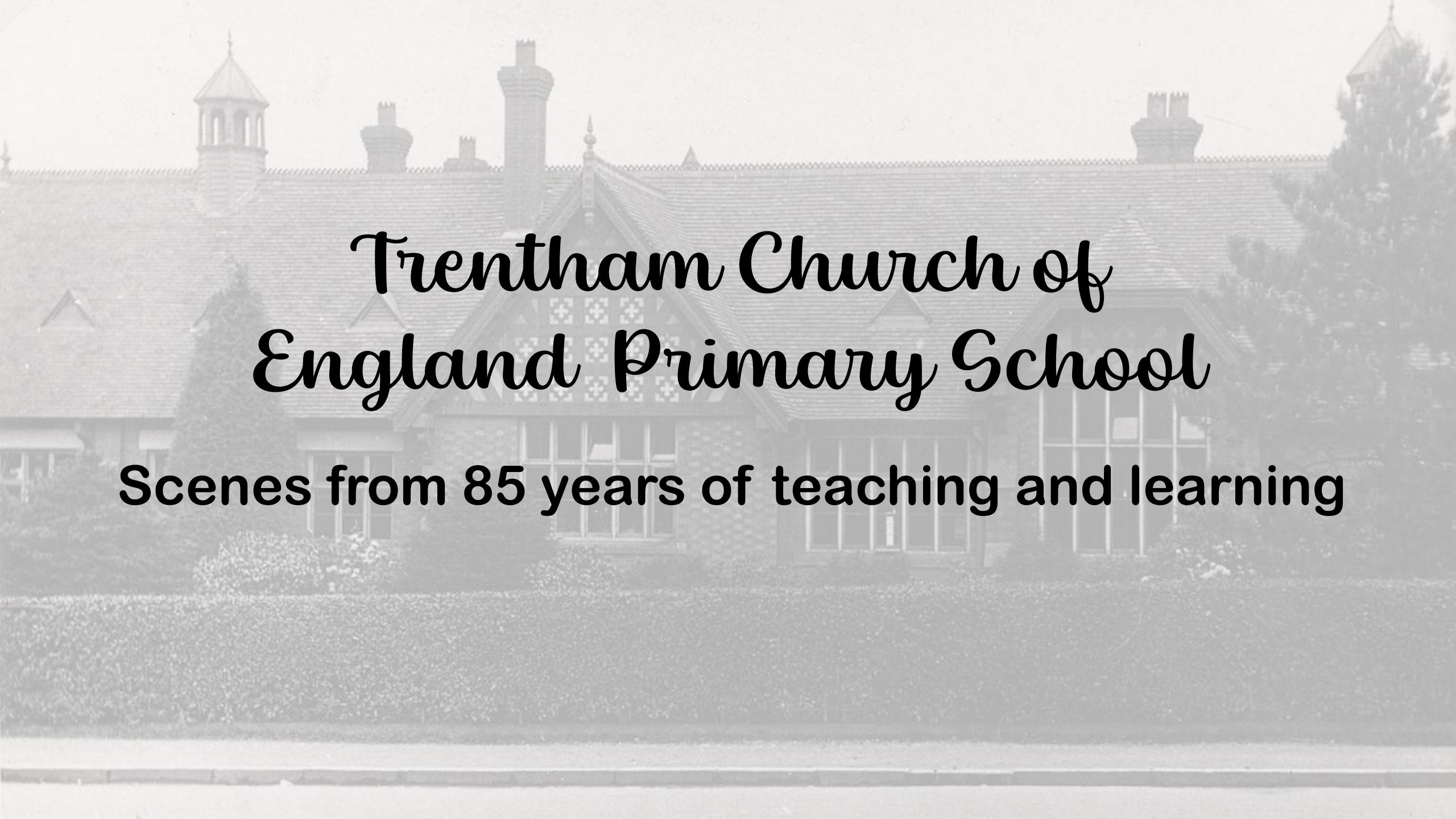




Trentham Church of England Primary School

Scenes from 85 years of teaching and learning

Origins - boys

Trentham Boys School and Schoolmaster's house were built on the Stone Road in about 1840

40 pupils

Source:
William Salt Library



The buildings that had been built as the schoolmasters house and boys' school survived beyond the opening of Trentham School.

