

## PLATEAU SCHOOL

Molloys Road Te Marua Upper Hutt  
Phone 04 5269909 - website [www.plateau.school.nz](http://www.plateau.school.nz)  
Opened 1968

### *Time line Plateau School*

1968	School opened February 1968
1968	Official opening 25 May 1968
1968	Mr Leo Ralph Stafford-Bush foundation principal
1969	School Library opens
1971	Flooding school closes
1999	New school library opened

## PLATEAU SCHOOL STORY

Plateau School was opened in 1968 and is situated on Molloy's Road in Te Marua. Plateau School was built on part Section No 111.

The first owner and occupier of Section No 111 was James Collins. James Collins built and in 1851 held the bush license for the Mungaroa Hotel later known as the Bloomfield House once situated on the Main Road in Te Marua. James's widow Annie Collins sold Section No 111 to David Benge. In the 1860s David Benge built the Stonestead homestead which is still situated at 3 Plateau Road in Te Marua.

A separate local school called Plateau opened at the new Molloy's Road in a subdivision named after Charles B Molloy behind Stonestead

*(Reference Upper Hutt the History by J A Kelleher 1991 page 168)*

The Wellington Education Board wanted to purchase land owned by the Wellington Sun and Health Society for the proposed building of the new Plateau School. It was proposed that Maymorn School would be closed and the children transferred to the new Plateau School. The 12 March 1964 legal description of the land was Part Lot 4 DP 18609 being part of sections 111 & 181 Hutt district, measurements 7.5 chains x 1.4 chains approx. 1 acre. A plan showing the proposed site for Plateau School was situated at the end of Malloy's road off Plateau at Te Marua and marked 18609, D.P. 13776 T.P. 13476. The acquisition of this land was required for the proposed school as the additional area was steep hillside and unsuitable for playing fields or a building site. The Wellington Sun & Health Society turned down the offer for their land resulting in a Ministerial requirement been placed on the land. A letter dated 22 November 1967 from the Department of Education to the Ministry of Works stated that Maymorn School would be closing on 15 December 1967 and the children transferred to the new Plateau School. The prefabricated classroom block at Maymorn would be moved to Taita Intermediate soon after the closing of the school. The toilet block would also be moved as soon as possible. The Department of Education thanked the Ministry of Works department for the use of the Maymorn school site.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington School Wellington Proposed Occupation Centre Maymorn School site Upper Hutt Claim (Wellington Sun Club) Ministry of Works and Developments Residual Management Unit Head Office 1963-1967 agency AATE accession W3399 box 35 record 13/1/158/0/2)*

22 November 1963

There are 64 children at Maymorn School and this number will almost certainly increase approximately 90 during 1964. This school is only a double unit prefab on Railway land and was only intended as a temporary school during the course of the construction of the tunnel. The school has however remained and is increasing rather than dropping away. Something in the nature of a permanent school must be faced up to this year. It had been hoped that with the 48 children from the Plateau are at present in attendance at Te Marua School, a new four classroom school on the site at the Plateau for which negotiations are under way would be the most

satisfactory answer. There are complications in trying to effect consolidation between Mangaroa and Maymorn and/or between Maymorn and the Plateau. A meeting of parents is being arranged to discuss the whole proposal and it is hoped that a solution can be found. A new development has occurred at the time of writing which is the offer of some further Army land at Mangaroa Camp and this could offer a solution. It is considered essential to reach early settlement of the Maymorn problem and the new school is intended to be proceeded with as quickly as agreement can be reached between interested parties as to the location for the school  
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

19 March 1964

Ministry of Works Society advised Department of Education that the Wellington Sun and Health answer to their letter of 26 February was "Our Society has no desire to sell any portion of our land especially the area mentioned as this would seriously curtail our only entrance to our main area. The small area allocated between the area required by the Board and the stream is hopelessly inadequate for vehicles to enter or leave the property. Also the area required is used by our members as a car park and is the only flat land we have suitable for such a purpose."  
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

Education Board details area required 5.3 acres to include part Lot 3 DP 18609 4.3 acres and 1 acre of Lot 4 DP 18609.

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04 December 1964

Site for new school purchased from Eric Edwin Alexander C/- their accountants - settlement \$4750 - legal description Part of Lot 1 and 3 on D.P. 18609 and as shown on edge back on attached plan (Part CT 929/85). Not all details transcribed.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

12 July 1966

School teachers residence proposed purchase from owner E E Alexander C/- Desmond Richard Redican C/- Olphert & Bornaholdt Barristers & Solicitors Wellington area 32 perches, Lot 9 DP 26708 (part CT D4/290) proposed settlement \$925, site opposite main entrance to new Plateau School site

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

03 June 1966

Plateau School Residence site suitable. Details are Owner L A C Leech Lot 2 D.P. 19064 Part Section 111 Hutt District area 1 rood 3.75 perches – house of timber frame weatherboard constriction concrete foundations tile roof 3 bedrooms dining room lounge kitchen bathroom separate toilet garage ad concrete paths

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

An Invoice dated 07 March 1967 from Registered Surveyors Cuttriss, McKenzie, Martin & Co to Mr B H Dingle recorded - to Redefinition of boundary topographical survey, plan report, inspections, correspondence etc. for Part Lot 40 DP 2123. In the following years Mt and Mrs B H Dingle claimed that erosion to their property was due to the excavation of land on the boundary with the school. Correspondence continued until 1987 between Mr and Mrs Dingle and the Education Department.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R8827386 record number 7/6 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau date 1986-1989 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3556)

## 1968-1978 (01 to 10 years)

The Plateau School opened in February 1968 with a roll of 138 pupils and head teacher Mr L Stafford-Bush.

Evening Post newspaper 07 March 1968

Head Please With Site Of New School - Enrolments at this newly opened Plateau School in Te Marua numbered 106 from Te Marua and 26 from Maymorn plus some seven five-year-olds, states the first newsletter of the school. In his introductory remarks the head teacher (Mr L Stafford-Bush) said the school was "wonderfully situated" and could easily become a showplace of the district. With its pay-out many interesting developments could be made in the future. Those elected at the inaugural meeting of the school committee were: Chairman Mr T Trigg, Secretary Mr S Coulson, Treasurer Mr J Todd, committee Mesdames M Sims and M Wilkins and Messrs H Hutcheson and P Wiffen. (Copy held in set of records at Archives NZ)

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

Maymorn School in Mangaroa Valley near Te Marua closed in December 1967 and most of the pupils were transferred to the new Plateau School which opened early in the following year 1968.

I made enquiries at the Plateau School about the former Maymorn School records. I thought that perhaps the records were transferred to Plateau school along with the pupils. The principal informed me that they held no records for the Maymorn School.

In the Education Board records I located a letter from the Plateau School headmaster requesting permission from the board to destroy a list of equipment that he considered useless. On the list was noted Attendance and Admission registers. I now have to locate the Plateau School Education Board records to see if permission was granted to destroy the records.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ABDM W3569 box 596 Classification List Class Schedules A-N covering from 1953)*

Notes for the Minister of Education on the occasion of the Official opening of the Plateau School Upper Hutt Saturday 25 May 1968

Controlling Authority

Chairman = Mr G Matthew

School Committee = Mr K W Trigg

School Treasurer = Mr J Todd

Roll = 155 at 20 February 1968

Accommodation = 6 permanent classrooms and dental clinic

Area of site = 1 acres 1 rood 8 perches

General

The Wellington Education Board first approached the Department in September 1963 about the acquisition of a site at The Plateau for the future establishment of a primary school. At that stage, because of the extensive housing development taking place, it was clearly evident that a school would be required in the area.

The purchase of the present site at a cost of \$9,500 was approved in December 1964. By then 96 children from the district travelled daily by bus to Te Marua School. In addition, another 60 children were attending the Maymorn School, a temporary school originally provided to cater for the Ministry of Works camp at Mangaroa during the construction of the railway tunnel.

On the 19 January 1966 you approved the expenditure of \$20,972.41 for the development of this site, and on 11 October of the same year \$99,404.31 for the erection of the school, comprising six classrooms, administration accommodation, and dental clinic. On 23 February 1967 a further grant of \$5,215 was approved for additional foundation work and on 08 September 1967 \$2,200 was approved for the installation of a package sewage treatment plant.

A site almost immediately opposite the school's main entrance was acquired for \$1,850 in August 1966 for a head teacher's residence. On 06 December 1966 a grant of \$8,310 was approved for the erection of a house on this site.

