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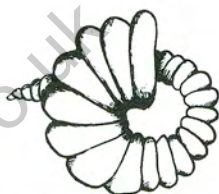
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The Rt. Revd. Michael Henshall
Bishop of Warrington

EDITORIAL

This year has seen no major projects taking place, or further new buildings springing up around us; but St. Elphin's would not be the school it is, if it remained in 'status quo' and we learn that drastic alterations are to take place in The Front Hall, both for the sake of safety and for the improvement of the facilities in Powys House which is to be provided with much-needed bathrooms and dormitories. We shall sadly miss the view of the full extent of the lovely old oak staircase, but hope that the added benefits for Powys and the lessening of the fire risks will compensate for this.

Certain minor changes, however, have taken place during the year. Previous inhabitants of Devonshire House will certainly remember how cramped the little downstairs kitchen became when thirty girls wanted to make toast and heat milk all at the same time. It was decided that these facilities were inadequate and dangerous and so, during the Easter holidays, the Head Girl's room was converted into a kitchen. We returned for the Summer term to see a new, spacious, clean kitchen, equipped with a sink and draining board, a cooker with rings, grill and oven, a kettle, a large refrigerator, ample storage space and room for chairs. This is a vast improvement on previous facilities and the kitchen is used by every member of Devonshire House. I would therefore like to thank sincerely those who made our new kitchen possible, on behalf of all present and future members of Devonshire House.

At the beginning of the year, the porch-room in Front Hall, where the public telephone was installed was converted into the Deputy Headmistress's office and the telephone removed to Long Corridor. A new telephone was installed at the end of Long Corridor in one of those mysterious 'cubby-holes' near Wilson House-room, for the use of the Staff and Sixth Form only. These arrangements have proved of great benefit to everybody concerned.

It is with real sadness that we have had to say goodbye this term to two of our most respected and long-serving members of Staff, Mrs. Kitchen, our Deputy Headmistress and Miss Rees-Jones, Head of the Music Department and House Mistress of Wilson. Both are retiring, Mrs. Kitchen after 19 years and Miss Rees-Jones after ten years of loyal and dedicated service to the school. The whole school wish them a long and happy retirement and to Mrs. Kitchen go our best wishes for a speedy recovery from the operation on her knee, which unfortunately kept her from us in the second half of the term. More will be said of both later in the Magazine and of the farewell party held in their honour.

We were sorry too, to say goodbye to several other members of staff — to Mrs. Rippingale who has taught German for 4 years and

will be much missed for her hard work and loyalty; to Mr. Clare, the choir-master and organist for 2½ terms, whose beautiful setting of the Eucharist has proved very popular with the choir; and to his temporary successor, Mr. Carding, whose organ recitals proved a rare delight. We wish them all the best in the future.

During the year we have welcomed Mr. Middleton to teach General Science and Biology and Mrs. Leach who has joined Miss Cawood in the Art Department and has the use of one of the old wooden Form Rooms which has been converted into an Art and Craft room.

Mrs. Newton, who left just before Christmas, now has a healthy son, over whom the girls were in ecstasies when she brought him to school.

We shall look forward to meeting next term Mr. Brockbank, Miss Rees-Jones' successor as Head of Music, Mrs. Brockbank, who will teach some English and Mr. Thornton, who will teach German and French. We especially welcome Miss Stevenson whom many of us have already had an opportunity of meeting, as our new Deputy Headmistress.

Finally we would like to wish all those who are leaving the very best in the future.

Katherine Dunkley, UVI

Mrs. Kitchen, 1958-1977

Mrs. Kitchen, Deputy Headmistress and Head of the Mathematics Department, is leaving St. Elphin's after nineteen years loyal and devoted service to the school. Many will not know that Mrs. Kitchen joined the staff, in 1958, in a part-time, temporary capacity — but St. Elphin's needed her, and she gave St. Elphin's nearly twenty years — in fact in mathematical terms, the second half of the total number of years which she devoted to teaching.

Mrs. Kitchen had come to us from teaching boys — which I understand that she thoroughly enjoyed, even though, on occasions, it involved her in instructing her pupils in the finer points of the game of football! Furthermore, she was not daunted when she accompanied Mr. Kitchen and a large number of schoolboys on a camping expedition to the Channel Islands, when the weather proved inclement, and it poured with rain the whole time.

Perhaps it was with relief that Mrs. Kitchen turned her talents to instructing the young ladies of St. Elphin's in the gentle art of mathematics. When Mrs. Kitchen joined the staff, the school was only half its present size, and very few of its present buildings were in existence. The IB, with its specialist rooms, including its beautifully equipped Mathematics room, was a thing of the future. But Mrs. Kitchen's qualities as a teacher and as a colleague were revealed, even when the school was far smaller and less complex than at present. As we look back over the years, we find so much for which we have to thank and admire Mrs. Kitchen — her scholarship, and ability to inspire in her able pupils the enthusiasm for so demanding a study as higher mathematics; her sympathy and patient understanding of the difficulties of the less able mathematicians; her unselfish devotion to duty, whatever calls were made upon her.

I personally owe Mrs. Kitchen a deep debt of gratitude for her help and guidance during my first two years as Headmistress of St. Elphin's. I thank her for her kindly advice, her wise judgement, and her unswerving loyalty at all times. I know too, that in the Staff Room her tact and good humour proved invaluable in overcoming difficulties and helped to ensure the smooth running of the school. On no occasion was Mrs. Kitchen too busy to help organise, investigate, comfort or encourage.

The quality which we all came to admire most of all, in Mrs. Kitchen, during her last term at St. Elphin's, was her great courage, in the face of much carefully concealed pain. We were much saddened when we heard that Mrs. Kitchen was going to be admitted to hospital in May for an operation, although we knew that

it was long overdue. We admired tremendously her determination to win through, and her unremitting efforts to recover her strength and vigour. We were delighted to have her back with us, at school, even though only for the farewell party given in her honour at the end of the term. We hope that she will eventually be restored to full health, and that she will soon be able to enjoy the relaxation and refreshment, in her retirement, which she so richly deserves.

A. L. MAYHEW

Miss Rees-Jones, 1968-1977

In the teaching world, so often one school's loss is another school's gain. This proved to be the case when the Woodard School, St. Winifred's, Llanfairfechan, closed down, for it brought us Miss Rees-Jones, who devoted the last nine years of her long teaching experience to St. Elphin's. Miss Rees-Jones spent all her thirty nine years in the teaching profession in boarding schools, so we at St. Elphin's reaped the full benefit of her wide experience in similar schools. Miss Rees-Jones leaves us as House Mistress of Wilson House, Senior House Mistress and Head of the Music Department.

The girls in Wilson House will greatly miss Miss Rees-Jones. She expected the highest standards of discipline, yet her stern rebukes to young offenders in her House left no resentment. Her care and concern for every member of Wilson House called forth from the girls, from youngest to oldest, a response of respect and real affection. Wilson girls always gave of their best, whether in the Autumn Bazaar, or the Inter-House Music Competition, or the Swimming Gala, for they knew that their success would be proudly acknowledged and praised by Miss Rees-Jones.

Miss Rees-Jones succeeded Miss Thompson, as Director of Music at St. Elphin's, in 1973. In this position she did much to inspire in our girls a love of singing and music making in all its forms, and to encourage them to attend concerts and recitals, both in the school and at concert halls within reach of St. Elphin's.

We were never allowed to forget Miss Rees-Jones' pride in her Welsh origins. Daffodils were always presented to her on St. David's Day, and in the evening, she was serenaded by the Junior School with 'Men of Harlech', played on recorders. Miss Rees-Jones possessed a delightful sense of humour, and always enjoyed, as much as and even more than anyone else, amusing little anecdotes told about herself. Everyone loved her, for her kindness and her

sympathy, and everyone was anxious to look after her, when occasionally, through absent mindedness, she mislaid her possessions. She takes with her our affection and our best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

A. L. MAYHEW

Leaving Party for Mrs. Kitchen and Miss Rees-Jones

On Thursday, 7th July a leaving party was given, by the Governors for Mrs. Kitchen and Miss Rees-Jones. Staff, Governors and members of the Lower Sixth were all present to welcome back Mrs. Kitchen after her absence from school owing to an operation. She returned looking very elegant and was undoubtedly the "belle of the ball".

On behalf of the Governors Mr. Hopkins presented a gold bracelet to Mrs. Kitchen who also received garden furniture and a croquet set from the Senior School and Staff. This was presented by Miss Mayhew. Mrs. Osmond proposed a toast to Mrs. Kitchen's future happiness in her retirement after many years of dedicated service to the school.

Miss Rees-Jones was then presented with a Teasmade from the Governors and Staff. A toast was proposed by Mr. Horne, who had confidently entrusted the care of his three daughters to Miss Rees-Jones as members of Wilson House.

Mrs. Higgins, who officially retired last year but who has returned on many occasions when needed, was pleasantly surprised when she was presented with a table from the Governors as a gesture of their appreciation of her invaluable guidance to the younger members of the school. Mrs. Cannon, whose grandson was taught by Mrs. Higgins, proposed the toast.

After the presentations we were entertained by Penny and Helena Hill-Wilson who performed "The Cat Minuet". A splendid buffet was served by the LVI and consumed with great relish while Mr. Carding entertained us on the piano. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present and the organisers, especially Miss Marsden and Mrs. Barling and the LVI are warmly thanked.

Elizabeth Brook
Helen Simpson

MAY 31st 1977 — THE CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF HORACE POWYS

Horace Powys, third son of Thomas Powys, second Baron Lilford, was born on November 20th 1805, and died on May 31st 1877. He was educated at Harrow and St. John's College, Cambridge, where he graduated M.A. in 1826, and was created D.D. in 1854. On February 21st 1833 he married and had eight children, five of whom were girls. After the custom of the time, being the third son, he was ordained, and in 1831 his father presented him to the family living of Warrington. He remained Rector of Warrington until July 5th 1854, when he was consecrated Bishop of Sodor and Man.

Living as he did at a time when the Church and nation were becoming increasingly alive to the importance of education, a vigorous personality like that of Horace Powys could not fail to be strongly impressed throughout his life with the necessity for improvement in this field, and, while Rector of Warrington, he founded the Clergy Daughters' School which was to become St. Elphin's as we know it today. He also founded the Warrington Training College which is now St. Katharine's College, Liverpool, and was a founder of Chester College. Within Warrington he founded the Parochial School, the Musical Society, the Warrington Walking Day, the Parish Church Sunday School's Sick and Burial Society, and he also founded the church of Padgate.

In commemoration of the centenary of his death a Eucharist was held at the Parish Church of St. Elphin, Warrington. Representatives from all the various establishments founded by him were present at the service, including, from St. Elphin's, Miss Mayhew, Mr. Carding and the school choir, together with several other members of staff. It was a colourful sight, with the Bishop of Sodor and Man fully robed in red and gold and the crucifer in gold braided pink dalmatic, while the two acolytes bearing candles were dressed in deep red damask. Neither did our choir go unnoticed in their bright blue veils, while all the staff wore their gowns and hoods. The Principal of St. Katharine's wore his red doctoral robes.

