off the Registers of this school. A pair of shoes arrived from Birmingham. Mrs Dring was given them for delivery. Coupons to be collected from parents  | 17 Mai 1943 | 70    |
|  |  | Return of "Wings for Victory" Savings of the school £67 12s 0d was sent to Mr Roberts, Town Hall, for transmission to Regional Commissions  | 17 Mai 1943 | 71    |
|  |  | Mrs Dring was given a pair of shoes which had arrived from Birmingham for delivery to an Evacuee, lately moved to Miskin. Coupons to be collected from parents.<br>The Strirrup Pumps were tested and found to be in effective working order  | 19 Mai 1943 | 71    |
|  |  | Meals and Milk Return made in accordance with Form 214 M, and despatched to Education Office  | 20 Mai 1943 | 71    |
|  |  | Notice received to the effect that an Evacuee from Birmingham, had returned home. He was marked off the registers accordingly   | 1 Meh 1943  | 72-73 |
|  |  | 10 tins (Emergency Water Supply) delivered to Infants school  | 5 Gor 1943  | 75    |
|  |  | The school assembled this morning in response to a request from the Chairman of the Mt Ash Urban DC (Mr S Blake) who wished to commemorate the adoption by the Urban Area of HMS Exe, and the presentation of a plaque by the Admiralty to the Urban Area, by opening a fund to make a small present to each rating on the Warship. The Headmaster, in a short address, explained the purpose of the Fund, and asked for a donation of 1d from each pupil | 8 Gor 1943  | 75-76 |
|  |  | The sum of £1 7s 8d was contributed by the staff and pupils of the school to the HMS Exe Fund, inaugurated by the Chairman of the local UDC. Every pupil made a small donation  | 15 Gor 1943 | 76    |
|  |  | Estimate of Dinners required by the pupils of the school during the last 2 weeks of the Summer Holidays, returned to Education Office in accordance with instructions in Circular 37/43   | 16 Gor 1943 | 77    |
|  |  | Miss Michael terminated her duties at this school today, in order to resume her teaching at Birmingham after the Summer Holidays  | 30 Gor 1943 | 78    |
|  |  | The classroom in which Evening Classes will commence on Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept was inspected for that purpose. The Blackout curtains and lighting arrangements were found to be satisfactory  | 8 Med 1943  | 79    |
|  |  | Parcel of garments received from Mayor of Birmingham War Relief Fund for two Birmingham Evacuees. Garments were delivered to the guardian from whom a receipt and necessary coupons were obtained   | 15 Med 1943 | 81    |

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|  |  | A Nil Return for Issue of Supplementary Clothing Coupons to children was submitted to the Education Office   | 21 Med 1943  | 81    |
|  |  | In order to ensure a good stock of coal for the coming winter months a request to the Education Office for a supply of 2 tons to each of the school departments was made   | 24 Med 1943  | 81    |
|  |  | Parcel of clothing received from Lord Mayor of Birmingham Relief Fund for two Birmingham Evacuees  | 5 Hyd 1943   | 83    |
|  |  | Letter despatched to Hon Sec Lord Mayor of Birmingham's War Relief Fund, enquiring if clothing despatched should be delivered to lady in charge of two Birmingham Evacuees, if no clothing coupons were available (14 required).<br>Form 214 M (Provision of Meals and Milk) completed and sent to Education Office                                    | 13 Hyd 1943  | 83-84 |
|  |  | Mr Heath, Fireguard Chief, called at the school and made arrangements for the "Blacked Out" classroom to be used as the local centre when the occasion demanded  | 14 Hyd 1943  | 84    |
|  |  | Form LM 42-Milk in schools, completed and forwarded to-11 Milk Division (Quality), Ministry of Food, Thames Dutton, Surrey   | 18 Hyd 1943  | 84    |
|  |  | During "Assembly" this morning, a letter to the children from the Captain of HMS Exe was read to the pupils. This was done in accordance with a request from S Blake Esq, Chairman Mt Ash UDC.<br>A Return in accordance with Circular 61/43 (Free Dinners) was completed, and despatched to the Education Office, Mt Ash                              | 19 Hyd 1943  | 84    |
|  |  | The "Lady Helper" (Birmingham Evacuees) paid a visit to the school to collect clothing. She was instructed by the Head Teacher to give clothing only on condition that the necessary coupons were available  | 27 Hyd 1943  | 85    |
|  |  | School re-opened today after the half-term holiday. Alterations in opening and closing hours of school come into force, and will operate until Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> 1944 as follows:-Infts Dept. 10am to 12.15, 1.45-3.45pm. Junior Dept. 10am-12.30, 1.45-4pm. The Time Table has been adjusted and amended to suit the decreased hours of attendance | 2 Tach 1943  | 86    |
|  |  | The Infants Department closed at 3.30pm, a quarter of an hour earlier than usual. The teachers attended a staff meeting when the question of attempting to provide dinners for the infants at Caegarw school was discussed   | 10 Tach 1943 | 87    |
|  |  | The Junior school assembled for a short address by the Head Teacher at 10.50am on "Armistice Day". The Two Minutes Silence was observed throughout the school  | 11 Tach 1943 | 87    |
|  |  | Mr Price, Director of Education, accompanied by Miss Harries, Canteen Organiser inspected the school premises, with a view to the provision of Dinners at the school   | 17 Tach 1943 | 87    |