The school opened in February this year, and in the first newsletter the head teacher remarked that the school was wonderfully situated and could easily become a showplace of the district. First day enrolments totalled 138, of which 105 previously attended Te Marua School, 26 were

from the Maymorn School which was closed at the end of last year, and 7 were new five-year old entrants.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

Evening Post newspaper 25 May 1968

School Opens Officially – The Plateau primary school at Te Marua was officially opened this morning by the Minister of Education (Mr Kinsells). The new school opened at the beginning of this year with a roll of 154 which has grown to 162. It replaces the Maymorn School which served the families at Maymorn Camp and was closed last year. Most of the children at the new school come from the Maymorn or Te Marua schools. There is a teaching staff of six and a nurse. The head teacher is Mr L R Stafford-Bush. (copy held in set of records at Archives NZ)

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Evening Post newspaper 28 May 1968

Didn't mind school on a Saturday – The Plateau Primary School north of Upper Hutt was officially opened on Saturday and by agreement among teachers and parents it was a compulsory school period. The children were asked to bring a "party lunch" with them and the school bell "went on time". The official opening ceremony began at 10 am but before that parents and visitors were able to visit the classrooms and observe for themselves the pupils, numbering more than 160 at work. The school was actually opened to pupils in February of this year. The Minister of Education (Mr Kinsella) was to have officially opened the school on Saturday but he was called to the earthquake stricken areas of the West Coast and the Minister of Defence (Mr Thompson) deputised for him. At the conclusion of the official opening parents and the official party were shown through the school while the children were still at work. Then they retired to a marquee where a buffet lunch was served. (copy held in set of records at Archives NZ)

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Evening Post newspaper 30 October 1968

School Closes as result of flood – The Plateau School five miles north of Upper Hutt was closed today because a water infiltration into a septic tank in the administration block and dental clinic. The headmaster Mr L Stafford-Bush went to the school at 6 am and found a creek which runs below it had risen sharply. An inspection was made by Education Board Officials at 7.30 am and it was decided to close the school. There was two inches of water in the administration block, four inches in the dental clinic, and five feet in the boiler house. No classrooms were affected. A septic tank was flooded creating a health danger and board officials are meeting this afternoon to decide when the school will open. The school which was opened in February has a roll of 176. All carpets were taken up before the water came in. There is concern for the dental block as water has affected electrical equipment. Men have been at the school mopping up since about 8 am. The flooding is said to have caused by an obstruction in the creek. (copy held in set of records at Archives NZ)

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

On 02 July 1969 the Plateau School opened a new library. Around 20 June 1969 Education Board paid for 54 square yards of linoleum for the library.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

Correspondence dated 23 October & 18 November 1969 talk about problems with the drainage of the School playing fields. The Education Department requested advice from Massey University in addressing the problem. Estimated cost to fix the problem is about \$6,360.75.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

18 November 1969 - The Plateau School was established in February 1968 and now had a roll of 186 pupils. The grounds have never been satisfactory and the expenditure incurred by the Board to date has not had the desired results. The playing field is completely unusable for

organising games during the winter months and the resulting overcrowding of usable playing area during school breaks causes friction which overflows into the classroom. The hard stony nature of the ground during the summer has been the cause of several accidents, four children having been taken to surgeries for stitching and one child having suffered a greenstick fracture as a result of a fall.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

Evening Post newspaper 25 November 1971

Flooding on Plateau School Area – A piecemeal approach to the problem at the Plateau School, Te Marua was liable to aggravate rather than alleviate the situation, the school committee said in the letter to the Hutt County Council. The committee thought that it should not continue to have to reply on the efforts of volunteers in cleaning the buildings and grounds, nor should it have this responsibility when the possible health hazards were considered. The school, on land reclaimed from swamp, had been flooded five times in its four years, and its closure on October 05 was the second time in six weeks. The committee felt that in the event of further flooding it would take no action to get the school open again until assistance was received from the Wellington Education Board and the Ministry of Works in cleaning clearance was given by a health inspector. The committee contended that the County Council must realise its responsibility to the ratepayers in the area to alleviate the risks of flooding and consequent health hazards. Cr I K Andrews said the possibility of an overflow channel to solve the flooding problem was being investigated.

*(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R20132449 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau record No 7/6 date 1970-1986 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

In 1975 the Plateau School headmaster was Derek Goldsmith Bannerman Ingram. Derek was recorded as holding the position of headmaster for over 6 years. Perhaps Derek was the first principal at Plateau School. His wife Betty Eleanor Ingram was also a teacher at the school.

Press newspaper 08 December 1975

Education row stays local [NZ Press Association] Wellington 07 December

National organisations representing primary teachers and school committees are not entering the dispute over the Education Department's numbers rules. Spokesmen for both organisations today said they were not actively supporting the two Wellington school committees which have adopted their present principals. But both spokesmen said they would welcome improvements in the procedure for appointment of primary principals. The row began when the headmaster of the Plateau i School at Te Marua near Upper Hutt (Mr Derek Ingram) was told that he had to leave the school after more than six years. He is the victim of an Education Department's rule in which says that once a school's roll passes 155 the principal's position must be re-advertised. This happened at the Plateau School and Mr Ingram's job was given to a higher-graded applicant. Parents, other householders, pupils, and teachers are fighting to have Mr Ingram reinstated. The Educational Institute's general secretary (Mr Bruce Webster) said the present appointment procedure was the best available but could always be improved. It is always a problem that teachers get settled in an area, he said, but they know they have to move and should accept it with good grace. The president of the School Committees Federation (Mr W S J Alcock) said he understood the attitude of the two school committees but we don't feel we can do anything about it. Mr Alcock said cases similar to the Wellington dispute arose from time to time but it was really a problem for teacher organisations. The Plateau Primary School Action Committee and the Tairangi School Committee are now likely to change from criticising Education Department rules to agitating for parent representation on the board's appointments committee. They are supported by the Labour Government's committee for education planning which has recommended that parents be consulted before the appointments committee makes its choice rather than after as at present. An alternative is more flexible rules matching principal's gradings with school rolls. The general manager of the Wellington Education Board (Mr F W Alpe) today said that the present numbers rules protected teacher's salary promotion and redundancy rights. Mr Alpe said that schools were given to the highest graded applicant and when there were applicants with equal gradings the position went to the local person. This strict application of the rules however has left the Te Mania and Tairangi schools with two side effects. When the Te Mama [sic] principal (Mr Ingram) resigns, his wife Betty must choose between leaving her senior

position at the school or being separated from her husband. The Tairangi School Committee's chairman (Mr D M Porter) said today that he believed the new principal at Tairangi was within five years of retirement.

*(Reference Papers past website Press newspaper 08 December 1975 page 18)*

## **1978-1988 (10 to 20 years)**

In 1980 Heather Pubben was a teacher at Plateau School

1983 circa Mr Alan Lintz was the principal of Plateau School

Leader newspaper article September 1983

Hall the school shouldn't have – Plateau School has \$120,000 hall that education authorities won't insure and it is being left to parents to find the money for fire and vandalism protection. Although Plateau parents have gone as high as the Prime Minister Sir Robert Muldoon in an appeal to have the hall covered by Education Department indemnity a department regulation allows no flexibility the hall is outside Government orbit. So for the last two years the school committee has had to raise the \$350 premium to protect the asset of the hall which was built by parents about four years ago. The bureaucratic problem is that the school is not entitled to a hall. It is less than an eight teacher school the level at which a hall is warranted. Plateau has seven teacher and about 180 pupils. School committee chairman Mrs Diana Brehaut told the Leader the department term was that the hall was surplus to code and therefore not entitled to the damage indemnity that covered the school itself. And the irony was that the department made it clear that as the hall had been erected on department property the building was legally owned by the department. Over the first two years the committee believed the hall was indemnified but a couple of years ago discovered the small print and realised the hall was uninsured. The Committee had put up a year's fight to secure indemnity but always was defeated by the rigid application of the regulations based on teacher numbers. Even an appeal to the Ombudsman's office failed when the office's investigation showed the regulation was being applied correctly. At that point the school committee took the responsibility for insuring the hall. Mrs Brehaut said the central point of concern was that the \$350 being raised through hard work should instead be going directly to pupil's amenities and equipment. It was not likely the school would reach eight-teacher status so parents would have to carry the insurance liability for all times. Mrs Brehaut said the only solution would be to have the particular regulation changed so the department accepted responsibility for indemnifying school buildings no matter the size of the school or how the building was acquired. She thought the school committee might as a next move do a little politicking during election campaigning. In the meantime the school is advertising its hall for hire either permanently or causally and emphasising its excellent facilities and furnishing for formal or social events. Increased tenancy of the hall would go towards funding the insurance premium. Caption under photo of principal and hall = Plateau Principal Mr Alan Lintz at school's covered pool and with adjacent hall in the background. It is here being used for the schools weekly talking and singing get together. As well as building a hall parents also covered the parents – built swimming pool as an extension of the hall roofline and walls. (Newspaper article in set of records at Archives NZ)

*(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R687572 School Committee Projects Plateau record No 5/631 part No 1 date 1980-1989 Ministry of Education National Office ABEP W3642 series 7751)*

Evening Post newspaper 12 April 1985

Schools won grants – Three schools in the Wellington region have been given grants to develop environmental and conservation projects. Khandallah, Plateau at Te Marua and Raphael House in Belmont are among 23 schools to benefit from the AHI New Zealand Glass sponsored education fund for resource conservation. Some 58 school projects including solar heated swimming pools, bush walkways, gardens and even a rubbish disposal system using worms were considered by the fund committee. AHI set up in 1983 to encourage school pupils to work on environmental projects solving skills and undertake practical resource conservation action. Khandallah received \$1000 and this will be used to develop a horticultural unit in the school. The principal Mr Denis Carmedy says a greenhouse and hothouse will be built and hydroponic plants grown in nutrient and supported water instead of soil – established. Plateau School at Te Marua

has \$717 to spend on a bush walkway in waste land on a hill behind the school. The third school the Rudolph Seiner run Raphael House in Belmont has \$1000 to build crib walls and windbreaks around the school vegetables gardens.

