

Along with the information and photographs of the Hoyles family, Mr John Page included this interesting school photograph. Looks like 6 staff to 23 pupils with pupil ages from about 7 to 14 years. Wonder how they made a small school like this work?

This old Victorian school picture, taken in Paignton, may be of interest since many Paignton families must have ancestors in it looking highly learned and disciplined under the unsmiling faces of the school staff; not quite as I remember it in the 1950s! Unfortunately I do not know which school is featured, nor do I know the names of any of the staff or students, but I am keen for the image not to be permanently lost, which is what will happen some 120+ years on when the next generation find it and may not even be able to work out where it came from. Needless to say, if by some remarkable chance, names can be put to faces, I would be very interested to hear.