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|  |  | Carrying out a request from the Director of Education, the Head Teacher left school at 3.30pm to attend a meeting at the Town Hall to discuss Xmas parties for evacuated school children, provision of Milk beakers, and school pupils' record cards   | 17 Tach 1943    | 88    |
|  |  | Return of number of beakers, bowls, tc required sent to Education Office   | 18 Tach 1943    | 88    |
|  |  | Administrative Memorandum 489. B of Educn instructs that all unaccompanied children attending school are eligible for milk without payment. This order came into effect throughout the school today  | 22 Tach 1943    | 88    |
|  |  | Dr Llewellyn Williams, the School Medical Officer visited the school and examined every pupil for signs of malnutrition. He expressed great satisfaction with the physical condition of the children   | 24 Tach 1943    | 88-89 |
|  |  | The following records were sent to the Education Office: Teachers' Attendance, School Attendance for November, Meals Return for November   | 1 Rhag 1943     | 89    |
|  |  | Cash for Milk Sales and Dinner Sales for month of November 1943 deposited in Lloyd's Bank. Notification of deposit sent to Educn Office  | 7 Rhag 1943     | 90    |
|  |  | Forms for requests for pupils' Xmas party despatched to Food Office, Mt Ash  | 8 Rhag 1943     | 90    |
|  |  | Cheque for £1 1s 0d received from the Education Dept., being the amount granted to give the 7 Evacuees attending the school a special Xmas treat (Circular 72/43, dated 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec)   | 9 Rhag 1943     | 90    |
|  |  | At 3pm this afternoon the children sat down to an excellent repast. In addition to the commodities bought from dealers, the pupils contributed many dainties brought from their own homes. After a short interval the Xmas party was continued in the main room where much fun was obtained from the playing of party games. Blackout regulations brought an end to a very enjoyable afternoon and evening | 22 Rhag 1943    | 92    |
|  |  | A Nil Return for Metropolitan Evacuation Areas Examn, was submitted to the Director of Education, County Hall, Cardiff   | 14 Ion 1944     | 93    |
|  |  | Free Dinner children supplied with stamped "Slips" for presentation to the Canteen Manageress in accordance with instructions received from Educn Office   | 26 Ion 1944     | 94    |
|  |  | 90 Milk beakers were delivered this morning.<br>Mr Thomas, Billeting Officer gave information that provisional arrangements were to be made for the possible accommodation of Evacuees. Accordingly, Miss Brown and Miss Morgan, two members of the staff, visited the houses in certain of the districts during the afternoon   | 24 Chwe<br>1944 | 95    |
|  |  | In accordance with the instructions of the Education Committee, the school times for commencing and finishing the morning and afternoon sessions reverted to the usual Summer times. The time table was altered accordingly  | 28 Chwe<br>1944 | 95-96 |

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|  |  | Received information from the Fireguard Chief of Newtown that the school premises had been used on Thursday Feb 10 <sup>th</sup> , Feb 17 <sup>th</sup> , Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> and Feb 29 <sup>th</sup> , and that 1/- was payable for each occasion                                   | 29 Chwe 1944 | 96      |
|  |  | Notice was sent by Newtown Fire Guard Officer to the effect that the school had been used by the Fireguards on Feb 10 <sup>th</sup> 1944, Feb 17 <sup>th</sup> , Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> and Feb 29 <sup>th</sup> , and that 1/- was payable in respect of each meeting. No cash received | 6 Maw 1944   | 97      |
|  |  | Application was made to the chief Billeting Officer for footwear in respect of a Birmingham Evacuee. Boots for above pupil supplied   | 8-9 Maw 1944 | 97      |
|  |  | Report, in accordance with Circular 7/44 to HTs dated 17-2-44, sent to Town Hall (Free Dinners)   | 10 Maw 1944  | 98      |
|  |  | Authorisation received from the Director of Education to give free dinners to pupils of parents whose incomes were below the scale of allowances as contained in Circular 7/44 to HTs. Ten new children will receive free dinners as from March 27 <sup>th</sup> '44  | 20 Maw 1944  | 98      |
|  |  | Representatives of the local branch of the Ministry of Food called at the school to substitute stationery for that which had become obsolete. The school is to be used as a centre for feeding, should the emergency arise  | 27 Maw 1944  | 99      |
|  |  | Forwarded return of Schools Savings to Mr Roberts for half year ending 31 <sup>st</sup> March 1944. Amount £144 10s 0d  | 30 Maw 1944  | 100     |
|  |  | The MOH examined the pupils. Six children were slightly malnourished  | 15 Mai 1944  | 103     |
|  |  | Roll of Dinner Tickets (1000) supplied by the Education Office. Milk and Dinner receipts for the month of May 1944 banked at Lloyd's. Notification sent to Office   | 5 Meh 1944   | 104     |
|  |  | Two Evacuees were admitted to the Infants department  | 26 Meh 1944  | 106     |
|  |  | With the permission of the School Manager, a meeting of the Dyffryn Ward Labour Part was to have been held in the main room of the school. The room was prepared but the meeting did not take place   | 29 Meh 1944  | 106     |
|  |  | The school closed at 3.30pm today in order to allow the staff to attend a meeting of all teachers of the district at Caegarw Senior School. News has arrived of the coming to Mt Ash of Evacuees, and arrangements have to be made for their reception and billeting  | 6 Gor 1944   | 108     |
|  |  | LCC Evacuees arrive at Mt Ash   | 9 Gor 1944   | 108     |
|  |  | Five LCC Evacuees admitted.<br>"Salute the Soldier" Savings week commenced. The "Target" set for the school was £100. A total of £71 11s 0d was recorded on the opening day   | 10 Gor 1944  | 108     |
|  |  | The school is closed this afternoon in order to allow the staff to make a new census of billeting accommodation for 400 children and mothers, who will arrive in Mountain Ash on July 14th  | 12 Gor 1944  | 108-109 |