After an opening procession, the Rector of Warrington, the Revd. Canon J. O. Colling gave a short introductory welcome and the choir of St. Katharine's College sang "Cantate Domino" by Pitoni. The service then continued after the order of 1973, with Miss Mayhew reading the Old Testament lesson and St. Elphin's choir singing the Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei by H. Popple, and the anthem "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace" by S. S. Wesley for the communion. During the service the Choir of St. Katharine's also sang "Let us now praise famous men" by Vaughan Williams, and the children from Fairfield Church School gave a touching

rendering of "God whose name is love" by Florence Hoatson, with a Glockenspiel accompaniment. The Bishop of Sodor and Man, the Right Revd. V. S. Nicholls, who had just flown in from the Isle of Man, preached the sermon in which he enlarged on the life and achievements of Horace Powys and asked us to pray for education today, and those leaving school and looking for jobs.

After the last hymn, the procession, or perhaps we should call it "walk", since it became more like an evening stroll, moved out, followed by the congregation for the laying of wreaths on the Powys grave. We then went to the site of the old rectory built by him, to the original Parochial School which is now used for the production of camping equipment, through the council estate to the site of the Clergy Daughters' School, and finally to the St. Katharine's chapel of the old Warrington Training College, all of which were founded by him. At each station a verse of the hymn "Thy hand, O God, has guided" was sung, and the Rector gave a few of the historical details of the site in question.

One of the most pleasant features of the long journey back was that, instead of the usual ribald songs, we were regaled by the most delightful impromptu recital of madrigals by the choir.

Mary Smith



SCHOOL OFFICE HOLDERS 1976-77

Head Girl: Jane Webster
Deputy Head Girl: Julie Burnett

Prefects: UVI Caroline Cooper
Katherine Dunkley
Toni Gascoigne
Judith Prescott
Isabella Preuss
Sally Round
Renee Sands
Grace Silwizya
Elizabeth Sledge
Mary Smith
Kristal Thompson
Claire Underwood

LVI Elizabeth Brook
Alison Grimes
Penelope Hill-Wilson
Helen Simpson
Alison Yates

Sub-Prefects: UVI Shirley Hassall
Margôt Hopkin-Evans
Caroline Murphy
Janet Palmer
Bhadra Patel
Sarla Patel
Julia Pearce
Rachel Thornton
Lisa Yuen

LVI Sally Bayly
Julia Dakin
Victoria Gregory
Denise Haddon
Susan Hill
Michele James
Sonja Swinger
Helen Rowley
Diane Thornhill
Shayne Tidman
Connie Yuen

HOUSE OFFICE HOLDERS 1976-77

Gresford House

Head of House: Toni Gascoigne

Deputy Head of House: Mary Smith

House Prefects: Gillian Hayes
Helen Rowley
Helen Simpson
Lee Standen

House Sub-Prefects: Anne Hallam
Karen Jenkins

Kennedy House

Head of House: Caroline Cooper

Deputy Head of House: Judith Prescott

House Prefects: Dianne Butterworth
Katherine Dunkley
Shirley Hassall
Sally Round
Renee Sands
Esther White

House Sub-Prefects: Gillian Cooper
Katherine Cooper
Kim Edgington
Sandra Little
Lomey Pitt
Gillian Prescott
Julie Trayner
Alison Vernon
Ferrelyn Wilson-Apperson

Pigot House

Head of House: Isabella Preuss

Deputy Head of House: Susan Hill

House Prefects: Michele James
Susannah Leaney
Nicolette Pollock
Lindsey Ruehorn

House Sub-Prefects: Miranda Ball
Kay Bibby
Miranda Glossop
Vanessa Herridge
Karen Verry

Powys House

Head of House: Grace Silwizya

Deputy Head of House: Kathryn Elks

House Prefects: Reena Badhwar
Linda Farr
Janet Palmer
Lisa Yuen
Connie Yuen

House Sub-Prefects: Rebecca Cotman
Victoria Gregory
Denise Haddon
Sarah Wilkinson

House Sub-Prefects on
Probation: Mary Clarke
Patricia Curry
Susan Hardacre
Vanessa Howitt
Susan Lord
Karen Rich
Tracy Rodger
Sharon Wilby
Beverley Whelpton

Selwyn House

Head of House: Julie Burnett

Deputy Head of House: Claire Underwood

House Prefects: Sally Bayly
Alison Grimes
Julia Pearce
Shayne Tidman
Alison Yates

House Sub-Prefects: Penelope Adams
Cordelia Barnwell
Alison Churms
Jane Siddall
Jennifer Slater
Karen Wilson

Wilson House

Head of House: Elizabeth Sledge

Deputy Head of House: Kristal Thompson

House Prefects: Bhadra Patel
Caroline Murphy
Jane Webster

House Sub-Prefects Elizabeth Brook
Penelope Hill-Wilson
Caroline Johnson
Rachel Robins
Sonja Swinger
Diane Thornhill
Deborah Whitworth

FIXTURE LIST

September 1976 - July 1977

AUTUMN TERM 1976

September

Saturday	18th	Film: "Gospel Road." Billy Graham
Sunday	19th	Harvest Festival
Saturday	25th	Sponsored Walk.
Monday	27th	VI form Social at Trent College

October

Saturday	2nd	Sixth Form Geographers to Wales.
Sunday	3rd	Sixth Form Geographers to Wales
Tuesday	5th	Upper V upwards. French film.
Friday	8th	Brahm's Violin Concerto. Kyung Wha Chung, Sheffield.
Wednesday	13th	Lower & Upper Sixth to see Brecht: Threepenny Opera — Derby Theatre in the Round.
Saturday	16th	Chatsworth Horse Trials.
Sunday	17th	Economics Any-Questions, 2-4 p.m.
Wednesday	27th	VI Form social at The Hall, Repton

November

Monday	8th	VI Form Social at the Mitre, Repton.
Tuesday	9th	Moliere, 7.30 p.m. Nottingham. VI French students.
Wednesday	10th	Lecture: "Trekking to Everest."
Sunday	14th	Remembrance Sunday. Evensong: The Provost of Derby.
Friday	19th	Hungarian State Symphony Orchestra; Ferencsik, Sheffield.
Sunday	20th	Christmas Bazaar.
Friday	26th	Gresford visit to "Ascent of Everest", Lady Manners School.
Saturday	27th	VI Form Social in the Library, inviting Trent College, Worksop College and Repton.
Sunday	28th	Junior Concert 2.00 p.m.

December

Friday	3rd	Senior School Drama, p.m.
Saturday	4th	Messiah. Hallé Orchestra, Sheffield. Maurice Handford.
Tuesday	7th	Nativity Play. Transition 2.15 p.m.
Wednesday	8th	Junior School to see "Toad of Toad Hall" at Stancliffe.
Wednesday	8th	UIII's to "The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew" at Lady Manners School.
Thursday	9th	Nativity Play 2.30 p.m. Middle School Carol Service at 6.00 p.m. Middle School Candle Lighting.
Friday	10th	Junior School Carol Service at 3.00 p.m. Old People's Tea at 4.00 p.m.
Saturday	11th	Junior School Candle Lighting 5.00 p.m.
Sunday	12th	Senior Carol Service 3.00 p.m. Senior Candle Lighting Service 4.45 p.m.
Monday	13th	Kindergarten and Transition Chapel Service 11.00 a.m.

SPRING TERM 1977

January

Wednesday	19th	London Mozart Players, Nina Milkina soloist, at Derby Kings Hall. 7.30 p.m.
Sunday	23rd	Mrs. Trevena showing film on Oxfam in Hall 5.00 p.m.
Saturday	29th	V Form Social to the Hall, Repton. Sheffield, Elgar's Violin Concerto, Kyung Wha Chung soloist.
Sunday	30th	Archdeacon of Derby, Reverend Dell, to Sung Eucharist. 11.00 a.m.-12 noon.

February

Tuesday	1st	Sixth Form. French film at Nottingham. 7.30 p.m.
Saturday	12th	V Form Social at Trent College.
Wednesday	16th	20 of LVI Form to a one day VI Form conference at Sheffield University.

March

Friday	4th	LIV's to "As you like it." The Crucible Theatre, Sheffield.
Saturday	5th	Wembley. England v New Zealand Hockey. 40 girls.
Friday	11th	VI Form. French Day, Nottingham University. Middle School Drama Competition.
Saturday	12th	VI Form Social at Worksop College.
Thursday	17th	"Henry IV Part 1", Shaw Theatre London. UV's "Sound of Music" Matlock Bath 7.15 p.m.
Friday	18th	VI Form to "The Rivals," Sheridan, at the Crucible, Sheffield. 7.30 p.m. Paul Tortelier, London Mozart Players, Sheffield Philharmonic Concert 7.30 p.m.
Sunday	20th	Confirmation 11.00 a.m.
Monday	21st	Inter-School Swimming Gala.
Tuesday	22nd	Confirmation 11.00 a.m.
Thursday	24th	Inter-House Music Competition. p.m.
Friday	25th	Inter-House Music Competition. a.m.
Saturday	20th	Geography field course to Llanberis.
Sunday	27th	Geography field course to Llanberis. Economics Any-Questions.
Tuesday	29th	Kindergarten and Transition Concert. 2.00 p.m. UIII and LIV to a Concert at the City Hall, Sheffield in aid of St. Luke's Nursing Home. 7.30 p.m.
Thursday	31st	LV and LVI party to Occupational Therapy School, Derby, 10.30 a.m.

April

Sunday	17th	Trip to Holland. UIII and LIII 25 girls. Miss Marsden and Mrs. Fearn.
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SUMMER TERM 1977**April**

Saturday	30th	Buxton Festival.
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May

Friday	6th	Buxton Festival.
Saturday	7th	Buxton Festival.
Wednesday	11th	Form Outings — p.m. Wilson House to Doulton Pottery.
Friday	13th	School Concert — 7.30 p.m.
Saturday	14th	Old Girls' reunion at St. Elphin's.
Thursday	19th	School Swimming Gala. VI and V form Social at Trent College.
Tuesday	24th	Service in honour of Bishop Powys at St. Elphin's Church, Warrington.
Wednesday	25th	Bishop of Southwell preaching. 11.00 a.m.
Saturday	28th	VI Form Social at Trent College.

June

Saturday	18th	LVI and UVI to the Lake District.
Sunday	19th	LVI and UVI to the Lake District. Bishop of Warrington here for the day.
Thursday	23rd	Party to Wimbledon.
Thursday	30th	4.30 p.m. Mrs. Scott, Cookery Demonstration. LV.

July

Friday	1st	Parents' Annual Dinner and Dance.
Saturday	2nd	Sports Day.
Saturday	9th	Junior School Speech Day.



SENIOR SPEECH DAY

This year we broke with precedent and held our first Autumn Speech Day on October 22nd. As so often, however, our luck held with regard to the weather and we had a lovely sunny day.

The Commemoration Service was held in Bakewell Church and the speaker was Canon J. O. Collings.

As this year is the centenary of the death of Horace Powys, our founder, Canon Collings told us many interesting details about the history of our school, from its foundation in Warrington in 1844 to the present day. He hinted that perhaps he had been invited to speak because he was "the best thing living next to St. Elphin"!

