

**History of**

**S. S. No. 7, WEST ZORRA**

**"Wadlands"**



(BUILT IN 1866)

1855



1966

#### THE COUNTRY SCHOOL

The little country school, fast passing away,  
Is now just a memory of yesterday.  
How happy the times which many recall,  
When school days again returned with the fall.

When the first day arrived we hardly could wait  
To start off to school with our books and our slate.  
We tripped down the road so happy and gay  
And each home recruited along the way.

Each road to the schoolhouse brought in many more,  
Till the total enrollment showed more than two score.  
Some were beginners their first school year  
While others much older, were still going here.

From beginners, called chart class, to eighth grade  
as a rule,  
All were taught by one teacher, in the country  
school.

At the sound of the hand bell, how we did run  
Into the schoolhouse. Then school had begun.

Turn back the pages, let memory recall  
A time when you started back to school in the fall.  
Those fond recollections in memory held fast,  
Bring to mind happy school days we had in the past.

## **History Of S.S. 7, West Zorra Tells How Work Commenced On Present Building In 1866**

Written by (Mrs. Ruby Thomas Ridley)  
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#### (Preface)

We have returned to the little Red Brick. We have wandered over the East, West, North and South and by way of Winnipeg, Detroit and Toronto, we have returned to S.S. No. 7 because these larger places blotted out our vision of home. We have come home! The ideal end to a vacation is coming home with the eager thrill of being back. These realities do not change nor do they pass away. Does home look fresh to you boys and girls of yesteryear? Does it look strange? No, rather it looks familiar, comfortable like old friends- old associations- old clothes- old lace. Yes it is grand to be home! And why? Because here we meet the spirit of the past. Here at the four corners stands the building which to many, who are present, represents your first venture into society outside your home. So for a few minutes let us turn the hands of the clock back to the days of the wooded hills of Zorra and trace as accurately as memory and a few records will allow into the history of the past century of our section.



Picture of 1963

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- Front row-Roger Pielt, Glen Morris, Jim Innes,  
Murray Innes, Glenn Gill, Wayne Meadows,  
Keith Gill.  
2nd row-Gregory Baker, Ken Meadows, Ron Gill,  
Murray Bean, David Ingram, Stuart Innes,  
Lester Shelley, Allan Morris, Denis Bean.  
3rd row-Marilyn Bean, Brenda Turvey, Jane Shelley,  
Heather Innes, Jane Meadows, Debbie Ingram,  
Barbara Woolcott, Carolyn Bean, Laura Jean  
Smith, Kathy Gill.  
4th row-Mrs. Ruby Ridley, teacher, Eldon Shelley,  
Jim Woolcott, Bob McKay, Janette Dodge, Brian  
Gill, Maxine Innes, Charles Orsborn, Marlene  
Pielt.

Picture of 1966 - closing year

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- Top row-Sandy Innes, Martin Drenth, Mrs. Ridley,  
teacher, Lois Ann McLeod, Sylvia Shelley.  
2nd row-Lester Shelley, Karen Turvey, Glen Morris,  
Jim Innes, Debbie MacLeod, Jane Shelley.  
3rd row-David Baker, Dennis Bean, Cathy Manson,  
Wayne Meadows, Sheila Gill, Glenn Gill, Ken  
MacLeod, Brenda Turvey, Brian Walters.  
4th row-Dale Hughes, Mike Castignasso, Kathy Gill,  
Keith Gill, Murray Innes, Joan Lindsay, Kathy  
Gill, Marlene Innes, Laura Smith.  
5th row-Carolyn Bean, Marilyn Bean, Peter Rice,  
Brenda Turvey, Tony Castignasso, Barbara  
Woolcott, Irene Woolcott, Roger Pielt,  
Gwen Dawson.



# CHERISHED OLD TALES RE- VEAL THAT BOYS OF SIXTY YEARS AGO JUST AS FULL OF FUN AND MISCHIEVOUS AS ONES TODAY

(by Mrs. R. Ridley)

It was to this district more than a century ago trudged the early pioneer settlers with such Scotch names at Campbell, Manson, MacKenzie, McIntosh, Murray, Matheson, McDonald, Jamieson, Ross, Thomson, Innes, McCombs, Sutherland, Reid, McLean, MacKay, and Gordon; a mixture from the Highlands and Lowlands of Scotland to be followed shortly by other nationalities, some of these being United Empire Loyalists and therefore the finest type of British subject a new land could acquire. These included the Youngs, Gunns, Huddless, Symons, Amos, Bells, Mark Vannatter, Kerr Hormans, White, Bean, Swanson, Adams and Ruthermill. These families joined by many to the south built a central school at Brooksdale. This school along with the church and Christian homes served to educate the children of these bold pioneers before the approximate date of 1853. When it was decided another school was required and one was built farther north on a site which at present is Mr. Archie Manson's farm. This was a log building and while actually the beginning of our present section as we know it, no record is available to prove it ever had any title except the Fourth Line Log School. At this time the Brooksdale School still retained some of the scholars, at least of the families later included in No. 7 Section.

