

## Courtenay Place

The Courtenay Place school was always under the auspices of the Mount Cook School Committee:

I didn't realise this till too late: And decided to research it as a separate school under the guidance of the Mount Cook School Committee but treated as a separate entity

### 1883

1883	95	Courtenay Place	Robertson	Annie E		Female	£120.00
1883	95	Courtenay Place	Balcombe	Georgina		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1883	95	Courtenay Place	Smith	Ellen		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00

**Annie E Robertson** started for the new Wellington Education Board at Thorndon in 1878 and Mount Cook Boys' 1879 to 1882 and in 1883 was Head Female at Courtenay Place

**Georgina Balcombe** taught at Mount Cook Infants' in 1882 and Courtenay Place in 1883. And taught 1887 to 1889 at Newtown as an assistant. Was at E division of University where she was too ill to sit an examination. In 1884 she was appointed Mistress at the Havelock School for the Marlborough Wellington Education Board Resigned January 1885

**Ellen Smith** was a pupil teacher at Mount Cook Infants' in 1882 and C

17th April 1883 In a letter to the editor it was claimed that an infant school had been opened in Courtenay Place: I have found no evidence of it being opened'

12th July 1883 COURTENAY PLACE SCHOOL. Education Board, Wellington, 12th July, 1883. A SCHOOL will be opened in Courtenay Place on Monday next, the 16th inst., for children between five and eight years of age

### 1884

1884	129	Courtenay Place	McGowan	Elizabeth		Head Female	£120.00
1884	129	Courtenay Place	Page	Elizabeth		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00
1884	129	Courtenay Place	Wilkinson	Clara		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1884	129	Courtenay Place	Hudson	Priscilla		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00

**Elizabeth McGowan** as an assistant from 1878 to 1880 at Mount Cook Boys': 1884 to 1888 Head Female Courtenay Place: 1889 to 1904 Assistant Clyde Quay:

**Elizabeth Page** was a pupil teacher at Te Aro 1882 and 1883 at Courtenay Place 1884 and 1885: Newtown 1886 and Kilbirnie in 1888 Then in 1889 and and 1890 she was an assistant at Clyde Quay

**Clara Wilkinson** was a pupil teacher at Courtenay Place 1884 to 1886: and Mount Cook Girls' 1887 and 1888: She then was head teacher at Hastwell School south of Eketahuna

**Priscilla Hudson** was always a pupil teacher for the Wellington Education Board: 1884 and 1885 Courtenay Place: 1886 and 1887 Te Aro Infants': 1888 and 1889 Mount Cook Girls': 1890 to 1892 Clyde Quay

29th January 1884 Mount Cook School Committee The average attendance of scholars had been 1137, being an increase of 132 over last year, or, omitting the new school in Courtenay Place, an increase of 32. The total number on the books was 1511.

26th March 1884 Wellington Education Board: Miss A. E. Robertson, of the Courtenay Place School, was granted six months' leave of absence, without salary, her health having broken down.

28th March 1884 Wellington Education Board: Appointment pupil teacher, Courtenay Place, Miss Wilkinson

6th August 1884 Elizabeth Page and Clara Wilkinson both passed their Pupil Teacher examinations

17th December 1884 The annual prizes will be distributed in the Mount Cook Schools tomorrow as follows :— To the boys' school at 11 a.m., to the girls' school at 2 p.m. (in the boys' schoolroom). and to the infant schools, Tory street and Courtenay Place, at 4 p.m.

19th December 1884 At this school Mr. J. R. Blair, Chairman of the Education Board, presented the certificates for regular attendance, the following being a list of those who distinguished themselves :—:

1st Class (boys).— H. Bishop, W. Callow, M. Campbell, J. Callaghan, V. Cording, H. Collins, C. Dix, G. Honour, F. Turner, G. Innis, A. Trevor. H. McClelland.

1st Class (Girls) K. Boyce, H. Callaghan, H. McIntyre, P. Player, A. Stidolph, N. Taylor, B. Wood, P. Gowdie.

2nd Class (boys).-A. Gregory, A. Book, C. Collins, D. McIntyre , E Redstone, F. Feist, G Everett, J. Harrison, J. Murphy, N. Gibbs V. Lindloff.

2nd Class (girls).-C .Williams, K. Bavy, K. Callow, M. Burn, M. Andrews, M. Millman, M. Bennett.

3rd Class (boys).— A. Bailey, S. Campbell, J Emeny, B. Gowdie, J. Mountstephen, J. McCaul, W. Robertson, W. Oowler, W. Turner. J. Hudson. .

