

Te Horo

1892-1894

1893	25	Te Horo	Drummond	Robert		Male	£ 175.00
1894	25	Te Horo	Drummond	Robert		Male	£175.00
1894	25	Te Horo	Gillies	Annie		Sewing	£ 5.00

Robert Drummond had a distinguished career in teaching for the Wellington Education Board

1886-1889 Mount Cook Boys' in Wellington as Male Pupil Teacher

1890-1892 Mount Cook Boys' in Wellington as Assistant Male

1893-1894 Te Horo as Master

1895-1898 Parkvale School East of Carterton with a roll in the 40's

1899-1908 Clareville School North of Carterton as Headmaster

1909-1921 Lansdowne School North End of Masterton over the Waipoua River ending up with a roll of 381 including the Te Ore Ore School

1922-1932 Masterton Central the largest school in Masterton. Died in 1959 aged 92

28th January 1891 Wellington Education Board TE HORO DISTRICT. Bounded on the north by the Otaki School District, as already defined ; on the east by the Wairarapa South County; on the south by the Waikanae Stream ; and the Hutt County on the west by the sea coast.

28th January 1891 Wellington Education Board The lowest tender for the erection of a school at Te Horo was accepted.

19th February 1891 The Chairman of the Board of Education, together with such other members of the Board as may think proper, and accompanied by the Secretary, and possibly by Mr. R. Lee, the Chief Inspector, will leave tomorrow by the Wellington-Manawatu Co.'s line. Their object is to personally arrive at a conclusion as to the need of State schools being erected along the railway line, and the best sites amongst the many submitted to the Board upon which to build The party will tomorrow call at Kereru, Levin, Chan, Manakau, and Otaki, at which places they will confer with residents, and on the following day a visit will be paid to Te Horo, the city being again reached per last train the same day.

23rd February 1891 Included in trip report as above The members of the Board remained at Otaki on Friday night and on Saturday morning inspected the school site at Te Horo. It may be interesting in connection with the visit to this place to mention that the party were the first people who ever were conveyed to the spot in a four-wheeled vehicle Mr. Blair and his associates returned to town on Saturday.

26th February 1891 The estimates includes the following amounts urgently required for new schools, viz :—Ballance, £250; Mauriceville East, £400; Kaitawa, £250; To Aro Infants', £700 ; Te Horo, £250; Ohau, £250;.....

24th June 1891 Wellington Education Board The question of building a school on the reserve at Te Horo was left until the Inspector has visited the spot and reported thereon.

26th November 1891 The Board decided, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, to carry out the following works : Te Aro School, £750; Vogelstown, £159; Te Horo, £150

25th February 1892 Wellington Education Board The Te Horo School Committee wrote recommending a site for a school building, and a reply was ordered to be sent saying that the Board would put up a building directly a suitable site is found.

30th March 1892 Wellington Education Board The committee appointed to inspect a site at Te Horo was, with the addition of Mr. McCardle, appointed to inspect a site at Otaki for a new school at that place

29th January 1892 The estimate of the amounts required by the Education Board for building purposes during the current year are as follows :— For Infant School, Te Aro, .£750 Vogelstown, additions, £250; Te Horo, £350; Tokomaru, £200

4th August 1892 Wellington Education Board The committee appointed to consider the proposed sites at Te Horo and Otaki submitted a report. As to the former, they recommended the purchase of. at least an acre of land from Mr J. Gear, and with regard to Otaki, recommended that five acres should be purchased near the Railway Station. The reports were ordered to be forwarded to the local committee for their consideration.

3rd December 1892 Wellington Education Board called for tenders for new school at Te Horo

30th December 1892 The board have not yet come to any decision with regard to tenders for new schools at Tokomaru and Te Horo.

6th January 1893 The following are the amounts of tenders for building new schools, which were recently accepted by the Education Board :—: — Te Horo, Beetham & Johnson, £246 18s 6d ; [£246 in December 1890 is equivalent of \$51 520.61 in September 2020]

13th March 1893 Head Teacher, Te Horo. Average attendance, about 25. Salary, £140. No residence

30th March 1893 Wellington Education Board lease of reserve at Te Horo was granted to Mr John Angus, subject to the usual conditions

5th May 1893 With the approval of the School Committee Mr Robt. Drummond, assistant in the Mount Cook Boys' School, has been appointed to the Te Horo School, which will be opened on Monday next. There were 24 applicants for the position.

3rd June 1893 Wellington Education Board Te Horo, £4, removal of sheds, etc.

12th April 1894 Our To Horo correspondent writes: —Great interest was taken in the cricket match between To Horo and Paraparaumu State school boys, played in Mr Gear's paddock on Saturday, This was the first and only match our boys have played, and great credit is due to them for winning against an older club and "bigger" boys. The teams were entertained at Mr Waugh's by Mr Drummond, the master of Te Horo, to whose kindly interest the boys owe their success.

25th April 1894 WELLINGTON Education Board Mr. Thomas Taylor was appointed a member of the Te Horo Committee, as only six had been elected at the meeting of householders.

11th May 1894 inspector's to visit Te Horo on 30th May

24th August 1894 Te Horo Farmer's Club meeting included: A motion was at length carried to the effect that half the cost of a lamp be handed over to the Te Horo School Committee on an undertaking being given by them that they will allow the Farmers' Club the use of the

lamp at all the Club's meetings, and also find oil. The question of providing elementary agricultural information for the children of the district next occupied the attention of the meeting. After considerable discussion it was decided that the secretary should write to the Education Department and enquire if there were any elementary books on agriculture suitable for use in the New Zealand State schools

1895-1902

1895	25	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander		Male	£ 165.00	
1895	25	Te Horo	Gillies	Annie		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1896	30	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander		Male	£ 170.00	
1896	30	Te Horo	Gillies	Annie		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1897	27	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	E1	Master	£ 175.00	
1897	27	Te Horo	Catley	Jane A		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1898	29	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	E1	Master	£ 175.00	
1898	29	Te Horo	Catley	Jane A		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1899	27	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	E1	Master	£ 175.00	
1899	27	Te Horo	Catley	Jane A		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1900	35	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	E1	Master	£ 195.00	
1900	35	Te Horo	Catley	Jane A		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1901	40	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	D1	Master	£ 175.00	\$ 20.00
1901	40	Te Horo	Hayward	Ellen		Sewing	£ 5.00	
1902	44	Te Horo	McBain	Alexander	D1	Master	£ 175.00	\$ 20.00
1902	44	Te Horo	Willis	Alice M	E3	Assistant Female	£ 80.00	

[There was another Te Horo near Taihape as well and one in Poverty Bay]

Alexander McBain had a long and successful career with the Wellington Education Board

1884 Te Aro Infant's Pupil Teacher

1885-1888 Te Aro Pupil Teacher

1889-1894 Te Aro Assistant

1895-1902 Te Horo

1903-1914 Manakau Head Master

1915-1938 Eastern Hutt Head Master

25th April 1895 Inspector Lee to inspect Te Horo on 10th May

27th June 1895 The Education Board in committee yesterday confirmed the appointment of Mr McBain as teacher, in charge of Te Horo school, and instructed the secretary to intimate to the committee the Board's regret that they could not accede to the suggestion that Mr Bowker should receive the appointment. [No Mr Bowker taught for the Wellington Education Board and no Mr Bowker worked in a state school in NZ in 1896

16th March 1894 At a meeting of Te Horo Farmers' Club in the school house, Te Horo, Mr Simcox (president) in the chair, the resignation was received of Mr Bowker as honorary secretary. Mr Simcox spoke in high terms of that gentleman's capabilities, and regret was experienced by the whole meeting at the loss of his services

5th July 1895 At the breaking-up of Te Horo School on Friday afternoon for the midwinter holidays, opportunity was taken by the pupils to present the retiring school teacher, Mr R. C.