## Early Teachers

Memory serves to remember only five teachers: 1st Mr. Hugh Matheson, 2nd Mr. McLennan, 3rd Mr. James Smith, 4th Dr. MacLeod who became well known in the district, and 5th a lady teacher, Margaret Gordon, daughter of Paul Gordon. By this date more new settlers

were moving in and now we hear such names as Munro, Armstrong, McLeod, Brown, Dunsmore, Howe, Wadland, Lindsay, Kirk, Chenoweth, Meadows, Bullas, Hilderley, Fords, Conways, Shelley, Clark, Green and Baillie were added to or replacing some of the early pioneers.

In 1866 the land was so well settled upon, it was deemed advisable to form a school section in this immediate district. A meeting of the section was called and Messrs. Thomas McCombs, Wm. Reid and John Campbell were appointed as a Board of Trustees. The boundaries decided upon for the new section was to include all the farms lying between the Brooksdale Sideroad on the south and the Baseline or North Boundary of West Zorra on the north and all the farms entering from the sixth, fourth and third lines. Owning the farm, which later became the Wadland farm and at present is owned by Alvin Innes and Son, was one Angus Matheson. From Mr. Matheson the trustees purchased one half acre of land on the north-east corner of the junction formed where the Harrington-Maplewood sideroad crosses the fourth line. Here work was commenced for the present school in 1866 by the contractor Thomas Orr of Stratford, who supplied all the materials and built the fine red brick school which was held in the highest esteem both as to a magnificent building and a fine example of the wish which lies near to the heart of every true parent — the desire to give his child the best. Some of the cherished old tales can so much better illustrate just what we are trying to explain. Here let us bring to mind a few. When the building was completed and the day arrived for commencing school the lighting of the fire was en-

trusted to George Manson, then a lad in his early teens, and Mr. Geo. Campbell Sr., our worthy Honorary President reminded us that his father came over to supervise in case the fine new building might accidentally get burned down. Another story proves the same point. Living where the Philip Meadows family now lives was a family named Hoodless, and for some unexplained reason the key to the building was left at this home. When Mr. Wm. Munro, the first teacher in the red brick school, arrived and found that the key was not at the school he sent one of the older scholars to secure the said article. When the boy asked for the key, Mrs. Hoodless replied, "Nay, nay, we could not allow anything so valuable to be entrusted to a mere boy." Yes, we may laugh at the tales, but let us take a look between the lines and see the sacrifices that went into the erecting of this building. Two other tales also aptly illustrate how anxious the elders were that the young people get an education. One story concerns the Innes family. Mr. Yool sent Alex Innes home for some misconduct. His father, Sandy Innes, promptly returned with him and said, "Whip him if you like, but he must get an education." And again another story on Mr. Yool, the teacher. He said to Alex Murray, a very mischievous boy, "Alex, what are you doing?" Alex, in all innocence, replied, "Nothing, sir." "Do you know that is the worst thing you can do?" said Mr. Yool, "come up here."

## Franksters Even Then

Stories true, but what a wealth of meaning they imply. How true — in the elder days of art, builders wrought with greatest care. The first equipment consisted of long benches which held several students and allowed for one centre aisle. When one scholar moved, especially from the inside, many had to arise. We are led to believe the innermost position was highly cherished for had the boys not strung a fine wire along the wall and fastened it tightly. Here during a lull some daring boy would pluck the taut wire. Boys had their pranks even in the days of the birch rod.

Space and time would not permit us to mention all the many fine changes which have been made in the interior down through the years. Seats have been several

times replaced until in 1950 we had the present single desks installed. The stoker furnace replaces the old wood stoves. Hydro made lighting, and indoor toilets with fountains and taps for drinking purposes an added convenience. The last local trustee board met in 1944 and consisted of: Mr. A. R. Innes, chairman; Mr. A. J. Thomson, secretary-treasurer; Mr. D. J. Manson.

## Now Township Area

In 1945 the West Zorra Council decided to make West Zorra into a Township School Area and five trustees were appointed to look after the affairs of all the schools. Those holding office today include Mr. J. J. McKay, from our section, a former scholar here.

In 1954 the school grounds were enlarged, levelled and improved through the interest and co-operation of the ratepayers of S. S. No. 7.

No history would be complete without at least some mention of those who presided over the school building down through the years. To each of us who were former pupils here, as clearly as we visualize our former classmates, so do we see our former teachers, especially those who commanded our childish devotion and respect. Here we find a long list which we regret is not complete from 1866 to 1890, but from the turn of the century is accurate.

The early teachers include: Mr.

Wm. Munro, Mr. Andrew Gordon, Mr. Hugh McKay, Mr. Paul Murray, Mr. Alex Sutherland, Mr. Windsor, Mr. Jas. Yool, Mr. J. F. Stewart, Mr. Rose, Miss L. MacKenzie, Mr. Bradley, Miss Jessie Sutherland, Miss Katie Sutherland.

