



Date

Ellingham

Kirby Cane

<p>1900</p>	<p>The beginning of the century brought a series of special holidays for the pupils at both primary schools: the pupils had a day's holiday on 21st May 1900 on receiving news of the relief of Mafeking and a half day to celebrate the surrender of the Boers.</p> <p>Foot and Mouth disease restrictions in force . Camp of Gypsies in Newgate Lane.</p> <p>Walter James Brumbley, Headmaster (43), Infants teacher of Ellingham National school, and his wife Emily (35).</p> <p>An application made to repair roof and ceiling of the church and replace deal pulpit, reading desks and seats in the aisle and chancel with oak, and the floor with black and white marble.</p> <p>Henry L Smith returned wounded from Natal to a village welcome.</p>	<p>Kirby Cane school</p> 
<p><i>Edward VII, 22Jan.1901 – 6 May 1910</i></p>		
<p>1902</p>	<p>Both schools were closed for a whole week for the coronation festivities in June.</p> <p>Mr Brumbley resigned. Mr William Hewin took over Headship.</p>	<p>An oak tree was planted in Kirby school playground.</p>
<p>1903</p>	<p>Nov 23 - Dec 14th, school closed because of an outbreak of Scarletina. HMI's report "very creditable". Mr Hewin Headmaster and Mrs Emily Hewin (27) appointed Infant teacher.</p> 	<p>Fundraising to provide a District Nurse for Kirby and Stockton at Leet Hill. HMI recommended: providing plasticine for the infants; thought the children were "inert". Headmistress, Maria Blanche Murray resigned, regretfully after 5 years. Her temporary replacement, Agnes Kemp was scornful of pupils' attainment and the school premises. Willie Smith "incurable".</p> <p>Mrs N. Paulet was breeding horses.</p> <p>Canon Acheson and Henry Smith presided over a meeting at Ditchingham School about the future of Norfolk education. The speaker was keen for the poorer people to have access to secondary education through grants, and that gardening should be taught to young children.</p>