Bishop Powys was a man of profound, religious conviction, whose whole life was dedicated to the service of others. He was not, however, merely a stuffy, pompous Victorian, but a lively man who loved a practical joke, as he showed one day when, to 'test' the lift, he burst out among the astonished Governors of the school, assembled in the then dining room, from the lift shaft which is now used for laundry!

During the Communion the choir sang four anthems including the beautiful "Steal away to Jesus", and the service ended with a blessing given by the Bishop of Warrington.

Speeches began with the Chairman's address, given by the Bishop of Warrington. He talked of former Speech Days and made three main points in his address. Firstly he spoke of the religious commitments of the school and said that one cannot teach morality without basic spirituality. The second point was about the importance of standards of excellence in schools, and he expressed a dislike of co-educational schools as the standards are different for boys. The essential preparation necessary for when we leave school was the third point or, as he said himself, "a foundation that will not crumble".

Miss Mayhew followed the Chairman's address with her report on the school's activities over the past year. She especially urged more girls to remain for the Sixth Form rather than to leave to go to Sixth Form Colleges and pointed out the excellent facilities available here. Miss Mayhew also spoke of the proposed, new Art Centre, the latest venture to be financed by the Friends.

The prizes were distributed by our guest speaker Miss A. Duke, M.A. a scholar of Classics and tutor of distinction in Cambridge.

Miss Duke encouraged girls to pursue careers and make full use of the opportunities available for women. She especially encouraged those taking up medicine or law. Miss Duke impressed upon us the importance of education at all levels and assured us that it is never too late to change our minds.

Miss Duke's speech ended with a personal story about the time she spent in war time Greece with the resistance movement when, faced with a seemingly impossible task, she learnt the efficacy of prayer.

The Head Girl, Penelope Hill-Wilson gave the vote of thanks and amused us with some advertisement clippings, before expressing her wishes for a good year ahead.

Helen Simpson and Elizabeth Brook, our Deputy Head Girls requested the usual half day holiday, but suggested that as there were two of them, we ought to have a full day.

After the National Anthem, and a welcome cup of tea, girls, parents and staff dispersed to go home for Half Term.

Kathryn Elks

JUNIOR SPEECH DAY

The Junior Speech Day was held, once again, on the last day of the Summer Term, Saturday, 9th July. It was rewarding to see a packed hall, as we had prepared a full and exciting programme.

In my report on the year's work and progress, I stressed the importance of including French in the Junior School curriculum. As it was possible this year to allocate three French periods a week, to each of the lower IIIrd forms, it seemed a good idea to take full advantage of the opportunity presented in this way, and three French sets have been arranged in the Upper IIIrd forms next September. This should enable our girls to benefit from having started French in earnest in the Junior School, as those who have shown ability in the language this year will start in September in the top set.

Tribute was paid to Mrs. Kitchen and Miss Rees-Jones, both of whom were retiring after many years' dedicated service to the School.

Mr. W. H. Linnell, who took the chair for us once again, welcomed the Guest of Honour, Mr. Horne, Governor and parent. After Mrs. Horne had presented all the prizes, cups and certificates. Mr. Horne talked to us about the advantages of a Public School education.

Sarah Archer, the Head Girl of the Junior School, thanked Mr. Horne and presented him with a Book Token to commemorate his visit.

To close the proceedings, a more ambitious programme was provided this year, for the entertainment of our guests. The Lower IIIA Choral Verse Speaking choir gave a performance proving that they were worthy winners of the 1st prize at the Buxton Musical Festival this year. The Solo Singing group sang two delightful songs. Elizabeth Bardsley played competently on the Flute, and finally, our Junior School Instrumentalists, trained by Miss Lomas, displayed real talent in their rendering of three contrasting pieces, the last of which, 'The Wombling Song', brought the proceedings to a triumphant close, and indeed, won for them an encore, in which the whole audience enthusiastically joined! So ended a happy and successful year.

P. A. LAVENDER

SCHOLARSHIPS

1976

Sixth Form Scholarships

Sally Bayly	£300
Penelope Hill-Wilson	£150

Kennedy Scholarships

Major	Caroline Board	£500
Minor	Lisa Swingle	£150
	Helen Wheeler	100

Coxon Memorial Scholarship

Elizabeth Sledge	£100
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Powys Memorial Scholarship

Alison Yates	£100
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Stopford Memorial Scholarship

Katherine Dunkley	£50
Margot Hopkin-Evans	£50

Music Scholarship

Joanna Rossi	£50
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Whittam Scholarship

Rachel Petty	£100
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SCHOLARSHIPS

1977

Sixth Form Scholarship

Helen Lewington £300

Kennedy Scholarships

Major Georgina Board £500

Minor Nichola Holt £250

Coxon Memorial Scholarship

Sarah Scott £100

Powys Memorial Scholarship

Alison Yates £100

Music Scholarships

Emma Baker £200

Diana Hill-Wilson £200

Whittam Scholarship

Rachel Petty £100

PRIZES

Prizes for the best results in G.C.E. Examinations

1976

Advanced Level	Beverley Elks
Ordinary Level	Sally Bayly Sally Clarke Sarah Leaney

1977

Advanced Level	Sally Round Mary Smith
Ordinary Level	Susannah Leaney

Form Prizes

Upper VI ...	...	...	...	...	Mary Smith
Lower VI ...	...	...	...	...	Sally Bayly
Upper VA...	...	...	...	...	Tracey Thompson
Upper VB	...	...	...	...	Lindsey Ruehorn
Lower VA ...	...	...	...	...	Angela Smith
Lower VP ...	...	...	...	...	Caroline Board
Lower VB ...	...	...	...	...	Deborah Yates
Upper IVA	...	...	...	...	Jane Clarke
Upper IVP	...	...	...	...	Fiona Hunter
Upper IVB	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Gough
Lower IVA	...	...	...	...	Georgina Board
Lower IVP	...	...	...	...	Carole Hardwick
Lower IVB	...	...	...	...	Heather Nye
Upper IIIA	...	...	...	...	Nichola Holt
Upper IIIP	...	...	...	...	Fiona Stansbury
Upper IIIB	...	...	...	...	Kathryn Abbott

Headmistress's Prizes for Effort

Upper VI	...	...	...	...	Sally Round
Lower VI	...	...	...	...	Connie Yuen
Upper VA...	...	...	...	...	Gillian Hayes
Upper VB...	...	...	...	...	Alison Churms
Lower VA ...	...	...	...	...	Ruth Turner
Lower VP ...	...	...	...	...	Helen Womersley
Lower VB ...	...	...	...	...	Helen Dawson
Upper IVA	...	...	...	...	Emma Loveday
Upper IVP	...	...	...	...	Lucy Hong
Upper IVB	...	...	...	...	Anne Chapman
Lower IVA	...	...	...	...	Catherine Hoskin
Lower IVP	...	...	...	...	Marielle Sander

Lower IVB	...	...	...	...	Helen Atkin
Upper IIIA	...	...	...	...	Jill Davis
Upper IIIP	...	...	...	...	Susan Walters
Upper IIIB	...	...	...	...	Georgina Dale

Subject Prizes

Scripture	...	...	...	...	Vanessa Howitt
English }	...	...	...	...	Tracey Thompson
History }	...	...	...	...	
Geography	...	...	...	...	Anne Evans
French	...	...	...	...	Sally Round
German	...	...	...	...	Susannah Leaney
Latin	...	...	...	...	Sharon Wilby
Mathematics	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Brook
Physics	...	...	...	...	Susannah Leaney
Chemistry	...	...	...	...	Sally Grayson
Biology	...	...	...	...	Toni Gascoigne
Economics	...	...	...	...	Sally Bayly
Art	...	...	...	...	Miranda Glossop
Dom Science	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Green
Music	...	...	...	...	Penelope Hill-Wilson

Special Prizes

The Chairman's Prize	...	...	...	Jane Webster
The Burgess Prize for History	...	...	...	Julie Burnett
The Hamilton Memorial Prize for	...	...	...	Katherine Dunkley
Art	...	...	...	
The Henry Andrew's Prize for	...	...	...	Susan Hill
Domestic Science	...	...	...	
The Henry Andrew's Prize for	...	...	...	Elizabeth Wharton
Needlework	...	...	...	
The Scott Science Prize	...	...	...	Connie Yuen
The Hitchen Cup for Piano	...	...	...	Miranda Glossop
The Hammett Prize for Steady	...	...	...	Judith Prescott
Work	...	...	...	
General Musicianship Prize	...	...	...	Jennifer Slater

Cups

Drama	...	...	...	...	Selwyn
Hockey	...	...	...	...	Wilson
Athletics	...	...	...	...	Selwyn
Tennis	...	...	...	...	Wilson
Individual Tennis Cup	...	...	...	...	Caroline Murphy
Helen Robinson Cup for P.E.	...	...	...	...	Caroline Murphy
Miss Thompson's Cup for Music	...	...	...	...	Nancy Smith
Joyce Knight Cup for Speech and	...	...	...	...	Sally-Ann Thornton
Drama	...	...	...	...	

ENTRANCES TO UNIVERSITIES, HOSPITALS AND COLLEGES

Universities and Polytechnics

Caroline Cooper: Perth Polytechnic: S.N.C. in Business Studies.

Toni Gascoigne: Birmingham University to read Biochemistry.

Judith Prescott: Liverpool University to read in Biological Sciences.

Sally Round: Nottingham University to read Modern Languages.

Renee Sands: University of Windsor, Canada to read Commerce.

Elizabeth Sledge: Exeter University to read Mathematics and Statistics.

Kristal Thompson: University in U.S.A. to read Languages.

Jane Webster: Trent Polytechnic to read Law.

Colleges

Shirley Hassall: Richmond College, Sheffield.

Rachel Thornton: Derby Technical College: Secretarial and Linguistics Course.

Claire Underwood: Derby Technical College: Physics and Biology.

Lisa Yuen: Derby Technical College: O.N.D. Business Studies.

Hospitals

Caroline Murphy: St. George's Hospital, London; S.R.N.

Bhadra Patel: London Foot Clinic, Chiropody.

Julia Pearce: Charing Cross Hospital; S.R.N.

Other Careers

Julie Burnett: Gemmology at a Nottingham Jewellers.

Mary Smith: Banking with Nat/ West in North Wales.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

G.C.E. 'A' LEVEL RESULTS, JUNE 1977

Julie Burnett	...	...	Special Paper Economics, Merit; Economics; English Literature; History.
Katherine Dunkley	...	...	Art; English Literature; History.
Toni Gascoigne	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; Physics.
Shirley Hassall	...	...	English Literature; History.
Bhadra Patel	...	...	Chemistry.
Sarla Patel	...	...	Chemistry.
Julia Pearce	...	...	Biology.
Julia Prescott	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; Physics.
Bella Preuss	...	...	German.
Sally Round	...	...	French; German; History.
Renee Sands	...	...	History; Latin.
Elizabeth Sledge	...	...	Economics; Pure Mathematics; Physics.
Mary Smith	...	...	Economics; Pure Mathematics; Physics.
Krista' Thompson	...	...	Geography; History.
Rachel Thornton	...	...	German; History.
Claire Underwood	...	...	Pure Mathematics.
Jane Webster	...	...	Economics; Geography; History.