In 1890 Mr. Cunningham arrived, followed by: Mr. Scott, Mrs. Joseph Fraser, Mr. Wm. MacKenzie, Mr. James Fraser, Mr. Gordon Campbell, Mr. Fred Kerr, Miss A. Nanciskivel, Mr. Alex Thomson, Miss Agnes Healy, Mr. Michael McInnes, Miss Ethel Steinhoff, Miss Louise Limbert, Mrs. Jim Martin, Miss Rose Henderson, Miss Marion Langdon, Mr. Angus McKay, Mr. Robert Darling, Mr. Arthur Ruth-erford, Mr. George McDonald, Miss Lottie Richardson, Miss Margaret Morris, Miss Jean Hart, Miss Christine McLeod, Miss Clarabelle Hearn, Miss Marion Calder, Miss Faith Kendall, Miss Dorothy Morrison, Miss



Picture of 1939

Back row-Bill Innes, Helen Smith, John McLeod, Donnie Manson, Victor Lindsay, Miss Alice Gleason, teacher.  
2nd row-Doris Smith, Bob Walters, Betty Green, Netta Smith, Albert Smith, Pearl Walters.  
3rd row-Bill Lindsay, Audrey Horman, John Innes, Styart Baker  
Stuart Baker, Margaret Green, Margaret Innes, Allan Baker.  
Front row-Charlie Horman, ----, Clarence Walters, Donald Innes, Jessie Green.

Helen Oman; Miss Alice Gleason, Miss Edith Karn, Miss Nora McKay, Mrs. M. Bentley, Mr. Ross Bender, Miss Helen Smith, Miss Marie Winters, Mrs. Ruby Thomson Ridley.

#### A Unique Finding

While the list of teachers seems long, we made a unique finding regarding our inspectors. Until 1955 this northern part of Oxford had only had three different inspectors. Mr. William Carlyle was appointed by the County Council for Oxford in 1871 and served until 1910. In 1910 the inspectorate was divided into North and South Oxford and Mr. Jas. Cole was appointed for North Oxford. In 1929 Mr. A. M. Mather was appointed. From 1929 appointments are made by the Ontario Department of Education. Mr. Mather continued his duties until 1955 when failing health necessitated him giving up active duties. These were handled by Mr. W. G. Anderson.

As the years rolled by, the land now fully settled, saw an exchange of ownership by the several things which always necessitates change, and again many old family names

are replaced by different. The last fifty years included O'doud's, Whaley, O'Neils, Tuffnail, McMillan, Walters, Smith, Hutchison, Shortt, Lupton, Puschelberg, Baker, Dawson, Pallister, Knight, Hewitt, Lingelbach, Doerflinger, Morris, Beggs and Doherty, Pretty, Flowers, Snip, 'Hardy, Marlow, Tavendale, Huiser, Donnell.

No school's history could be complete without reference to those former teachers and scholars who offered and in some cases gave all during time of war. Here our records are incomplete for has not this school sent out heroes to three world wars since the turn of the century. Let us remember Kipling's prayer:

Judge of the nations, spare us yet,

Lest we forget, lest we forget.

For nearly a century the doors of this building have opened and closed on young lives sending out threads to far corners and yet also serving to keep up its interest at home. Boys and girls, men and women, rise and salute your building, your teachers — May the spirit of the past and present mingle.

#### OLD BOY'S AND GIRLS' REUNION of S.S. No. 7, WEST ZORRA held

Saturday and Sunday, September 1 and 2, 1956.

More than 600 residents of the community, former pupils and teachers from near and far renewed acquaintances and talked over old times on the No. 7 school grounds at the Old Boys' and Girls' reunion when they celebrated a century of education in this section. The original log school built in 1855 being replaced by the one-room red brick school in 1866.

Special programs were arranged for Saturday afternoon and evening, and Sunday morning. The reunion committee was headed by R.A. Conway, chairman, George Campbell Sr., honorary chairman, and Mrs. J.W. Muir, Embro, secretary.

Registration commenced at 1 p.m. Saturday with program following at 2 o'clock. On the outdoor platform were 10 former teachers of the school. Mrs. George Matheson, of Hamilton the former Agnes Healy who taught from (1900-1903), predated that of the other former teachers present. They were Mrs. Wilfred Crandon, of Merritton (Lottie Richardson) (1913-1917); Mrs. Jean Whittemore of Toronto (Jean Hart 1920-22); Mrs. Fent Symons, Hickson, (Marion Calder 1927-28); Mrs. James McKay, R.R.2, Embro, (Helen Oman 1930-38); Mrs. Russell Self, Jhansi, India, (Alice Gleason 1938-40); Mrs. Alex Henderson, R.R.5, Embro, (Edith Karn 1940-41); Mrs. George Smith, Thamesford (Nora McKay 1941-46); Mrs. Roy Pielt, R.R.1, Embro, (Helen Smith 1948-49); Mrs. Ruby Thomson Ridley 1950 - present teacher at time of reunion. Mrs. Bruce MacLeod (Marie Winters 1949-50) attended on Sunday.

Of particular interest was the reading of the History of S.S.7, West Zorra by the present teacher, Mrs. Ruby Ridley, who compiled the record during the summer of 1956 and handprinted the text.