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|  |  | The school is closed this afternoon. Reception and billeting of a new party of Evacuees   | 14 Gor 1944  | 109     |
|  |  | Seven Evacuees from the London area admitted.<br>Salute the Soldier week savings £375 11s 0d  | 17 Gor 1944  | 109     |
|  |  | School closed for the day in order to allow the teachers to make a complete census of accommodation available for prospective Evacuees  | 18 Gor 1944  | 109     |
|  |  | School closed. Reception of Evacuees  | 21 Gor 1944  | 109     |
|  |  | Number of children qualifying for extra coupons (clothing) sent to Office   | 19 Med 1944  | 111     |
|  |  | Certificates for Supplementary Clothing Coupons issued to nine children   | 10 Hyd 1944  | 112     |
|  |  | Miss Harris and the Director of Education consulted the Headmaster concerning the site of a Kitchen and Dining Hall for the pupils of the school  | 13 Rhag 1944 | 115     |
|  |  | Form for Supplementary Clothing Coupons signed by Mrs Eacott, school cleaner, and despatched to Education Office  | 11 Ion 1945  | 116     |
|  |  | The Head Teacher left school this afternoon at 2.50pm in order to attend a meeting of HTs at the Town Hall at 3pm, when the distribution of Orange Juice and Cod Liver Oil to children under 5 yrs. was discussed. Religious Instruction and Safety First were also subjects under discussion                       | 9 Chwe 1945  | 118     |
|  |  | Mr Heath, Chief Fireguard Officer removed 3 Stirrup Pumps and all the ARP Helmets from the school premises  | 20 Chwe 1945 | 118     |
|  |  | Form 214M and Annual Return of Evacuees (1-4-1944) to 31-3-1945 sent to Town Hall   | 21 Chwe 1945 | 118     |
|  |  | The Hot Water System, in preparation for School Meals, was installed  | 27 Chwe 1945 | 119     |
|  |  | The school cleaner received extra Clothing Coupons  | 9 Maw 1945   | 119     |
|  |  | Council electricians completed the wiring necessary for installation of Hot Water Geyser  | 19 Maw 1945  | 120     |
|  |  | I left school at 2.20pm today in order to attend a Head Teachers' meeting at the Town Hall. This meeting was summoned by the Director of Education, to discuss details of organisation connected with the "takeover" of the Mountain Ash schools by the Glamorgan Education Committee on 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1945 | 26 Maw 1945  | 120     |
|  |  | On the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1945 all the schools of the area will come under the jurisdiction of the Glamorgan Education Committee, and the Butler Education Act will come into force  | 28 Maw 1945  | 120-121 |
|  |  | An instruction from the Chief Accountant Mt Ash UDC ordered that in future all monies received should be paid into the Mt Ash UDC General Acct and not into the Educ A/C as hitherto  | 9 Ebr 1945   | 121     |

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|         |                       | Miss Harries, Meals Supervisor for area called to examine the facilities provided at the school for dinners  | 12 Ebr 1945  | 121     |
|         |                       | Dr Williams, MOH, visited the school, and examined 91 children. He expressed pleasure with the physical condition of the children, there being no case of malnutrition   | 18 Ebr 1945  | 122     |
|         |                       | Further progress was made with the completion of furnishings for the provision of school dinners on the school premises  | 20 Ebr 1945  | 122     |
|         |                       | VE Day. As instructed by Glam Educ Office Circular, the pupils were assembled in the main room at 9.30am. The Union Jack and other national emblems were hoisted. A short service consisting of thanksgiving hymns, psalms and prayer, and an address by the Head Teacher, was held. The proceedings were brought to a close with the singing of God Save The King and the announcement of a two days' holiday   | 8 Mai 1945   | 123     |
|         |                       | School re-assembled as usual after VE celebrations. There was a substantial absentee list this morning   | 10 Mai 1945  | 123     |
| EMA21/2 | Penrhiwceiber Infants | Following the declaration of War yesterday, school will be closed today and until further notice. Children who arrived this morning were sent home   | 4 Med 1939   | 313     |
|         |                       | School was re-opened today. All children under five are excluded by order of the Education Committee, until further notice   | 11 Med 1939  | 313     |
|         |                       | Children under 5 yrs. old, whose names were previously on school registers were readmitted today. Other children under 5 cannot be admitted, because one of the classrooms has been taken over for Air Raid Precaution (ARP) purposes  | 9 Hyd 1939   | 313     |
|         |                       | School commences today 9.10 and 1.10 and closes at 11.45 and 3.10  | 20 Tach 1939 | 314     |
|         |                       | Owing to the War situation, and the possibility of reception of Evacuees, all teachers were recalled and school is re-opened this morning, All members of the staff are present  | 14 Mai 1940  | 317     |
|         |                       | School was closed from 3 <sup>rd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> inclusive, so that arrangements could be made for the reception into the schools of the Evacuees who come into the district from Kent on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> inst. The services of the teachers were also required to help in the large amount of clerical work attached to billeting, ration cards, tc. School was reopened today, the 7 <sup>th</sup> inst. Eighteen evacuated children were admitted into this school, but share a room in the Girls' school and another small class of evacuated children attached to the Girls' department-teacher Miss M Griffiths | 7 Meh 1940   | 317-318 |
|         |                       | School closed in the afternoon-strengthening windows with paper strips   | 15 Gor 1940  | 318     |
|         |                       | School will be on Monday the 29 <sup>th</sup> to enable teachers to visit again all houses in the district re billeting accommodation  | 26 Gor 1940  | 318     |