(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R20132449 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau record No 7/6 date 1970-1986 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

### **1988-1998 (20 to 30 years)**

Before 1993 Barbara Mary Hay was the Principal of Plateau School. Barbara left the school in 1993.

In 1993 Mary Hodgson became the principal of Plateau School. A position she still held in 1995.

In 1996 Virginia Anne Francis became the principal of Plateau School.

### **1998-2008 (30 to 40 years)**

In 1999 the new School Library was opened.

(Reference Upper Hutt Library Heritage collection Recollect website UH Leader 29 October 1999)

In 2000 Heather Pubben retired after 20 years of teaching at the Plateau School.

### **2008 2018 (40 to 50 years)**

The current principal at Plateau School is Nigel Frater

### **2018 2024 (50 to 56 years)**

## **PLATEAU SCHOOL STAFF**

Principal – Teachers – Dental Nurses – Caretakers – Support Staff

#### *Time line Plateau School staff*

1968 Mr Leo Ralph Stafford-Bush foundation head teacher 1968-1969  
1968 Staff of six teachers and a nurse  
1969 Derek Goldsmith Bannerman Ingram Principal 1969-1975  
1969 Betty Eleanor Ingram Teacher 1969-1975  
1980 Heather Pubben Teacher 1980-2000  
1983c Mr Alan Lintz principal 1983 circa  
1989 Mr Bolten principal 1989 -  
1993c Barbara Mary Hay Principal 0000-1993  
1993 Mary Hodgson Principal 1993-1995  
1996 Virginia Anne Francis Principal 1996-0000  
1999 new school library opened  
2000 Heather Pubben Teacher retired after 20 years  
2023 Nigel Frater Principal & Mel Freemantle Deputy Principal & Louise Thomson Deputy Principal & Nadine Smyth Teacher & Haylee Partridge Teacher & Cath Brattle Teacher & Jodie Haar Teacher & Jill Philpott Teacher Aid & Pip Thompson Teacher Aid & Melissa Dingwall Teacher Aid & Sandra Moore Office Manager & Ana Webster Office Assistant & Graeme Sheppard IT Technician & Wendy Amies Reading Recovery Teacher & Sally Van der Weele Learning Support Coordinator & Franziska Revera Orrs Teacher – Simon Coker Caretaker – April Heenan Cleaner – Katrina Erne Relieving Teacher

### **A to Z STAFF**

### **Mr BOLTEN Principal 1989**

#07 September 1989 Wellington Education Board to Principal Plateau School Mr Bolten re Grant in Aid enclosing cheque \$8,690 for kiln shed reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R687572 School Committee Projects Plateau record No 5/631 part No 1 date 1980-1989 Ministry of Education National Office ABEP W3642 series 7751

### **Virginia Anne FRANCIS Principal 1996**



0- Virginia Anne (Mrs FRANCIS) maiden surname unknown married Ian David FRANCIS  
#Ian David Francis 17 Ranfurly Street Student 1969 Heretaunga Electoral Roll  
#Virginia Anne Francis Carrington House New Plymouth Boys High School married & Ian David Francis Boys High School Teacher 1978 New Plymouth Electoral Rolls  
#Virginia Anne Francis 39 Kowhai Avenue married & Ian David FRANCIS 39 Kowhai Avenue Teacher 1978 Heretaunga Electoral Rolls  
#Virginia Anne Francis 39 Kowhai Avenue teacher & Ian David FRANCIS 39 Kowhai Avenue Teacher 1981 Heretaunga Electoral Rolls  
#Plateau School's new principal Virginia Francis is enjoying teaching in the community where she grew up and lives. Mrs Francis replaces her good friend Mary Hodgson who left Plateau School last August. She had taught there for two terms in the mid-eighties and at Upper Hutt School. Her previous position was deputy principal at Pencarrow School in Wainuiomata. She and Mary Hodgson had written two World of Wonder Chapter Books, one over the Christmas holidays. Mrs Francis had also been involved in writing the New Zealand Handbook of Reading due for release to every New Zealand school in 1996. For the last two years she had been organising and giving lectures to teachers on reading and writing in the classroom reference Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection Recollect website UH Leader 1996 02 14 3

### **Barbara Mary HAY principal before 1993**

0- Barbara Mary HAY born date and place unknown  
#Barbara Mary Hay 2/29 Chaytor Street Teacher 1978 Ohariu Electoral Roll Wellington  
#Barbara Mary Hay 5/12 Trevethick Grove Teacher 1978 Western Hutt Electoral Roll  
#Barbara Mary Hay 228 Witako Street Teacher 1981 Western Hutt Electoral Roll

### **Mary HODGSON Principal 1993 1995**





0- Mary HODGSON

#Plateau School principal Mary Hodgson appointed. She had been a lecturer at Wellington College of Education and was studying extramurally for a Master's degree in educational administration before that she had been deputy head at Papakowhai near Plimmerton. Her predecessor Barbara Hay had become principal at Stokes Valley School reference Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection Recollect website UH Leader 1993 09 20 6

#Plateau School principal Mary Hodgson recently published two educational books for teachers which are finding a steady market both here and overseas. The books were aimed at teachers of children aged 7-13, Show Them How To Write contained samples and displays from her 1994 Standard 4 pupils and expanded on the current writing philosophy in New Zealand schools. The teacher's guide was written with Upper Hutt's Virginia Francis who taught in Wainuiomata, it was aimed at helping teachers make the best use of twenty Wonder World Chapter Books. Mary had been appointed in 1993 she was pictured in the 20 September Leader after her first week. She had been a lecturer at Wellington College of Education and was studying extramurally for a Master's degree in educational administration before that she had been deputy head at Papakowhai near Plimmerton reference Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection Recollect website UH Leader 1995 04 24 2

**Derek Goldsmith Bannerman INGRAM Principal 1969-1975**  
**Betty Eleanor INGRAM teacher 1969-1975**

0- Derek Goldsmith Bannerman INGRAM born 06 April 1933 New Zealand died 19 April 2018 New Zealand married Betty Eleanor SIGLEY born 03 November 1932 New Zealand died 01 October 2017 New Zealand

#Derek G B Ingram Kahutara Featherston teacher & Betty Eleanor Ingram Kahutara Featherston teacher 1969 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

#Derek G B Ingram 1 Beechwood Lane Te Marua Teacher & Betty Eleanor Ingram 1 Beechwood Lane Te Marua teacher 1972 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Derek G B Ingram 1 Beechwood Lane teacher & Betty Eleanor Ingram 1 Beechwood Lane teacher 1975 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

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#Derek G B Ingram 11 Beechwood Lane Teacher & Betty Eleanor Ingram 11 Beechwood Lane teacher 1978 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Derek Goldsmith Bannerman Ingram Tinui teacher and Betty Eleanor Ingram Tinui married 1960 Pahiatua Electoral Roll

#Betty Eleanor Ingram died 2017 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 2017 folio website 2017/27473 born 03 November 1932

#Derek Goldsmith Bannerman Ingram died 2018 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 2018 folio website 2018/10019 born 06 April 1933

#Obituary Derek Goldsmith Bannerman Ingram peacefully on 19 April 2018 aged 85 years. Loved husband of the late Betty, father of Sarah and Rachel, father in law of Jamie and David and grandfather of Grace, Matilda, Anus, William, Islay May and Dougal. Thanks to all those who have in recent times cared for Derek visited him or otherwise shown him kindness. We have honoured the wished of this special, talented and complex man and had a private family gathering and cremation reference Dominion Post website

#### **Mr Alan LINTZ principal 1983 circa**

#Newspaper article perhaps September 1983 Hall the school shouldn't have – Plateau principal Mr Alan Lintz at school's covered pool and with adjacent hall in the background. It is here being used for the schools weekly talking and singing get together. As well as building a hall parents also covered the parents – built swimming pool as an extension of the hall roofline and walls reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R687572 School Committee Projects Plateau record No 5/631 part No 1 date 1980-1989 Ministry of Education National Office ABEP W3642 series 7751

#### **Heather PUBBEN teacher 1980-2000**



0- Heather (Mrs PUBBEN) maiden name unknown born date and place unknown married Bertie PUBBEN born 16 July 1928 place unknown died 1981 New Zealand