A collection of old photographs of groups of former pupils and teachers, dating back, many years before the turn of the century had been collected from the neighborhood's treasury of "albums" and were on display.



The welcome sign was hung out for the two-day reunion. Part of the crowd of 400 is shown here beside the one-room red brick schoolhouse of SS 7 West Zorra. Several pupils and one teacher who remembered the school as it stood at the turn of the century attended the event.

A picnic lunch was shared with old school-mates and friends. The open air dance was cancelled due to rain and the dance was held in Tavistock Community Hall.

An open - air church service was held Sunday morning at the school, conducted by Rev. W.P. Newman, of Lakeside United Church. Guest speakers were the Rev. Wallace Wadland of Milwaukee, a former pupil of the school, and Mrs. Russell Self (Alice Gleason) a former teacher who is a missionary in India and home on furlough to St. Marys. George Campbell Jr. sang solos and the Brooksdale quartette George Cooper, Roy Piett, Scott Green and Russell Youngs sang. Pianists were Mrs. Roy Piett, Miss Elaine Laurence and Mrs. Otto Rounds.

Tape recordings were taken of the reunion. One tape to be left in the school, one sent to Rev. Wallace Wadland and one to Mrs. Russell Self, India. The amount of \$50. was to be spent on play ground equipment. Also a table and chairs for the class room and a clothes rack.

*By Helen Smith Piett*

#### RECORDS FROM 1934 TO 1966

We regret that we have no records previous to 1934. The registers and trustees books are believed to have been destroyed. In 1935 the Log book records some history of interest to our section. About 1915 a Debating Society met in this school for weekly debates. A Singing School was also held and for some time Prayer Meetings were held in the school on Sunday nights.

The first equipment in the school included long benches in the place of the modern desks. These benches held several scholars and there was only one aisle in the school. If one wished to move it was necessary for all seated on the bench to move also. A box stove served for heating. It was placed in a large hole cut in the partition between the ante-room and main classroom. The wood was four feet long and the stove was fueled from the ante-room.

In 1921 while Miss Jean Hart was teaching, the scholars raised money and bought five large pictures of the work of famous artists.

In 1936 and 1937 equipment was purchased for use in practical work of agriculture and elementary science. In 1936 equipment was purchased for the teaching of Household Science and for serving hot lunches in the school. A hot dish was served each day from Nov. 1 to Mar. 31. In 1936 the pupils purchased a piano for the school with funds they

had raised at concerts in the school. In 1920 a new teacher's desk was purchased to replace a small table which had hitherto been used.

In 1935 Mr. Archibald MacDonald donated several small spruce trees to the school which were planted by the trustees. In April 1937 several spruce trees were received from the Ontario Forestry Branch at St. Williams. The pupils were given 5 trees each to plant at home and 7 were planted at the school.

A small school garden was planted in 1933 east of the woodshed. This was not large enough to qualify for the agricultural grant.

In September 1936, a special instructor in music was engaged for the first time in the person of Miss Margaret Murray. She was paid a salary of \$60. per year for one hour's instruction per week.

No. 7 school has always participated in the annual school fair for West Zorra, later taken over by the Agricultural Society. This event always came in September and the school always marched in the annual parade.

The first Christmas Concert as recalled by Mrs. Lottie Richardson as teacher held an afternoon concert in the school. Mrs. Angus Matheson as Santa gave out much prized oranges to each pupil. It became customary to hold a Christmas concert for the school each year in December. For many years this concert was given in Bailie's Hall, Brooksdale at night. From 1935 the concert has been held at night in the school.

In 1938 a victrola and an electric clock was purchased for the school and platform curtains with money raised from concert. In June 1939 a new fence was erected around school grounds.

In 1946 a new furnace with stoker was installed. A radio was purchased with concert money.

Mr. Stuart Jaques of Woodstock was added to the staff to teach Agriculture and Manual Training. He came once a week to the school. He taught until 1951.

About this time the school bus trips started and became an annual trip each year near the end of the term. In later years the Mother's also enjoyed these trips. Over the years the Children visited many places of interest, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Goderich, London, Stratford, St. Williams, Kitchener. In 1966 we spent the day at Detroit Zoo the very last day of school.

No. 7 school has shown keen participation in Field Day activities, inter-school ball games and

public speaking, often bringing honour to our school.

The sand box was presented to the school by the Brooksdale Women's Institute.

The National Film Board for a number of years came monthly to the school to show pictures. This was a great aid to the children until T.V. arrived.

In 1955 the School Board purchased a section of land east of the school from Alvin Innes making a much better play area.

Music teachers in the school have been:-

1936 - Miss Marguerite Murray

1946 - Miss Jean McCaul

1947 - Miss Doris Redman

1949 - Mr. Inch

1950 - Miss Dora Harrison

1954 - Mrs. Robertshaw, Mr Clark

1955-1966 - Miss Ethel McCorquodale

In 1960 and 1964 Dr. Gordon Murray of Toronto a former pupil presented to No. 7 school two books which he has written namely "Quest of Medicine" and "Medicine in the Making." These books have been circulated and read throughout the community. These books are at present at the home of Robert Conway.

