



The Sunday School and Confirmation List

List of Boys who have left Sunday School April 1842 to December 1846.

List of Persons Confirmed June 22 1844.

List of Persons not Proceeding to Confirmation.

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The Sunday School

The Sunday School is held in the Church; and commences at about 9 o'clock. I take about one half the boys and **James Lee**, the Schoolmaster, the other half. I stay with them 'till the bell begins to ring, at half past ten [for the morning Church service]. In the afternoon the School opens rather before two and I stay 'till the bell begins about half past two [for the afternoon service].

Mrs Fulford teaches the girls on the Sundays, assisted by **Elizabeth Wood**, who keeps a little day-school. **Mr Gape** [the farmer] always gives me Five Pounds in June for the Sunday School, with which I pay **Lee and Elizabeth Wood**, who have a one shilling a Sunday each, commencing for their year from Michaelmas. I find fire in the winter, when necessary, for the Sunday School. We always give the School children some plum-pudding at Christmas, and a tea-drinking with games and sports in the field in July, and Books as rewards to a few in each class at Christmas.

We take a few pence from any of the children that like to pay it every Sunday as their savings - to buy themselves clothes etc. (pencil note: a very useful thing.)

Adapted from the Preface to the "Speculum Gregis" by Rev Francis Fulford.

The account following is an addendum to the "Speculum Gregis" and written in the hands of Rev Francis Fulford and Rev R S B Sandilands. The Sunday School was held at All Saints Parish Church, Croydon-cum-Clopton.

List of Boys who have been in the Sunday School
since April 1842

[In the time of Rev Francis Fulford:]

Alfred Pressland	Left October 1843 with credit having been a good boy at school for a year and a half - emigrated to Australia 1844
William Pearce*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
William Warland*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
David Lee*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
Samuel Hill*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
Isaac Pearce*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
Edward Seaby*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
William Seaby*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
Joseph Lyon*	Dismissed for unruly conduct during 1843
	* These were very disorderly boys who had been used always to do as they pleased before I came, and would not submit to discipline and disturbed the school
Joseph (Jerah) Lee	Left creditably, July 1843 having been a year and a quarter in the school, and a steady boy.
Hezekiah Lyon	Left of his own device - having been but a short time at school. Unruly and disorderly.
William Storey	Emigrated to Canada June 1843 having been a year in the School. An unruly boy.
Moses Blowes	} Left without notice, of (their) own device(s), having learnt nothing.
James Blowes	} Very irregular.
Isaiah Chapman	Left the parish. An idle boy.
Henry Nash	Left without notice. Idle.
David Moule	Left the parish. A good boy.
George Seaby	Left the school of his own choice. Very irregular in attendance.
William Pressland	Having been in the school two years, emigrated with all his family to Australia May 1844. He improved very much during the last year.
James Titmus	} In the cottages on the hill. Had their names in the school for about a
Thomas Titmus	} year, and left without notice (having been always very irregular) June
	} 1844.
John Page	Entered the school April 1842, aged ten years and left of his own choice May 1845. He could read very little and was not a very orderly boy.
William Darler	Entered April 1842 aged 12 years and left of his own choice May 1845. He could read very little. Was not an ill behaved boy and civil.
Samuel Simons	Entered the School October 1842 aged 11 years. He was a clever boy and read well, but very disorderly and was dismissed by me July 1845.
James Bartle	Entered the School January 1843 aged 11 years. He attended very irregularly, was idle and very disorderly and was dismissed by me May 1845
Edward Chapman, (son of James and Amy Chapman)	Entered the school April 1842 aged 11 years. He attended very regularly and was tolerably attentive and improved, but he was inclined to be self-willed. He left in consequence of going to live as indoor servant at Mrs John King's July 1845.

[In the time of Rev R S B Sandilands:]

William Thacker	Entered the school April 1842 but has ceased to attend when I began to take charge of the school. He was 11 years old when he entered.
William Chapman	Entered the school April 1842, being 12 years old, but had ceased to attend when I took charge of it in January 1846
Samuel Page	Entered the school April 1842 being nine years old, but never attended after I became Rector
Simeon Titmus	Entered the school January 1843 being 14 years old. Worked for my predecessor Mr Fulford, and left the school with a good character before I became Rector, upon entering the service of Mr Ellis.
John Moule	Admitted in April 1842 being then nine years old. I found him a bad-tempered and most ill-conditioned lad, and I dismissed him in a short time afterwards for unruly and inattentive conduct.
Richard Newman	Ceased to attend in the Autumn of 1846, had been a good boy, but latterly fell off. He had been admitted in April 1842 being ten years old.
James Titmus	Had been admitted at the same time and age. Ceased to attend when I became Rector.
Luke Moule	Admitted in April 1842 at 7 years old. A clever, idle and mischievous boy, whom I was obliged to dismiss.
Alfred Larkins	Admitted in December 1842 being then 10 years old and ceased to attend in December 1846. Cleverish lad, but sly and prankish.
George Carter	Admitted in January 1845 being then 14 years old. Ceased to attend in the Autumn of 1846. Not a bad boy, bit of a sullen temper. Seemed to be unhappy at home.

List of those confirmed at Caxton on 22 June 1844

1	Jane Graves	Aged 27
2	Lydia Lee	Aged 21
3	Anne Thompson	Aged 17
4	Lydia Green	Aged 17
5	Elizabeth Dixon	Aged 14
6	Emily Lee	Aged 14
7	Sarah Anne Lowings	Aged 14
8	Simeon Titmus	Aged 15
9	William Chapman	Aged 15
10	Edward Chapman	Aged 14

List of those not proceeding to Confirmation

1	Mary Pateman	Aged 25	Prevented by severe illness of her husband
2	Mary Newman	Aged 15	Withdrew by her own desire
3	Lyon	Aged 13	Rejected as too young and unsteady
4	Jane Hagger	Aged 13	Rejected as too young and unsteady

5	Elizabeth Warman	Aged 13	Rejected as too young and unsteady
6	Hannah Warboys	Aged 13	Rejected as too young and unsteady
7	George Moule	Aged 20	Withdrew by his own desire
8	Thomas Wootton	Aged 19	Was absent haymaking near London
9	(Joseph) Jerah Lee	Aged 19	Withdrew by his own desire
10	William Darler	Aged 14	Was absent haymaking near London
11	William Thacker	Aged 13	Rejected as too young
12	John Green	Aged 13	Rejected as too young