#Heather Pubben 29 Ebdentown Street married 1969 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Heather Pubben 4 Birch Terrace married and Bertie Pubben 4 Birch Terrae sales administrator 1972 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Heather Pubben 4 Birch Terrace teacher and Bertie Pubben 4 Birch Terrae dispatch manager 1978 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Heather Pubben 4 Birch Terrace teacher and Bertie Pubben 4 Birch Terrae storeman clerk 1981 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Bertie Pubben died 1981 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1981 folio website 1981/33791 born 16 July 1928

#Plateau School Heather Pubben retired after 20 years at Plateau, 35 years total reference Upper Hutt City Heritage collection Recollect website UH Leader newspaper 2000 02 08

#### **Mr Leo Ralph STAFFORD-BUSH head teacher / principal 1968-1969**

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#ship Iberia P & O S.N. Company departed 21 December 1955 London England bound for Sydney / Melbourne Leo Ralph Stafford-Bush male born 03 January 1930 single address Brightlands Galler Road S.E. 21 occupation teacher destination New Zealand

#Leo R Stafford-Bush age 23 address 15 Coombe Road Steyning Sx [sic] occupation Schoolteacher destination New Zealand departed Southhampton England 1953

#Leo Ralph Stafford Bush School House Bombay teacher & Zora Avis Stafford-Bush School House Bombay married 1966 Franklin Electoral Roll

#Leo Ralph Stafford-Bush Main Road Te Marua Teacher & Zora Avis Stafford-Bush Main Road Te Marua married 1969 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

#Leo Ralph Stafford Bush 11D Warren Avenue Retired & Zora Avis Stafford Bush 11D Warren Avenue Retired 2008 Mt Roskill Electoral Roll

## PLATEAU SCHOOL PUPILS

<i>Time line</i>	<i>Plateau School pupils</i>
1968	Roll 138 foundation pupils
1997	Roll 128 pupils
2001	Roll 131 pupils
2006	Roll 153 pupils

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## A to Z PUPILS

## PLATEAU SCHOOL Places of Interest

**Bloomfield House** previously known as Mungaroa Hotel was built by James Collins and in 1851 he held the bush license. The Hotel was once situated on the Main Road on land now occupied by the Te Marua Golf Club. James's widow Annie Collins sold the land to David Bengé who renamed the building Bloomfield Tearooms and House.

**Bridge** over the Mangaroa River known as Beechwood pedestrian and cycle bridge is a timber truss bridge and was built and opened around 1904. It was once part of the original old main road. The bridge is now under restoration.

**Golden Fleece Hotel** Pakuratahi once situated corner State Highway 2 (SH2) and Waterworks Road in Kaitoke was built by Walter Hodder.

### Kaitoke Waterworks

**Lord of the Rings** movie set (Riverlea) Kaitoke

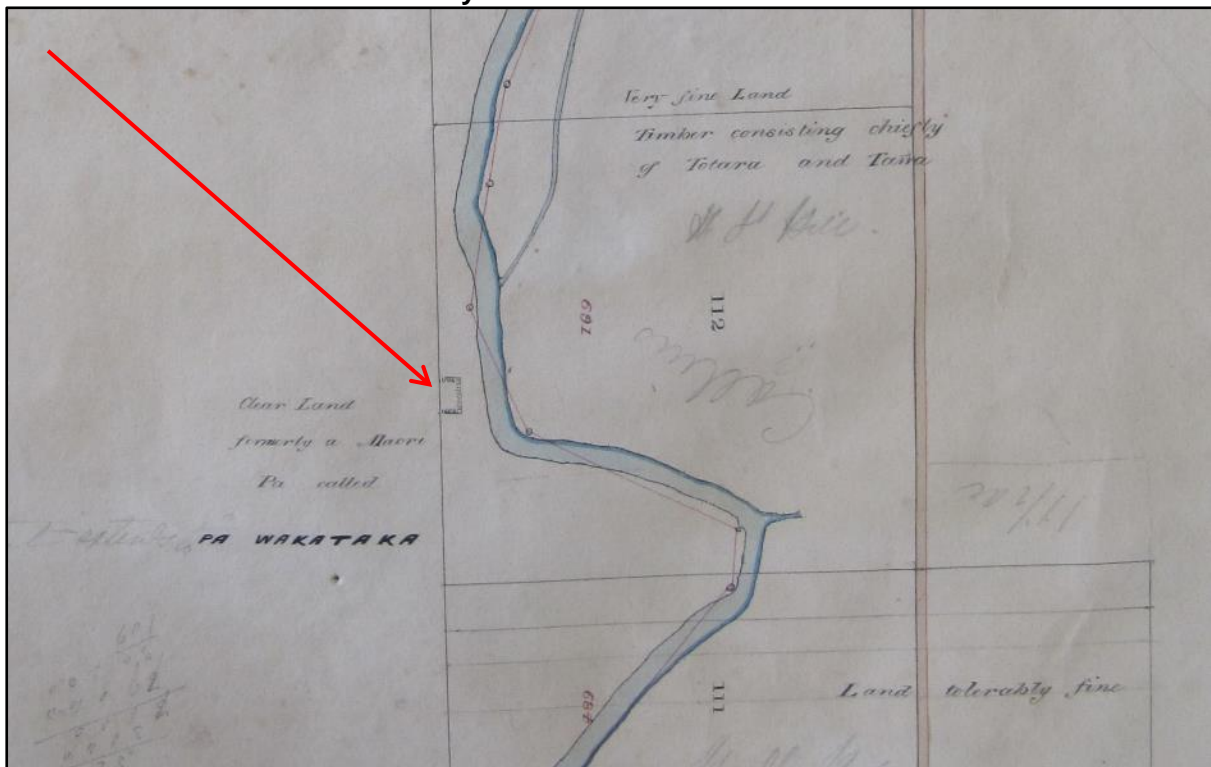
**Maymorn Public Works and Railway Camp** were once situated in the Maymorn district. Only a few houses remain in old school road. The other dwellings were removed and the land and two roads have returned to pasture.

**Maymorn School** was once situated in Old School Road in the Maymorn district. The school was established to serve the children whose fathers were working on the Rimutaka tunnel.

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**Pa Wakataka** - Around 1810s in the Te Marua district there was a large Pa called Pa Wakataka. A war party travelled up the Te Awa Kairangi / Hutt River and destroyed the Pa Wakataka.

### Clear Land formerly a Maori Pa called Pa Wakataka – 1840s



On the Upper Hutt survey map it records "Clear land formerly a Maori Pa called PA WAKATAKA". A boxed area was drawn on the west boundary of Section 112 which is west of the River Hutt. Historians have mentioned the existence of the Pa and some with different spelling, but this is the earliest proof of the Pa's existence that I have been able to locate. The Pa was in the vicinity of the current Te Marua Golf Course as most historians have stated.

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R22824230 AAFV 997 box 120 W19 Upper Hutt District Sections and names of owners, reserves, roads and swamps – scale 20 chains 1 inch [C W D Ligar] C J Lynn year 1865 [sic] comment try 1845)

### Te Marua Golf Course

## Remutaka Railway deviation and tunnel

Remutaka Rail Trail (former Rimutaka Incline railway line)

Sawmills – Collins – Bengel - etc.

**Stonestead cottage** was built in the 1860s by David Bengel and it is still situated on the same piece of land at 3 Plateau Road in Te Marua.

# PLATEAU SCHOOL

## Record collections & miscellaneous information

### Plateau School collection

- Records (to be transcribed)
- Photos (to be transcribed)

### Publications

- Genealogy Resources in the Hutt Valley edited by Peggy Crawford for the Hutt Valley Group NZSG 1992
- Upper Hutt – the History by J A Kelleher 1991 pages 236, 337
- List of Names and Places from the book Upper Hutt – the history compiled by Janet Doyle June 2005

### Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection

- Archives 7 items
- Audio 1 item
- Ephemera 4 items
- Manuscript 11 item
- Organisation 1 item
- Photos 75 items
- Publication 107 items

### Other items

- Plateau School newspaper 2000-2007 reference publication 165
- Rimutaka District Ratepayers Association 1953-1977 subject files etc. reference 16
- Various newspaper articles and photographs by Upper Hutt Leader, Yvonne Airey and Wilfred Jackson

### Archives NZ Wellington Office (23 items)

- R20132449 date 1970-1986 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 = **access open**
- R8827386 date 1986-1989 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 80 record number 7/6 date 1986-1989 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3556 = access open = transcribed details are listed in transcript section below
- R687572 date 1980-1989 School Committee Projects Plateau box 35 part number 1 record number 5/631 = **access open**
- R10371322 date 1963-1971 Education Schools Upper Hutt Valley Plateau Primary and Residence box 271 record number 31/2700 = **access open**
- R21565554 date unknown Photographs School (black & white) Plateau box 492 = access may be restricted
- R21561031 date 1980-1981 Contract Plateau School Ground works box 238 record number 80/134 = access may be restricted
- R21561029 date 1973-1973 Contract Plateau School Ground works box 238 record number 74/21 = access may be restricted