In September 1959 the little red schoolhouses of West Zorra had only 6 grades. Pupils in grade 7 and 8 journeyed by bus to Zorra Highland Park school. There were 3 teachers at Highland Park one of them Mrs. J. McKay (Helen Oman) a former teacher from No. 7 school. This was the beginning of our Central School. Seventeen more rooms are have been added this summer and September 1966 will be a new era for families of West Zorra school sections. The doors of this school will close and the children will travel by bus to one school.

As we turn the pages of the last century we feel proud of the pupils who have come to S.S.No.7 and have gone out into many walks of life, to many parts of the world. Since our records are not complete for names of all our pupils we shall say we claim teachers, nurses, doctors, lawyers, ministers, University graduates, business men, etc. We also claim men and women who have remained on homesteads of our section.

Many homesteads are century farms and from these lovely homes come the pupils who will have only vague memories of the one room red brick school house. We are now educating the 5th generation in many of our homes. Present day names of men in the section who have been former pupils are Robert Conway, Lorne MacLeod (age 87, oldest former pupil, son of Dr. MacLeod, former teacher in log school) and Mac MacLeod, Bruce MacLeod, Harvey Thomson, Allan Shelley, Alex Thomson, Jack Green, Burns Innes, Grant Innes, Roy Pielt, Charles Lupton Jr., John Hiuser, Leslie Shelley, Donald Manson Jr., Alvin Innes, Fred Innes, George Campbell Jr., Philip Meadows, Glenn Meadows, Alex Smith, Wallace Munro, Sandy Matheson, Mrs. Wm. Innes, Wm. Walters, Bob Walters, Gordon Innes, Almer Meadows, Russell Innes, Allan Innes, John Innes, Reid Hewitt, Bill Lindsay, Archie MacDonald, John MacLeod, Paul Hiuser, Caretaker of school.

Mrs. Allan Shelley (Doris Smith), Mrs. Roy Pielt (Helen Smith), Mrs Philip Meadows (Georgina MacLeod) and Mrs. Wallace Munro (Ida Meadows) are former pupils.

The last twenty-five years these names have been added to the section - Pallister, Morris, Gill, Turvey, Woolcott, Hughes, Rice, Drenth, Bean, Baker, H. Innes (son of a former pupil Murray Innes).

Three former teachers remained in the section- Mrs. James McKay (Helen Oman) now of Embro, Mrs. Roy Pielt (Helen Smith) and Mrs. Bruce MacLeod (Marie Winters).

Special tribute to our present teacher Mrs. Ruby Thomson Ridley, who was a former pupil of this school and who for 16 years (1950 -1966) has so faithfully guided the education of boys and girls in this school. She has shown her pupils that manhood and womanhood, not scholarship, is the first aim of education.

Closing Reunion August 13, 1966  
Honourary chairman - Robert Conway  
Chairman - Almer Meadows  
Secretary - Mrs. John Innes  
Treasurer - Gordon Innes

# TEACHERS

Log School 1855  
Mr. Hugh Matheson  
Mr. McLennan  
Mr. James Smith  
Dr. MacLeod  
Miss Margaret Gordon

Red Brick School 1866 - 1890 (not complete)  
Mr. Wm. Munro  
Mr. Hugh McKay  
Mr. Alex Sutherland  
Mr. Jas. Yool  
Mr. Rose  
Mr. Bradley  
Miss Jessie Sutherland  
Miss Katie Sutherland  
Mr. Andrew Gordon  
Mr. Paul Murray  
Mr. Windsor  
Mr. J.L. Stewart  
Miss L. MacKenzie

Red Brick School 1890 (complete)  
1890- Mr. Cunningham  
1892- Mr. Scott  
1894- Mr. Joseph Fraser  
1896- Mr. William Mackenzie  
1898- Mr. James Fraser  
1899- Mr. Fred Kerr  
1900- Miss Agnes Healy  
1904- Mr. Michael McInnes  
1905- Miss Ethel Steinhoff  
1906- Miss Louise Limbert

1907- Miss Rose Henderson  
1908- Miss Marion Langdon  
1909- Mr. Angus McKay  
1910- Mr. Robert Darling  
1911- Mr. Arthur Rutherford  
1912- Mr. George McDonald  
1913- Miss Lottie Richardson  
1918- Miss Margaret Morris  
1920- Miss Jean Hart  
1923- Miss Christine McLeod  
1924- Miss Clarabelle Hearn  
1926- Miss Dorothy Morrison  
1929- Miss Faith Kendall  
1930- Miss Helen Oman  
1938- Miss Alice Gleason  
1940- Miss Edith Karn  
1941- Miss Nora McKay  
1946- Mrs. Marjorie Bentley  
1947- Mr. Ross Bender  
1948- Miss Marie Winters  
1950-1966- Mrs. Ruby Thomson Ridley