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|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon and for a fortnight-to 16 <sup>th</sup> inclusive, for the Summer Vacation   | 2 Aws 1940   | 318 |
|  |  | School re-opened today. Classes will not be changed until 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept  | 19 Aws 1940  | 318 |
|  |  | Classes were changed today. No children under five will now be admitted-according to instructions received from the Education Committee   | 2 Med 1940   | 318 |
|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon and for 2 more weeks for the Summer Vacation   | 6 Med 1940   | 319 |
|  |  | School will be closed tomorrow to enable teachers to visit again all houses re billeting of evacuated mothers and children  | 3 Hyd 1940   | 319 |
|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon to enable teachers to again visit houses re billeting  | 17 Hyd 1940  | 319 |
|  |  | School will be closed on Monday the 21 <sup>st</sup> inst, clerical work in connection with billeting of mothers and children who arrive on the 19 <sup>th</sup> inst   | 18 Hyd 1940  | 319 |
|  |  | School was closed on 25 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup> and 27 <sup>th</sup> re billeting of children expected from Birmingham   | 28 Tach 1940 | 320 |
|  |  | School will be closed on the 14 <sup>th</sup> to enable teachers to visit houses re billeting   | 13 Mai 1941  | 321 |
|  |  | School closed on this date-filling in billeting forms to following reception of Cardiff children on Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> inst   | 2 Meh 1941   | 321 |
|  |  | The Whitsun Holiday was postponed for a week owing to reception of Evacuees from Cardiff on the 31 <sup>st</sup> . School is closed for the deferred holiday at noon today and during next week-to 13 <sup>th</sup> inclusive | 6 Meh 1941   | 321 |
|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon to enable teachers to make a canvass of houses to ascertain the number of children under 5 yrs. of age in the area   | 28 Gor 1941  | 322 |
|  |  | School is reopened this morning after 4 weeks' holiday. Pending the decision of the Education Committee this week, only children over five years of age will be admitted today  | 1 Med 1941   | 322 |
|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon to enable teachers to canvass district for billets for children to be evacuated from Birmingham on the 4 <sup>th</sup> proximo   | 27 Tach 1941 | 323 |
|  |  | School will be closed this afternoon to receive and billet children evacuated today from Birmingham   | 4 Rhag 1941  | 323 |
|  |  | School is reopened today after the holidays. Eighteen children were admitted to the babies class  | 13 Ebr 1942  | 324 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams examined all the children present this morning-to detect cases of malnutrition   | 16 Meh 1942  | 325 |



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|  |  | School is reopened after the holidays. During the holidays the walls of the classrooms and cloakrooms were coloured and painted, and the woodwork was washed down. As varnish is scarce, the woodwork was not re-varnished  | 1 Med 1942   | 326 |
|  |  | Official opening and closing of school from today until 26 <sup>th</sup> February '43 will be 10am-12.15 and 2pm-4pm  | 3 Tach 1942  | 327 |
|  |  | School commenced at 9.30 this morning, reverting to old times 9.30-12am and 2-4pm. Clock will be kept 10 minutes fast with permission of the Director of Education for convenience of teachers travelling by bus, and for convenience of cooks at the canteen, This will enable the infants to be served and dispersed before arrival of older children | 1 Maw 1943   | 328 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams examined all the children present this morning-to detect cases of malnutrition   | 1 Rhag 1943  | 331 |
|  |  | During the Easter Holidays, an electric heater was installed in the top cloakroom, also a large wash basin and a draining board for washing milk beakers supplied by the Education Committee. They were first used today  | 25 Ebr 1944  | 333 |
|  |  | School will be closed tomorrow to enable teachers to canvass houses for billets for Evacuees arriving on 9th  | 6 Gor 1944   | 334 |
|  |  | School closes this afternoon-further billeting  | 12 Gor 1944  | 335 |
|  |  | School closes this afternoon-Evacuees arriving  | 14 Gor 1944  | 335 |
|  |  | School closed all day-further canvass for billets   | 18 Gor 1944  | 335 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon-evacuees arriving today  | 21 Gor 1944  | 335 |
|  |  | Miss Betty Hodgell, an evacuated LCC teacher was sent here for this afternoon, and until further notice   | 28 Gor 1944  | 335 |
|  |  | Miss Piper, an evacuated LCC teacher commenced duties here this morning. She has charge of 28 evacuated children, and will probably be here for six weeks   | 22 Med 1944  | 336 |
|  |  | School will be closed on 2th, 30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> for the Mid-term Vacation, the extra day being a recognition of the excellent work done at the schools in connection with "Salute the Soldier" week   | 26 Hyd 1944  | 337 |
|  |  | Miss Piper-LCC, terminates duties here today. She returns to London tomorrow  | 20 Tach 1944 | 337 |
|  |  | Miss Violet Alice Beckett, a LCC evacuated teacher commenced duties here this afternoon in place of Miss Piper  | 11 Rhag 1944 | 337 |
|  |  | Dr Llewelyn Williams examined all the children present this afternoon-236-to detect cases of malnutrition   | 25 Ebr 1945  | 339 |

