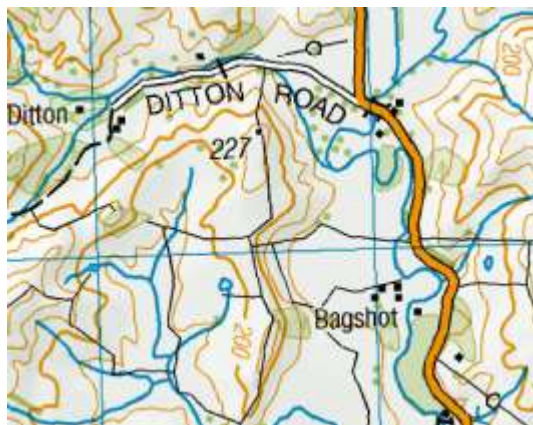


Bagshot: 1930 (6 Months), 1934 (3 Months) .The Wellington Education Board didn't realise that it owned land at Bagshot and Mr Mawley was growing potatoes and turnips on the land. Please prove that you own the land asks Mr Mawley. The schoolroom here was in the original Ditton School. 18 Kilometres from Masterton on Whangaehu Valley Road



The Bagshot School was opened twice in the 1930's and neither time was sustainable and quickly closed. Way back from 1890 to 1897 a school was situated here called the Ditton School

In 1929 enquiries were made to what conditions were needed for an Aided school and the

Wellington Education Board advised that the teacher would be paid £105 per annum if the roll was 7. The parents would have to supplement this by £15 and provide free board and lodgings. If hardship could be proved parents would only have to provide free board and lodgings. The school would be in a room provided by Mr H Mawley for free

In 1930 an application was made for a school. Board was arranged three of the four families are paying 6/8d per week towards the teacher's board and lodgings. The same three are sharing the cost of all bed linen etc used by the teacher. Mr Thornton, Mr Ward and I all have cars, she will be able to get to town or have an outing occasionally. In May 1930 Miss Hazel M Coulter was appointed teacher to Bagshot School

Mr Taplin writes He is leaving Bagshot and taking his three children This leaves only 2 on the roll. Could they please appoint Miss Coulter to another job as she is " a very efficient teacher and the children have gone ahead very well. With beginners she has wonderful method and she has endeared herself to them while she has been here

Miss Coulter closes the school on 21st November 1930

The teaching material of the school was taken to Waihoki Valley School where Miss Coulter was sent to, on the distant outskirts of Pongaroa

Then in 1934 another move to have a school at Bagshot and the Wellington Education Board discover they actually own land here 4th February Letter from Mr H B Ward to Wellington Education Board There are 10 children living between 5 and 9 miles from Wangaehu I have been conveying 7 of these to school. But the other 3 are not attending school at present I am not able to continue conveying the children to school My Mortgagees object on the grounds that I spend too much of my day from work which necessitates employing a man for the work I do normally I have received permission from Mr A H Falloon for the use of a suitable room at "Ditton" for a school room. The room was used as Bagshot School.

28th February Letter from Mr Mawley to Wellington Education Board I am somewhat annoyed at having the school here at such short notice.

New Classroom Owned by Mr A H Falloon is provided free 19 foot x 14 foot

5th July Mr J Little Ex Taita School starts at Bagshot

3rd September Roll is down to 3. Letter to Mr Ward from Wellington Education Board I shall be pleased to receive any reasons why the school should not be closed.

4th September Closed Bagshot school