G.C.E. 'O' LEVEL RESULTS — 1977

Lower VI

Linda Farr	...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature (A); Greek Literature (A); Human Biology.
Susan Hill	...	...	English Literature; Food & Nutrition; Geography; Greek Literature(A).
Michelle Li...	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; Mathematics(A); Physics; Chinese.
Rosemary Newton	...	...	English Language; English Literature; History; Mathematics.
Helen Rowley	...	...	Greek Literature (A); Mathematics; A/O Geography.
Isabel So	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; Geography; Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Chinese.

Upper VA

Elizabeth Adams	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature (A); French; History; Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies (A).
Miranda Ball		Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Cordelia Barnwell	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Literature; French; Latin; Religious Knowledge (A).
Kay Bibby		Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Mary Clarke		Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); History; Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies (A).
Nicole Clarke		Art; Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography (A); Latin; Mathematics; Physics.
Katharine Cooper	...	English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; Religious Studies.
Kim Edgington		Art; Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); Geography (A); History (A); Mathematics; Religious Studies (A).
Miranda Glossop	...	Art; Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Religious Studies.
Gillian Hayes		Art; Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language; English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics (A).
Vanessa Herridge	...	English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Vanessa Howitt		Biology; English Language; English Literature (A); French; Geography (A); History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies (A).
Susannah Leaney	...	Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); German (A); History (A); Latin (A); Mathematics (A); Physics (A).
Suzanne Orme		Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics.

Clare Parker...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; German; History; Mathematics.
Rachel Roberts	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Amanda Rudge	...	English Literature; French; Geography; Religious Studies.
Louise Schellenberg	...	Biology; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French; German; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies (A).
Mary Shaw	...	English Literature; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Jane Siddall	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language (A); English; Literature; French (A); German; Physics.
Jennifer Slater	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); German; Mathematics; Music (A); Physics.
Lee Standen	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Physics.
Carol Thompson	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French (A); History; Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies (A).
Tracey Thompson	...	Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); German (A); History (A); Latin (A); Mathematics (A); Physics.
Claire Trevena	...	English Language (A); English Literature; French; Geography; German; History (A); Mathematics; Physics.
Susan Vaughan	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; History.
Beverley Whelpton	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; German; History; Mathematics (A); Physics.
Sharon Wilby	...	Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies (A).

Upper VB

Alison Churms	...	English Literature (A); French; History; Religious Studies.
Gillian Cooper	...	English Language; English Literature; Religious Studies (A).

Patricia Currie	...	...	English Language; English Literature; Religious Studies (A).
Sally Dance	...	...	Art; Geography; Religious Studies.
Elizabeth Green	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; Food and Nutrition (A); Geography; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Anne Hallam	...	...	English Language; English Literature; Geography; Religious Studies.
Susan Hardacre	...	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; French.
Vivien Hodge	...	...	Biology; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Karen Jenkins	...	...	English Literature; Geography; Religious Studies.
Susan Lord	...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Pushpa Patel	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language.
Lomey Pitt	...	...	Biology; English Literature; Religious Studies.
Karen Rich	...	...	Art; English Language; Religious Studies.
Tracey Rodger	...	...	English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Geography.
Lindsey Ruehorn	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Angela Thomas	...	...	English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Geography.
Julie Trayner	...	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Knowledge.
Alison Vernon	...	...	Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics.
Lesley Verry	...	...	Art; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Mathematics; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Elizabeth Wharton	...	...	Art; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Elizabeth Whitehead	...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Ferrelyn Wilson-Apperson	...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; French; Religious Studies.

GUILDHALL SCHOOL OF SPEECH & DRAMA EXAMINATION

PASS was gained by 23 girls in Grades Preliminary-IVA
MERIT was gained by 28 girls in Grades Preliminary-IVA.
HONOURS were gained by the following girls:

Preliminary: Sarah McFarlane

Sophie Loveday
Nicola Chambers
Siobhan Watts

Grade I Laura Rudge
 Jane Hensher
 Sophie Loveday
 Sarah McFarlane

Grade II Lisa Loveday
 Helen Pinchbeck

Grade IVA Georgina Board
 Laura Wildgoose

Choral Verse Speaking

MERIT was gained by 2 classes in Grades I and IV.

HONOURS were gained by LIIIA in Grade III.

Acting

Grade I: 2 passes.

MUSIC

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DISTINCTION in PIANO was gained by Penelope Hill-Wilson in Grades III and IV.

MERIT was gained by 18 girls.

PASS was gained by 25 girls.

In Singing 1 Merit was gained in Grade IV.

In Violin, 4 Passes were gained in Grades I - IV.

In Flute, 1 Merit and 1 Pass were gained in Grades II-III.

In Clarinet, 4 Merits and 4 Passes were gained in Grade III.

In Guitar, 1 Pass was gained in Grade III.

In Piano Duets, 1 Merit.

Theory of Music

12 girls gained Pass in Grades I-V.

The following girls gained Full Marks:

Grade I Larret Mawdsley
Victoria Jukes

Grade II Jennifer Webb
Ruth Wheeler

Grade III Emma Loveday.

MUSIC REPORT

Throughout the past year the school has given a number of informal concerts and, as these have been greatly enjoyed by both audience and performers, it is hoped that they will be held on a regular basis. Perhaps the most enjoyable was the joint concert between Stancliffe Hall and St. Elphin's, which was given in both schools during June. The Stancliffe boys provided the necessary brass that is missing in our orchestra, and they also proved to be marvellous hosts to the girls.

We were sorry, half-way through the Spring Term, to bid farewell to Mr. Clare, who had been with the school for just over a year; but we welcomed Mr. Carding, who has since done much for

Music in the school. By popular request he gave two organ recitals in the Summer term, and has certainly proved that there is still some life remaining in the Chapel organ! Unfortunately, he, too, is leaving this term. We wish him all the best in his new school.

It is with great regret that we say goodbye to Miss Rees-Jones who has been Head of the Music Department for some years. Miss Rees-Jones has faithfully served the music in the school for nine years, encouraging and supporting our efforts, as individuals, in concerts and competitions. She has been tireless in organizing visits to the Halle Orchestra in Sheffield and to other important musical events and we all appreciate her hard work and devotion. Our best wishes go with her in her well-deserved retirement in Wales.

In the Autumn Term we shall welcome her successor, Mr. Brockbank, as Head of the Department.

Penelope Hill-Wilson

GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL 1976-77

Mr. Siddall: Navigation Books and a large number of charts to the Geography Department.

Gillian Cooper: Commentary on the Ishopanishad for the Whittam Library.

Julia Pearce: Biology books for the Whittam Library.

Isabella Preus: German books for the Whittam Library.

Revd. Scott: Electric Sewing Machine.

Jill Sampson: £50 towards a Stop-Watch.

CHAPEL AND SOCIAL SERVICES

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on Sunday, 19th September with a special Service for the Kindergarten and Juniors on the Monday. Mrs. Harris made the Chapel look resplendent with her arrangement of flowers and fruits, and indeed her floral displays in Chapel throughout the year have been much appreciated. After the Services, Miss Dale and a band of helpers parcelled the gifts for distribution to the Whitworth Hospital, The Lindens, Claremont Home, Sydnop Hall and to a wide circle of old friends within the district.

November 14th was Remembrance Sunday and we observed the Two Minutes Silence and the choir sang the Russian Contakion for the departed and then offered a Eucharist for Peace in the World. The Provost of Derby gave the Address at Evensong.

Mrs. Freer showed a film on the work of Dr. Barnardo's Home on December 5th and the Social Service Committee gave a donation to support its activities out of its Christmas Fund. It also sent a donation in response to the appeal after the Turkish Earthquake disaster.

We held Carol Services for the Junior, Middle and Senior Schools and on the last night of term the short but beautiful Carols by Candlelight. The ladies and gentlemen visited each week by the Sixth Form were invited to a Christmas Tea on the 10th December and after singing carols round the illuminated Christmas tree in Front Hall each one received a Christmas present.

In the absence of a Staff Secretary, the Chaplain took over the direction of the Social Services for this year. After a discussion with the Committee he launched an appeal to raise £300 (1976 total £277) asking each of the seven Houses to try to reach a target of £40 plus, by means of a variety of Lent Efforts. The response was magnificent, all the Senior Houses passing the target set: Gresford £87.59, Kennedy £79.02, Pigot £52.90, Powys £59.90, Selwyn £80.73, Wilson £66.50, Margaret Flood £20. which made a total raised of £466.64. The Bursar added, as is customary, £49 from savings made from the Friday Lent Lunches, so a record total of £495.64 was achieved. A real thanks to all who worked so hard and to all who gave so generously. The Committee decided to allocate £400 immediately, and sent £50 each to the following eight charities: Cystic Fibrosis Research, Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, Guide Dogs for the Blind, People's Dispensary for Sick Animals, North Devon Holiday Homes for Children, Mencap, Save the Children, and the Mid-Derbyshire Mobile Physiotherapy Unit.

At the beginning of the Spring Term Mrs. Trevena gave an illustrated talk on the work of Oxfam which aroused much interest and many questions.

On Sunday, 30th January the Archdeacon of Derby gave the Address at the Sung Eucharist.

The Chaplain prepared and presented forty seven candidates for Confirmation, their ages ranging from 11 years to 17 years. The Bishop of Derby presided over the Confirmation and First Communion on Sunday, 20th March and Bishop Parfitt on Tuesday, 22nd March. Both Services were well attended by parents and friends.

Mr. Clare, who came to the School as a temporary Choirmaster and Organist in January 1976, decided to leave during the Spring Term of this year owing to other commitments. We are most grateful to him for all he did for the choir and not least, for composing a setting for the Eucharist. We were very fortunate to obtain the services of Mr. Carding, who has maintained the standards of the choir, and has also given us much pleasure by two fine Organ Recitals in Chapel.

On Whit Sunday we welcomed the Bishop of Southwell and Mrs. Wakeling to the School and the Bishop gave the Address at the Sung Eucharist.

Our Chapel is not licensed for weddings, but on June 4th by virtue of an Archbishop's Licence it was allowed to be used for the marriage of Judith Ashcroft to Mr. Raymond Barger. Judith is an Old Girl and a former member of Selwyn House and the daughter of one of our present Governors. Bishop Ramsay, assisted by the Chaplain conducted the Service and Miss Thompson played the organ. The Rector of Darley Dale kindly came in to register the marriage.

The recently appointed Chairman of the Governors, the Rt. Revd. Michael Henshall, Bishop of Warrington, visited the School on Sunday, 19th June. In a short ceremony, the Chaplain welcomed him on behalf of the School and installed him in the Bishop's Chair. The Bishop then presided over the Sung Eucharist, in which all the Heads of Houses participated and members of all the Houses attended. During the afternoon the Bishop went round the School and spoke to many of the girls, and met the House Staff, and ended a busy day by preaching at Evensong.