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|         |                    | Hostilities in Europe cease today-VE Day May 8 <sup>th</sup> . Children were assembled as usual this morning. A short service was held, then children were dismissed. School is closed for today and tomorrow-May 8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> 1945                      | 8 Mai 1945   | 339-340 |
| EMA21/5 | Penrhiwceiber Boys | School re-opened after the Midsummer Vacation-a week late owing to the outbreak of War. All teachers present  | 11 Med 1939  | 84      |
|         |                    | Left school early to attend a meeting of Head Teachers on Air Raid Precautions  | 18 Hyd 1939  | 84      |
|         |                    | Summer time having been extended till Nov 19 <sup>th</sup> came to an end yesterday, so the school hours from today will be as follows: Morning session 9-11.45am, afternoon session 1-3.10pm. This will enable all children to reach home before dark during the winter months | 20 Tach 1939 | 85      |
|         |                    | Public Warning Signals in case of Air Raids tested today at 12.30pm. Children previously warned   | 12 Chwe 1940 | 86      |
|         |                    | Dr Llewellyn Williams visited the school and examined the boys for malnutrition   | 26 Chwe 1940 | 86      |
|         |                    | Mr Luther Meek visited the school. He was a pupil of the school and was in the Ajax in the Battle of the River Plate  | 13 Maw 1940  | 87      |
|         |                    | Mr David Harris another old pupil of the school came. He too had been in the same engagement, but he was a member of the crew of the Exeter, which had taken the most prominent part  | 14 Maw 1940  | 87      |
|         |                    | School re-opened on the instruction of the Board of Education. All teachers present. Thus the Whitsun Holidays were cancelled because of the War  | 14 Mai 1940  | 91      |
|         |                    | Evacuees arrived from Sheerness and Chatham yesterday. Ordinary school work suspended and teachers engaged in work connected with the billeting of these children   | 3 Meh 1940   | 91      |
|         |                    | Ordinary school work resumed. 19 Evacuees absorbed in various classes in this school  | 7 Meh 1940   | 91      |
|         |                    | Received notification from the Education Office that school hours would be 10am-12.30pm in the morning and 1.45-4.30pm in the afternoon as from 8/7/40  | 5 Gor 1940   | 92      |
|         |                    | School closed. Teachers to visit houses in the district for billeting purposes  | 29 Gor 1940  | 92      |
|         |                    | School closed for Summer Vacation at end of morning session and to re-open on Monday the 19 <sup>th</sup> inst  | 2 Aws 1940   | 92      |
|         |                    | School closing for fortnight's holiday at end of morning session  | 6 Med 1940   | 92      |
|         |                    | School closed. Teachers to visit houses for billeting women and children  | 4 Hyd 1940   | 92      |
|         |                    | School closed in the afternoon for teachers to visit houses re billeting women and children   | 17 Hyd 1940  | 92      |
|         |                    | School closed in connection with billeting  | 21 Hyd 1940  | 93      |

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|  | School closed preparing to receive Evacuees from Birmingham                                   | 25-27 Tach<br>1940 | 93    |
|  | An Air Raid Warning from 2.05pm to 3.05pm   | 3 Rhag 1940        | 93    |
|  | An Air Raid Warning from 2.55pm to 3.15pm   | 4 Rhag 1940        | 93    |
|  | Air Raid Warning from 12.05pm to 12.20pm  | 5 Rhag 1940        | 93    |
|  | Air Raid Warnings 1.47-2.03 and 2.15-2.50   | 11 Rhag 1940       | 93    |
|  | Children left 2.15pm for the Workmen's Hall. Free show for them an educational visit          | 16 Rhag 1940       | 93    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 1.55 to 2.05pm   | 20 Ion 1941        | 94    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 10.25-10.50am  | 28 Chwe<br>1941    | 94    |
|  | Returned to ordinary TT 9.30-12.30 and 2-4.30. Air Raid Warning 3.55-4.25pm                   | 3 Maw 1941         | 94    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 1.22-2.12pm  | 7 Maw 1941         | 94    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 12.15-12.30  | 10 Maw 1941        | 95    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 11.27-11.55am. Air Raid Warning 3.05pm-3.30pm                                | 11 Maw 1941        | 95    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 12.25-12.45  | 19 Maw 1941        | 95    |
|  | Air Raid Warnings 9.17-9.30 and 9.35-10.09. Air Raid Warning 3.52-5.10                        | 26 Maw 1941        | 95    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 2.25-3.17  | 27 Maw 1941        | 95    |
|  | School closed. Seeking billets for Evacuees   | 14 Mai 1941        | 96    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 2.15pm-2.30pm  | 22 Mai 1941        | 96    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 4.25-5.10pm  | 28 Mai 1941        | 96    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 10.53-11.35am  | 29 Mai 1941        | 96    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 11.05 -11.14am   | 30 Mai 1941        | 96    |
|  | 40 evacuated children received from Cardiff   | 3 Meh 1941         | 96    |
|  | Air Raid Warning 1.20-1.50 and 2.12pm-2.27. Air Raid Warning 4.25pm                           | 14 Gor 1941        | 96-97 |
|  | Air Raid Warning 3.08pm-3.40  | 15 Gor 1941        | 97    |
|  | School closed in afternoon. Teachers to canvas homes re War-Time Nurseries                    | 28 Gor 1941        | 97    |
|  | Mr Joyce absent. Had to appear in London for an interview re Commission in RAFVR              | 2 Hyd 1941         | 97    |
|  | Times of opening and closing school changed from today. 10am-12.30 and 1.45-4pm               | 17 Tach 1941       | 98    |
|  | School closed this afternoon to enable teachers to find billets for children from Birmingham  | 27 Tach 1941       | 98    |
|  | School closed this afternoon to receive Evacuees  | 4 Rhag 1941        | 98    |
|  | Children were given a Christmas Treat in the form of a free Cinema show by the Hall Committee | 15 Rhag 1941       | 98-99 |
|  | School tea held in the afternoon to entertain the Evacuees                                    | 18 Rhag 1941       | 99    |