Drummond, with a token of their esteem, a beautiful pair of gold sleeve-links. The Chairman of the School Committee, Mr G. Bowker, spoke of the excellent work done by Mr Drummond in the school during the last two years, and how thoroughly he had identified himself with the interests of the pupils, both in their work and in their sports. Whilst the children deeply regretted to lose so good a teacher, they rejoiced in the fact that he had received promotion in the service and wished him health/prosperity and long life. Master G. Gillies then made the presentation on behalf of the pupils. Mr Drummond, in return, suitably, expressed his thanks. Cheers were given for Miss Gillies, Mr Drummond and Mr Bowker.

12th July 1895 The annual ball of the residents of Te Horo was held in Gear's woolshed on Wednesday week. The "hall" was decorated with nikau, toi toi and flags. The music was supplied by Herr Norberg and Mr Walter Smith, and a committee, consisting of Messrs Richards, Gillies, Drummond, and Rankin, carried out the arrangements. Mr Rankin acted as M.C. The dance served as a farewell to Mr Drummond, schoolmaster at Te Horo, and to introduce Mr McBain, who has been appointed to take his place.

15th July 1895 The vacancy left by Mr. Drummond at Te Horo will be filled by Mr. Bowker until the end of the month, when Mr. McBain at present assistant at Te Aro, will take charge. The Board will probably make a new appointment to the Te Aro school at its next meeting.

16th July 1895 Yesterday, Mr B. Drummond took over his new appointment at the Parkvale School, and Mr McBain, at present assistant at Te Aro, will fill the vacancy left by Mr Drummond at Te Horo, at the end of the month, up to which time Mr Bowker will be in charge.

2nd August 1895 Mr. A. McBain, late of Te Aro School, was presented by the teachers with a silver mounted travelling-bag before he left to take charge of the school at Te Horo

30th April 1896 The householders of Te Horo have elected the following as a School Committee for the* ensuing year: — Messrs. H. J. Richards (Chairman), A. Smith, G. Catley, J. Gillies, D. Mickell, H. Windley, and J. Waugh. The following resolution was carried : — " That this meeting is opposed to the introduction of the Irish National Scripture Text Book into the public schools of the colony."

8th June 1896 The Te Horo Cricket Club wound up its past season with a very successful social gathering in the schoolroom on Thursday last. Over 30 couples were present. Songs were contributed by Messrs. A. Smith, Stansill, sen. and McBain and a duet by Miss Smith and Mr. Stansill, two of the items having a violin obligate played by Mr. Fred Hall. Mr. Percy Gillies was M.C., the music being under the charge of Mr. Alf. Smith. A summary of ' the season's work was given by Mr. H. J. Richards, and Miss Gillies then presented the trophies — the President's (Mr. F. J. Browne) bat to Mr. J. Windley, for highest batting average; and Mr. George Winder's dinner gong to Mr. G. Day for the best bowling average

27th August 1896 The School Committee of Te Horo is sending out a circular recommending that all the committees between Wellington and Tokomaru combine to give the school children an. excursion to the Wellington Exhibition on some day in December, and that the directors of the Wellington-Manawatu Company be asked to grant cheap fares and a special train.

5th November 1896 Drawing Examination Freehand run by the Technical School Wellington entered by nearly all Wellington Education Board Schools. Te Horo. —Kate Dyer, Guy Gillies, Florence Mickell, Mary Skjoth.

25th November 1896 Wellington Education Board The Te Horo Committee was authorised to sell some timber growing on a reserve at Hautere Cross.

17th May 1897 Mr Lee to inspect Te Horo school on Tuesday 18th May

27th October 1897 Wellington Education Board and a grant made for fencing in the school ground at Te Horo

18th April 1898 Inspector Fleming will inspect Te Horo on the 18th May

16th June 1898 Wellington Education Board Owing to the illness of Mr McBain, the resident teacher, Miss Mulville has been appointed by the Education Board to take charge of the Te Horo School. [By the end of 1898 Miss Mary J Mulville was teaching at Taratahi West. [West of Masterton near The Tararua Foothills]/ She was there until 1904.

22nd December. 1898 Another wedding of some interest, took place at St. John's Church at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the bride being Miss Violet Carte, eldest daughter of Mr. Edward Carte, of Nairn-street, and the bride groom Mr. Alexander McBain, who has charge of the Education Board's school at Te Horo. The Rev. James Paterson performed the ceremony. The bride wore a dress of white satin, and was accompanied by her three sisters as bridesmaids, who were dressed in cream. Mr. Ernest Liddle attended as groomsman. The bride's presents included a diamond and opal ring from the bridegroom, who gave the bridesmaids gold bands. The young couple left town, during the afternoon on their honeymoon, and on their return will reside at Otaki.

25th July 1901 Wellington Education Board appoint Mrs Hayward as sewing teacher.

1903-1908

1903	39	Te Horo	Porritt	Thomas	D1	Master	£ 159.00	\$ 20.00
1903	39	Te Horo	Armit	Katherine N		Mistress	£ 80.00	
1904	39	Te Horo	Kirk	George W		Master	£ 153.00	\$ 20.00
1905	50	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D2	Head Master	£ 158.00	\$ 20.00
1905	50	Te Horo	Brown	Winifred E		Mistress	£ 80.00	
1906	55	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	£ 165.00	\$ 20.00
1906	55	Te Horo	Brown	Winifred E		Assistant Female	£ 85.00	
1907	52	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	\$180.00	House
1907	52	Te Horo	Pattle	Kate		Assistant Female	\$90.00	
1908	56	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	£180.00	House
1908	56	Te Horo	Ore	Charlotte E	E4	Assistant Female	£90.00	

A house for the Head Teacher was not built until 1907. Until that time the Head Teacher were paid a housing allowance

The Rev Thomas Porritt was headmaster of Greytown school from 1880 to 1888. He then was Headmaster of Featherston school till 1902 and in December 1903 was at Te Horo presumably as a relief teacher

George William Kirk was a Pupil teacher at Pitone from 1891 [Renamed Petone in 1895] and Petone until 1896. 1897-1898 he was at the Terrace School. 1889 to 1903 at the Rintoul Street School in Wellington as an assistant master. In 1904 to at least 1921 he Headmaster of Te Horo. And in 1923 he was head of Springlands school in Blenheim as headmaster.

In 1928 after 36 years' service he was appointed to Inglewood School in the Taranaki. Retired March 31st 1931

1903 **Katherine Armit** [aka as Catherine] taught at Newtown as a pupil teacher from 1897 to 1901. In 1902 she taught at Te Whiti East of Masterton as a sole charge, then in 1904 was at Kaitawa out of Pahiatua, Then taught from 1905 to 1911 at Petone DHS

1912/5416	Katherine Napier	Armit	Arthur James	Heighway
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Winifred E Brown was a Pupil Teacher at Pahiatua from 1900 to 1904. Then after two years at Te Horo was at Upper Hutt from 1907 to at least 1921. In 1923 she was teaching at Lansdowne school in Masterton .

Kate Alice Pattle In 1906 was a pupil teacher at Mitchelltown 1908 to 1909 Sole teacher at Whiteman's valley. 1910-1913 Sole teacher at Tauherenikau. 1914 to at least 1921 assistant at Pahiatua and by 1923 was teaching at Blenheim for Wellington Ed.

Charlotte E Orr only taught for Wellington Education Board at Te Horo in 1908

Lilian Platts only taught for Wellington Education Board at Te Horo in 1909

Muriel B Gibb Taught at Te Horo in 1910. 1911 Maranui, 1913 Petone West. 1914 Sole teacher at Pori (36 Kilometres from Pahiatua towards Pongaroa) 1917 Back at Maranui and in 1919 at Lyall Bay renamed from Maranui.

Phoebe M Prenderville as Pupil Teacher at Makara [West of Karori] where her father was head Teacher from 1897 to 1901. In 1902 and 1903 she was Mistress at Makara. Then from 1905 to 1910 she was sole teacher at Stokes valley school. From 1911 to 1914 she was at Te Horo and in 1915 was teaching at Muritai school in Eastbourne

16th January 1903 Mr F. C. Everton, of the Manakau School, has been promoted to succeed Mr Porritt in the charge of the Featherston School.