1927 Marion  
Calder

1948 Helen Smith



Picture of 1900

1st row-Arthur Peacock, Ward McMillan, Jack Hutchison, Roy Clark, Bob Murray, Alex Innes, Ernest Innes, George Manson, Clara Clark, Ada Clark, Christina Chalkley, Davie Innes.  
2nd row-Gladstone Clark, Ed Walters, Alex Kerr, Roy Innes, Harvey Innes, Murray Innes, Sadie Murray, Chrissie Matheson, Myrtle Murray, Alice Murray, Eva Murray, Clara Innes, Ella Thompson, Clara Symons.  
3rd row-George Chalkley, Willie Clark, George Shelley, Alex Thomson, Pearl Meadows, Sam Walters, Wilbert Raper, Mary Ann Rothermill, Alice Innes, Nellie Green, Maggie Amos, Allie Matheson, Jessie Matheson, Mabel Murray.  
4th row-Colin Kerr, Wilbert Youngs, Roy Rothermill, George Sutherland, Emma Walters, Nellie Kerr, Jean Matheson, Annie Green, Lettie Kerr, Louie Munro, Ruby Dunsmore, Miss Aggie Healy, teacher, Teenie Manson.



Picture of 1910 - 1911

Back row-Dan Lindsay (Nasau), Harvey Thomson, Charlie Murray, Wilber Heary, Wallace Innes, Gordon Innes, Mr. George McDonald, teacher, Margaret Thomson, Gretta Green, Violet Kerr, Elsie Innes, Gretta McKay, Mary Green.  
Centre row-Alvin Innes, Clarence Innes Eleanor McIntosh, Florence Innes, Mary Ford, Jean Thomson, Margaret Green, Alva Lindsay, Lydia Walters, Joan McKenzie, Alice McKenzie, Florence Walters, Nellie Walters.  
Front row-Stanley Innes, Frank Walters, Willie Wadland, Edwin O'doud, Archie Pierce, Russell Innes, Nelson Green, Burns Innes, Gilbert Ford, Clifford Kerr, John MacDonald, Philip Meadows.

Picture of 1898

Back row-Wilbur Youngs, George Green, Garnet Lindsay, Will Hilderly, Willie Murray, Jim Fraser, teacher, George Ross, George Raper, Bert Innes, Roy Rothermill, George Shelley.  
2nd row-Emma Walters, Hattie Lindsay, Clara Rothermill, Katie Ross, Ethel Lindsay, Hughena McLeod, Ada Youngs, Maude Chenoweth, Helen Manson, Ida McLeod, Mary Green.  
3rd row-Anna Ross, Alice Green, Eva Murray, Myrtle Murray, Clara Innes, Myrtle Lindsay, Ward McMillan, Jack Hutcheson, Willie Ross, Ed Walters, Alex Innes, Chris Matheson, Lynda Green, Marion Rothermill, Jessie Matheson.  
4th row-Mary Ann Walters, Louie Munro, Wilbert Raper, Frank Walters, Alex Thompson, Murray Innes, John Lindsay, Harvey Innes, John Conway, Warren Lindsay, Willie Clark.  
5th row-Isa Youngs, Annie Shelley, Mable Murray, Nellie Green, Jean Matheson, Tena Manson, Maggie Amos, Edith Lindsay, Annie Green, Allie Matheson.





Picture of 1924

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Back row-Edna Meadows, Loretta Raper, Isobel Youngs, Dorothy Ball, Myrtle Hiuser, Miss Hearn, teacher, Helen Meadows, Blanche Innes, Doris Maddock, Margaret Youngs, Bob Sheardown  
2nd row-Blanche Pielt, Rachel Raper, Fern Pielt, Jean Innes, Marjorie Meadows, Erma Raper, Christine Manson, Lorna McLeod, Mary Youngs, Vera Baker.  
Front row-Leonard Hiuser, Russell Dunnell, Hector Munro, Lloyd Walters, Alec Matheson, Raymond McLeod, Alfred Ball, Fred Raper, Cecil Hiuser.



Picture of 1931

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Front row-Lawrence Smith, Allan Shelley, Roy Pielt, Earl Baker, Evelyn Ball, Jean Horman, Doris Sutherland, June Kerr, Helen Green, Marguerite Horman.  
2nd row-Clarence Shelley, Billy Sutherland, Bruce MacLeod, Jack Manson, Jean MacLeod, Catherine Green, Helen Dunnell, Vera Baker, Helen Shortt Jean Dunnell.  
Back row-Leonard Hiuser, Bob Baker, Leslie Shelley Sandy Matheson, Miss Helen Oman, teacher, Stuart Pielt, Alex Smith, Russell Dunnell, Dorothy Meadows, Georgena MacLeod, Alice Green



Picture of 1934

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1st row-Jack Cooper, Mac MacLeod, Victor Lindsay, Allan Blain, Donnie Manson.  
2nd row-Earl Baker, Lawrence Smith, Bruce MacLeod, Roy Pielt, Jack Manson, Allan Shelley, Alvin Cooper.  
3rd row-Edna Baker, Jean Horman, Helen Smith.  
4th row-Doris Sutherland, Evelyn Ball, Jean Dunnell, Jean MacLeod, Miss Helen Oman, teacher, Helen Green, Marguerite Horman, June Kerr, Flora MacLeod.