3rd Class (girls).— E. Burton, J. Ewing, B. Fallows, J. Fusoher, F. Gibbs, F. Stidolph. B. Valentine, T. Mills, E. Bowie, M. Keith, C. Cosgrove, M. Parr.

4th Class (boys).-F. Burton, I. Brown, H. Brenton, G. Carver, T. Murray, W. Harrison, E. Player, H. Walker

Class (girls).— J. Clatwator, E. Callow.? A. Edwards, E. Gibbs, E. Kirk, A. Murphy, E. McClelland, M. O'Laughlin, A. Williams.

## 1885

1885	147	Courtenay Place	McGowan	Elizabeth		Head Female	£120.00
1885	147	Courtenay Place	Page	Elizabeth		Female Pupil Teacher	£35.00
1885	147	Courtenay Place	Wilkinson	Clara		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1885	147	Courtenay Place	Batt	Lizzie		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1885	147	Courtenay Place	Hudson	Priscilla		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00

5th May 1885 Wellington Education Board C. A. Spiers, £680. Shelter sheds, Courtenay Place— Accepted:

29th October 1885 Wellington Education Board: Miss Wbltehouse to the Courtenay place school [Miss Whitehouse was still at Te Aro in December 1885

31st December 1885 Mr Alien (Chairman of the Committee) distributed the certificates, Messrs James Wilson and G. Norbury (members of Committee) and a large number of ladies being present. The schoolroom, which appeared altogether inadequate for 200 children, was nicely decorated, and the youngsters sang a few songs in very good time. The Chairman said that there were 210 names on the roll. One little girl, Jane Ewing, had been present 423 times—the full number of attendances—during the year (the mornings and afternoons counting separately), whilst 100 had made over 300 attendances. That was not so good as at the other school, where 300 out of 500 had registered 300 attendances ; still it was satisfactory. After the certificates were distributed, Jane Ewing being loudly cheered as she went up for hers, three hearty cheers were given for Miss McGowan, the teacher. The children were afterward entertained at tea

## 1886

1886	136	Courtenay Place	McGowan	Elizabeth		Head Female	£120.00
1886	136	Courtenay Place	Wilkinson	Clara C		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1886	136	Courtenay Place	Batt	Lizzie		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1886	136	Courtenay Place	King	Mary E		Female Pupil Teacher	£35.00
1886	136	Courtenay Place	Watson	Caroline C		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00

**Mary E King** was a pupil teacher at Courtenay Place in 1886: Mount Cook Boys' in 1887 and 1888 and Hutt in 1889. Then as an assistant she was at Hutt from 1889 to 1895:

**Caroline C Watson** as a pupil teacher at Mount Cook Infants' in 1884 and 1885: 1886 Courtenay Mount Cook Girls' 1887 to 1889: 1890 to 1892 Terrace. Then as an assistant 1893 to 1899 an assistant at Terrace until 1899.

1900/5376	Caroline Cudmore	Watson	Harry Forsyth	
1901/17672	Forsyth	Harry Stewart	Caroline Cudmore	Harry -
1904/13067	Forsyth	Basil Wellington	Caroline Cudmore	Harry

28th January 1886 Wellington Education Board: Grant received from Education Department £3000

8th October 1886 Wellington City Council: That a reply be sent to the Education Board, stating that the Council is unable to give any land for a site for a school in the neighborhood of Courtenay Place :

16th December 1886 The little folk attending this school were entertained by Miss McGowan, headmistress, and her assistants this afternoon. The Mayor, attended by Mr. Allen, the Chairman of the School Committee, and several of his colleagues were present, and were entertained by the children singing a number of choruses in a most melodious manner. The school, judging from the appearance of the the youngsters, does infinite credit to all the teachers.

## 1887

1887	163	Courtenay Place	McGowan	Elizabeth		Head Female	£120.00
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1887	163	Courtenay Place	Batt	Lizzie		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00
1887	163	Courtenay Place	Hutchens	Emily		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00
1887	163	Courtenay Place	Scott	Elizabeth		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1887	163	Courtenay Place	Robinson	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1887	163	Courtenay Place	Smith	Caroline		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00

**Emily Hutchens** {Emma} Hutchens, Emily Hutchens Pupil Teacher Mount Cook Infants' 1885 and 1886: 1887 Courtenay Place . {Also Probably Emmeline Hutchens Mount Cook Girls' 1889 to 1892 and Clyde Quay 1893]

**Elizabeth Scott [AKA Eliza]** Pupil Teacher at Mount Cook Infants' 1886: Courtenay Place 1887 and 1888: Clyde Quay 1889 to 1896: Then Assistant still at Clyde Quay 1897 to 1902

**Alice F Robinson** started her career at Courtenay Place 1887 and 1888 as a pupil teacher: Then still a pupil teacher was at Clyde Quay 1890 to 1893 still a pupil teacher. Then an assistant at Clyde Quay 1890 to at least 1917

**Caroline Smith** was always a pupil teacher: Courtenay Place 1887 and 1888 and Thorndon Infants' in 1889

**26th January 1887** Wellington Education Board has allowed £3000 for a site for a school near Courtenay Place

16th April 1887 The Hospital Steward acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt of grapes from Mrs Kennedy Macdonald, four scrap albums from the children from Miss McGowan's pupils and old linen from a Friend, Courtenay place.