23rd February 1903 On Friday night, the residents of To Horo entertained their late schoolmaster, Mr. A. McBain,*who has been transferred to Manakau, and presented him with a silver-mounted travelling-bag and a pair of field-glasses, Mr. McBain's work at Te Horo during the past eight years was highly eulogised.

3rd June 1903 Wellington Education Board It was agreed to allow Te Horo Road Board to sell the gravel from the education reserve, on condition that the money is paid in to the Education Board

6th July 1903 Mr W. P. Cole, headmaster of the Levin school, who is leaving for Te Horo, was on Saturday presented by the committee with a clock, in acknowledgment of his faithful service at the school during the last nine years [Actually was appointed to the Taita School]

28th August 1903 Wellington Education Board The Board also received a letter from the Te Horo School Committee, in which that body gave it as its opinion that in regard to the appointment of teachers the Board, and not a committee, was best able to judge upon the moral and personal character of applicants for positions. After discussion, in which members agreed that the existing system in Wellington was the best in the colony, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Feist, that the present system could not be departed from, but that, as in the past, the Board would always be willing to meet committees as far as possible in 'dealing with appointments

15th January 1904 Wellington Education Board Male Sole Teacher, Te Horo ; average 39. £153, and £20 house allowance

7th March 1904 The Te Horo School Committee has approved the Education Board's selection of Mr. George Kirk as the sole male teacher for it» school,

5th August 1905 The increase in the attendance at the Te Horo School has been so great of late as to require' additions to the buildings. There has been a grant of £230 from the Government for building operations. The teaching staff has also had to be increased, and Miss Brown, late of the Pahiatua School has joined the staff temporarily.

27th October 1905 Wellington Education Board Instead of changing the position of the Te Horo School, it had been decided to endeavour to convey the children to the present school.

18th November 1905 Tenders for additions to Te Horo School is extended to THURSDAY, 23rd instant, at noon. Specifications at Otaki "Mail and Levin "Farmer" office

15th December 1905 The Board resolved to ask the Te Horo Committee to furnish an estimate of the cost of conveying the local children to and from school, the Board to provide the vehicle.

1st August 1906 Wellington Education Board Additions had been made to Te Horo school

23rd March 1907 The tender of Mr L. Argus (£380) for the erection of a school residence at Te Horo has been accepted.

10th May 1907 Wellington Education Board Assistant Female, £90

11th May 1907 A meeting was held last night at Te Horo to consider the advisability of erecting a town hall. There was a large attendance, and Mr Frank Locker occupied the chair. After discussion it was decided to erect a building, but whether a town hall or mechanical institute was not decided upon, it being left in the hands of Mr W. H. Field to give advice, many of those present stating if an institute a Government subsidy would be available. Mr E. C. Thomas was elected secretary pro tem., and with Messrs L. Nodine, Short, Cooper and Jolly appointed a committee to canvass the district for subscriptions. It- was also resolved to write and ask Mr Carnegie what help he would give if a library was started in connection with the new proposal.

15th June 1907 Wellington Education Board Assistant Female, £90

11th July 1907 Miss K Pattle appointed assistant

31st August 1907 Some time ago the Education Department gave the Wellington Board to understand that it was prepared to purchase a vehicle to try the experiment of carrying school children between Mohunoa and Martinborough. The Te Horo Committee recently asked the Board to buy a trap to enable them to have children driven daily from Hautere Cross and Otaki Gorge road to the school at Te Horo. On the motion of Mr Field, M.H.R., the Board decided to ask the Department to purchase a vehicle.

13th December 1907 Wellington Education Board An application was received from the Te Horo School Committee for a vehicle to be provided for the conveyance of nineteen children. It was resolved- that application be made to the Education Department for the cost of a vehicle

18th February 1908 The Anglican Sunday School picnic, in connection with the Te Horo school, held on Friday was highly successful.

29th April 1908 The new committee at Te Horo is composed of Messrs. Allen (chairman and secretary), Windley, Catley, Mickell, Vickers, Macintosh, and Best.

27th May 1908 The Te Horo School staff are promoting a concert in aid of ,the piano fund., the date fixed ! being Juno 16. Th o programme will consist of various items, by the children.

26th June 1908 Wellington Education Board grant of £50 for the supply of a van for the conveyance of children to Te Horo School, and ono of £350 , for the Secondary Department of the Masterton school, wero received from the Government. Action regarding To Horo was held over for the present.

1909-1912

1909	67	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	£185.00	House
1909	67	Te Horo	Platts	Lilian N C	D4	Assistant Female	£90.00	
1910	67	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	£195.00	House
1910	67	Te Horo	Gibb	Muriel B		Assistant Female	£90.00	
1911	67	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	D1	Head Master	£200.00	House
1911	67	Te Horo	Prenderville	Phoebe M	D3	Assistant Female	£120.00	
1912	84	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C1	Head Master	£205.00	House
1912	84	Te Horo	Prenderville	Phoebe M	D2	Assistant Female	£120.00	

28th January 1909 Mr George "W. Kirk, headmaster of Te' Horo State School, returned yesterday from a month's" cycling tour in the South Island. Mr Kirk cycled from Picton down the East Coast to Invercargill. and back to Christchurch, making many detours en route.

2nd February 1909 Miss Lilian Platts, - the newly-appointed assistant, at the Te Horo school, arrived there tin Saturday night, and commenced duties yesterday, morning.

12th October 1909 Advantage was taken of the school concert at Te Horo to make a presentation to Mr G. A. Dixon, who recently left Te Horo to come to Palmerston Mr Eli Allen, who made the presentation, said that a more energetic and good-natured resident they had not had in Te Horo than Mr Dixon. Whenever any object having for its object the welfare Of the district was brought forward, Mr Dixon was ever to the fore with his assistance, 'monetary and otherwise. On behalf of the residents of Te Horo, he asked Ms Dixon's acceptance of a handsome travelling bag

28th October 1909 Wellington Education Board Subsidy approved Te Horo Library £2 10s

27th April 1910 Miss L Platts resigns from Te Horo

14th May 1910 Wellington Education Board TE HORO— Assistant Mistress, £90 to £120.

24th May 1910 Master .William Millard met with an accident while riding home from the Te Horo School on Thursday, owing to being thrown from a horse. On examination it was found lie had sustained a fracture of the arm, necessitating his being sent to the Wellington Hospital.

1st June 1910 Newtown Scouts Troop included. During the afternoon Mr. Kirk, scoutmaster of the Te Horo troop, joined in the games

3rd June 1910 The Hautere Defence Rifle Club wind up a successful season (if one may judge by the cups and trophies won) with a concert and ball on June 24. This is an annual event, and is eagerly looked forward to, for the Hautere men do the thing well. The ball, etc., will be held is the large schoolhouse at Te Horo.

14th June 1910 Wellington Education Board Te Horo. — Assistant-mistress, Miss M. Gibb, ex-student, at present relieving.

7th July 1910 Miss Gibb, the newly-appointed teacher at Te Horo school, has commenced her duties, the relieving teacher. Miss Nannestad having been appointed to South Wellington.
1995-1909 Gertrude Nannestad was a pupil teacher at Te Aro

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6th August 1932 Mrs. and Miss Palliser were hostesses recently at a farewell party given at the D.I.C. in honour of Miss Gertrude Nannestad, who will return to New York on Tuesday after spending several months with her mother in Wellington.

30th August 1910 A concert in aid of the school piano was held at Te Horo on Friday night, when there was a large attendance, including visitors, from Otaki The programme was somewhat short, this being due to the fact that several of those who had promised to perform were absent. A dance followed the concert and proved enjoyable.

30th November 1910 Wellington Education Board Leave of absence granted to M Gibb

3rd February 1911 Wellington Education Board Te Horo Assistant Mistress £90 to £120

14th March 1911 New School, Waihoanga (near Te Horo) — Sole Teacher; probable salary £90 to £120, and £10 h.a [Housing Allowance]

8th August 1911 Gear Estate 1 700 ACRES of this beautifully situated property, subdivided into about 60 sections, including a number of small sections adjacent to the Railway Station, ranging in area from one acre to 25 acres of rich flat land. To be auctioned.

