



Date	Ellingham	Kirby Cane
1911	School closed for 3 weeks due to whooping cough. Mrs. Hinsley became the Infant teacher.	Sale of Glebe land.
1912	Serious flooding of the marshes. Three and a half feet of water in Geldeston Road and up to the back door at Dairy Farm. Sugarbeet became a popular crop, giving farmers an autumn and winter harvest. The Anglo-Dutch Sugar Corporation factory opened at Cantley.	
1913	An outbreak of Measles closed the school most of February. A new subject introduced; Geography. School Medical inspections began.	Leet Hill Farm (90 acres) sold.
4 Aug. 1914	<p style="text-align: center;">WAR DECLARED</p> <div> <div> <p>There were the infants and two classes in the big school room. Iron stoves were in each room and there were three outside toilets. Children went home for lunch. The Rev. Henley gave the Religious education (RE) lesson. In the winter, a horse snow plough from Row Farm would clear the route for the children. At Easter there was a Maypole, and later a school fete.</p>  <p>Ellingham Hall</p> <p>Where the antiques shop was, Tom Brown kept a grocer's shop, and his brother Fred had a greengrocers (where Bale's Florist was later at 123 Yarmouth Road). The old school room was used for cookery classes. The Post Office was then situated on the other side of Newgate from the present one. There was a little sweet shop in the house next to the Memorial Hall.</p> </div> <div> <p>There was a quoits pitch on a field near Brook Farm. John Horace Harvey (32) joined the Royal Lancers, moved to the Royal Flying Corps; promoted to Flight Sergeant 1917, discharged not fit 1918.</p> <p>September: 500 of the Cheshire Yeomanry (1/1st) encamped on the meadow close to the Park. The school was used for a time because some of the tents split; the children getting an extra week's holiday.</p> <p>October: Solders were reported by the Headmistress passing the school from 10am to 12.30. The opportunity was taken for the pupils to learn about regimental badges, different arms. Guns were seen for the first time, and the ambulance wagons.</p> <p>2 aeroplanes (the first ever seen by most of the pupils) flew over.</p>  <p>Kirby Rectory</p> </div> </div>	

