

History of Paint Rock School

The first public school of Paint Rock was taught in an old one room log dwelling located near the foot of Keel's mountain. Oric Nolton was the first teacher. Miss Mattie Hines succeeded Mr. Nolton and taught the following three years.

In 1886, a school building was constructed across the road from the old cemetery. This was a frame construction consisting also of one room. Among the early teachers in this school were Messers, Swlvian, Gomley, Roach, Gross, Durham, Steel, Misses Annie Cole and Laura Putman. This building was used until it was destroyed by fire in 1905. It was rebuilt the same year at the present location with two class rooms and a music room. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simpson and Miss Allen were the first teachers.

An addition of two rooms were built in 1928. The school was then a Junior High with six teachers. Some of the former teachers who have taught are:

M. W. Little, Jessie Myrtle Esslinger, Betty, Annie and Linnie Deus, Nell Thomas, Ethel Hayes, Ed Johnson, Jesse Wheeler, Roy Whitaker, Grace Nichnes, Margie Wann, Ruth Breuster, Grace Evans, Ted Butler, Rose Breuster, Deuey Smith, Sarah Rudder, Lucille O'shield, Eloise McGuffey, Lois Davis, Vera Swain, Marion Henslee, Leon Rutherford, Eunice Holcomb, Russell Sanders, Juanita Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, Mrs. Frances Sublett, Mrs. Esley Flanagan, Mrs. Roy Whitaker. A MR. C. E. SPENCER.

The recent building program was started in 1949 with two class rooms and a lunch room. The concrete building was completed in 1952 with the addition of two class rooms, a dining room and modern facilities.

Faculty



Mrs. Lelia Whitaker Second Grade



Mrs. Elah Sublett First Grade



Mr. C. Edwin Spencer, Principal Fifth and Sixth Grades

Dedication

This annual is dedicated to the teachers of the school year 1951-52, for their sincere efforts in behalf of the students of Paint Rock School.



Mrs. Esley Flanagan Third + Fourth Grades

Sixth Grade Graduation

May 15, 1952 - - - 7:30 P. M.

Salutatory------ Wilma Shepard

Historian------ Wilma Ruth Sisk

Giftorian------ Naioma Smith

Prophecy------ Norma Dean Gilliam

Poet------ Katie Faye Manning

Presidents Oration------ Croky Gwathney

Class Will------ Doyce Smith

Valedictory------ Joe Lemly

Presentation of Diplomas----- Principal

The Sixth Grade



Doyce Smith



Deanie Gilliam



Cecil White



Wilma Sisk



Joe Lemly





Louise Talley



Wilma Shepard

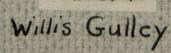




Katie Manning



Corky Gwathney





Fifth Grade



Fourth Grade



Third Grade



Second Grade



First Grade



Lunch Room Workers

Mrs Tula Wilbourn - Miss Florence Allen

Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades

First and Second Grades





"Over The Garden Wall" Characters

Boy Blue _____ Ruth Ann Hill

Mistress Mary ____ Patsy Houk

Mr. Sun ____ Penny Ivy

Bluebird _____ Patsy Ann Shepard

Gnome ____ Sue Branum

Dawn ____ Tashia Steelman

Flowers __ Gracie Kennamer, Juanita Little,

Sue Allen, Shirley George, Joan Stacey *

Kathleen Houk.

Sunbeams _ Jim Hill, James Skelton, Martin Allen,
Mickey Moody + Chipper Whitaker.

Fairies - Marie Clemons, Jimmie Smith, Carol Bell, Delena Kay, Wanda Kay + Judy Butler Butterflies - Jane Allison, Jane Lemly + Patsy Gilliam



4 H Club

Boys - Rayburn Gilliam, Cranford Smith, Luther Clemons
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Joe Lemly and Glenn Manning
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