Picture of 1937

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Front row-Delbert Pipher, Albert Smith, Bill Lindsay, John McLeod, Charles Horman, Allan Baker, Stuart Baker, Bob Walters.  
2nd row-Victor Lindsay, Donnie Manson, Helen Smith Doris Smith, Betty Green, Pearl Walters, Annetta Smith, Mac MacLeod, Jack Cooper.  
3rd row-Earl Baker, June Kerr, Jean Horman, Edna Baker, Miss Oman, Marion Lindsay, Doris Sutherland, Flora McLeod, Bruce MacLeod.



Picture of 1936

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Front row-Victor Lindsay, Albert Smith, John McLeod, Mac MacLeod.  
2nd row-Earl Baker, Alvin Cooper, Roy Pielt, Bruce MacLeod, Allan Shelley, Lawrence Smith, Jack Cooper, Donnie Manson.  
3rd row-Edna Baker, Pearl Walters, Doris Smith, Helen Smith, Stuart Baker.  
Back row-Jean Horman, Marguerite Horman, Miss Oman, Helen Green, Flora McLeod, June Kerr, Marion Lindsay.



Picture of 1942

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Front row-Andrew Innes, Bruce Innes, Clarence Walters, Donald Innes, Charles Lupton.  
Centre row- Betty Green, Netta Smith, Audrey Horman, Margaret Green, Margaret Innes, Jessie Green, Jean Innes, Margaret G Innes,  
Back row-John Innes, Charles Horman, Pearl Walters, Nora McKay, teacher, Bill Innes, Jack MacLeod, Albert Smith, Bill Lindsay.  
Absent-Bob Walters, Jack Green, Eleanor Smith.



Picture of 1945

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Back row-Leo Chalkley, Donald Innes, Harvey Knox, Bruce Innes, Jessie Green, Nora McKay, teacher  
Centre row-Eleanor Smith, Jean Innes, John Green, Clarence Walters, Charles Lupton, Andrew Innes  
Front row-Johann Lupton, Lorraine Dawson, Violet Knox, Margaret Grace Innes, Ronald Fallowfield, (Absent-Isobel and Fred Innes)



Cliff Kerr  
Caretaker of S.S. No. 7



Picture of 1946

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Front row-Jack Green, Fred Huser, Allan Innes, Fred Innes, Keith Conway, Ronald Fallowfield.  
2nd row-Jean Innes, Margaret Grace Innes, Violet Knox, Lorriane Dawson, Etta Lupton, Isobel Innes, Johann Lupton, Eleanor Smith.  
Back row-Bruce Innes, Donald Innes, Andrew Innes, Mrs. Bently, teacher, Harvey Knox, Ronald Fallister, Charles Lupton, Clarence Walters, Jessie Green.



Picture of 1947  
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Front row-Carl Hiuser, Fred Innes, Allan Innes, David Fallowfield, Fred Hiuser, Ronald Fallowfield.

2nd row-Charles Lupton, Andrew Innes, Eleanor Smith, Violet Knox, Clarence Walters, Jack Green.

3rd row-Dolores Dawson, Isobel Innes, Margaret Grace Innes, Lorraine Dawson, Johann Lupton, Etta Lupton.

Back row-Mr. Ross Bender, teacher, Donald Innes, Harvey Knox, Ronald Pallister, Bruce Innes, Jessie Green, Jean Innes.



Picture of 1948 - 1949  
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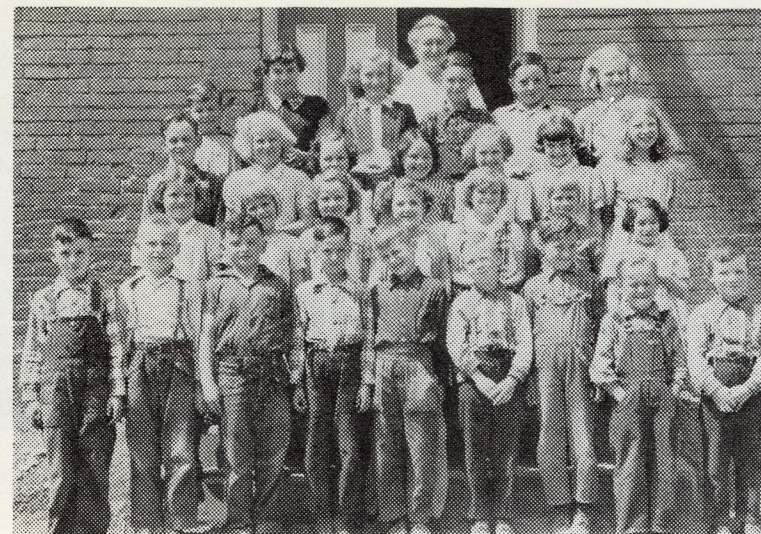
Front row-Joyce Innes, Donna Knight, Mary Lingeback, Mary Innes, Kenneth Innes, Donna J Innes, Gary Meadows, Lanny Ford.