The boys' school was used for scout meetings in the 1940s and early 50s.

Photo c1920



The former boys' school building was still there in the mid 1960s

Credit:
G. Bebbington



Origins - girls

Former Duchess School
for Girls established
about 1818 in two
cottages in Park Drive

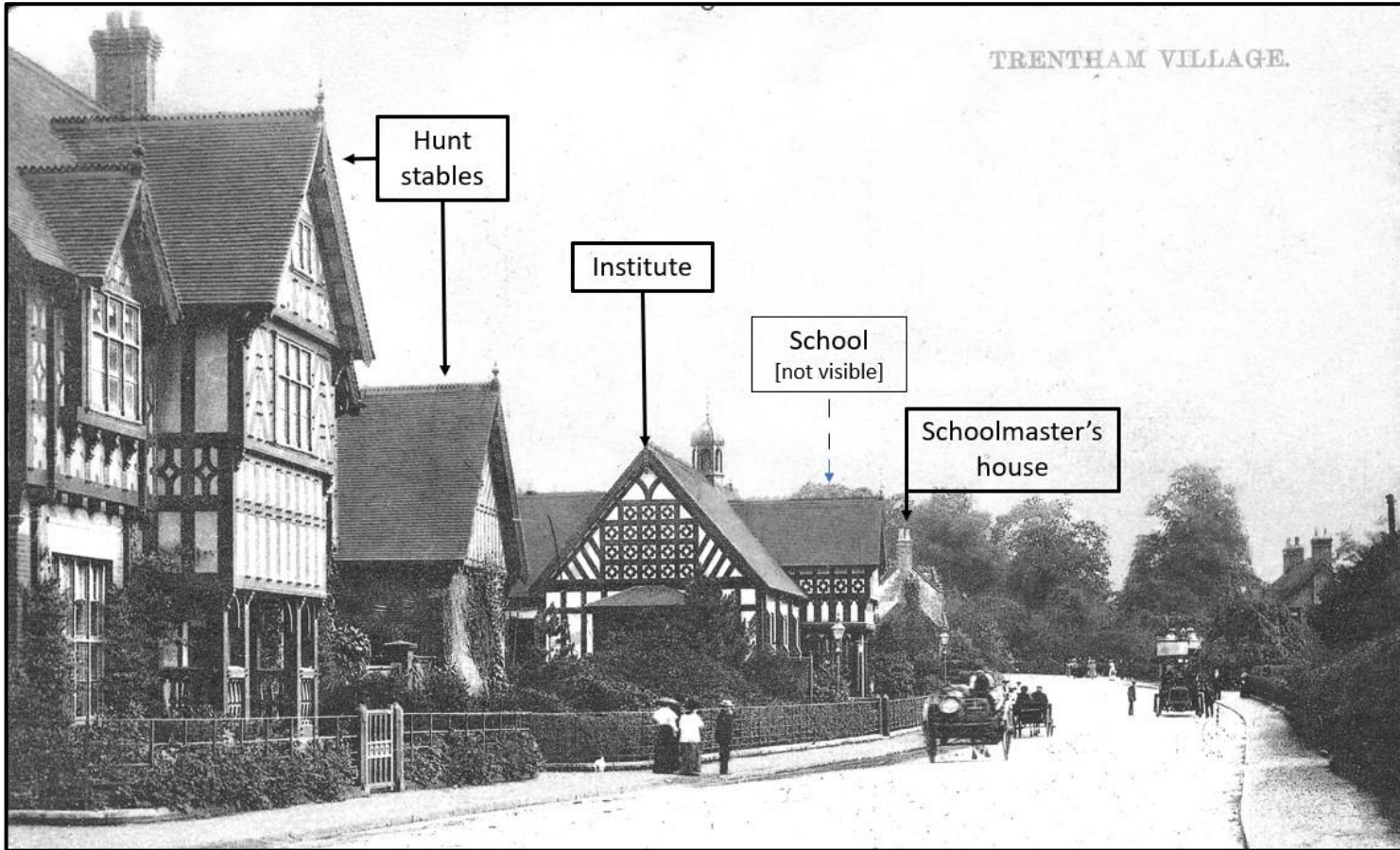


In the mid 1850s
the girls' school
was moved into
one of the cottages
in Park Drive near
to the Bridge.