Former Sixth Form visitors may like to know that Mr. Able, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Briddon, Miss Mellor, Miss Brown, and Miss Olive Taylor are all well. We are sorry to report the deaths of Mrs. Baker, and also of Mrs. Clarke, who whilst she was in hospital, was visited regularly by Dianne Butterworth and Rachel Robins. Miss Marsden has retired as Warden in Park Drive, but we were pleased to welcome her with our other friends to the end of year tea held in Devonshire House on 29th June.

Mr. Carding arranged a choir outing to the Free Trade Hall in Manchester to hear a flamenco and classical guitar recital which was much enjoyed.

Our thanks to the Chaplain and the Chapel Guild, Miss Lavender and Mrs. Harris, and to Mr. Clare and Mr. Carding.

Caroline Cooper, Head Sacristan

Mary Smith, Head Chorister

Judith Prescott, Secretary of the Social Service Committee

Girls Confirmed by the Bishop of Derby:

Catherine Bartholomew	Della Jackson
Belinda Bramhall	Elizabeth Lord
Jessica Bryant	Julie Lord
Emma Burnett	Suzanne McLean
Suzanne Coon	Joanna Neil
Karen Fletcher	Rachel Orme
Sarah Fowler	Helen Pinchbeck
Elsbeth Gash	Carol Pullen
Jane Godfrey	Caroline Salem
Sally Ann Harrison	Bridget Thomson
Elizabeth Hutchings	Susan Walters
Fiona Idell	Elizabeth Ward

(Rachel Orme and Joanna Neil were baptised in Chapel prior to the Confirmation)

Girls Confirmed by Bishop Parfitt:

Kathryn Betterton	Nicolette Pollock
Anne Chapman	Louise Pridham
Jill Cook	Sara Richardson
Sian Davies	Jacqueline Roberts
Andrea Deeley	Charlotte Rowley
Helen Green	Caroline Shaw
Denise Haddon	Lydia Smart
Sarah Harrison	Elizabeth Thorpe
Amanda Heyes	Susan Vaughan
Kathryn Hill	Jennifer Wood
Melanie Johnson	Rachel Wood
Emma Loveday	

(Lydia Smart was baptised in her Parish church prior to Confirmation).

HOUSE REPORTS

Gresford

House Mistress: Mrs Harris

Deputy House Mistress: Miss Monkley

This year three new girls joined the House giving a total of twenty nine day girls and forty six boarders. Unfortunately we have not had a permanent matron this year but Mrs. Harris has remained with us and has been a 'tower of strength' at all times.

At the beginning of the year Gresford made a promising start by sharing the Work Shield with Pigot House. We then did extremely well in the Senior Drama with a performance of two scenes from Bernard Shaw's "St. Joan". Anna Shooter was the producer, and also played the lead role, for which she was awarded the individual cup for acting.

The Lent Effort this year was a great success for Gresford. We raised the highest total of about £86, to which every member of the House contributed.

A great deal of time and effort was put into the Music competition in the spring term. Although we did not manage to retain the cup, everyone enjoyed herself and the Gresford Choir and Solo Singer, Elaine Hill, were entered for the school concert in the summer term.

The Inter-House sporting activities this year were met with great determination by all. We were victorious in the Junior Netball, gaining a well deserved first position. Tennis, the main sport of the summer term, was well supported by those not taking part, and the teams gained much encouragement from the obvious interest and enthusiasm.

Looking back over the year I feel that the House has been very co-operative at all times. I wish them all the best and hope that, whatever the future may bring, Gresford will always continue to show their keen interest in all House activities, and maintain the marvellous spirit of comradeship which exists at the moment.

Toni Gascoigne
House Captain.

Kennedy

House Mistress: Miss Harrington

House Matron: Miss Marler

This year Kennedy has once more had a number of changes in Housemistresses. We began the year with Mrs. Naylor who left, and was then replaced by Mrs. Beavers. Thankfully Mrs. Beavers remained with us for over a term and a half, and we were very sorry to see her leave. Miss Harrington took over the duty of Housemistress and luckily has remained with us.

We were delighted to have raised the largest sum of money in the sponsored walk. We also raised over £80 this year in the Lent Effort, coming second with one of the highest amounts.

The House went on an outing to Skegness in the Summer term, and had a super time winning numerous prizes and all feeling horribly sick after going on all the fairground amusements!

We would like to thank Kay Winkler and Sally Anne Harrison for their high standard of swimming in the gala this year.

All that remains for me to do now is to wish the House all the very best of luck in the future, and to thank them for being such a marvellous House and for making my last year so enjoyable.

Caroline Cooper
House Captain

Pigot

House Mistress: Miss Pollard

Deputy House Mistress: Mrs. Fearn

House Matron: Miss Jarvis

Pigot welcomed eighteen new members, six of whom came from Junior School. Miss Pollard took over the position of House Mistress from Mrs. Bayly in the Autumn term. We said goodbye to Mrs. Newton, our former Deputy House Mistress, luckily for a happy reason.

Unfortunately Pigot lost the Work Shield after retaining it for four consecutive times, though sharing it with Gresford in the Autumn term.

Pigot's 'Homemade Crafts' stalls at the Bazaar and the Lent Effort were a great success.

The House Dramas were not as successful as last year, but the actresses and back stage workers enjoyed every minute of the plays and showed enormous House spirit. Pigot was placed second in the Inter-House Music Competition and credit must be given to Miranda Glossop and Joanna Rossi for their individual performances; both later took part in the School Concert.

In the Inter-House Swimming Gala we managed to remain in third place. Sadly we did not do well in the Inter-House Athletics owing to the absence of our senior members. Credit must, however, be given to those who substituted for the absentees in the Senior events. In the Rounders competition Pigot came third.

It seems that this year has been one of near-misses, but I look back on an enjoyable year and forward to a prosperous future for Pigot. It only remains for me to say that I have been proud to be a member of Pigot and to wish the House and especially its Prefects all the best.

Isabella Preuss
House Captain

Powys House

House Mistress: Miss Dale

Deputy House Mistress: Miss Williams

Throughout the year Powys has welcomed nine new girls, two of them in the Sixth Form and nine new Upper Thirds although only one came from Junior School.

The Middle School Drama was won by Powys with a scene from "Mill on the Floss," while "Dear Brutus," chosen for our Senior Drama won us fourth place. We came third in the Music Competition under the supervision of Reena Badhwar who worked hard to achieve this position.

In the Sports this year we came fifth despite the absence of the Upper Fifth. Angela Dodson and Penny Dickman took over at short notice and handled the arrangements capably. Third place was gained by our Rounders team.

£55.53 was raised by our efforts at the Bazaar and by a great deal of hard work and determination £67 was raised by the Lent Efforts.

In conclusion I would like to thank Powys for their support and hope that we shall remain a united House next year.

Kathryn Elks
House Captain

Selywyn House

House Mistress: Miss Tuite

Deputy House Mistresses: Miss Cawood, Mrs. Holmes

Matron: Miss Berry

At the beginning of the Autumn Term we welcomed five new girls into Selwyn, all of whom came from Junior School.

The Christmas Bazaar was a great success this year and everyone worked extremely hard to prepare things for the stall. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those parents who were so generous with their donations this year.

Finally to end the Autumn Term, Selwyn surprised everyone by coming first in the Senior Inter-House dramas and special thanks must here be given to the producer, Julia Pearce.

In the Spring Term we said a fond farewell to Mrs. Smith our Housemistress who was replaced by Miss Tuite.

Athletically this was an extremely busy term since most of the Inter-House sports were held at various intervals throughout the term. We managed to finish in the top three in all events held.

A welcome break was provided from work by the Middle School House Dramas. Selwyn's contribution, "A School for Witches", provided the school with a great deal of amusement although we did not manage to repeat our success of the previous term.

The term was finally closed by the Inter-House Music competition in which Alison Grimes was awarded a special medal for a brilliant performance.

The Summer Term brought further sporting successes in tennis and swimming.

All that is left for me to do now is to thank the House for its help and co-operation throughout the year, making it the success it has been.

Julie Burnett
House Captain

Wilson House

House Mistress: Miss Rees-Jones

Deputy House Mistress: Miss Hilton

House Matron: Mrs. Dalley

Wilson House certainly has had a ball this year! Our sense of unity and happiness as a House has given us victories in every aspect of life which St. Elphin's enjoys, bringing us first in the Hockey, Senior Netball, Badminton, Swimming and Music and second in Athletics, Middle School Drama, Volleyball and Tennis. Every member of the House has taken part in these activities in spirit (and in voice!) as well as in body.

In the Summer Term the house visited Doulton Potteries where we witnessed the skilled production of delicate figurines and beautiful dinner and tea services. Later the House consumed (rather "un-delicately") vast quantities of fish and chips and apple pie.

It was our pleasure to welcome Mrs. Dalley to Wilson as Matron. She and Miss Rees-Jones have together given the House much love and attention.

We dedicate our happiness and success this year to Miss Rees-Jones who is leaving after watching over us for nine years. She has been untiring and unsparing in her efforts to promote the welfare and happiness of everyone in the House and although a strict disciplinarian who expected the highest standards from us all, she was always ready to give praise where it was due and to enjoy a joke with us. We wish her every happiness in a long retirement in Wales.

We also wish success and happiness to the House in the near future.

Elizabeth Sledge, House Captain
Kristal Thompson, Vice Captain

Margaret Flood House

<i>House Mistress:</i>	Miss Lavender
<i>Assistant House Mistress:</i>	Miss Reeves
<i>House Matron:</i>	Mrs. Thomas
<i>Assistant House Matron:</i>	Miss Swallow
<i>House Captains:</i>	Patricia Bartholomew (Autumn) Della Jackson (Spring) Sarah Archer (Summer)
<i>Prefects:</i>	Patricia Bartholomew, Sarah Archer, Della Jackson, Emily Roe, Victoria Jukes, Catherine Bone, Susannah Burley, Elizabeth Bardsley, Emma Watson, Ruth Jackson.

This year we welcomed many new girls in all forms. We also welcomed two matrons, Mrs. Thomas and Miss Swallow, and we would like to thank Miss Burton for all her help at the end of term.

In Swimming we were very successful, as twenty girls passed their Bronze, fifteen their Silver. Five people passed their Gold which was an outstanding achievement.

Last year, 300 shrubs were planted outside the new tennis courts but we did not think they would survive because of the dry weather. Owing to conscientious watering by the Gardening Club, however, they are now flourishing.

Yet again LIIIA have gained 1st place in the Choral Verse Speaking at the Buxton Festival, and in the House Music Competition, Margaret Flood came 2nd — the highest position it has ever gained.

We would like to thank Mrs. Mosley who took LIIIA on several most enjoyable outings towards the end of the summer term. These included a visit to Bakewell Market, Chatsworth Farm, Denby Pottery, St. Helen's Church, a walk round Darley Dale to look at its history, and a walk up One Tree Hill.

We are sorry to say goodbye to Mrs. Kitchen, the Deputy Head of School and hope that she soon recovers after her stay in hospital. We are also sorry to say goodbye to Miss Rees-Jones, the Head of the Music Department and of Wilson House, and to wish both her and Mrs. Kitchen the best of luck for the future.