26th September 1911 Wellington Education Board Library Subsidy £2

21st December 1911 the opening of the new 'Methodist Church at Te Horo took place this afternoon . when the Rev, J. W., G. Spence (president of the Methodist organisation) performed the ceremony in a fine speech suitable for the occasion. The remarks were heartily; endorsed, and the local Methodists congratulated on their enterprise, which marks an epoch in the history of the Te Horo district. This is the second church erected in Te Horo within a few months, the Roman Catholics having previously built a neat edifice.'

No Papers Past References for 1912 for Te Horo

1913-1915

1913	83	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C1	Head Master	£215.00	House
1913	83	Te Horo	Prenderville	Phoebe M	D2	Assistant Female	£125.00	
1913	83	Te Horo	Chatwin	Georgina B	C5	Assistant Female	£90.00	
1913	83	Te Horo	Buchanan	Elsie K		FP1	£20.00	
1914	90	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C1	Head Master	£225.00	House
1914	90	Te Horo	Prenderville	Phoebe M	D2	Assistant Female	£135.00	
1914	90	Te Horo	Chatwin	Georgina B	C4	Assistant Female	£100.00	
1914	90	Te Horo	Buchanan	Elsie K		FP2	£30.00	
1915	98	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C1	Head Master	£235.00	House
1915	98	Te Horo	Beetham	Naomi	D5	Assistant Female	£140.00	
1915	98	Te Horo	Caigou	Melba	C4	Assistant Female	£110.00	

Naomi Beetham taught at Roseneath in 1909 and Mt Cook Infants from 1910 to 1912 and then in 1914 at Mauriceville Est as a substitute teacher for a teacher on war duty and didn't teach for the Wellington Education Board after Te Horo

Melba Caigou was at Te Horo in 1915, Karori in 1917 and 1919 and Upper Hutt in 1923'

21st January 1913 Recommended for scholarship Junior Board of Education Scholarship: Beni L Buchanan with 477

29th January 1913 Elsie K Buchanan appointed Probationer

12th March 1913 Wellington Education Board Miss G Chatwin appointed Te Horo

26th August 1913 The Education Board received notice this afternoon of. a Government grant of £50, representing half the cost of the extension at Te Horo School,

13th September 1913 The annual show in connection , with the Paraparaumu Horticultural Society is taking place to-day. The display is an excellent one, and the entries very satisfactory. The spring bulbs, especially considering the lateness of the season. are very, creditable, and includes splendid exhibits from Mr Geo. W. Kirk, of Te Horo, and the Rev. Peryman, of Johnsonville.

26th September 1913 Perhaps the liveliest meeting that has over eventuated at Te Horo took place on, Wednesday, when a, proposal to build a hall was under discussion. There were several heated passages, and in one or two instances harsh words were used. Eventually, it was decided that seven trustees be elected to secure necessary land, etc.

31st January 1914 . Miss **Ivy Windley**, of Te Horo. has been appointed a teacher at the Otaki State school. Ivy was a pupil teacher at Otaki and by 1919 and until 1919 she was teaching at Te Horo as an assistant teacher

7th February 1914 The Te Horo school children held their picnic yesterday at Paekakariki.

10th February 1914 An accident occurred recently to Eleanor Marino, daughter of Mr. Marino, of Te Horo. The child was returning from a school picnic when a bottle of cordial exploded, Bending a piece of glass into her eye. She was attended by Dr. Hardwick Smith (who happened to be in the district; and Dr. Hathwaite. They ordered her removal to "Wellington for special treatment;,"

27th June 1914 A very fine public hall, erected at Te Horo by public subscription among the residents in that district, was officially opened last evening by a concert and dance (writes a correspondent). There was a large attendance, including Mr. Robertson, M.P. for the district. The building is situated on the main road, opposite Te Horo Railway Station ; it measures 60ft by 30ft, and has a fine stage, 12ft deep, running the whole width of the main building. The cost was about £600. It is lit throughout with Dreadnought gas. The committee appointed by the settlers is as follows : — Messrs. C. J. Spiers (chairman), D. Mitchell, H. Windley, Geo Cately, J. Best, Eli Allen, and Geo. Glackin, with Mr. J. Draper' as custodian

7th September 1914 Hockey: The Karon School is sending a team to meet To Horo School at Te Horo on Wednesday

17th September 1915 Wellington Education Board call tenders for new closet and urinal for boys.

8th October 1914 The return match between Te Horo School hockey team, and Karori School team was played yesterday afternoon, at Karori Park. Keen rivalry existed between the two teams, as the visitors defeated the Karori boys by 3 to 1 when they went to To Horo

in the September holidays. Everything favoured a fast game, and just after starting Karori scored an easy goal. When the half-time spell came, the score was — Karori 3, Te Horo 2. In the second half of the game Karori added three more goals, while Te Horo secured one, making the final result — Karori 6, Te Horo 3. A keen green was something the visitors were unaccustomed to, and they were unfortunate in not having one of their best boys owing to illness. They played a plucky game, and thoroughly enjoyed their visit. The Karori School Committee provided lunch and afternoon, tea, and much credit is due to Messrs. W. H. Nimmo (chairman) and M. Spiers for making such satisfactory arrangements. Members of the Te Horo Committee came with their boys, and Mr. R. Spiers, the chairman, deserves special praise for the way the team was coached.

5th November 1915 Wellington Education Board Ambulance Fund Te Horo 2 shillings and threepence

1916-1923

1917	87	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C-47	Head	£250.00	
1917	87	Te Horo	Jeffries	Alice	D5	Assistant	£110.00	
1917	87	Te Horo	Mackay	Helen B	D	Assistant	£110.00	
1919	90	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C-47	Head	£330.00	
1919	90	Te Horo	Windley	Ivy M	C-99	Assistant	£185.00	
1919	90	Te Horo	Hagan	Hannah J		Assistant	£120.00	
1921	86	Te Horo	Kirk	George W	C	Head	£390.00	
1921	86	Te Horo	Windley	Ivy M	C	Assistant	£250.00	
1921	86	Te Horo	McDowell	Mary		Reliever	£160.00	
1923	67	Te Horo	Black	Bertha	B-100	Head	£353.00	
1923	67	Te Horo	Sellar	Jeannie E	C-185	Assistant	£223.00	

Alice Jeffries Only taught for the Wellington Education Board at Te Horo in 1917 and by 1919 she was at Marlborough in Blenheim. In 1915 she was teaching for the Marlborough Education Board which amalgamated with the Wellington Education Board in 1915.

Helen B Mackay only taught for Wellington Education Board at Te Horo

Ivy M Windley in 1914 and 1915 Ivy Windley taught at Otaki and didn't teach for the Wellington Education Board until teaching at least from 1919 and still teaching there in 1921

Hannah J Hagan was teaching at Te Aro as a probationer in 1917 and at Te Horo in 1919

Mary McDowell Reliever Mary McDowell only taught for the Wellington Education Board at Te Horo

Bertha Black only taught for the Wellington Education Board in 1923. In 1921 there was only one Bertha Black B.A. teaching in New Zealand State Schools and that was at Te Aroha West school

Jeannie E Sellar started work for Wellington Education Board at Lansdowne school in Masterton as a probationer in 1911 and 1912. Her next appointment was at Masterton from 1915 to at least 1919. By 1921 she was at Ngaio School and in 1923 at Te Horo

11th January 1916 The Mayor [of Wellington] (Mr-J. P. Luke) acknowledges the receipt of £5 from Te Horo school, the amount being given to the wounded soldiers' fund in lieu of spending it on school prizes;

1st March 1916 Wellington Education Board Te Horo Residence painting interior residence £3

