Anecdote given by Sue McConnell (nee Campbell)

The story concerns Pat Chisolm nee Miles.

Pat, a bright student and also quite adventurous and outgoing, who, before one science lesson with Mrs. Mabel Whiley (Science Mistress NGHS and a VERY stern taskmaster!) decided to hide in the front cupboard of the Science Lab. Pat was small, so was able to fit in easily. Unfortunately for Pat she had to see another of her other Science teachers at lunch time and who should answer the staff room door but the fearsome Mabel Whiley!!! who then proceeded to ask Pat why she had not been present in the science lesson?

Patty, still astounded and dumbfounded at Mrs. Whiley's presence blurted out & all was revealed - "I was in the cupboard Mrs Whiley!!!".

Mabel too was apparently astounded.

Knowing Mrs Whiley, I bet there would have been dire repercussions but sadly, those who tell this story do not know what, if anything, eventuated!!