35 pupils



Location of Trentham Church of England School looking south c1900



- Opened in 1877, a new school building for boys, was funded by the Duke of Sutherland on the Stone Road, between the Institute and the school master's house and the Mausoleum.
- Designed by estate surveyor Thomas Roberts in the familiar Trentham style with timber detail featured in other village buildings
- A girls' school was added in 1896 and extended in 1902 to accommodate infants.
- The school closed in 1962.

Location of School looking north c1903

Edge of school
roof line



School Life

The school garden
with Headmaster
Claude Forse
1912

He would die of
wounds in WW1
on 30th April 1918
and is buried in
Ebblingham
Military Cemetery



The school
chickens
1912



The school
bee hives
1912

The headmaster
was a keen
beekeeper



Class 3
1910

36 children



School photo
date not known
c1913

48 children



School photo
c1915

Infants and
younger age group

40 children



Class photo
Date not known
1930s?

29 Children



School frontage
1935



School play
Date not known

Source:
Rickerson family album



School photo
with teachers
1950s

Source:
Church booklet

Anyone like to
count the children?



Mrs Ellerton's class
of the school year
Sept 1955
to July 1956

28 children

The pitched roofs
are from right to
left, Mrs Massey's
classroom for
7-year-olds, the
kitchen/ dining
area, Mrs Hanwell's
classroom (later
Miss Haynes) for
8-year-olds and at
the higher level the
boys 'open air'
toilets.

Source:
Mike Smith



Trentham Teachers 1957

Back row L to R

Miss Haynes, Mr Wilson, Miss Brassington

Front row L to R

Mrs Massey, Headmistress Mrs Pollard and Mrs Eagles

Miss Haynes had recently taken over from Mrs Hanwell
and Miss Brassington from Mrs Ellerton

Source:

Mike Smith



School class of
5- to 6-year-olds

c1957

34 children

Teacher Mrs Eagles



Presentation to Trentham headmistress
Mrs D Pollard, including a farewell kiss
from Janet Fairbrother, as she left to take
up a new appointment at the end of term
in July 1958

Source:
Rickerson family album



Condition of Buildings

On 5th October 1958
The Sentinel reported
that an inspection of
Trentham Church of
England School judged
the condition of the
buildings as amongst
the worst in the land.

The gas lighting was
specifically mentioned.



The Move

Trentham school's last day
before moving to new premises
at The Priory in Hanford.

Reported in The Sentinel of
19 February 1962



The last link with old Trentham was the closing last week of the Trentham Church of England Primary School, the wellknown black-and-white half-timbered building near the entrance to the Gardens. Here are some of the pupils following the furniture removal men out of their old school. To-day the children attended new premises in Jubilee-road, Hanford.

Abandoned buildings

Trentham School
disused following the
move to Hanford
and The Priory and
prior to road
widening

c1965



Front of school
c1967

Source:
Ken Barker



The rear of the school.
The right hand window
was the cloakroom, the
main window was Mrs
Massey's class room for
the 7 year olds.

The wall was between
the two playgrounds.
There was a wrought
iron gate in between
the two. In the gap
before the next window
was the school kitchen.
Mrs Hanwell's class the
last window, she taught
8 year olds. Also in the
gap was a back door
which the boys would
use to enter from their
playground.

c1967

Source:

Ken Barker



Trentham school main
door. The wall to the
left of the door shows
the windows of the
cloakroom.
c1967

Source
Ken Barker



The Goldstones' house
opposite the school's
entrance.

The photo shows the
gap into the girls and
infants' playground
c1967

Source
Ken Barker



Taken in the boys playground with Mrs Hanwell's (Miss Haynes) classroom to the right. Above the high wall was the boys' toilets which had an open front. These were accessed via a steep slope to the left of the picture.



Source Ken Barker
c1967

This was taken from the top of the slope looking down on the side of the school which was gradually being taken over by vegetation



Auction & Development

The school and schoolhouse and adjoining land “located in a prominent position nearly opposite the main entrance to the famous Trentham Gardens” were offered as a valuable development site at auction by Louis Taylor & Sons on 23rd January 1968.

The advert for the new homes Trentham Gardens estate built by Percy Bilton appeared on 11th September 1970

Source: The Sentinel

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