

*Reasonable Excuses.*

4. Any of the following reasons shall be a reasonable excuse, namely:—

- (a.) That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- (b.) That the child is prevented attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) That there is no Public Elementary School which the child can attend, within two miles, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of such child.
- (d.) If the child when over eight years of age is employed in haymaking, corn harvest, or in gathering hops, according to "Agricultural Children's Act, 1873," or is receiving instruction in pursuance of the "Industrial Schools Act, 1866."

*Time of Attendance.*

5. Subject to the provisions of these Bye-laws, the time during which every child shall attend school shall be the whole time for which the school shall be open for the instruction of children.

*Deductions of Time for School.*

6. Any child between ten and twelve years of age who obtains from one of Her Majesty's Inspectors a certificate of having reached the fourth standard of education in the New Code of 1875, shall be exempt from any obligation to attend school.

Any child who has been so certified to have reached the third standard of education in the said Code of 1875, shall be exempt from the obligation to attend school more than half the school meetings in any one week.

Any child not less than ten years of age who is proved to the Board to be beneficially and necessarily at work, and who has been so certified to have reached the said third standard of education, shall be exempt from attending more than ten hours in any one week; and any child who is certified by the master or mistress to have kept 150 attendances in one half of the year, and who has also been certified by one of Her Majesty's Inspectors to have reached the said third standard of education shall be exempt from attending the other half of the year.

Provided also that nothing herein contained shall prevent the withdrawal of any child from any religious observance, or instruction in religious subjects, or inspection in such subjects, or shall require any child to attend school on any day set apart for religious observance by the religious body to which his or her parent belongs.

7. If the parent of any child residing in the district of the School Board satisfies the Board of his or her being unable, through poverty, to pay the school fees for such child, the Board shall, in the case of a school provided by the Board, remit the whole or such part of the fees as in the opinion of the Board the parent is unable to pay, for a renewable period to be fixed by the Board not exceeding three months.

8. Nothing in the present Bye-laws shall have any force or effect in so far as it may be contrary to anything contained in any Act for regulating the education of children employed in labour.

*Penalty for Breach of Bye-laws.*

9. Any parent committing an offence in breaking or neglecting any of these Bye-laws shall be subject, on conviction, to a penalty not exceeding such a sum as with the costs will amount to five shillings for each offence.

*Date of Bye-laws.*

10. These Bye-laws shall take effect from and after the day on which the same shall be sanctioned by Order of Her Majesty in Council. Sealed with the Corporate Common Seal of the School Board of the parish of Sevenoaks, this 1st day of January, 1876.



A. Swanzy, Chairman.

John Bridges Nunn, Clerk.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 12th day of February, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the School Board of Llangefni, appointed under "The Elementary Education Act, 1870," have, in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the seventy-fourth section of that Act, with the approval of the Education Department, made certain Bye-laws, bearing date the eighteenth of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, numbered 538:

And whereas all the conditions in regard to the said Bye-laws, which are required to be fulfilled by the said Act, have been fulfilled, and the said Bye-laws have been submitted for the sanction of Her Majesty in Council: now, therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the said Bye-laws (copy whereof is hereunto annexed) into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare, and doth hereby declare, Her sanction of the same.

C. I. Peel.

*Bye-Laws referred to in the foregoing Order.*

No. LXXXVIII.

THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACT, 1870.

BYE-LAWS OF THE LLANGEFNI SCHOOL BOARD.

I.—In these Bye-laws the term "parent" includes every person who is liable to maintain or has the actual custody of any child; but does not include the mother of a child whose father resides within the parish of Llangefni. The term "School" means either a Public Elementary School, or any other school at which efficient elementary instruction is given. The term "Board" or "School Board" means the School Board for the parish of Llangefni.

II.—The parent of every child of not less than five years nor more than twelve years of age and residing in the district of the School Board is required to cause such child to attend school unless there be some reasonable excuse for non-attendance.

III.—Any of the following shall be a reasonable excuse for the non-attendance of a child at school, namely:—

- (a.) That the child is under efficient instruction in some other manner.
- (b.) That the child has been prevented from attending school by sickness or any unavoidable cause.
- (c.) That there is no Public Elementary School open, which the child can attend, within two miles measured according to the nearest road