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|         |                                      | Dr Llewellyn William visited the school during the morning session and examined the boys for malnutrition  | 17 Meh 1942  | 101   |
|         |                                      | School was resumed after the Half-term Holidays. School hours from today are 10am to 12.30 and 1.45pm to 4pm   | 3 Tach 1942  | 102   |
|         |                                      | The school attended the Penrhiwceiber Workmen's Hall this afternoon for a free Cinema show   | 20 Ion 1943  | 103   |
|         |                                      | Dr LL Williams examined the school children this morning for malnutrition  | 30 Mai 1943  | 104   |
|         |                                      | Nurse Davies visited the school today and examined all the boys for cleanliness, poor clothing and footwear  | 9 Hyd 1943   | 106   |
|         |                                      | Beakers for Milk were received today   | 3 Rhag 1943  | 106   |
|         |                                      | The school was closed this day for teachers to canvas for billets for Evacuees   | 7 Gor 1944   | 109   |
|         |                                      | The school was closed this afternoon for the teachers to take another canvas of billets for Evacuees   | 12 Gor 1944  | 109   |
|         |                                      | The school was closed this afternoon for the reception of Evacuees   | 14 Gor 1944  | 109   |
|         |                                      | The school was closed this day-another canvas of houses for billets for Evacuees mothers and children  | 18 Gor 1944  | 109   |
|         |                                      | The school was closed this afternoon to billet Evacuees mothers and children   | 21 Gor 1944  | 109   |
|         |                                      | This is VE Day. The children had a short service of Thanksgiving, and were then sent home. The school was closed for today and tomorrow May 9th  | 8 Mai 1945   | 113   |
| EMA21/6 | Penrhiwceiber County/Secondary Mixed | School re-opened today. No school was held last week because of the state of Emergency caused by the War   | 11 Med 1939  | 32    |
|         |                                      | Because of the War Emergency the school hours from today will be 9 to 11.45 and 1 to 3.10pm. Suitable adjustments will be made in the Time Table   | 20 Tach 1939 | 33    |
|         |                                      | The Director of Education called here today and informed me that the Education Committee were unable to accept the conditions imposed by the owner of the land proposed to be used as a school garden  | 20 Rhag 1939 | 33-34 |
|         |                                      | School re-opened today instead of the 20 <sup>th</sup> of the month: the decision to re-open today in reception areas was announced over the "Wireless" as a Government decision because of the War Emergency. All members of the staff were present | 14 Mai 1940  | 44    |
|         |                                      | 219 Evacuees from Sheerness were received into this war yesterday. School will re-open on Friday: until then the details of billeting are being undertaken by the staffs   | 3 Meh 1940   | 44    |

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|  |  | School re-opened today. 19 children from Sittingbourne were made into a form and the other part of the Senior school gathered into six forms. Three rooms are given over to 90 girls from Mile-Town Junior Girls, Sheerness. Mr Watts has been seconded to the Director of Education | 7 Meh 1940   | 44 |
|  |  | School re-opened   | 19 Aws 1940  | 45 |
|  |  | Mr Belton has returned to Chatham  | 23 Med 1940  | 45 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon for billeting   | 17 Hyd 1940  | 45 |
|  |  | Mr Jones and Mr Wilcox have joined HM Forces today. School closes this afternoon for the Christmas Holidays  | 20 Rhag 1940 | 46 |
|  |  | School will be closed tomorrow-teachers will be attempting to secure billets for 2000 children to be received from a Welsh Town  | 13 Mai 1941  | 47 |
|  |  | Thirty children are in the hop fields  | 8 Med 1943   | 54 |
|  |  | School is closed today in order to canvas the area for the reception of 400 children Evacuees from London on Sunday next   | 7 Gor 1944   | 57 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon for another canvas of the area. 400 mothers and children are to arrive from Greater London on Friday  | 12 Gor 1944  | 57 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon-billeting of children from Greater London   | 14 Gor 1944  | 57 |
|  |  | School closed for canvass of area  | 18 Gor 1944  | 57 |
|  |  | School closed this afternoon-receiving 106 mothers and families from Reigate and Tonbridge   | 21 Gor 1944  | 57 |
|  |  | School re-opened this morning. 77 Evacuees on books  | 4 Med 1944   | 58 |
|  |  | 35 children from this department have been to the hop-fields this season   | 22 Med 1944  | 58 |
|  |  | Some of the "hop pickers" have not yet returned to school  | 13 Hyd 1944  | 58 |
|  |  | I shall be away tomorrow attending a Conference-as a representative of the LEA-convened by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents   | 10 Ion 1945  | 59 |
|  |  | School re-assembled after the Easter Holidays. The Education Authority is the Glamorgan County Council under the Education Act, 1944, but the administration will be carried on, temporarily, by the Mountain Ash LEA, acting as a sub-committee of the County Authority             | 9 Ebr 1945   | 60 |
|  |  | School assembled this morning for a service, after which, the children were dismissed for two days' holiday. This holiday was granted on the occasion of VE Day-the cessation of fighting in Europe  | 8 Mai 1945   | 61 |
|  |  | School re-assembled this morning   | 10 Mai 1945  | 61 |

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| EMA23/1 | Ynysboeth<br>Mixed | Owing to the outbreak of war with Germany, school will be closed this week, according to instructions. Teachers, however, will meet at the school each morning to discuss plans for receiving possible Evacuees for evacuable areas  | 4 Med 1939   | 413 |
|         |                    | School re-opened this morning. All staff present. Admitted 31 boys from the Infts' Dept. and 25 girls. There were also 22 Evacuees admitted, not all for evacuable areas, but mainly from districts around London considered by their parents to be in the danger zone. 9 pupils were admitted from Ysgol Ganol, having been sent here by the Headmaster, Mr Rhys Morgan   | 11 Med 1939  | 413 |
|         |                    | A test was given this morning to find out how many children were unable to reach home in 6 minutes, in case of an Air Raid. The number was 34, for whom shelter will be provided. Admitted 9 more pupils from Ysgol Ganol, and 3 more "refugees" from the London area  | 12 Med 1939  | 413 |
|         |                    | Admitted one from Ysgol Ganol and four "refugees"  | 13 Med 1939  | 414 |
|         |                    | Admitted 2 "refugees" from London area   | 18 Med 1939  | 414 |
|         |                    | Admitted 2 "refugees" from the London area   | 19 Med 1939  | 414 |
|         |                    | Mr Murray, from London, called this morning to express his thanks for the kindness shown to his young brother who is an Evacuee from London  | 4 Hyd 1939   | 415 |
|         |                    | Received circular stating that the Central school children who were admitted here after the Summer Holidays owing to the Emergency regulations, are to proceed to the Central school on Monday next, the 9 <sup>th</sup> inst  | 5 Hyd 1939   | 415 |
|         |                    | Head Teacher left at 2.45 in order to attend a meeting of Billeting Officers at the Town Hall  | 6 Hyd 1939   | 415 |
|         |                    | By instructions of the Director a combined staff meeting of both departments was held at 3.45 this afternoon to discuss and arrange for canvass of district in preparation for reception of possible Evacuees from the danger zones  | 9 Hyd 1939   | 416 |
|         |                    | Head Teacher left at 2.30 in order to attend a meeting of Head Teachers at M Ash in connection with ARP for schools  | 19 Hyd 1939  | 416 |
|         |                    | According to instructions school was opened this morning at 9 and closed for morning session at 11.45; opened in afternoon at 1 o'clock and closed at 3.10. The TT periods for various lessons will remain the same for morning and afternoon sessions up to playtime. The two lessons after playtime in morning and afternoon will change places on alternate weeks. Playtime will be from 10.50 to 11.05 in the morning, and from 2.25-2.35 in the afternoon | 20 Tach 1939 | 417 |
|         |                    | Closed school at 3.10 for Christmas Holidays (2 wks.); to re-open on Jan 8 <sup>th</sup> 1940. Dinners are being provided during the holidays (with the exception of Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas Day and Boxing) at the Canteen. No Milk Meals provided during holidays  | 22 Rhag 1939 | 418 |