16th June 1915 Wounded soldier's fund £4 3s 6d

21st June 1916 part of a long article on prosperous Te Horo: SELF-CONTAINED TOWNSHIP. Te Horo's growth has all come about | within the last four years. Five years ago it could not support one general store, and goods were purchased in Otaki. There were no shops of any description, but to-day it boasts a general' store, refreshment rooms, a butcher, a bootmaker, a newspaper agency, a billiard saloon, and, last but not least, a co-operative cheese factory. Besides all these there are three churches (Anglican, Roman Catholic, and Methodist), a large public hall (erected by public subscription), while the school has had to be enlarged on two occasions,

GROWTH OF THE SCHOOL. Perhaps the public school provides the best barometer as to the growth of Te Horo. As referred to above, it has been found necessary, within recent years, to enlarge the school by adding | a room on. two .separate occasions, and even now it is quite .full. In 1904 the average attendance was 39. In the twelve intervening years it has, gone ahead gradually. Here are the figures for each successive year, beginning at 1904 :—39, 50, 55, 52, 56, 66, 62, 67, 83, 82, 89, 90. This year the number of children on the roll is 104. -Mr. G. W. Kirk, the headmaster at Te Horo, says it is hard .to believe that a place could go ahead so rapidly as has Te Horo. When Mr. Kirk arrived at Te Horo twelve years ago he had to reside three miles away from the school. The conditions are greatly different now, and no school teacher would describe the Te Horo School as being in the back blocks.

27th July 1916 The Wellington Education Board is losing two more members of its teaching staffs. The board has granted leave of absence to Mr A. McLachlan, woodwork instructor, and Mr G. W. Kirk, of Te Horo School, Goth of whom are joining the expeditionary Forces.

11th August 1916 Teams representing the Te Horo and Karori schools played a keenly-contested hockey match at Otaki on Wednesday last. The game showed that the boys, were well trained, and play was fast and, open throughout. It ended in a draw, each side scoring two goals, - For Te Horo Morgan and Windley were responsible- for the score, while A. Smith and Hemsley notched the goals for the visitors.

The Karori lads were entertained at afternoon tea by the Te Horo Committee at the conclusion of the game. A return match will be played in about two weeks' time.

23rd August 1916 At the last meeting of the Manawatu branch of the Teachers' Institute. Mr G. W. Kirk, headmaster at Te Horo School, was wished God-speed prior to his entering camp.

14th October 1916 Mr Geo. W. Kirk, headmaster of the To Horo school, has relinquished his position, and on Monday next leaves To Horo to join the Now Zealand Expeditionary Forces. Mr Kirk has had charge of the To Horo school, for a, term of twelve and a half years during which time he has won golden opinions from all by his efficiency as a teacher, his urbanity, thoroughness and gentlemanly qualities, and has proved one of the most highly esteemed and valuable members of the community (says the Otaki Mail). Mr Kirk has been a model schoolmaster; hut he lias been more—lie has taken a keen interest in every good object in

connection with To Horo and district affairs, and his departure will cause a gap that will not easily be filled. The Methodist Church is losing a most valuable helper in Mr Kirk. He established the Methodist Sunday School at Te Horo, and has been superintendent ever since, the school being recognised as a model one. Mr Kirk has also been a hard-worked and most efficient local preacher, secretary of the To Horo Trust, and for some time past has occupied the position of junior circuit steward.

30th November 1916 Wellington Education Board Mr. F. Joplin was appointed head teacher at Te Horo for the period of the war. [Was not listed as teaching anywhere after two years at the Terrace school in 1913 and 1914]

10th January 1917 Children of the Horowhenua County (**from Te Horo** up to Levin and Koputaroa) have made much pocket money this season by the sale of birds'-eggs to the Horowhenua County Council (says the "Chronicle"). A few dozens still are being delivered to the county clerk, but the "flush of the rush" has abated, and the sparrows, blackbirds, and thrushes at last have chances to think the matter over without being disturbed by apparitions in short parts, rolled shirtsleeves and shock hair.

31st January 1917 Mr G. W. Kirk, who resigned from the position of headmaster of the Te Horo School to enter camp, has again been reinstated to his old position, camp life being too strenuous for his ailments.

24th March 1917 Miss Caigou, of the Te Horo State school staff, is resigning. Her place is to be filled by Miss Mackay.

29th August 1917 Miss Beetham Te Horo resigns as from the 31st August.

13th October 1917 Wellington Education Board calls tenders for erection of a shelter shed at Te Horo

24th October 1917 Miss A Jeffries appointed

27th December 1917 Complaints have reached the Otaki Mail of silly behaviour by youths in Te Horo and Manakau. It is said that at nearly every public function held at these townships some evidence has been given of the foolish pranks of a few irresponsible lads, and the opinion has been forcibly expressed that it is quite time the culprits received a lesson. During the concert at Manakau on Thursday night last, practical joker removed the valves from several push cycles and motor cycles, causing serious inconvenience in some instances. At the Te Horo school concert last Wednesday the behaviour of a few lads was anything but gentlemanly

18th January 1918 Mr Geo. W. Kirk, headmaster of the Te Horo school, is at present enjoying a holiday in Taranaki. Mr Kirk cycled from To Horo to Mount Egmont and hopes to return per cycle.

12th August 1918 Red cross Copper Trail Te Horo School per G W Kirk £3 10 shillings

10th September 1918 The ordinary meeting of the Horowhenua Educational Institute was held at the Otaki State School on Saturday last, when Mr G. Kik, of Te, Horo, presided over a representative gathering- Matters of a routine nature were dealt with.

Note: In 1919 the Otaki Mail was started and brought with it more Te Horo news.

10th February 1919 ANNUAL SCHOOL PICNIC. The annual picnic, held in connection with the State School on Friday, was an unqualified success from all points of view. The day

was one of glorious sunshine, the children, and parents in good heart, while the locality was an ideal one, being a picturesque spot on Mr R. D. Harkness' farm on Beach Road. Under the shade of trees, and on the bank of the Mangaono stream, the large assemblage made gay, and parents as well as children entered heartily into the proceedings. The committee, with Mr S. B. McDonald as secretary, were by no means lagging, and assisted by others, made the day most enjoyable. Races were held for the young folks, and the £15 collected by the secretary was made good use of. With keen judgment he made an excellent choice of toys, and every child on the ground, including those in arms, was the recipient of a gift—a gift that certainly gladdened the hearts of all. Substantial prizes were given for races, etc. while "scrambles" created more than the usual amount of frivolity. Many of the sports events caused keen competition, while entries were 'large. Following are the results of leading events: —

Married Women's Race.—Mrs Trotter 1, Mrs C. Baker 2, Mrs W. Dodds

Married Men's Race. —Sid August 1, W. Cleland 2, T. Edwards 3.

Sack Race. —R. Spiers 1, H. Westaway 2.

Swimming Race-. —E. Collier, E. Evans 2, R. McDonald 3.

Best Dive and Swimming.—E. Evans 1, R. McDonald 2.

Boys' Race, 11 to 12 years. —W. Trotter.

Boys' Race, 12 to 14 years. W. Fielding.

Single Women's Race.—Miss Catley 1, Miss M. Muir 2, Miss E, Westaway 3.

Four-legged Race. —N. Windley 1, W. Fielding 2.

Girls' Race, 12 to 14 years.—Eileen Taylor 1, Doris Chandler 2, Girlie McChesney 3.

Three-legged Race.- Eileen Taylor and Eva Windley 1, Girlie 'McChesney and Doris Chandler 2.

High Jump.—Sid August (5 inches) 1. R. D. Harkness (scr) jumped 5ft 11in, while Ron Hodge cleared the bar at 5ft.

The swimming races aroused considerable interest, the course being a fine one on the Mangaone adjoining the picnic ground. A "spring board" in the shape of a tree—high above the water—proved a splendid place for diving purposes. The committee were very wise in having such events, and the way in which the boys performed did them credit. It is hoped such events will always be as popular as at Friday's function. Thanks to the energetic committee and parents the "spread" provided was one of the best —appetising and abundant.