- R21561030 date 1975-1975 Contract Plateau School Ground works box 238 record number 75/107 = access may be restricted
- R21559744 date 1968-1968 Contract Plateau School Residence box 209 record number 69/1 = access may be restricted
- R21561036 date 1985-1985 Contract Plateau School Toilet and Administration box 239 = access may be restricted
- R21561032 date 1978-1978 Contract Plateau School New Library box 238 record number 78/91 = access may be restricted
- R21561028 date 1971-1972 Contract Plateau School Swimming Pool box 238 record = access may be restricted
- R21558283 date 1981-1983 Architectural Contract Files Plateau School Dingle's Property (Groundworks) box 173 = access may be restricted
- R21559743 date 1966-1966 Contract Plateau School Near Upper Hutt box 209 record number 66/106 = access may be restricted
- R21558282 date 1977-1978 Architectural Contract Files Plateau School Unit Classroom Contract No 7 box 173 = access may be restricted
- R21562613 date 1968-1977 Staffing Individual School Files Plateau School box 2052 part number 1 = access restricted
- R21562614 date 1978-1989 Staffing Individual School Files Plateau School box 344 part number 2 = access restricted
- R25634387 date 2001-2001 ET61473 15 08 2001 Plateau school images scanned IE35899069 - on website accountability review report [roll 131 pupils](#)
- R25634380 date 1997-1997 ET61466 15 09 1997 Plateau School images scanned IE35899050 – on website Effectiveness review report [roll 128 pupils](#)
- R25634394 date 2006-2006 image scanned ET61482 10 04 2006 Plateau School images scanned IE35899081 – on website Education Review report [roll 153 pupils](#)

#### Archives New Zealand Wellington

- R26287245 date 1968-1968 Geographic regions of New Zealand volcanic plateau Bay of Plenty [Teachers notes for film] box 9 position reference 12 record number 68/133 = **access open**
- R26287243 date 1967-1967 [Filmstrip] Geographic regions of New Zealand volcanic plateau Bay of Plenty Black and White box 4 position reference 54 record number 67/118 = **access open**

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### **Suggested Additional Research**

- Land = Section No - Street Origin - Maps – Plans – Land development
- Buildings = School – Hall – Sheds – Baths – Dental rooms - Recreation – play grounds – sports grounds – reserves - Classrooms named after Early Settlers or other connections to Upper Hutt's heritage
- Events and Activities = Fires – earthquakes – floods - Sports – Clubs – Camps – Outings – School banking – Red Cross Club - Reunions – Before and Afterschool care
- Parents & Education Board - Parents teachers Association – Board of Trustees – Home & School Association – Home & School Committee – Parents helpers – Education Board Policies and Acts

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### **Archive New Zealand Wellington Office Transcripts**

Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R20132448 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681

- Sketch details Plateau School 5 acres - Part Lot 3 DP 18609 CT 902/85 4 acres 2 roods 85 perches owner E E Alexander & Lot 4 DP 18609 CT 863/62 owner Wellington Sun & Health Society
- 16 September 1963 memo Education Board & Department Additional school sites Plateau and Birchville – present roll at Te Marua school 293 with 7 permanent rooms with 115 children coming from Birchville and 48 from the Plateau – other details about land and ownership
- 30 September 1963 memo acknowledge memo



- 30 September 1963 memo additional school sites Plateau and Birchville - details about land, ownership, existing school rolls – Maidstone Intermediate to be built next year
  - 07 October 1963 Report Education Department 5 pages Birchville and Plateau a Town planning report had been asked to negotiate
  - 22 October 1963 memo Ministry of Works site does not include lot 4 DP 18609
  - 12 November 1963 Ministry of Works faint details
  - 22 November 1963 – form (2 pages) – [1] Costing sheet cover proposed work Plateau-Maymorn-Mangaroa Schools - Four classroom new school, admin for six classrooms, boiler room, Dental clinic \$34,740 total [2] report Plateau & Maymorn –proposed new school 4 classrooms and Dental clinics type B – Maymorn past rolls 1961=37, 1962=42, 1963=47, 1964=64 area belongs to Railways expected rolls next three years 1965=86, 1966=112, 1967=125 – existing prefab 2 erected 1951 – New school r rooms of wood & brick – details = There are 64 children at Maymorn School and this number will almost certainly increase approximately 90 during 1964. This school is only a double unit prefab on Railway land and was only intended as a temporary school during the course of the construction of the tunnel. The school has however remained and is increasing rather than dropping away. Something in the nature of a permanent school must be faced up to this year. It had been hoped that with the 48 children from the Plateau are at present in attendance at Te Marua School, a new four classroom school on the site at the Plateau for which negotiations are under way would be the most satisfactory answer. There are complications in trying to effect consolidation between Mangaroa and Maymorn and/or between Maymorn and the Plateau. A meeting of parents is being arranged to discuss the whole proposal and it is hoped that a solution can be found. A new development has occurred at the time of writing which is the offer of some further Army land at Mangaroa Camp and this could offer a solution. It is considered essential to reach early settlement of the Maymorn problem and the new school is intended to be proceeded with as quickly as agreement can be reached between interested parties as to the location for the school
  - PLAN – District planning map Sheet 3 records the area of land north of central Upper Hutt and sketch is the area for the proposed Plateau School. IMG\_
  - 12 February same subject
  - 19 February 1964 Plateau School site & Birchville School site
  - 19 March 1964 Ministry of Works Society to Department of Education – Re Wellington Sun and Health In answer to your letter WDO 13/1/1/1 of 26 February our Society has no desire to sell any portion of our land especially the area mentioned as this would seriously curtail our only entrance to our main area. The small area allocated between the area required by the Board and the stream is hopelessly inadequate for vehicles to enter or leave the property. Also the area required is used by our members as a car park and is the only flat land we have suitable for such a purpose (please advise negotiations for purchase of 4 acre block)
- Various other letters and memos covering the same subject and the problems about difficulties encountered in regard to securing land suitable for a new school.
- 15 July 1964 Education Board - area required 5.3 acres to include part Lot 3 DP 18609 4.3 acres and 1 acre of Lot 4 DP 18609.
  - 07 & 15 & 14 October 1964 & same subject
  - PLAN July 1964 of Te Marua Lot 4 & Lot 3 DP 13776 T.P. 13476 (Town Planning plan)
  - 09 October 1964 Town Planning Act 1953 Hutt County (northern Section) District Scheme notification to Minister
  - No date [3 sheets] costing for 4 classrooms new school, admin for 6 classrooms, boiler room and dental clinic \$35,840 & attached survey details of expected pupil rolls in district & grant application form
  - 04 December 1964 (3 pages report) site for new school purchased from Settlement with Eric Edwin Alexander owner of land C/- King & Grant Public Accountants Vogel Street Naenae - settlement \$4750 - legal description Part of Lot 1 and 3 on D.P. 18609 and as shown on edge back on attached plan (Part CT 929/85). Not all details transcribed
  - 08 December 1964 – Te Marua proposed school site memo re land Purchase report ( carbon copies)

- No date but typed copy of above report 5 items listed re Te Marua area served by one primary school catering for 408 pupils – rapid housing development in area – need to establish new school – addition area recommend purchase 4 acres 1 rood 8 perches – purchased agreement reached \$4,750
- 18 December 1964 yellow form with land costs for new school – also a green form
- 18 February 1965 tender to clear site for new school [1] Feast & McJorrow Ltd \$420 & Goodman Earthmovers Ltd \$425 & D K Gower \$634 – plus other memos same subject excepted \$420 tender
- 08 March 1965 The Wellington Sun & Health Society Inc., to Department of Education requesting information about boundaries for proposed school – plus memos same subject for adjustments to the boundaries & 28 November 1965 waiting reply as anxious about strengthen the old bridge & reply 08 December 1965 (9 month wait for settlement)
- 13 January 1965 proposed Maoribank School (3 pages) includes present and future pupil roll for Te Marua School, Plateau School, Birchville School, and includes number of houses in the area of Birchville Gillespies Road (190 units) & Kowhai Street (180 houses), Prestige home Corporation proceeding with 200 new homes at Maoribank plus details of other subdivisions in Upper Hutt district between Te Marua and Upper Hutt
- 14 December 1965 Education Board (5 pages) covering letter plus schedules of items and cost tender Goodman Earthmovers Ltd \$8,528.2.10 old/new \$10,486.4.1 only tender received – other carbon copies and letters re same subject
- 21 December 1965 to Secretary Sun & Health Society re-delays
- 19 January 1966 (2 pages) financial authority forms & details to pay for excavation of land for new school
- 06 April 1966 proposal for residence for Head-teacher – purchase of another site as limited area on new school site – expect new school to open next year – plus 13 & 27 April 1966, 18 May 1966 same subject
- 16 May 1966 building grant form & 25 May 1966 costing form same subject
- 31 May 1966 Drawings and specification have been prepared by Board for new Plateau School re Quantity Surveyors for a six roomed school at Plateau estimated cost \$46,000
- 03 June 1966 Plateau School Residence site suitable Owner L A C Leech Lot 2 DP 19064 Part Section 111 Hutt District area 1 rood 3.75 perches – house of timber frame weatherboard constriction concrete foundations tile roof 3 bedrooms dining room lounge kitchen bathroom separate toilet garage ad concrete paths & 10 June 1966 & 10 June 1966 & 17 June 1966 & 28 June 1966 NEW SITE proposed 12 July 1966
- 08 June 1966 – memo W-EB re Marriott & Associates Quantity Surveyors
- 12 July 1966 School teachers residence owner E E Alexander C/- Desmond Richard Redican C/- Olphert & Bornaholdt Barristers & Solicitors Wellington area 32 perches – Lot 9 DP 26708 (part CT D4/290) proposed settlement \$925 & 15 July 1966 & 04 August 1966 site opposite main entrance to new Plateau School site & requisition form & 05 August 1966
- No date draft sketch of Plateau School working sheet admin block including costs
- Sheet costs furniture for Classrooms, Staffrooms, Medical Room and miscellaneous \$1332
- 29 July 1966 Sheet costs Contractor Wilkin & Davies Seaview – Boiler, Stoker, Admin etc. \$2271
- 12 August 1966 Sheet costs (2 sheet) building and heating etc., \$49,857.3.1 total
- 12 August 1966 Sheet costs furniture tables, chairs, pupils tables chairs teachers \$1,149.16.7'
- No date memo re storm water drain & 17 August 1966 storm water problem & 26 August 1966 same subject
- 22 September 1966 (3 pages) letter and costs for Plateau school total \$49,702.3.1. plus stats of area and other school rolls to support establishment of new school – mention of Maymorn school roll 1966 32 pupils recommend being consolidated into Plateau school (this did happen) – Building tenders received from Tregaskis & Co Ltd 40,897.9.1. & McConnell & Slacke Ltd 46,040.0.0. & Superior Homes Ltd 50,190.13.8. & Pinehaven Builders 51,045.17.0. & W M Angus Ltd 57,920.0.0. – Heating Wilkins & Davies Constructions Co Ltd 4,378.0.0. & Parke & Clarke Ltd 4,700.0.0. & A & T Burt Ltd 5,227.0.0.



