

mathematics. She feels that the new maths allows a greater freedom to individuals' solutions to problems, hence a definite departure from the old 'one method only' attitude, that, all too often hampered the imaginative child and discouraged original thinking.

Her favorite hobby, reading, occupies most of her 'spare' time and one of her greatest pleasures is to take time to read aloud to her classes in school. She also is a great believer in nourishing curiosity, in children. If her pupils do not question her enough, she becomes the questioner—'Why?' she will challenge, to get the ball rolling. And has found this quite enough to start them off.

What does she think of Home and School Associations? In her opinion, an active group, such as Hawthorne has, maintains an excellent and constructive line of communication between the home and the school.

This summer, Hawthorne will be getting a needed new group of young children still provides Miss Baird with

ables) and a general purpose and kindergarten room. All of which pleases its Principal very much indeed, for even after 23 years of teaching, a which to work in her chosen field.

To those having the opportunity of talking with her, Miss Baird exemplifies the ideal teacher-principal; approachable, responsible, professionally competent and displaying that most necessary attribute, a warm and spontaneous sense of humor.

Math Program

Along with her responsibilities as Principal of Hawthorne, Miss Baird has involved herself very fully in the new mathematics program.

For the past three years, she has been a member of the Provincial Mathematics Commission and has taught the primary methods course at teacher summer schools. Her duties in this capacity have taken her throughout the province, speaking on the new maths, and resulted in her election, in September of 1965, to the Executive Commission—the first elementary teacher to take her place in