School Matters. Much credit is due to the School Committee for the interest evinced in their duties. Thanks to members of the committee, especially the secretary (Mr McDonald), a substantial sum of money has been raised for providing 24 bicycle stalls at the school, which should be much appreciated. A sum of money will also be expended, on asphaltting part of the ground adjacent to the school building, and, doubtless, this innovation will be even more appreciated than the stalls.

3rd March 1919 Tenders, to close on Friday next, are invited for the erection of a bicycle shed at the Te Horo school. Plans and specifications may be seen on application to the secretary of the school committee (Mr. S. B. McDonald).

30th April 1919 The school children yesterday enjoyed a holiday* owing to painting operation* at the school not being completed.

22nd May 1919 Miss R B Mackay resigns from Te Horo

30th May 1919 Miss Mackay, who has been on the staff of the Te Horo State school for some time, during which period she has proved popular as well as efficient, leaves Te Horo tomorrow for her home at Hokitika, where her parents reside. Miss Mackay, who is to marry Major Colville, barrister, of Huntly, will be much missed from the district, where she has been a leading light in social circles, and a ready worker in every good cause.

A social gathering was held at the Te Horo Public Hall on Wednesday evening to give local friends an opportunity of bidding good-bye to Miss Mackay. There was a good attendance, and the function was a very happy and successful one. Games, dancing, musical items, etc., were indulged in, the gathering being a real "social." Songs were given during the evening by Misses Addie Fielding, Rose Cottle (Levin) and Diaper, while Miss Eva Windley gave a recitation, these items adding considerably to the enjoyment of the gathering. Supper was, of course, another pleasing feature.

This afternoon the school children are to entertain Miss Mackay, she being a great favourite with the scholars.

2nd June 1919 Miss Mackay, who has severed her connection with the Te Horo State school, was presented, on behalf of the school children on Friday, with a nice suede bag. The gift was suitably acknowledged.

5th September 1919 Miss Windley, who has been on the staff of the Manakau school for some considerable time, has been transferred to the Te Horo school, to fill a vacancy there.

1st October 1919 The Te Horo school children are again visiting Otaki periodically in order to attend cookery, and woodwork classes here. The first visit this year took place yesterday, when a large number of children were brought to and from Otaki.

5th December 1919 SCHOOL CONCERT. The concert held at the Te Horo Public Hall on Friday last in connection with the Te Horo school was generally recognised as one of the best and most enjoyable held in that township. Despite the number of counter-attractions in the district, there was a very large audience, and all present spent a very happy time. The first portion of the programme comprised items by the adults, the following contributing:—Overture, Miss Alberta Muir; song, Mr G. W. Kirk; duet, Miss Evan and Master N. Windley (encored); song, Miss Addie Fielding; song, Mr Cooper (encored); musical monologue, Miss May Windley (encored); song, Miss Diaper (encored). The items were all excellent and much appreciated.

The second half of the programme was taken up by a children's play, entitled "Red Cap in Fairyland," by the school children. This occupied about an hour and was really one of the finest efforts ever made by children in this district. The singing was splendid, the children keeping very good time and their harmony being excellent. The costuming and general arrangements were also admirable and well thought out, the whole effect being most pleasing. Mr Kirk (headmaster), who trained the children at short notice, and Misses Ivy Windley and Hagan, who lent valuable assistance with the costumes and staging, fully deserved the hearty congratulations they received, and have every reason to be proud of the result of their efforts. The play was a great success in every way, and the large audience was delighted with it. Miss Phyllis Maddams supplied the accompaniments for the play, and Miss A. Muir for the adults' items.

Afterwards a splendid lot of prizes were distributed by Mr H. Catley (chairman of the School Committee). Supper was then served and dancing indulged in, the music being supplied by Mr H. L. Beauchamp.

28th January 1920 Part of a long Te Horo report: while on February 6th (Friday) the Te Horo State school children will assemble on Mr K. D. Harkness' fine property. This latter function generally proves one of the most enjoyable in the district, and on this occasion the committee will make an attempt to promote even a more enjoyable gathering. In the evening a dance, will be held

9th March 1920 In a long article on where School Children should see the Prince of Wales a largest of the Harbour Board's sheds is available in the immediate vicinity, where those children coming from the country can be conveniently supplied with refreshments, and where retiring rooms for both sexes can be readily provided. The position is handy, also, for the children who will be conveyed from Te Horo on the one hand, and Kaitoke on the other, to Wellington'

23rd April 1920 Mr S B. McDonald, who has been secretary and of the school committee for some considerable time during which he has made a most efficient officer, does not intend to seek re-election at Wednesday's meeting of electors

30th April 1920 TE HORO. New committee: Messrs H. Catley, H. L. Beauchamp, F. H. Best, A. Judd, and E. P. Mather. Full details will appear in our next issue. [Couldn't be found]

8th December 1920 The annual concert and dance in connection with the Te Horo school is announced for Thursday, 16th inst. The children and teachers are busily engaged in preparation for the function, which promises to be an exceedingly meritorious one. Full particulars are advertised.

17th December 1920 TE HORO SCHOOL. ANNUAL SCHOOL CONCERT. as usual, the annual entertainment and distribution of prizes in connection with the Te Horo school, held last night at the Te Horo Hall, proved a splendid success. A very large audience filled the hall, and the lengthy programme was gone through to the great enjoyment of all- Though not perhaps, quite up to the very high standard of last, year's concert, the children's items were distinctly creditable showing that, very great care and much trouble had been taken in the : training of the participants, while the children showed much ability in their various efforts. Three dialogues were staged In these the children were almost word perfect, and in nearly every instance spoke their parts clearly intelligently, and naturally, which is saying a great deal considering the young children who took part. The. dressing and staging were also excellent An exhibition by five girls and hoop drill by the girls were very pretty and pleasing items, well carried out, while the Japanese song, is costume, was a dainty, sweet item. Two choruses by the senior children were much enjoyed. The children were well under command of their conductor(Mr G. W. Kirk), and their time was excellent, but. unfortunately, one or two items were out of tune. The same applied to an otherwise splendid item by three boys, a song, entitled "In the rain" The choruses by the little ones were particularly good. Much attention has been given to the grouping and dressing of these pieces, and the effect was admirable. Miss Stella Sawyer's recitation was emphatically encored. Miss Eva Windley contributed a very nice pianoforte solo, and Dick McLaren scored with a song. The only items given by adults were a pianoforte solo by Mrs McCallum and a song by Mr Frank Penn.

At the conclusion of the excellent and lengthy programme, Mr H. Catley (chairman of the school committee) . complimented the children for their most creditable performance, and also returned hearty thanks to the teachers for training the children. Special thanks were due to Miss Albie Muir, said Mr Catley. for assisting the children for weeks past by playing the accompaniments.

Mr Catley then distributed the prizes—a splendid lot of valuable and appropriate books.

The full prize list will appear in our next issue. Supper was served, and dancing was then indulged in by the large number present.

20th December 1920 Following is the list of prize winners at the Te Horo school prizes distributed last Thursday evening:—

Certificates. S 6 Richard McLaren, Lowel Macdonald; competency, Lucy Guy, Walter Gawler Attendance. Sidney Lewis, Algar Mason, Cyril Eagle, Russel Hayston, Ernest Baines, Andrew Faith, Vera Catley, Eileen Lander, John Fitzgerald, Alfred Catley.

Prize List.

VII.—Eva Windley.

VI.—Richard McLaren 1, Lowel I Macdonald 2, Lucy Guy 3. Progress: Vera Catley.

V. —Sidney Lewis 1, Ardis Macdonald 2, Jack Harkness 3. Progress: Stella Gawler.

IV.—Nellie Lauder 1, Melba Swinbourne 2, Stella Sawyer 3. Progress: Eileen Lander.

III. —Dulcie Baker 1, Mary Catley 2, Erica Davidson 3. Progress: Jack Taylor. Diligence: Eleanor Sawyer.

Special Prizes (open to Standards III., IV., V., and VI.)

Sewing: Lucy Guy.

Writing (boys): Jim Fielding.

Well-kept Drawing Books: Lucy Guy 1, Eva Windley 2, Vera Catley 3, Eileen Lander 4, Nellie Muir 5, Mary Catley 6.

