Schooling 1-Attending School: School Clothing, Fees and Rules

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY SHEET

SOURCES

Source 1. Chichester School Boys, 1878

Source 2. East Grinstead Council School, 1900

Source 3a. Chichester National and Lancastrian Schools 'Scale of Fees' May, 1881

Source 3b is a sound recording of 3a.

Source 4a. School Log Books Extracts: Cocking National School, 1880 and St

Catherine's Roman Catholic School, Littlehampton, 1886.

Source 4b is a sound recording of 4a.

Source 5a. Rules of Warnham National School, 1875

Source 5b is a sound recording of 5a.

QUESTIONS
1. Study Sources 1 and 2 and describe what the scholars (school children) are wearing.
How does the boys' clothing differ from the girls'?
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Read Sources 3a and 4a and answer questions 2-4. You can also listen to the extracts
on audio.
2. Did you have to pay to go to school before 1891? If so, how much did Chichester
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National School charge? Skip this question if you have already talked about paying for
school.

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3. How much would the weekly fees come to if five children from the same family in
Chichester went to school? Skip this question if you have already talked about paying
for school.
4. Could the families of all children afford to pay these fees?
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Read Source 5a and answer questions 5, 6, 7, and 8. You can listen to this on audio.
5. In the 1875 National School Rules in Warnham, at what time did scholars start
school, how long did they have for lunch and what time did school end?
6. What standards of behaviour were expected and what was forbidden in Victorian
schools? Is it the same today?

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