We all thank Miss Lavender for everything she has done for the Junior School this year.

Patricia Bartholomew

GAMES REPORT

Although the weather has not permitted us to play all our matches, we have done extremely well once again.

This year has been very eventful with seven girls being able to attend the Derbyshire Schools Hockey Trials. Caroline Murphy was chosen to play for the Under 18 Hockey Team with Sally Round and Karen Verry as reserves. Elizabeth Adams, Tracey Thompson and Mary Clarke were chosen to Play for the Under 16 Hockey team.

Our 1st XI team competed in the Derbyshire Schools Hockey Tournament and unfortunately drew all their matches and did not manage to reach the final. The Under 16 team also competed in the South Peak Hockey Tournament and were runners up to Ecclesbourne in Section A.

Once again the hockey teams were treated to an enjoyable trip to Wembley, with Mrs. Fearn and Miss Williams, to watch the International Women's Hockey Match between England and New Zealand.

St. Elphin's were victorious in the Inter School Triangular Gala and retained the shield. Five swimming teams were entered for the South Peak Swimming Trials in which the Under 18 Free Style and Medley Relay teams came first. These successful teams went forward to the Derbyshire Swimming Trials and the Under 18 Free Style team were champions.

In the Life Saving Championships Deborah Yates and Deborah Barton, represented Matlock Swimming Club, and came first. As a result of this Deborah Barton was selected to swim in the Midland Championships. Clare Mello and Kay Winkler represented St. Elphin's in the Life Saving Championships and were placed third.

We now congratulate Deborah Barton who, swimming for Derbyshire, won the Regional Life Saving Championship and is now going on to represent the Midlands in the National Life Saving Championship in Coventry.

The outing to Wimbledon was most enjoyable especially when we finally managed to see some tennis after having queued for nearly two hours.

In the Nicholson Bowl Tennis Tournament two couples competed against Ilkeston, Swanwick and Derby High School, reaching the finals; losing to Lady Manners School by only one set.

The school also competed in the South Peak Athletic Championship gaining many 'firsts' and eventually winning the Senior Girls Cup. As a result of this, three girls, Eniola da Rocha Afodu, Miranda Ball and Caroline Murphy were selected to represent the South Peak Area in the County Championship where first place was gained by each girl.

On the Schools Sports Day Selwyn were in first position and Wilson were the runners up. The Victrix Ludorum Cups were won by:—

Middle School
Intermediate
Senior

Lorelei Coon
Jill Cook
Caroline Murphy

On behalf of all those who have worked and trained so enthusiastically I would like to thank Mrs. Archer, Mrs. Hargreaves, and Miss Davy who has kindly returned to help with the tennis and especially to Mrs. Fearn and Miss Williams who organise, encourage and improve our sport.

TEAMS AND RESULTS OF MATCHES

Hockey

1st XI

Karen Verry, Elizabeth Brook, Sally Round, Sally Bayly, Julie Trayner, Tracey Thompson, Alison Grimes, Helen Simpson, Elizabeth Adams, Mary Clarke, Caroline Murphy, Helen Rowley.

U15

Eleanor Pearce, Sharon Clay, Deborah Yates, Clare Mello, Lynne Whitmore, Susan Hampson, Helen Dawson, Jane Peel, Jill Cook, Jane Rayner, Marianne Pruess.

Results

- v Ernest Bailey 1st XI won 7-0; U16 won 2-0; U15 won 4-1
- v Convent 1st XI won 7-0; U15 won 4-0
- v St. Helena 1st XI won 2-1; U15 won 3-0
- v Ecclesbourne 1st XI won 4-0; U15 won 2-0

Tennis

1st VI

Caroline Murphy, Elizabeth Adams, Karen Verry, Lesley Verry, Jane Raynor, Alison Grimes.

U15 VI

Jill Cook, Clare Mello, Eleanor Pearce, Helen Dawson, Sharon Clay, Jane Peel.

Results

- v Stancliffe Hall U15 VI won 9-0
- v Ecclesbourne 1st VI lost 4-5 won 8-1
- v Convent 1st VI won 9-0 U15 won 8-1
- v Ecclesbourne 1st VI won 8-1 U15 won 7-2

South Peak Tournament

U16 and U15 Runners-up

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Swimming Awards

Royal Life Saving Society

Teacher's Award

Shirley Hassall	Toni Gascoigne	Sonia Swingler
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Distinction

Nicole Clarke	Miranda Ball	Claire Parker
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Award of Merit

Miranda Ball	Susan Lord	Kim Edgington
Claire Parker	Nicole Clarke	Deborah Barton
Deborah Yates	Alison Yates	Lise Schellenberg
Sonja Swingler	Ferrelyn Wilson-Apperson	

Bronze Cross

Julie Trayner	Katharine Cooper	Kay Bibby
Eliabeth Adams	Mary Shaw	Gillian Hayes
Suzanne Orme	Joanna Rains	Sonja Swingler
Una Sunderland	Susannah Leaney	Karen Verry
Karen Jenkins	Amanda Rudge	Deborah Whitworth
Lise Schellenberg	Ferrelyn Wilson-Apperson	
Lomey Pitt	Jane Peel	Kay Winkler
Kay Williams	Caroline Board	Sarah Mayall
Sharon Clay	Nicolette Pollock	Deborah Yates
Joanne Beale	Jill Cook	Caron Smith
Deborah Barton	Eleanor Pearce	Kim Stevens
Joanne Collingham	Jane Eaton	Alison Yates
Vanessa Herridge	Lindsey Ruehorn	Rachel Roberts
Kathryn Donnelly		

Bronze Medallion

Kay Williams	Joanne Beale	Caroline Board
Deborah Barton	Sarah Mayall	Jill Cook
Jane Eaton	Kathryn Donnelly	Deborah Yates
Eleanor Pearce	Caron Smith	Kim Stevens
Alison Grimes	Penelope Hill-Wilson	Elizabeth Brook
Sally Round	Judith Prescott	Sally Bayly
Pat Currie	Karen Rich	Lee Standen
Beverley Whelpton	Tracey Thompson	Susan Vaughan
Mary Clarke	Gillian Cooper	Melanie Johnson

Helen Dawson
Beverley Riley
Susan Hampson
Natalie Smith

Lynne Whitmore
Padideh Jalali
Tracey Mactaggart
Penelope Wilson

Jacqueline Tear
Philippa Mallett
Denise Haddon
Marianna Preuss

Amateur Life Saving Awards

Gold Personal Survival

Alison Yates	Deborah Whitworth	Eleanor Pearce
Jill Cook	Clare Mello	Philippa Mallett
Susan Hampson	Gillian Cooper	Jane Peel
Natalie Smith	Susan Vaughan	Menna Salisbury
Laura Wildgoose	Julie Lord	Elizabeth Thorpe
Dianne Butterworth	Carol Pullen	Jill Taylor
Jacqueline Roberts	Sarah Harrison	Sarah Grafton
Marianna Preuss	Padideh Jalali	Jacqueline Tear
Tracey Mactaggart	Jennifer Webb	Georgina Board
Carolyn Mello	Michele Deane	Emma Burnett
Elizabeth Lord	Helen Pinchback	Caroline Salem
Anne Bell	Nicola Haslam	Margaret English
Rachel Petty	Nichola Holt	Jill Davies
Ruth Wheeler	Helen Smith	Rosemary Hack
Lisa Bailey	Suzanne McLean	Emily Roe
Della Jackson	Ruth Jackson	Joanne Kemp
Emma Watson	Sarah Adlington	Joanna Neil
Victoria Ferguson	Julia Siddall	Lucy Wilson
Katherine Wilson	Sarah Garrett	Elizabeth Pasley

Silver Personal Survival

92 Girls

Bronze Personal Survival

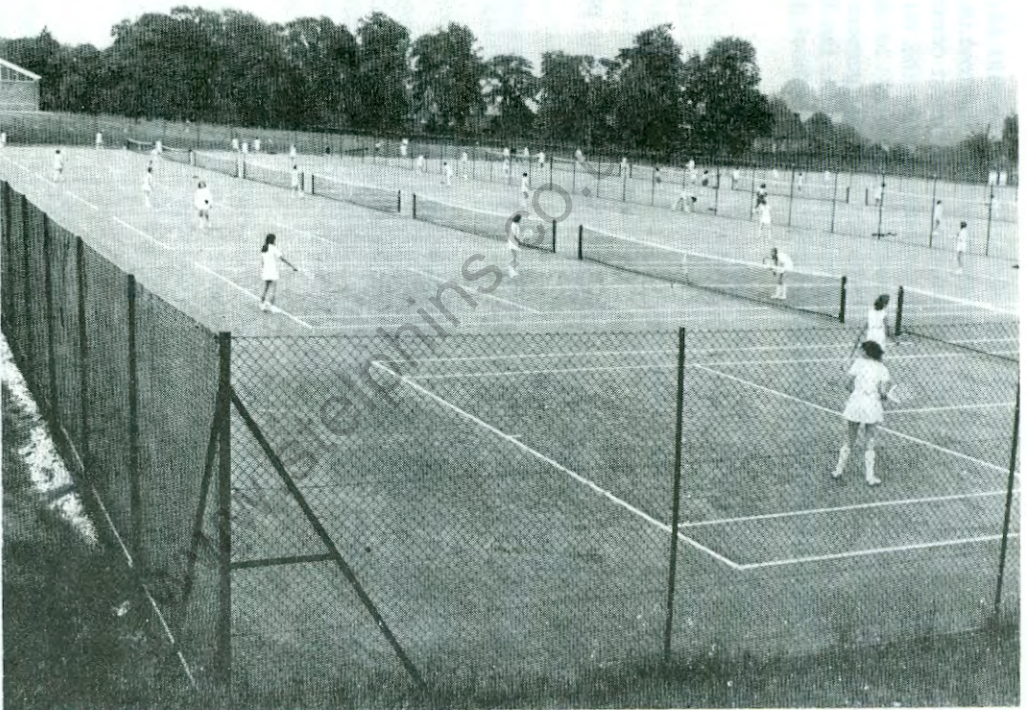
65 Girls.

DRI PLAY PITCHES

The Committee of the Friends of St. Elphin's would like to express their appreciation of the help given by Mr. Ambrose in the construction of the dri-play area, which is now in almost constant use, for hockey in winter and tennis in Summer. At the outset he provided all the heavy earthmoving equipment to level the entire site and gave expert advice and encouragement to the Committee to enable the project to commence. Now the Dri Play area adds considerably to the sporting facilities of the school.

(Photograph on following page)

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Dri Play Pitches

FIELD COURSES AND EXCURSIONS

During the 1976-77 School Year we have been as active as ever in our Field Studies and leisure pursuits.

Weekend visits have been enjoyed in the Forest of Dean and Wye Valley region, North Wales and Llanberis (a visit which was enlivened by the company of three coachloads of delightful young men from Plymouth) and in Cumbria. Diverse activities have covered traffic surveys in Ross-on-Wye, slate quarrying in Snowdonia and boating on Derwent water. All Forms have been welcomed on these outings and the experiences are particularly valuable for girls from abroad who otherwise would see little of this country.