Lower Classes.

II.—May Lukashefski 1, Rita Eagle 2, Clarence Clarke 3. Progress: James Barker.

I—Jack Day 1, Jean Heggie 2, Mura Marino 3. Progress: Hazel Windley.

Progress Prizes for P Classes. P3.—Duncan McCallum. P2.—Russell Hayston. P1.—Jack Heggie.

Special Prizes Open to Lower Classes. Sewing: Emma Eagle. Good conduct: Jean Heggie.

List of Children below SI.

P [Primer] 3 Heggie, William King, Leon Macdonald, Duncan McCallum, Jessie Baker, Marjorie Faith, Ilona Wallace.

P2.—Willie Bishop, Alfred Catley, Henry Eagle, Russel Hayston, Willie Taylor, Annie Wallace.

P1. Henry Ashdown, Hector Davidson, Max Fielding, Stanley Evans, Mervyn Hayston, Jack Heggie, Jack Mason, Harry Yates, Mavis Clarke, Pearl Taylor.

24th December 1921 The Te Horo School-concert, held this week, was a great success, and Mr. Kirk (headmaster) and his assistants are deserving of every credit. The children acquitted themselves splendidly, and each item was warmly applauded. . After the concert a dance was held.

15th February 1922 TE HORO SCHOOL PICNIC. The picnic in connection with the above was held on Friday last under ideal conditions, and under the capable management of the

Committee the various running and jumping events were got through in first rate style. The adults also enjoyed themselves, as the chosen. Messrs Evans' Bros, beautiful bush made a capital picnic ground. Appended are the results: —

Girls under 7 —Pearl Taylor 1, Emily Sinkinson 2.

Boys under 10 —J. Mason 1, J. Higgle 2

Girls under 10—R. Eagle 1, C. Ashdown 2.

Boys under 12—L. Macdonald 1, K. Easton 2.

Girls under 13—I. Sawyer 1. A. Macdonald 2.

Boys under 13- D. Moses 1 J Taylor 2

Girls under 11—S. Gawler 1. E. Sawyer

Boys under 14— F. Bradey 1. J, Taylor 2.

Three-legged race (girls)—E. Lauder and mate I. Boys, J. Fielding and mate 1.

Sack. Race (Girls) —S. . Gawler 1. (Boys). E. Baines 1.

Relay Race. (Girls) —H. Gawler's team 1. (Boys) E. Collier's team 1. .

Jumping, boys under 12---R. Macdonald I. J. Day 2.

Jumping, boys under 15—D. Bradey 1. W. Gawler 2. In this event the winner easily cleared 4 foot, 10 inches. Tug-of-war (boys)—I. Moses's team !. (Girls), S. Gawler's team 1. skipping Contest —E. Lander 3, S. Gawler 2.

Youths' race—L. Macdonald 1, J. McChesney 2.

Young Ladies' Race—E. Lander 1. E. Sawyer 2.

The Committee thoughtfully provided plenty of hot water, milk, tea, sugar, cordials and fruit, and this action was thoroughly appreciated. The thanks of the management and parents are due to Messrs Evans Bros, for their kindness.

7th March 1922 HOROWHENUA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE.

The ordinary meeting of this branch was held at Otaki on Saturday last, under the presidency of Mr G. W. Kirk, of Te Horo.

6th September 1922 A quiet, but nevertheless pretty, wedding was solemnised at Wellington on Wednesday, when Mr "Mick" Fitzgerald, for many years a resident of Te Horo, was married to Miss Ivy Windley, also a popular resident, and daughter to Mr T. H. Windley. of Te Horo..... The bride, who has been teacher at the Te Horo school for some considerable time, was presented by the staff and scholars with some lovely Doulton cups and saucers,

17th November 1922 An examination of the upper classes of the Otaki and Te Horo schools is being held at Otaki to-day, Inspector Bakewell being present.

15th December 1922 The prize distribution of the To Horo School will take place at a concert and dance in the Te Horo Public Hall tonight

18th December 1922 Te Horo School

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION. The picnic and prize distribution in connection with the above took place on Friday in perfect weather. There was a splendid attendance, and everything passed off well.

Std. VI. —Proficiency Prizes —E? Bains. Mary Catley, Erica Davidson Stella Gawler, Nellie Lander, Stella. Sawyer.

Std. VI. Nellie Lander 1, Mary Huntley 2, Stella Sawyer 3.

Std. V.—Robert Macdonald ? Sawyer 2, Jean Duncan 3.

Std. IV.—Newton Taylor 1, Vera Judd 2, Ida Sawyer 3.

Std. III.—Jean Heggie I, Marjorie Faith 2, Emma Eagle 3.

Std. II. —Leon Macdonald 1, George Sinkinson 2, Jack Heggie 3.

Std. I. —Max Fielding I, Kathleen Sawyer 2, Tommy Taylor 3.

Progress Prize- (Std. V), Mr W. H Hatley's specials.—Irene Sinkinson Std. IV. —Rita Eagle. Std. 3. Mr G. W. Kirk's specials- — Standard 3 Hazel Windley. Std. II. —William King. Std. I. —Isobel Kirker. Extra Progress Prizes, awarded to boys, who, through double promotion, have missed a place in the class prize lists.—Std. III—Eric Heggie; Std. II—Jervyn Hayston. (Mr P. J. Taylor specials). Diligence Prizes (Miss Muir's specials) —Std. III —Bessie Judd; Standard 2 . Alfred Catley.

Sewing Prizes (Mr J. Guy's specials) Upper School —Nellie Lander 1, Eleanor Sawyer 2. Lower School —Nancy McChesney Hazel Windley 2

20th December 1922 A farewell .social and presentation will be tendered Mr and Miss Kirk at Te Horo prior to their departure for Springlands [Blenheim], and a meeting will be held on Friday night to make arrangements,

20th December 1922 SCHOOL CONCERT. The school concert, held at Te Horo on Friday was a great success, socially and financially. There was a splendid attendance, while all the items submitted were first-class and evoked loud applause. Mrs McNeilly besides playing accompaniments, gave a pianoforte solo in a fine manner, while Mr C. Sawyer was heard to great advantage in his vocal solo. Both Miss P. Pullan and Miss C. Pullan were in good form. The former reciting splendidly while the latter sang pleasingly. Little Miss D. Ashbridge sang and recited very nicely, while -Miss Nicholls' vocal item was warmly applauded. This young lady has a nice voice. Miss Eva Windley was heard to advantage in her elocutionary item, while Mr N. Windley and Miss Gawler pleased the audience with a well rendered duet. Mr Kirk, always a favorite, also sang nicely. Among the most pleasing items were those rendered by the children, all of whom performed splendidly, reflecting the greatest credit on their teachers.

The dance that followed was enjoyable. Mrs Day supplied fine music while Mr J. Guy was an efficient M.C., Among those who worked well were Messrs P. J. Taylor, F. Best, and Catley.

8th January 1923 A farewell social and presentation is to be tendered to Mr and Miss Kirk at Te Horo on Thursday evening. An excellent programme has been prepared, and an enjoyable time is promised

12th January 1923 FAREWELL AND PRESENTATION. Mr G. W. Kirk and Miss Kirk, who shortly leave to take up residence in the South Island, were entertained at Te Horo last night, when there was a splendid attendance. The arrangements were very complete and everything passed off splendidly. During the evening Mr Evelyn Macdonald extended the best wishes of the community to Mr and Miss Kirk, and said he was pleased Mr Kirk was to receive well deserved promotion. The Rev. Keall also spoke eulogistically and wished Mr and Miss Kirk God-speed and trusted they would make as many friends in the South as they had done at Te Horo. The Rev. gentleman then asked Miss Kirk's acceptance of a fine hair-brush and mirror and Mr Kirk to accept a cheque. In doing so he expressed a wish that both the recipients would look back with pleasure to their stay at Te Horo and remember the many friends they were leaving behind. Mr Kirk suitably replied.....

