

# Kulde

A railway siding was erected at Kulde during 1912. Children from around Kulde had no school nearer than Wynarka. Some children travelled long distances to attend school, others did not attend at all as regulations stated that children living more than 3 miles from a school were exempt from a penalty for non attendance.

In 1920 parents requested a school be opened at or near Kulde. There were sufficient numbers to justify opening a school but not enough to justify the erection of a building. In 1929 the residents of Naturi area erected a stone building for use as a hall and also to rent to the Education Department for use as a school. This meant that the 15ft x 15ft transportable building at Naturi would no longer be required. The residents of Kulde again contacted the Education Department pointing out that this building was available. Approval from the Education Department was granted and arrangements were made for the Naturi School to be dismantled and re-erected at Kulde. It took 3 days to be dismantled and 10 days to reassemble and line the building. Desks were sent from the Department and the Kulde School opened on May 27th 1930.

Kulde only had three teachers - the first staying more than seven years:

Anne M McKerlie	from May 1930 to September 1937
Edna E Hoffrichter	from September 1937 to June 1940
Laura M Bruff	from June 1940 to November 1940

Kulde school closed on November 30th 1940 owing to falling numbers. The building from Kulde was transferred to Karoonda and was available for use when Karoonda Area School opened.

Children from Kulde made their way to Wynarka to travel by bus to Karoonda Area School from the beginning of 1941.