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|  |  | Forwarded to Clerk to Governors of County School list of scholarship candidates for examination on April 2 <sup>nd</sup> . There are 13 boys and 9 girls on the list, including 3 Evacuees (2 boys and 1 girl)  | 19 Ion 1940 | 420 |
|  |  | School closed after the morning session for the Easter Holidays-to re-open on Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> April. Instructions received from the Education Office that from 1 <sup>st</sup> April school times will be as follows: Morning 9.15am to 12.15pm, afternoon 1.45 to 4.15pm. Owing to the restricted bus services, due to the War, permission was received from the Director of Education to make an adjustment to those times to read. Morning 9.10 to 12.10, afternoon 1.40 to 4.10 | 21 Maw 1940 | 423 |
|  |  | Upon instructions received over the wireless from the Government, the Whitsun Holidays were cancelled, owing to the situation arising from the War and school re-opened today   | 14 Mai 1940 | 424 |
|  |  | School will be closed on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> June to receive, billet, and arrange for the settling down of 40 Evacuees, 3 teachers and 1 helper, sent here from Sittingbourne Kent. The staff met each morning at 10am  | 31 Mai 1940 | 425 |
|  |  | School re-opened. Mrs Nash one of the evacuated teachers will return to her home town tomorrow at the request of her Education Authority  | 7 Meh 1940  | 425 |
|  |  | From today onwards school will assemble at 10am and close at 12.30-the afternoon session will be from 1.45pm to 4.30pm (Instr from Educ Office)   | 8 Gor 1940  | 426 |
|  |  | School closed today, for the purpose of making a canvass of houses in the area, to find out what accommodation could be provided for further Evacuees and refugees  | 26 Gor 1940 | 427 |
|  |  | School closed this morning for a fortnight's holiday to re-open on Monday the 19 <sup>th</sup> August   | 2 Aws 1940  | 427 |
|  |  | The attendance is exceptionally poor this week as 45 children have been taken away to the hop fields of Herefordshire in addition to the casual absences  | 5 Med 1940  | 427 |
|  |  | School was closed this morning for the remainder of the Summer Holidays-to re-open on 23 Sept   | 6 Med 1940  | 427 |
|  |  | Mr Jones was not in school this morning, as he attended a Medical Examination at Pontypridd with the view of joining HM Forces. He returned to school at 2pm  | 24 Med 1940 | 428 |
|  |  | Mr Jones was requested to proceed to Merthyr this morning for a further Medical Examination in connection with service with HM Forces   | 27 Med 1940 | 428 |
|  |  | School closed today to enable teachers to visit the houses in the area, to obtain billets for refugees  | 4 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  |  | School closed today, to enable the teachers to visit the billets of Evacuees-37 adults and 53 children having arrived on 19 <sup>th</sup> inst  | 21 Hyd 1940 | 429 |

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|  |  | Mr Jones was absent this morning having an interview at Pontypridd with a member of the RAF previous to his joining HM Forces. He was requested to attend at Cardiff in the afternoon  | 29 Hyd 1940  | 429 |
|  |  | Mr Jones ceased duties in school this afternoon. He reports at Cardiff in the morning for service with HM Forces   | 6 Tach 1940  | 430 |
|  |  | Mr Jones resumed duties this morning, having been placed by the Military Authorities on "Deferred Service". He now has to wait, until he is definitely called to serve with the Air Force. Upon instructions received from the Education Office, the afternoon session will close at 4 o'clock for the Winter months   | 11 Tach 1940 | 430 |
|  |  | School met today as usual, but the children were dismissed to enable the teachers to visit the houses to obtain accommodation for Evacuees from Birmingham. In expectation of the arrival of these Evacuees, school remains closed on Tues and Weds the 26 <sup>th</sup> and 27 <sup>th</sup>  | 25 Tach 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | The Evacuees not having arrived, school was re-opened today  | 28 Tach 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | Mr Jones ceased duties today to join HM Forces (RAF)   | 11 Rhag 1940 | 431 |
|  |  | Head Teacher arrived in school this morning at 10.50am having called at Penrhiwceiber Senior school re billeting   | 11 Chwe 1941 | 433 |
|  |  | School was closed in the afternoon to enable the teachers to canvass billets for Evacuees expected on Saturday   | 27 Chwe 1941 | 434 |
|  |  | School was dismissed after assembly this morning to enable the teachers to visit the houses of the district, for the purpose of obtaining billets for Evacuees from a Welsh Town-closed morning and afternoon  | 13 Mai 1941  | 436 |
|  |  | School closed for Whit Monday-77 Evacuees had arrived from Cardiff on Saturday-these had been billeted and full particulars of each had been taken by the teachers on Monday.<br>Constitution of the party was as follows<br>Severn Rd Sch Cardiff 32<br>St Joseph's RC 28<br>Greenhill Open Air 12<br>Canton National 2<br>Viriamu Jones Sch 2<br>Radnor Rd 1<br>Total 77 | 2 Meh 1941   | 436 |
|  |  | Form I Girls and Form I Boys were put as one class to provide an empty room to accommodate the RC school which remained as one school in one room. Apart from Religious Instruction the infants were taught at the Infants school  | 3 Meh 1941   | 437 |