New Year skiing was organized for us again by Repton School and we had never seen such snow as that at Sauze d'Oulz. The snow had delayed us at Castle Donnington, diverted us to Venice (for a night) and finally involved us in a ten-hour coach journey across Northern Italy — but after three hours' sleep and a larger than average breakfast we were kitted out and speeding down from Sportinia or Triplex with fantastic new snow billowing over our heads.

Weather varied during our stay but skiing was possible every day and metres of new snow maintained perfect conditions.

Springtime found us "barging" round Holland and introduced us to canal life. This must be the perfect way to see every bit of the country — for all parts are so well served by waterways and our narrow boat could go anywhere. Starting in Amsterdam, where they are building an Underground (overground before sinking it) we travelled along the North Sea Canal to IJmuiden. We were allowed to steer on this section as the canal is half a mile wide and traffic was sparse.

Our visits included Czar Peter's House (Zandaam), Keukenhof Gardens, Madurodam's miniature village (plus a tram ride) and Euromast in Rotterdam. Days were action packed; one even had an organ recital to end it, (the girls claimed that they had been conned into this) another had a hectic police car ride (with hilarious Lower Fourths falling off the seats) and all included playing with Moby — the ship's dog (from London). Spartan living accommodation on the barge was soon accepted and everyone looks forward to sailing on CURA again.

Plans for 1977-78 are well in hand and have already included a combined studies visit to Robin Hood's Bay and will cover skiing in Italy in the New Year and a Guernsey tour in April.

J. Marsden

**A
Tear**

**A tear is for a broken doll
Or a teddy who's lost his leg
It can be for a new born son
And being sent to bed**

**A tear is for loneliness
And for a bird's broken wing
It can be for someone you love
A tear can be for anything**



Victoria Ferguson,
UIHIP 12 yrs.



Linda Farr LVith

Puss

Pussycat, pussycat,
Where have you been?
Peeping from curtains
Or under a screen;
Poking your head
Round the banister rail,
Twitching the end
Of your long, furry tail,
Green eyes, wide open
And sparkling with glee.
Happy to lie in
The shade of a tree;
Happy to curl up
On carpet or floor;
To sleep and to dream
And eat, evermore.
I wonder, dear Pussy,
How you would fare,
Out in the open,
Where no-one would care?
Would you catch mice
And rats every night,
Or lie down and die,
Without even a fight?

Angela Aulton LVP

"How Drab"

How drab the form-room looks,
The grey, the brown,
A few pastel painted posters, pinned upon the wall.
The only brightness is the book upon my desk,
Glaring back, black and red and brown
In contrast to the drabness of the walls.

The rain outside spattering down upon the concrete,
The grey sky —
The trees provide the only colour,
Their Autumnal brightness covers the earth like a carpet,
A great array of leaves lying everywhere,
How drab Winter can be sometimes!

Rosemary Halsall LVP



Sonja Swingler

Toothache

The very word "toothache" strikes a cold chill in my mind; oh the agony of waking up with toothache and knowing that the only remedy is to have "the gas".

The one and only time I have had toothache I shall never forget. I woke up at about one o'clock with the most vicious pain in my left jaw — I felt like a balloon that had been blown up too much but wouldn't burst. My nerves were jangling in the back of my neck and when I stood up it was as though someone had hit me with a sledge-hammer. I sat down again fast and that hurt even more.

I made a marathon effort and staggered into Mum and Dad's room, only to remember that Mum had gone to sleep in the spare room to escape Dad's snores. I tapped Dad feebly on the shoulder but he did not wake up. He just grunted and turned over.

"Why does my father, of all men, have to be such a heavy sleeper," I thought in desperation. To say that he sleeps like a log is a gross understatement! But help was on its way in the form of Sally who half-dragged me down to Mum. Luckily Mum is a very light sleeper and woke up immediately. She dosed me with about four aspirins and bundled me back to bed.

My troubles were by no means over, mind you. By this time I was so wide awake that I did not know what to do with myself. The aspirins were about as much use as a wet week and every time I turned over, a new lump appeared in my bed. My bed had always been comfortable but it chose that night to have an argument with the pillow which behaved like something possessed. Wriggling and writhing as though it was alive, every time I put my head down, it shot down the back of my bed.

At last, morning arrived with the most awful, strident chorus of every bird in the kingdom. Well, at least something could be done about my tooth, now. The dentist was duly rung and I was carted off into Lincoln on a road that must have gained a whole new set of pot-holes over-night. Up into the torture chamber and into the dreaded dentist's chair. The Spanish Inquisition could not have inspired more terror than the horror which came into my eyes when they beheld the gas cylinder. I had experienced the delightful pleasure of having gas before then, and it was one of those incidents I preferred not to remember.

The dentist, who is really a very kind person, except for being a dentist, prised open my jaws.

"Hm, I think we'll have both of these eye-teeth taken out. It will be better in the long run", he said confidently. Needless to say I was not in the least bit convinced.

On went the black, rubber mask.

"Now, breathe deeply", said Mr. Bradshaw. Suddenly I fell, spinning wildly down into a black hole. Someone slapped me sharply twice and then the room was spinning back to reality.

I tried to stand up but was pushed firmly back into the chair. I sat there in a trance happily realising that the pain had gone, though there were two holes. But these were nothing compared to my toothache. The wonderful relief, the joy of being able to open my mouth again, only I did not because there was a draught coming through the door. Despite minor details like trying to walk down the stairs without falling over and Sally staring at me as though I was a Martian, I felt marvellous.

We arrived home and Mum pushed some more aspirins down my throat and packed me off to bed where I remained, sleeping like a baby till the next morning. My bed had returned to its normal, comfortable shape and the pillows had calmed down. Thank goodness I do not have to go through that again — I hope.

Jenny MacIlwaine

The Shell

As I wander along the beach
With the sunset in the distance,
Right in front of me I see....
A magnificent shell:
With colourful grooves and entrancing ridges,
And spiral patterns glistening there on the sand;
Shells are beautiful.

As I hold it to my ear
I can hear the swish of the waves
Breaking on the shore.
The shell is old and ancient,
But still looks young and beautiful;
Inside it is smooth and shiny,
But outside it's rugged and lumpy;
Shells are wonderful.

Emily Roe
LIIIA

'Ju-ju'

'Ju-ju'. The very mention of the word inspires horror in the lowly African, and fear — fear of the supernatural, the unknown, hidden danger; fear of the thudding of the native drums, thumping solidly into the night at a steady beat, conveying a sinister message, unknown to everyone else except the silent, yet ever watchful members of the ju-ju cult, situated deep in the warm sensuous undergrowth of the African jungle.

Ju-ju is rather like black magic. The members are in a cult, whose main character, the medicine or ju-ju man is eminent. The ju-ju man is able to provoke storms, conjure up good or evil spirits and even the devil himself. He is able to exert good or evil influences over people. His word is the law — the members of the cult either abide by it or die by it. Many sacrificial rituals and inhuman practices are used, some involving the killing of dogs in a most brutal fashion and the drinking of their blood. The killing of twins is a common feature, for they are thought to be signs of evil. The mother herself may even be killed. However, such ignorant and superstitious practice as ju-ju are unknown in more civilized African society. Those of lower class or status, say, for instance, a poor farmer not doing very well may revert to ju-ju and go to the medicine man in the hope that he might be able to make rain and save the crops from devastation.

Eniola da Rocha-Afodu
UIVA

Eyes

Eyes are for looking,
And searching for things,
For looking at pictures and beautiful things.
They can tell if something is wrong or is right.
If it's the time of day or the time of night.

Eyes are for shutting when going to sleep.
And opening wide, like an owl in a tree.
Eyes are for loving affectionately.
And looking at people like you and me.

Emma Waters, UIIIP
Age 12 yrs.



Sally Bayly LVI

An Ordinary Afternoon?

It is very hot. The air above the streets shimmers, making objects appear strange and distorted. A woman and a little girl come into view, the woman holding the child's hand. The little girl drops the bag of sweets she is holding and it disappears down the gutter. The child begins to cry.

"Shut up, Mary", the mother says crossly. "I'll buy you some more, so stop crying".

Mary's face brightens, the tears disappearing as if by magic. They enter a shop, to buy some more sweets.

An old man walks slowly along the street, his back bent and aching. He stops at a wall and crouches down, taking a cigarette in his gnarled hands.

A soldier comes into view, marching smartly. As he passes the old man, the old man spits but the soldier appears not to notice. He stops and takes off his beret, keeping hold of his rifle which is pointed up in the air, making no threatening gesture. He wipes the sweat from his forehead and replaces his beret. He prepares to move on when a burst of machine-gun fire is heard, not far away. The soldier lowers his rifle and runs in the direction of the shots. He rounds a corner and sees a man, a soldier like himself, lying in a pool of blood upon the floor. There is no-one else in sight.

The soldier bends over his wounded comrade who groans in pain. A few people gather round curiously but most move on after only one look. The siren of an ambulance is heard as it rounds the corner. Two orderlies jump out of it and gently lift the wounded man onto a stretcher. They carry him into the ambulance, which moves off quickly, its siren blaring.

The people disperse slowly, finally leaving only the soldier who looks after the retreating ambulance bitterly. At last he sighs and turns around, marching smartly away. Soon he is out of sight and only the wounded soldier's red blood staining the street shows that this is a street in Belfast.

Briony Kernon,
LVP

CHILDHALL SCHOOL SPEECH & DRAMA
EXAMINATION

I think about the day
And about the night



Sally Dance UVB

I Think

I think about the day
And about the night
I think about the stars
And how they're so bright.
I think about the sun
And about the moon
I think about the morning
And about the afternoon
I think about the children born every day
I think!
As I watch them go on their way
I think about the rich people
And about the poor
I think about the people
Who are here no more
I think about prisons
And about schools
I think about places
Where there are so many rules
I think about living
And about dying
I think about laughing
And about crying
I think about the sky
And about the sea
I think about people
Like you and me
I think most of all of my family and relations
And how they're a part of God's beautiful creations.
I think about people
Who borrow and lend
And I think this poem
Has come to an end!

