

Honor Roll at Swan Bay.

UNVEILING CEREMONY.

The unveiling ceremony in connection with the honor roll at Swan Bay Public School (Mr. W. Bondfield, teacher) took place on Friday last, when a full attendance of pupils, together with a large representation of parents and visitors) was present. Mr. P. Malone presided. After the chorus "Advance Australia Fair" by the children, and a recitation "Right to the End," by Miss Molly Butler,

Mr. H. Williams briefly addressed the children, impressing upon the freedom and liberty they enjoyed under the flag. That freedom, he said, could only be maintained now by fighting, and our boys at the front were doing their share. When he read of their achievements it made him feel that, old as he was, he should go and try and help them, even though he was not, perhaps, of the stuff warriors are made. He urged the little ones to pay attention to their lessons, and so fit themselves for the tasks that lie ahead. They would be called upon to play a great part in the building up of our land, and now was their opportunity to prepare for the work.

Song, by the pupils, "Sleeping in Gallipoli."

Mr. C. J. McRae said he would address himself solely to the children. This was a red letter day in the school's history, and he was very pleased to be there to help in celebrating a very memorable event. The little ones before him were going to be the future citizens of Australia—men and women of the world. Much, therefore, depended on their education, and on the building up of their characters to-day. When they arrived at the age of manhood and womanhood peace would be over the land. At present the war was killing and maiming millions, but the Allies were winning and would finally conquer. And they were fighting not so much for the mere sake of conquering as for the definite purpose of rendering it impossible for such a war to occur again for very many years to come. He referred to a letter, which had just been handed to him, sent by Roy Patch, a boy who had grown up in their midst, and who had left here to fight for Australia, and the Empire. He was exceptionally pleased to be here to join in commemorating this memorable day in Swan Bay.

Recitation, "Pro Patria," Master P. Butler.

Mr. J. Pursey then unveiled the roll of honor, after which Miss Jean Dolby read the names inscribed thereon, while all present stood with bowed heads. The roll of honor is a very striking piece of work, executed by Brown and Jolly, of Lismore, out of cedar. The design is an exceedingly handsome one. At the top of the ornamental wood

work is an exceedingly handsome one. At the top of the ornamental wood work is a reproduction of the Australian coat of arms, in colors, beneath that the figures "1914-19—," below that again "Roll of Honor, Swan Bay, For God and Empire." Then between Ionic columns these names, with designation for "wounded," "killed," and "missing": Henry Boyter (W), Thomas Hann (M), Abel Skinner, D.C.M. (K), Harold Kirkland, Jack Tysoe, Urban Lambert, F. Robinson, William Callum (K), Alex. McLunes, Ken Leeson (W), Pat Malone (W), Roy Patch, Alfred Pursey (K), Albert Pursey, Neil Leeson (ret. ill), Chas. Greenaway (W), Richard Gilligan, Fred Morley (K), Charles Eutienap, George Drinan (K), Donald McPhee, Joseph Marks, Reg Chapman, Sid Butell, William Surtees, Willie Tunsted (W), Alex McPhee, Jack Leeson, Henry McNamara. Along the pedestal runs the legend, "Freedom, Truth and Justice." The cost of the roll has already been subscribed.

Mr. Bondfield intimated that the roll was not quite complete, but names would be added from time to time as they became known. He hoped the would be supplied as promptly as possible. He was proud to know that Swan Bay had done this honor to those who had enlisted from that district, for the roll would be a lasting tribute to their gallantry in going out to fight for their country.

Recitations by Miss Belle Kirkland, Master Walter Lee and Miss Laurial McPherson were given, after which the National Anthem was sung, and cheers given for the Chairman, teacher and visitors.

Subsequently the girls did the Maypole Dance out in the grounds, and the ladies of the Bay entertained the gathering at light refreshments.