2nd row-Dolores Dawson, Glenda Flowers, Carl Hiuser, Marlene Lupton, David Knight, John Conway.

3rd row-Isobel Innes, Violet Knox, Johann Lupton, Margaret G Innes, Etta Lupton, Eleanor Smith, David Flowers, Lorraine Dawson, Keith Conway, Fred Hiuser.

Top row-Jean Innes, Fred Innes, Allan Flowers, Bruce Innes, Peter Brown, Jack Green, Allan Innes.

Teacher-Miss Helen Smith.



Picture of 1950  
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Teacher-Mrs. Ruby Ridley

Top row-Lorne Walters, Lorraine Dawson, Johann Lupton, Carl Hiuser, Keith Conway, Isobel Innes.

2nd row-David Knight, Etta Lupton, Marlene Lupton, Dolores Dawson, Janice Lupton, Sharron Smith, Ellen Wilson.

3rd row-Donna J Innes, Donna Knight, Mary Innes, Carmine Lupton, Joyce Lupton, Doris Knight, Margaret Ford.

Front row-Fred Hiuser, Fred Innes, John Conway, John Hiuser, Gary Meadows, Kenneth Innes, Larry Ford, Dick Knight, Edward Innes.



Picture of 1955  
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Front row-Grant Innes, Audrey Knight, Glenn Meadows, Arthur Ingram, Jimmy Morris, Robert Dawson, Allan Meadows.

2nd row-Dolores Dawson, Joyce Innes, John Hiuser, Bruce McKay, Mary Innes, Doris Knight, Gary Meadows.

3rd row-Barbara Smith, Kenneth Innes, Edward Innes, Ronnie Smith, Dick Knight, Paul Hiuser, Laurie Meadows, Marie Knight.

Back row-John Conway, Sharron Smith, Carl Hiuser, David Knight, Etta Lupton, Lorne Walters, Donna J Innes, Donna Knight, Teacher-Mrs. Ruby Ridley.



Picture of 1956

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Front row-David Ingram, Audrey Lupton, Dianne Shelley, Jim Woolcott, Elaine McKay, Murray Meadows, Carol Shelley.  
 2nd row-Michael Baker, Laurie Meadows, Paul Hiuser, Kenneth Innes, Dick Knight, Edward Innes, Barbara Smith, Glenn Meadows,  
 3rd row-Gail Meadows, Allan Meadows, Audrey Knight, Robert Dawson, Marie Knight, Jim Morris, Grant Innes, Carol Innes, Bob Morris, Richard Ingram  
 Back row-Mrs. Ridley, teacher, Mary Jean Lingeback, Arthur Ingram, Donna J Innes, John Hiuser, Sharron Smith Bruce McKay, Mary Innes, Gary Meadows, Ronald Smith.



Picture of 1958

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Front row-Allan Meadows, Michael Baker, Robert Dawson, Jim Morris, Bob Morris, Murray Meadows.  
 2nd row-Gail Meadows, Grant Innes, Audrey Knight, Barbara Smith, Carol Innes, Glenn Meadows, Rose Mary Lewis, Elaine McKay.  
 3rd row-David Ingram, Carol Shelley, Dianne Shelley, Bob McKay, Nickie Louis, Richard Ingram, Jim Woolcott, Audrey M Lupton, Maxine Innes, Frances Louis.  
 Back row-Mrs. Ridley, teacher, Laurie Meadows, Edward Innes, Ron Smith, Deirdre Baker, Doris Knight, Marie Knight, Dick Knight, Paul Hiuser



Picture of 1959 - 1960

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Back row-Mrs. Ridley, teacher, Allan Meadows, Bob Morris, Michel Baker, Carol Innes, Rose Mary Lewis, Howard Butcher, Gail Meadows.  
 3rd row-Heather Innes, Jane Meadows, Murray Bean, Marlene Pielt, Maxine Innes, Stuart Innes, Nancy Shelley, Allan Morris, Ken Meadows, Eldon Shelley.  
 2nd row-Audrey Lupton, Nicky Lewis, Elaine McKay, Richard Ingram, Keith Butcher, Carol Shelley, Diane Shelley, Francise Lewis,  
 Front row-Jerry Travis, Bob McKay, Murray Meadows, David Ingram.



Picture of 1962

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Front row-Glen Morris, Dennis Bean, Gregory Baker, Murray Bean, Jim Innes, Murray Innes.  
 2nd row-Ken Meadows, Eldon Shelley, David Ingram, Jim Woolcott, Stuart Innes, Chuck Osborn, Allan Morris.  
 3rd row-Jane Shelley, Barbara Woolcott, Marlene Pielt, Jane Meadows, Debbie Ingram, Heather Innes, Wayne Meadows, Brenda Turvey.  
 4th row-Mrs. Ridley, teacher, Bob McKay, Carol Shelley, Janette Dodge, Elaine McKay, Richard Ingram, Maxine Innes.