- 22 September 1966 approval tenders Plateau School & 11 October 1966 & 22 October 1966 & 21 October 1966 & copy of tenders list no date & 10 October 1966 yellow form finance authority & 27 October 1966
- 07 November 1966 site for residence for head teacher wanting to proceed & 11 January 1967 & 18 January 1967 & sketch of Lot 9 for school teacher residence IMG\_
- 15 November 1966 & 29 November 1966 furniture for classrooms ( 2 memos)
- 10 February 1967 Goodman Earthmovers Ltd developed site for school mentions grant to build school foundations and paved area 92 pages) & 16 February 1967 & additional cost for work not on tender
- No date 3 memos same subject & page covering cost for amendments to foundations due to peat, plastic clay, rotten rock & yellow financial authority form & 23 February 1967 ^& 23 February 1967 same subject & 24 February 1967
- 21 August 1967 sewage disposal –septic tank included in contract level too high in wet weather Hutt County Health Inspector and Medical Officer of Health agree – recommends further grant & no date 4 other documents same subject & 11 September 1967
- 18 September 1967 requisition for Linoleum for school
- Prestige Homes erection and completion of house 13 pages plus 1 page
- PLAN of house from Prestige Homes Corp Ltd IMG\_
- 14 November 1967 Teacher residence tenders from 8 companies & numerous other documents covering same subject
- #Evening Post newspaper 07 March 1968 - Head Please With Site Of New School - Enrolments at this newly opened Plateau School in Te Marua numbered 106 from Te Marua and 26 from Maymorn plus some seven five-year-olds, states the first newsletter of the school. In his introductory remarks the head teacher (Mr L Stafford-Bush) said the school was “wonderfully situated” and could easily become a showplace of the district. With its pay-out many interesting developments could be made in the future. Those elected at the inaugural meeting of the school committee were: Chairman Mr T Trigg, secretary Mr S Coulson, treasurer Mr J Todd, committee Mesdames M Sims and M Wilkins and Messrs H Hutcheson and P Wiffen
- Notes for the Minister of Education on the occasion of the Official opening of the Plateau School Upper Hutt Saturday 25 May 1968
  - Controlling Authority Wellington Education Board
  - Chairman = Mr G Matthew Secretary Manager = Mr F W Alpe
  - School Committee = Mr K W Trigg School Secretary = Mr S D Coulson
  - School Treasurer = Mr J Todd Head Teacher = Mr L Stafford-Bush
  - Roll = 155 at 20 February 1968
  - Accommodation = 6 permanent classrooms and dental clinic
  - Area of site = 1 acres 1 rood 8 perches
  - General
- The Wellington Education Board first approached the Department in September 1963 about the acquisition of a site at The Plateau for the future establishment of a primary school. At that stage, because of the extensive housing development taking place, it was clearly evident that a school would be required in the area.
- The purchase of the present site at a cost of \$9,500 was approved in December 1964. By then 96 children from the district travelled daily by bus to Te Marua School. In addition, another 60 children were attending the Maymorn School, a temporary school originally provided to cater for the Ministry of Works camp at Mangaroa during the construction of the railway tunnel.
- On the 19 January 1966 you approved the expenditure of \$20,972.41 for the development of this site, and on 11 October of the same year \$99,404.31 for the erection of the school, comprising six classrooms, administration accommodation, and dental clinic. On 23 February 1967 a further grant of \$5,215 was approved for additional foundation work and on 08 September 1967 \$2,200 was approved for the installation of a package sewage treatment plant.

- A site almost immediately opposite the school's main entrance was acquired for \$1,850 in August 1966 for a head teacher's residence. On 06 December 1966 a grant of \$8,310 was approved for the erection of a house on this site.
- 25 May 1968 (2 pages Notes for the Minister of Education on the occasion of the official opening of the Plateau School Upper Hutt Saturday 25 May 1968 – Controlling Authority Wellington Education Board – Chairman Mr G Matthew – Secretary-Manager Mr F W Alpe – School Committee Chairman Mr K W Trigg & Secretary Mr S D Coulson & treasurer Mr J Todd – Head Teacher Mr L Stafford-Bush – Roll 155 at 20 February 1968 – Accommodation 6 permanent classrooms and dental clinic – Area of site 4 acres 1 rood 8 perches – General = The Wellington Education Board first approached the Department in September 1963 about the acquisition of a site at the Plateau for the future establishment of a primary school. At that stage because of the expensive housing development taking place it was clearly evident that a school would be required in the area. The purchase of the present site at a cost of \$9,500 was approved in December 1964. By then 96 children from the district travelled daily by bus to Te Marua School. In addition another 60 children were attending the Maymorn School a temporary school originally provided to cater for the Ministry of Works camp at Mangaroa during the construction of the railway tunnel. On 19 January 1966 you approved the expenditure of \$20,972.41 for the development of this site and on 11 October of the same year \$99,404.31 for the erection of the school comprising six classrooms, administration accommodation and dental clinic. On 23 February 1967 a further grant of \$5,215 was approved for the installation of a package sewage treatment plant. A site almost immediately opposite the school's main entrance was acquired for \$1,850 in August 1966 for a head teacher's residence. On 06 December 1966 a grant of \$8,310 was approved for the erection of a house on this site. The school opened in February this year, and in the first newsletter the head teacher remarked that the school was wonderfully situated and could easily become a showplace of the district. First day enrolments totalled 138, of which 105 previously attended Te Marua School, 26 were from the Maymorn School which was closed at the end of last year, and 7 were new five-year old entrants.
- 30 April 1968 re Marquee for official opening & 10 May 1968 same subject
- 25 May 1968 Evening Post newspaper article School Opens Officially – The Plateau primary school at Te Marua was officially opened this morning by the Minister of Education (Mr Kinsells). The new school opened at the beginning of this year with a roll of 154 which has grown to 162. It replaces the Maymorn School which served the families at Maymorn Camp and was closed last year. Most of the children at the new school come from the Maymorn or Te Marua schools. There is a teaching staff of six and a nurse. The head teacher is Mr L R Stafford-Bush.
- 28 May 1968 Evening Post newspaper – Didn't mind school on a Saturday – The Plateau Primary School north of Upper Hutt was officially opened on Saturday and by agreement among teachers and parents it was a compulsory school period. The children were asked to bring a "party lunch" with them and the school bell "went on time". The official opening ceremony began at 10 am but before that parents and visitors were able to visit the classrooms and observe for themselves the pupils, numbering more than 160 at work. The school was actually opened to pupils in February of this year. The Minister of Education (Mr Kinsella) was to have officially opened the school on Saturday but he was called to the earthquake stricken areas of the West Coast and the Minister of Defence (Mr Thompson) deputised for him. At the conclusion of the official opening parents and the official party were shown through the school while the children were still at work. Then they retired to a marquee where a buffet lunch was served.
- 10 July 1968 grant for basic equipment for school \$2,471.90
- 30 October 1968 Evening Post newspaper – School Closes as result of flood – The Plateau School five miles north of Upper Hutt was closed today because a water infiltration into a septic tank in the administration block and dental clinic. The headmaster Mr L Stafford-Bush went to the school at 6 am and found a creek which runs below it had risen sharply. An inspection was made by Education Board Officials at 7.30 am and it was decided to close the school. There was two inches of water in the administration block, four inches in the dental clinic, and five feet in the boilerhouse. No classrooms were affected. A septic tank was flooded creating a health danger and board officials are meeting this afternoon to decide

when the school will open. The school which was opened in February has a roll of 176. All carpets were taken up before the water came in. There is concern for the dental block as water has affected electrical equipment. Men have been at the school mopping up since about 8 am. The flooding is said to have caused by an obstruction in the creek.