29th January 1923 It is understood that Mr Ball, who was appointed headmaster at Te Horo State School, has tendered his resignation and will resume his old position. Mr Cooper may temporarily fill the vacancy at Te Horo. [The only Mr Ball teaching in New Zealand state school in December 1923 was Douglas Ball Headmaster at Grovetown School in Marlborough, Which was about the same size as Te Horo]

29th March 1923 Miss Black has been appointed head teacher at Te Horo in place of Mr G Kirk (transferred)

27th June 1923 Te Horo School burnt down

13th July 1923 An enquiry into the origin of the fire which destroyed the school on the night of 27th. June was held before Mr. T. Forsyth (Chairman Education Board), Messrs. W. H. Field and Mr. Harkness (Members of Board) at the school house, at noon on Thursday, 5th. July. There were present members of the school committee, Mr. Stewart (Secretary) and Mr. W. Powell (Clerk of Works). Constable A. Satherley represented the Police.

Miss Black, head teacher, stated that she left school after 4 o'clock on the afternoon of the fire. The children, who acted as cleaners, finished at about 3,30 p.m. She returned just before dark and locked up. Fires were in both rooms in the morning but were nearly out after dinner. The fire started in the infants room; the cleaners had removed ashes and replaced guards. The alarm was raised by Mr. G. Bernhard, railway porter. A piece of half-charred wood had been left on the hearth in which were covered by insurance, included (1) A large collection of her own school properties, the result of collection during her whole teaching career; (2) , personal property of Miss. Bissett, assistant teacher; (3) a splendid school library, filling two large cupboards, and probably the best on the coast; also a splendid school museum, the result of years of patient collection;(4) a fine school sports collection, including three footballs, two basket balls, and a nearly new croquet set; (5) picnic properties; (6) sewing machine, etc.

Mr. Davidson, Chairman of committee, testified to the care taken against fire. The screens were always in front of the fireplace and they were so found after destruction.

May Lukashewski stated she cleaned out Miss Black's room along with Nellie Muir and always left the tin containing ashes by the heap of stones, taking the tin out and emptying the live ashes out and putting water on them.

Nellie Muir said she cleaned out the big room, (Miss Black's) and left the fireplace in order, sweeping back the embers into the fireplace and removing the ashes. The fireguards were placed in position.

Ida Sawyer and Irene Simpkinson stated they cleaned out the infants room that day; no fire at all was left there. A log was left on the hearth in front of the screen but she handled and examined it and it was quite out.

Mr. Percy Taylor (Committeeman) stated he came along with Miss Black on discovery of the fire, which then had a strong hold; the fireguards were found in position.

Mr. Tom Evans confirmed the statements as' to the room of origin, and as to the fire screens being in position.

Mr. G. Bernhard testified that he had observed the glare when on duty at the station, shortly after 11 o'clock. As soon as he was free, about 11.10 p.m., he cycled up and found the school on fire and, the infants' room nearly consumed. Flames broke through the roof while he was

still at the station. He could not approach nearer than the road because of the heat, and nothing could be saved.

Before the enquiry the chimney of the infants' room was very closely examined and afterwards demolished. A suggestion had been made that the fire must have originated through a defect in the chimney, but after a very thorough inspection, the whole of those present, including the constable, were unanimous in the opinion that the fire did not originate through any defect of the chimney.

The following verdict was returned: "The Board Committee, which investigated, finds that every reasonable precaution was taken to ensure safety; that the fire did not originate through defect in the chimney; that there is no suspicion of incendiarism in the minds of any of those connected with the school, and that the origin of the fire is undetermined. A possible clue may be found in the half-charred log, which had been in the fire in the forenoon, which was believed to be quite free of fire,"

19th July 1923 In reply to a question by Mr W. H. Field respecting the granting of money for rebuilding the Te Horo School, the Minister of Education stated yesterday that no application had been made by the Wellington Education Board, and when one was it would receive immediate attention.

19th September 1923 Evening Post A grant of £1371 has been authorised towards the erection of a new school at Te Horo. [From the Government]

20th September 1923 Mrs D V Parkinson appointed as assistant

5th November 1923 The Te Horo railway station was destroyed by lire ai 2.20 p.m. yesterday day. The origin Is a mystery.

31st December 1923 The school children's annual concert and prize distribution took place in the Te Horo Hall on Friday evening when the hall was packed with people, who spent a most enjoyable time. The various items given by the children were much appreciated by the audience and reflected great credit on Miss Black, whose careful training was manifest in the programme submitted. After the concert Mr. N. C. Davidson made a few appropriate remarks and presented the prizes to the children. A sumptuous supper was done full justice to. The children had a few enjoyable games, and then dancing-was kept up till the small hours of the morning. The thanks of the committee are due to Mrs. Day. Mr. Fielding and Master Fielding (for dance music) Messrs McDougall and Cottle (help). The ladies (supper) and Miss Black, Messrs Catley, Cooper, Hayston, Davidson, Mr, and Mrs. Guy for special prizes. A large number of settlers with their children and friends held a picnic down at the beach on Boxing Day.....The following programme was submitted:—

Chorus—"Rule Britannia" Pupils.

Recitation —"The Pines" N Muir

Dialogue—"A Practical Joke"

Pianoforte (Solo — Nellie Muir

Round —"Call John the Boatman'-' Pupils

Recitation —"Only A Smile" B. King

Chorus'—"Over the Snow"

Dialogue—" King Wencelos"

Recitation —"Belgia Barlass' C. Shailer

Round (4)—"Hark Hear the Cry" Pupils

Recitation—" Half Past Eight" E. Sinkinson
 Song—" Tapu" Juniors
 Recitation—"A Good Play" E. Pringle
 Drill— Boys
 Recitation—" Rainbow Fairies" P. Heggie
 Song—" Dulcie and the Moa" Juniors
 Dialogue The Hat Shop" Senior Girls
 Song—" Hunting" Juniors
 Recitation—" The Snail" D. Judd
 Round (4)—"Auckland Weekly" Boys
 Dance— Girls
 Band—" Men of Harlech" Boys
 Round (3) —"Good Night"
 Pupils Prize List.
 Standard 6—E. Macdonald 1, N. Muir 2.
 Standard 5—J. Pringle 1, I. Sinkinson
 Standard 4—M. Lubashcfski 1, E. Heggie 2. J. Heggie 3.
 Standard 3 —G-. Sinkinson 1, L-. Macdonald 2.
 Standard 2 —K. Sawyer 1, J. Kirker '2.
 Standard I—T. Gowler 1, D. Judd 2.
 Primer—D. Harkness 3. E. Sinkinson 2 Four other pupils were awarded special prizes in this class.
 Primer 3—E. Pringle 1, N. Fenwick 2. Eight others were awarded special prizes. Primer 2—
 G. Renwick 1, Erie Sutton 2. N. McChesney
 Primer 1--L. Kirker 1, L Taylor 2. Five others also received prizes.
 Gardening— F. Bradey 1, G. Sinkinson 2, T. Gawler 3.
 Sewing— N. Muir (standard 6), N. McChesney (standard 4).
 Special from Mr. and Mrs. Guy—K. Sawyer ("standard 21. M. Clarke (standard 1).
 Diligence, special from Mr. Davidson — K. Pullman.
 Behaviour, special from Mr. Cooper— M. Lukashefski.
 Attendance, special from Mr. Hayston—E. Sutton.
 Monitor, special from Miss Black — Boy: F. Bradey; Girl: J. Pringle.
 Progress, specials from Mr. Catley— Std 5: V. Judd; Standard 4: B Judd; Standard 3: .Jack Heggie and Billy King : Standard 2: H. Davidson and P. Taylor
 Industry, specials from Miss Black Standard 5: Newton Taylor and Ida Sawyer; Standard -4 Hazel Windier; Standard 3: A Catley; Standard 1; 'S. Evans.

The researcher Robin Carlyon taught at Te Horo in 1952 as a probationary teacher for his first teaching experience. This set him me well for a long career. Don Patrick was Head Master, Harry Tibble and Beth Cottle the other two teachers at a great place to start a career.