

Logan Campbell Kindergarten, Auckland

The first purpose built kindergarten in New Zealand established through the patronage of Sir John Logan Campbell in 1910



Emma Logan Campbell 1835-1912



John Logan Campbell 1817-2012

John Logan Campbell, was an early settler in Auckland who became a significant benefactor of a range of institutions including Cornwall park. Emma Campbell was actively involved in her support of institutions for young children

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Interior of Logan Campbell Kindergarten, Auckland Kindergarten Association

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Exterior of Logan Campbell Kindergarten, Auckland Kindergarten Association

The building was vacated when a new kindergarten was built in 1960. The original building remains dilapidated but protected by the Historic Places Trust in its original site in Victoria Park.

In 2010 John Logan Campbell also arranged for the building of a crèche in Grey Street on land purchased by the Anglican Sisters of the Order of the Good Shepherd who had established the Grey Street crèche in 1906. The subsequent Campbell Crèche was an imposing structure and used by the sisters until the 1950s and the building was later demolished. This little known story is remarkable in that the crèche existed in close proximity to the Myers Park Kindergarten built in 1916. There seems to have been little connection between these two institutions for young children.

See Helen May (2013 2nd ed.) *Discovery of Early Childhood*, NZCER Press, Wellington, pp. 216-21.



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