16th December 1887 COURTENAY PLACE INFANT SCHOOL. The prizes were presented to the children! of the Courtenay Place Infant School- by his Worship the Mayor yesterday afternoon.

Prize list - for regular attendance :—First class. Boys: Thomas Page, Frederick Tattle, William Mill, James Williamson, Willie Veitch, Cornelius Callaghan, James Hay, Arthur Mason, Henry Brenton Harold Furby, William Rothenburg. Girls; Lily McClelland, Annie Mitchell, Isabella Hewitt, Carrie Taylor, Mabel Shaw; Edith Mary Carter, Julia Eyre, Ruth Fallows, Annie Fiest, Augusta- Gordon, Ada Edwards, Nellie Plimmer, Rose Collie, Emily Beaumont, Maggie Mitchell.

Second class.—Boys : Wilfred Kellow, Samuel Boyce, Sydney Benzie, William Andrews., Harry Dix, Percy Emeny Oliver Gibson, Albert Murray, Walter- Morrel, Bertie Roberts, Frederic Smith., Girls : Kate Meek, Margaret Bowie, May Ellison, Maude- Gordon, Gertrude Jenkins, Minnie Jacobowitch, Mary Moran, Maude Taylor, Edith- Simms, Mary Taylor, Edith Wilton.

Third class.—Boys : Walter- Coe, Edward Jones, Charles Leggett, Harold- Beck, George Fairchild, Ernest Ham, Henry Edwards, William Swan. Girls : : Marion Atkins, Ethel Hunter, Daisy Willmott, Emily Green, Sarah Jacobowitch, Maggie Emeny, Mabel Barber, Mulvena Ward

Fourth class- Boys : Owen. Jones, Ernest Gibbs, Thomas McGee. George Williams, Allred Studley, Alfred-March, Alfred Fiest. Girls : Annie Bowie, Jane Collie, Eliza Williams, Jessie Stidolph, Ethel; Wilton, Nellie Beaumont.

Fifth class—\_ Ethel Emeny.

## 1888

1888	156	Courtenay Place	McGowan	Elizabeth		Head Female	£115.00
1888	156	Courtenay Place	Batt	Elizabeth		Female Pupil Teacher	£30.00
1888	156	Courtenay Place	Scott	Elizabeth		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1888	156	Courtenay Place	Robinson	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00
1888	156	Courtenay Place	Smith	Caroline		Female Pupil Teacher	£20.00
1888	156	Courtenay Place	Monaghan	Alice		Female Pupil Teacher	£25.00

**Alice Monaghan** was a pupil teacher at Mount Cook Infants' in 1887 and at Courtenay Place in 1888

28th March 1888 The trustees of the Courtenay Place Infants' School obtained leave to effect slight alterations in the building

20th December 1888 No prizes were presented at the Courtenay Place Infant School, which broke up yesterday afternoon, but in their stead the children were treated to an outing at Kilbirnie. They were conveyed to and from the picnicking ground in Cobb & Co. 'a busses, and a very enjoyable day was spent.

## 1889

29th January 1889 The Clyde-quay State school was opened yesterday morning. Mr Blair (chairman) and Mr Dorset (secretary of the Education Board) paid a visit early in the day. The school is designed to accommodate 550 children, but the attendance yesterday was close upon 700. This includes the 200 children formerly taught at the Courtenay place school. The teachers of the Clyde-quay school are Mr W. T. Grundy (headmaster), Mr E. Samuel (chief assistant), Misses McGowan and H. Lawson (assistant teachers), and six pupil teachers.

Of the teachers at Courtenay Place at December 1888 only some were teaching for the Wellington Education Board at December 1889:

Elizabeth McGowan was an assistant at Clyde Quay

Elizabeth Batt was not teaching for the Wellington Education Board

Elizabeth Scott was a pupil teacher at Clyde Quay

Alice Robinson was not teaching for the Wellington Education Board in December 1889

Caroline Smith was a pupil teacher at Thorndon Infants'

Alice Monaghan was not teaching for the Wellington Education Board