

1. Western Lake: 1926-? On Gooding's farm in a shed. Not sure when it closed. Took some children from the Cross Creek School and affected their roll. 11 Kilometres from Featherston on Western Lake Road.

1926

School opened in a private residence. 168 Square feet. Wellington Education Board would not pay maintenance as it was a private residence.

Families involved in opening as at May 20th 1926. Only the oldest 3 attended Cross Creek others were not at school

Father	Occupation	Distance from Proposed School	Nearest School	Distant from Cross Creek	Name of Child
William J Gooding	Farmer	20 Yards	Cross Creek	5.5 miles	Jessie 13
					Enid 12
Edward Bockett	Farmer	1 1/2 Miles	Cross Creek	7 Miles	John 12
					Bendolina? 7
					Joyce 5
					Esme 6

Nearest School were Papatahi (Wairongomai) 10 Miles. Cross Creek 5 1/2 Miles, Featherston 8 miles

Note from Inspector Bird says "I saw some of these children at Cross Creek School and found their education had been retarded owing to the difficulty stated in the letter. Favoured opening the school as an aided school

17th June Approval to Open School

28th June Size of Classroom is 12 foot by 14 foot

1927

1st February School Reopened. Standard 6 pupils has entered a secondary school Roll number is now 22. 7 Boys and 15 girls. And an aided school having been opened up at Western Lake the roll number is considerably less than for the greater part of last year. Cross Creek Log Book Entry

1947

Letter from Director of Education asking what had happened to building at Western Lake?. No answer or reply given.