- 06 November 1968 memo improvements to residence site (head teachers residence) & costing doc \$310 & grant memo & 11 December 1968 tender excepted \$320 & 06 January 1969 same subject
- Requisition for linoleum for library no date & 17 June 1969 54 square yards grey lino & 20 June 1969 Invoice for lino
- 23 October 1969 Plateau School Playing Field inspection and recommendations from Massey University & schedule of quantities cost \$6,360.75
- 18 November 1969 – Plateau School Playing Fields Drainage = The Plateau School was established in February 1968 and now had a roll of 186 pupils. The grounds have never been satisfactory and the expenditure incurred by the Board to date has not had the desired results. The playing field is completely unusable for organising games during the winter months and the resulting overcrowding of usable playing area during school breaks causes friction which overflows into the classroom. The hard stony nature of the ground during the summer has been the cause of several accidents, four children having been taken to surgeries for stitching and one child having suffered a greenstick fracture as a result of a fall. (I have not transcribed to complete document) plus other costing sheets and document covering same subject
- 19 November 1969 claim for progress payment of Plateau School Basic equipment \$349.14
- 24 February 1970 memo Playing Fields drainage cost was declined for this year & 06 March 1970 answering to the memo for reconsideration & 17 March 1970 plus other copies covering same subject & 06 March 1970 review request 17 March 1970 plus numerous other document covering same subject Playing Fields
- 09 April 1970 tenders records and recommendation for W B Anderson & Wagg \$7,343.40 (3 other pages same subject
- 12 pages listing items and cost for Basic Equipment no date  
(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Office R20132448 date 1963-1968 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau box 145 record number 7/6 date 1963-1968 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)

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Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R20132449 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau record No 7/6 date 1970-1986 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681

- 01 May 1970 Education Board Maidstone Intermediate School and Plateau School – Maidstone Intermediate School was established this year with a form 1 intake of 290 pupils drawn from Upper Hutt, Te Marua, Maoribank, Oxford Crescent and Fraser Crescent Schools – parents with Form 1 children at Plateau were given the opportunity of enrolling them at Intermediate – Plateau School Committee recommend school becomes fully contributing to Maidstone Intermediate from February 1971.
- 07 June 1970 application form for drainage and remedial work on playing fields tenders listed Barton Ginger Holdings 7,294.70 (later 7,876.10) & W B Anderson and Wagg 7,343.40 & H V Agriculture Centre 8,286.20 & Murray George Ltd 11,6369.10 & J J Carson 12,470.80 – description of the problems with the playing fields
- 19 May 1970 & proposal background recommendations re playing fields same subject
- 17 July 1970 refers to letter 27 October 1966 about grants – 1969 School Committee built Library with voluntary labour and locally raised funds – subject Hall, Swimming pool & library details
- 06 August 1970 proposed learners pool & 04 September 1970 & 08 October 1970 & 15 October 1970 utilisation of White Line savings to provide a Swimming Pool as school erected library out of its own resources use grant for swimming pool & 15 October 1970
- 1970 Report on school - Background of Plateau School of 6 classrooms situated 4 miles north of Upper Hutt was established in February 1968 and has a current roll of 153. The forecast contributing roll for 1971 is 161 increasing to 170 in 1972. The Wellington Education Board with the unanimous support of the school committee has recommended that Plateau School be declared a contributing school to Maidstone Intermediate School at Upper Hutt as from the commencement of the 1971 school year - other documents same subject

- 03 December 1970 White Lines Saving for Swimming Pool –other documents same subject
- 23 February 1971 plus includes various documents covering same subject Swimming Pool & Maidstone Intermediate
- 18 March 1971 mentions children having the use of the Upper Hutt Sun Club's swimming pool which is adjacent to the school but this facility has now been withdrawn ( 4 copies)
- 02 June 1972 same subject utilisation of White Lines savings for swimming pool
- 03 June 1971 Claim final payment to Plateau School plus other documents
- New Zealand Gazette Wellington Thursday 15 July 1971 No 53 page 1401 Land taken for teacher residence in Block XIV Akatarawa Survey District together with rights dog way and water rights ad subject to a building line restriction – transfer No 606373 Notice No 639741 from and after 19<sup>th</sup> July 1971 – land containing 32 perches situated Block XIV Akatarawa Survey District being part of Section 111 Hutt District and being also Lot 9 Deposit Plan 26708 dated 01 July 1971 (have not transcribed full details – 2 copies)
- 15 October 1971 explains about the grant to the school for a library but the school built its own library from their own funds and with voluntary labour so requesting that they use the original grant to establish a swimming pool – plus other documents same subject
- 29 November 1971 mention of flooding Boards Architect considers blame to Hutt County request meeting.
- 25 November 1971 Evening Post newspaper article – Flooding on Plateau School Area – A piecemeal approach to the problem at the Plateau School, Te Marua was liable to aggravate rather than alleviate the situation, the school committee said in the letter to the Hutt County Council. The committee thought that it should not continue to have to reply on the efforts of volunteers in cleaning the buildings and grounds, nor should it have this responsibility when the possible health hazards were considered. The school, on land reclaimed from swamp, had been flooded five times in its four years, and its closure on October 05 was the second of action to get the school open again until assistance was received from the Wellington Education Board and the Ministry of Works in cleaning clearance was given by a health inspector. The committee contended that the County Council must realise its responsibility to the ratepayers in the area to alleviate the risks of flooding and consequent health hazards. Cr I K Andrews said the possibility of an overflow channel to solve the flooding problem was being investigated.
- PLAN proposed school site Te Marua
- 22 September 1964 proposed school site details and estimate of costs
- 17 December 1971 Plateau School Molloys Road Te Marua Flooding – culvert inadequate – estimate cost of work \$7,500
- 17 January 1972 & 09 February 1972 & 16 February 1972 application financial same subject flooding school built on reclaimed swamp land
- 18 April 1972 & 25 May 1972 swimming pool filtration plant same subject
- 01 June 1972 school drainage tenders J J Carson 9,620 & Carson Contracting Co Ltd 9,632 & S P Clancy & Sons Ltd 9,660 & Cody Contractors 10,820 & J A Hynes Ltd 11,640 & Phillips & Gray Ltd 13,230 & Eric Alexander Contracting Co Ltd 17,050 – lots of other documents same subject plus schedule of quantities for tenders
- 07 June 1973 swimming pool final claim Plateau new school
- No date - Construction of Plateau School schedule materials and prices etc. various pages
- 12 November 1973 filtration plant plus
- 11 March 1974 heating mains plus other documents
- 31 July 1973 drainage schedule of Contractor J J Carson Stokes Valley plus same subject
- 09 November 1976 swimming pool complex & school facilities recreation and sports plus other documents
- 06 January 1977 to 1978 swimming pool complex plus other documents
- 15 July 1977 building unit classroom for roll increase & furniture for one classroom plus other documents
- 21 July 1978 & 07 August 1978 new library & working sheets plus schedules & costs etc.
- 29 August 1978 Library application with estimated Roll 1978 199 & 1979 Roll 200 & 1980 Roll 202

- 1979 & 1980 & 1981 & 1982 & 1983 & 1984 same subject as above Pool & Hall & ground works & playing fields
- 1983 Insurance for swimming pool plus other documents
- 1983 & 1984 Mr & Mrs Dingle 20 Plateau Road re loss of land back of school slips believe due to construction of site for school beginning 1966 attached are schedules for ground work (same subject recorded in other archives reference sources)
- 12 April 1985 Evening Post newspaper article Schools Won Grants (full details transcribed in date order of school story above)
- 1986 set of records signed off covering all of the subjects above.