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|  |  | The arrangements made on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> June have been altered. The Cardiff Ed Committee do not desire the RC school to be treated as an entity, but would prefer the children to be absorbed among the classes. This has now been done, but provision has been made to allow the RC children to meet together for Religious Instruction from 9.30 to 10am and from 4.15 to 4.30pm. School closed after the morning session for the postponed Whitsun Holidays, to re-open on Monday 16 Jun. The Evacuee children from Cardiff will meet a Cardiff teacher each day during the holidays, to keep in contact | 6 Meh 1941      | 437-438 |
|  |  | School was closed this afternoon to enable the teachers to visit the houses of the district to obtain a census of children under 4 yrs. old with the view of establishing Nursery Centres  | 28 Gor 1941     | 440     |
|  |  | School re-opened after the Summer Holidays. Miss Musgrave of Cardiff took up duties here today in charge of Evacuees from Cardiff  | 1 Med 1941      | 440     |
|  |  | According to instructions received from the Education Office school hours for the Winter Months-Morning session 10am to 12.30pm, afternoon session 1.45pm to 4pm. To conform with the changed hours registers will be closed at 10.10am and 1.55pm. The first lesson in the morning will be of 15 mins and each other lesson will be curtailed 5 mins. For the afternoon lessons each one will be 5 mins shorter   | 17 Tach 1941    | 443     |
|  |  | School was closed this afternoon to enable teachers to visit the houses to obtain billets for Birmingham children  | 27 Tach 1941    | 443     |
|  |  | School was closed in the afternoon to billet Evacuees from Birmingham  | 4 Rhag 1941     | 443     |
|  |  | Miss Musgrave-Evacuee teacher from Cardiff ceased duties here today, upon being recalled to Cardiff  | 19 Chwe<br>1942 | 445     |
|  |  | From today school hours will be as follows:-9.30am to 12.30pm, 2pm to 4.30pm   | 9 Maw 1942      | 446     |
|  |  | Mrs Peckett, the official helper of the Evacuees in school, has now taken up duties at a Government Ordnance Factory. Miss Mair Ladd a teacher from Birmingham will henceforth be responsible for the Evacuees from Birmingham and will visit the school once a week   | 5 Meh 1942      | 448     |
|  |  | Following instructions received from Education Office school hours for the winter session will be as follows: 9.45 to 12.15 morning session, 1.45 to 4pm afternoon session and will remain so until 26 Feb 1943. Registers will be closed at 10.10am and 1.55pm. The first lesson will be of 15 minutes duration and each other lessons will be curtailed by 5 mins. The lesson in the afternoon will be 5 mins shorter than shown on the Time Table   | 4 Tach 1942     | 451-452 |
|  |  | Mrs Peckett, Evacuee teacher from Erith, Kent, terminated service here today, upon returning home in January, to serve her own Ed Authority  | 18 Rhag 1942    | 453     |

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|  |  | School re-opened after the Christmas Holidays. Mrs Breese and Miss Ladd, Evacuee teachers from Birmingham commenced duties here today              | 4 Ion 1943     | 453 |
|  |  | I left school this afternoon in order to attend an Evacuee Welfare Meeting at the Town Hall. MR Griffiths in charge                                | 2 Meh 1943     | 457 |
|  |  | First Evening Class-Dressmaking-for session 1943-44. 7pm to 9pm  | 15 Med 1943    | 459 |
|  |  | I left school at 2.45pm to attend a meeting of the Welfare Committee at the Town Hall at 3pm. Mr Griffiths in charge                               | 6 Hyd 1943     | 459 |
|  |  | From today the school hours will be: Morning 9.45am to 12.15pm, afternoon 1.45pm to 4pm  | 2 Tach 1943    | 460 |
|  |  | The whole school attended a film show at the Penrhiwceiber Workmen's Hall in the afternoon. Permission granted by the Director of Education        | 16 Chwe 1944   | 461 |
|  |  | The last meeting of the Dressmaking Class was held this evening (26 meetings during whole course)  | 29 Maw 1944    | 462 |
|  |  | The geyser installed to provide hot water for washing beakers was used today for the first time  | 11 Mai 1944    | 463 |
|  |  | School closed all day. Billeting survey for Evacuees   | 7 Gor 1944     | 464 |
|  |  | School closed in afternoon-Billeting survey  | 12 Gor 1944    | 464 |
|  |  | School closed in afternoon-Billeting Evacuees  | 14 Gor 1944    | 464 |
|  |  | School closed all day to enable teachers to find out the total available accommodation of every house preparatory to possible compulsory billeting | 18 Gor 1944    | 464 |
|  |  | Evening Class-dressmaking commenced today. Evening Class-art needlework commenced today  | 20-21 Med 1944 | 465 |
|  |  | Miss Ladd terminated duties today. Returning to B'ham  | 22 Rhag 1944   | 466 |
|  |  | From today administration authority is Glamorgan County  | 1 Ebr 1945     | 467 |
|  |  | A short service was held this morning to celebrate victory in the Great War and the school thus closed for two days                                | 8 Mai 1945     | 468 |
|  |  | The registers were closed this morning at 9.40am to enable children who attend Matthewstown Church to attend a Special Service at 11.45am          | 10 Mai 1945    | 468 |