



FINTRY MUSEUM



The girls' school was in the attic of this building - now demolished

SCHOOLS (2)

Girls' School

From around 1800 there was a school for girls on the south side of Main Street. The building has long gone. It was situated in the gap site where Coopers or Spout Burn crosses under the road to pass by the Menzies Hall. The school for up to 40 girls was in an attic hall and was subsidised by Peter Spiers. Hugh Edmond later recalls going to the Scouts in the house next door on the east side.

Stewart School

When the mill came and the Newton of Fintry grew larger, a local merchant paid for and built Stewart's School in 1839. This was well before schools for all in Scotland became the law in 1872.

It included a schoolmaster's house and two classes. In 1899 there was an outbreak of typhoid in Fintry and Stewart's school was used as an isolation hospital.

During World War 2 it took in evacuees, many of whom were taught in the Menzies Hall. In 1921 it had 61 pupils and 2 teachers. After it closed it became a community centre then a private home.

Fintry School

In 1961 another school was built at Culcreuch Avenue. It was opened by the Right Honourable Tom Johnston, former Secretary of State for Scotland and local resident.



Stewart School around 1920 - teacher Mr Finlayson

The new school began with about 40 pupils but very shortly after the Menzies estate was built and the school had over 100 children by 1975 and added hatted accommodation. The present design was added in 2000. The Schoolhouse in the playground (for the headteacher) became vacant and was converted into a nursery.

In 2010 it received a full week's inspection and was given the highest rating ever in Stirling and placed in the top three in Scotland.