*(Reference Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R20132449 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau record No 7/6 date 1970-1986 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3540 28681)*

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Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R687572 School Committee Projects Plateau record No 5/631 part No 1 date 1980-1989 Ministry of Education National Office ABEP W3642 series 7751

- 11 April 1980 from Plateau School Committee to Wellington Education Board requesting grant for school project – hall built with no monetary contribution from for \$13,000 subsidy Education Board – funds required for storage area required cost between \$4,000 and \$5000 – R J Schultz Secretary School committee
- 29 April 1980 – re Plateau School Pool/Hall complex - Education Board states a 7 classroom school does not qualify for the \$13,000 subsidy on the hall and as results had to raise the extra money locally & 02 May 1980 & 14 May 1980 & 19 May 1980 & 10 June 1980 & 18 June 1980 same subject
- 18 June 1980 Education Board to Secretary School Committee approve a grant not to exceed the sum of \$5,000 to supply sketches about proposed construction
- 20 June 1973 Invoice plans prepared & Account Renall Bros Ltd filtration plant (5 pages)
- 24 May 1972 Plateau School Swimming Pool quote details (5 pages) \$7,613
- 18 July 1980 proposed storage area letter plus 2 other pages covering same subject
- PLAN proposed extension to Hall re Pool
- 01 August 1980 proposed storage area approved in principle by Education Board conditions to be reported & 18 August 1980 & 16 September 1980 & 24 September 1980 same subject
- 17 February 1981 storage area extension no completed apart from painting thanking Education Board & 09 March 1981 acknowledge by EB
- March 1981 committee advised extension completed invite Board to visit
- 09 June 1981 request for judder bars to reduce speeding of cars in school ground & 19 June 1981 same subject
- 03 July 1981 schedule of trees and shrubs for school 6 pages
- 12 September 1983 re State Insurance fire premium demand 3 pages plus 12 September 1983
- Leader newspaper article perhaps September 1983 Hall the school shouldn't have – Plateau School has \$120,000 hall that education authorities won't insure and it is being left to parents to find the money for fire and vandalism protection. Although Plateau parents have gone as high as the Prime Minister Sir Robert Muldoon in an appeal to have the hall covered by Education Department indemnity a department regulation allows no flexibility the hall is outside Government orbit. So for the last two years the school committee has had to raise the \$350 premium to protect the asset of the hall which was built by parents about four years ago. The bureaucratic problem is that the school is not entitled to a hall. It is less than an eight teacher school the level at which a hall is warranted. Plateau has seven teacher and about 180 pupils. School committee chairman Mrs Diana Brehaut told the Leader the department term was that the hall was surplus to code and therefore not entitled to the damage indemnity that covered the school itself. And the irony was that the department made it clear that as the hall had been erected on department property the building was legally owned by the department. Over the first two years the committee believed the hall was indemnified but a couple of years ago discovered the small print and realised the hall was uninsured. The Committee had put up a year's fight to secure indemnity but always was defeated by the rigid application of the regulations based on teacher numbers. Even an appeal to the Ombudsman's office failed when the office's investigation showed the regulation was being applied correctly. At that point the school committee took the responsibility for insuring the

hall. Mrs Brehaut said the central point of concern was that the \$350 being raised through hard work should instead be going directly to pupil's amenities and equipment. It was not likely the school would reach eight-teacher status so parents would have to carry the insurance liability for all times. Mrs Brehaut said the only solution would be to have the particular regulation changed so the department accepted responsibility for indemnifying school buildings no matter the size of the school or how the building was acquired. She thought the school committee might as a next move do a little politicking during election campaigning. In the meantime the school is advertising its hall for hire either permanently or causally and emphasising its excellent facilities and furnishing for formal or social events. Increased tenancy of the hall would go towards funding the insurance premium. Caption under photo of principal and hall = Plateau Principal Mr Alan Lintz at school's covered pool and with adjacent hall in the background. It is here being used for the school's weekly talking and singing get together. As well as building a hall parents also covered the parents – built swimming pool as an extension of the hall roofline and walls.

- 02 May 1985 erect cage over sandpit to prohibit entry by cats dogs & 02 May 1985 & 20 May 1985 & 17 June 1985 same subject
- 02 August 1985 heating system for pool various letters notes Hutt Valley Energy Board & 01 September 1985 & 01 September 1985 & 02 October 1985 & 10 October 1985 & 23 October 1985 same subject
- 02 April 1986 upgrading of playground and equipment safety & 30 April 1986 & 07 May 1986 same subject
- 14 July 1987 erection of storage space & 23 July 1987 same subject
- PLAN
- 25 February 1988 Southpac Securities Limited letters confirm deposit & 15 March 1988 & 15 March 1988 & 25 February 1988 same subject
- PLAN
- 24 February 1988 Kiln Room & Storage for school Brown & Associates surveyors (2 pages)
- 1988 Application to Department of Education with details about building a Kiln room and storage area with specifications
- 06 May 1988 Upgrading Staff Room \$606.86 & 08 June 1988 minutes of Grant in aid for school and other schools listed
- 27 July 1989 Firth Concrete flat stones for school invoice & 01 August 1989 about Kiln shed \$8,000 grant & invoice 27 January 1989 \$2778.61 & 01 August 1989 & 14 August 1989 same subject & 28 June 1988 approval for grant & invoice \$8,690.00
- 07 September 1989 Wellington Education Board to Principal Plateau School Mr Bolten re Grant in Aid enclosing cheque \$8,690 for kiln shed

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Archives New Zealand Wellington Office R8827386 Primary Schools Wellington Plateau record number 7/6 date 1986-1989 Department of Education Central Regional Office Residual Management Unit ABFI W3556

- 28 June 1989 from Fire Protection Manager to Department of Education re Fire Loss Prevention Report – 3 pages of suggestions
- 07 April 1989 from Department of Education to Mrs R Bolten Plateau School Te Marua re Insurance of the Plateau School Hall
- 22 September 1987 from Wellington Education Board to N Beazley – Insurance of Hall/Swimming Pool complex – swimming pool built 1978/1979 total cost \$120,000 insured for \$200,000 – school roll 231 pupils
- 19 November 1987 from B J Nelson Super of Education to Wellington Education Board regarding Plateau School Insurance of Hall/Pool complex

Continued on different subject

- 08 September 1987 letter from Television NZ Fair Go to Mrs D Dingle 27 Plateau Road Te Marua enclosed your documents
- memo covering Dingle 4A/631 correspondence re your letter 12 May 1983
- 24 April 1984 from W P Jefferies to Minister of Education re Mr and Mrs B H Dingle 20 Plateau Road Te Marua – Dingles own property on boundary of Te Marua Primary School –

- when grounds for school were fashioned in 1966 excavations caused unstable flat land surrounding the Dingles house to slide away – plus other details
- Minister of Education to Mr Jefferies – Education Board considers it is not responsible in any way to provide compensation to Mr and Mrs Dingle
  - 14 June 1984 from Bill Jefferies to Mr and Mrs Dingle details of Ministers of Educations reply.
  - 12 May 1983 from R A Bannister Wellington Education Board to Solicitors – re no solution to Dingle's boundary
  - 25 March 1983 from Mr T G N Carter solicitors to Education Board – same subject Mr and Mrs B H Dingle
  - 12 November 1982 from solicitors to Education Board – about compensation for the erosion
  - 05 October 1982 from Bannister Education Board to solicitors re Dingles property – subject raised in 1966 by Dingles – two years exchanges concerning problem – 1968 to be referred to (Dingles) Engineer – matter lapsed until 1978 – 1980 meeting no report from Dingles engineer reported – finance offer discussed
  - 11 October 1982 from solicitors to Mrs B H Dingle re reply from Education Board
  - Education Board to solicitors received a report from the engineers
  - 17 June 1982 from solicitors to Education Board re on site meeting
  - 07 April 1982 same subject as above
  - 20 April 1982 same subject as above
  - 22 March 1982 same subject
  - 12 November 1981 same subject
  - 04 March 1982 same subject
  - 04 March 1982 same subject
  - 10 August 1981 same subject
  - 05 August 1981 same subject
  - 30 June 1981 same subject
  - 26 January 1981 same subject
  - no date same subject
  - 20 November 1980 same subject
  - 30 October 1980 same subject
  - 04 November 1980 same subject
  - 24 July 1980 from solicitor to Education Board suggestion and mention of areas marked on a plan – but no plan in the set of records
  - 05 July 1974 from solicitor to Mr B H Dingle 27 Plateau Road Te Marua ask Registered Valuer to inspect property report and recommendations re damage suffered of land falling away in support of your claim for compensation
  - 05 November 1971 from solicitor to B H Dingle same subject
  - 07 March 1967 invoice from Registered surveyors to Mr B H Dingle part Lot 40 DP 21323
  - PLAN and Gross Section DP 18609
  - 20 October 1987 hand written from Mrs D C Dingle to Minister of Education asking for action in the problem (have not transcribed the person letter)
  - 28 October 1987 from Minister of Education to Mrs Dingle acknowledge receiving letter
  - Memo urgent Ministerial same subject
  - 12 December 1987 from Education to Mrs Dingle acknowledging letter
  - 04 March 1988 from solicitors to Education same subject
  - 21 march 1988 from Education to solicitor same subject
  - Memo 28 march 1988 between Education departments same subject
  - Memo 02 June 1988 between Education departments same subject subsidence of land
  - 15 May 1984 ministerial correspondence same subject
  - 24 April 1984 ministerial correspondence same subject
  - 12 May 1983 solicitor same subject
  - 12 November 1982 solicitor same subject
  - 05 October 1982 solicitor same subject
  - 21 June 1988 education board same subject
  - 06 July 1988 from Education to Solicitors same subject

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