Claire Mello,
LVB

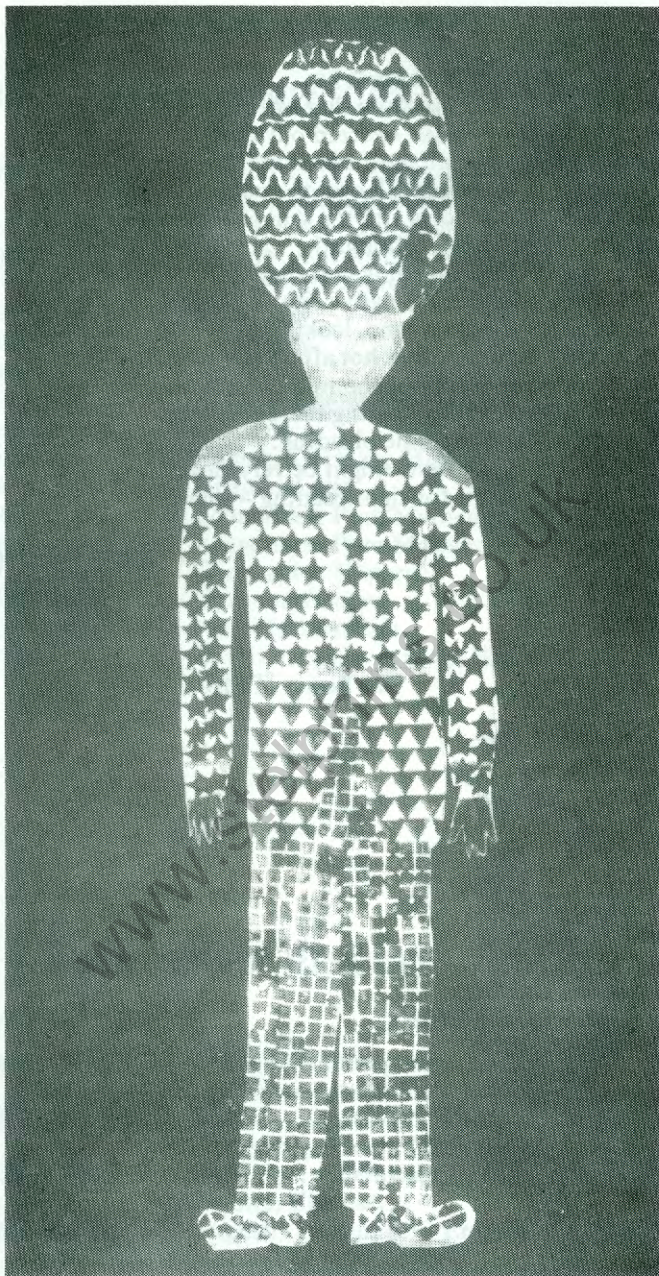


Miranda Ball UVA

The Awakening

The sunrise pours pink water on the floor,
—You think you are awake, but can't be sure:
You turn and push the covers from your bed,
As the picture slowly fades within your head;
The sight of people dancing in the stream
—A fragment of some half-remembered dream—
Pale strangers, whom you'll never see again;
The Morning Folk, who vanish like the rain.
You wonder at the meaning of it all;
—These visions you can only half-recall....
You learn, although there is no one to teach;
You understand — there is no need for speech.
You want to share the gift you gained while dreaming,
But once you try, it seems to lose all meaning.....
Sometimes, you have a role within the play;
At other times, observe from far away....
Within your dream, you've seen it all before,
But when you wake, the sight seems new once more;
People, who are different, yet the same,
At dawn, become an empty picture frame
—Someone whom you knew, yet can't recall;
A face without a name upon the wall:
The Morning Folk, that linger in your mind
—Yet are not there, if once you look behind;
The people who return, while yet you sleep,
To work their silent works, and vigil keep;
And in the morning, when you rise at last,
I wonder, are their deeds forgot and past?

Angela Smith LVA



Sally Ann Thornton
Laura Wildgoose

A Lower Five Latin Lesson

"Oh no!" we cried, "It cannot be,
Not another translation from that awful Pliny!"
But alas, the teacher had decreed our fate,
And so we sat down, all muttering hate
At those great big words, all over the page,
Which told us of schools and the schoolteacher's wage.
(At least, that's what we thought),
For we found that dear Pliny had sought
To pay for a school in his native city,
On the shores of Lake Como, looking so pretty.
But it didn't amuse us that hot afternoon,
Sitting there sweltering in the middle of June.
So listen, all you who are sitting there reading,
Just stop to hear our gentle pleading:
To gain Classics 'O' Level might be very clever,
But Pliny and Virgil for light reading — never!

Susan Giddings, LVP

The Power of Fire

The Power of Fire
Leaping higher,
Burning, scolding;
Lightning bold
The flame of light
Blinding and bright;
Crackling, dancing
Spitting, prancing;
Making shapes
Of gorillas and apes,
Black princes with capes;
Whispering softly
Power, Power.
Animals cower,
Afraid of the flame;
For they well know
That that same
Fire is their foe.
It will burn,
Them to death
In one breath.

J. S. Hensher,
LIVA



Katherine Dunkley, UVI

"The Auk"

Far out in the thunderous, treacherous sea,
Farther than the naked eye could see,
The platform high on the great tall stalk,
Stood the oil rig that men called "Auk".

A huge can filled with living men;
Their rooms, their beds that they called their den.
They worked all day and slept all night,
And drilled for oil with all their might.

The oil was stored in great big tanks,
And the money they got was put into banks,
Some of which they were allowed to keep,
Although expenses were taken out every week.

One day while drilling for more oil,
While the sun beat down as on silver foil,
There was heard a tremendous cracking sound,
And the rig and the men went tumbling down.

The heavy metal sank so deep,
And the floor of the ocean fell so steep.
The people tried, but none could they save,
The men fell forever beneath the wave.

So remember now as you use North Sea Oil,
How many lives this liquid did spoil;
And think of them on the deep ocean floor,
Not bringing oil to you any more.

by Pippa Mallett

Loneliness

Alone in the world; nobody to care,
Alone in the world; nobody there.
At one time you were happy and always so glad,
But now you just sit there, nothing but sad.

The people you cared for died,
And people just watched as you cried.
Now all alone you sit and stare,
Not knowing what to do, it just doesn't seem fair.

You know they wouldn't want it to be this way,
You know they wouldn't want you to think of them all day.
But you have to go on living in a world that doesn't care,
This is part of life that you've just got to bear.

Debbie Yates,
LVB

Wild

Wild is a horse,
Wild is its mane,
It runs past the gorse
Like an express train.

Wild is a rabbit,
Wild and brown,
It has a funny habit
Of acting like a clown.

Wild are the flowers,
Wild with colour,
They like the April showers
And the trees' shady cover.

Victoria Ferguson
UIIIP 12 years

OLD GIRLS' SECTION

Letter from the Headmistress

September, 1977

My dear Old Girls,

It was a great pleasure to welcome so many Old Girls to the School last term, on Saturday, 14th May. One or two of them had not been back to the School for over thirty years, and they were fascinated by the many changes which had taken place. They were tremendously impressed by the most recent acquisitions of the School, — the Thornton Building, with its well equipped library and careers room, and the all weather dri-play area, which is now proving such a boon. I feel sure that Old Girls will be interested to know, too, that even more facilities are planned for the School by the Friends, — the next project being an Arts Centre, for which money is already being raised. A highly successful 10th Sponsored Walk was held, only a few days ago, organised by the Friends, and ending in Chatsworth Park with the gracious consent and permission of our School Visitor, Her Grace the Duchess of Devonshire. This has raised a sum in the region of £3,600 which will be put towards our new project.

Not only are new projects being planned, — basic reconstruction is at present under way, in the very heart of the School. A new floor has been constructed, across the main Entrance Hall, and the whole of Powys House has been restyled, to modernise the accommodation in Top Central. A suite of rooms for our new resident Deputy Headmistress, Miss Stevenson, adjacent to my rooms, will be ready for her use after Half Term.

I know that very many Old Girls will be sad to hear that at the end of the Summer Term, we lost the services of Mrs. Kitchen, our Deputy Headmistress and Head of the Mathematics Department and Miss Rees Jones, House Mistress of Wilson House and Head of the Music Department. Both Mrs. Kitchen and Miss Rees Jones have retired, Mrs. Kitchen after serving the School for nineteen years, and Miss Rees Jones, after nine years. They both gave most loyal and devoted service to the School, for which I have expressed my appreciation in another part of the Magazine, and I know that all Old Girls will wish them every happiness in their retirement.

Time passes quickly, and although I write at the beginning of my third year as Headmistress of St. Elphin's, very soon the Summer Term will be here, and I shall be looking forward to meeting Old Girls at our next Reunion, in London, on Saturday, 6th May, 1978.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Audrey L. Mayhew.

REUNION AT ST. ELPHIN'S

Although we did not reach the record number present at the last Reunion at School (which was held in the year of Miss Robinson's retirement) there were nearly 70 of us at our "family day" on May 14th, of whom 42 were Old Girls.

It was rather a grey morning and we were glad of the coffee which was served on our arrival.

The A.G.M. of the Guild was held in the Common Room when Miss Mayhew took the Chair and opened with Prayers and remembrance of those who had died during the year.

The Minutes were read and confirmed and it was decided to continue, at least for the time being, to send the Magazine only to those who ask for it. The Secretary reported that, up to now, she had had replies from 90 Old Girls who want this year's copy (N.B. this number has now risen to 146), most of whom have sent donations towards the cost.

As a result the Treasurer's Report and Accounts which followed were of a much more hopeful nature than in previous years. (a copy of these is printed on a later page).

Miss Mayhew then gave us news of the School — scholastic achievements, musical successes, new buildings, out-of-school activities, numbers, fees and future plans, which include the renovation and re-building of "Top Central" (Powys House) owing to danger of collapse. We were told, too of the Friend's projects of a new Arts Centre, a new kitchen for Devonshire House (the VIth Form House) and a Careers room.

We were sorry to hear that Mrs Kitchen had retired and interested to learn that the new Chairman of Governors is the Bishop of Warrington (Bishop Henshall).

It was decided to hold the next Reunion in London — the venue will be announced later, but the date was fixed for May 6th. This is a week earlier than usual and it is hoped that it will not clash with other functions as has happened previously. (Please make a note of the date now and try to keep it free, so that we shall have a good number present).

Lunch in the Stopford Hall with our families followed the meeting and we were very grateful to the Bursar and the catering staff for arranging such an excellent meal.

During the afternoon we explored the school with Miss Mayhew showing us the new buildings and the improvements to the games fields.

Most of us attended Evensong in the Chapel (where we were delighted to see Miss H. Thompson taking her old place at the Organ) before afternoon tea in the Hall concluded a very enjoyable

day which we hope will be repeated in two years' time. On our behalf Margaret Griffiths (nee Ashton) thanked Miss Mayhew and all those who had helped to make the day so successful.

Those Old Girls present included:— Rosemary Allen, Anne Barber (nee Glover), Jane Bealby (nee Walker), Cheryl Chalk, Julie Chapman, Margaret Carmichael (nee Houghton), Jane Chadbund (nee Wells), Christine Codling (nee Tew), Claire Derry, Louise Elkington, Margaret Farley (nee Smart), Stephanie Glanville (nee Greenhalgh), Audrey Glover (nee Bell), Margaret Griffiths (nee Ashton), Megan Graham, Felicity Hay (nee Forster), Rosalind Jackson, Miss Jasper, Joan Kiddell, Joyce Knight, Margaret Laithwaite (nee Owen), Audrey Lavender, Sylvia Lloyd, Sally Machin, Adelaide Milligan, Josephine Mead, Mary Mayo (nee Reeman), Pat Marshall (nee Cliffe), Margaret Nash, Margaret Rouse (nee Carmichael), Mary Scudamore (nee Jones), Elizabeth Street, Beth Sheldon, Jane Shipman, Eileen Smart (nee Whittaker), Claire Smith, Mary Stoneham (nee Smart), Rosemary Taylor, Judith Thompson (nee Hick), Miss Helen Thompson, Miss Lesley Thompson, Winifred Thompson and Elizabeth Wareham (nee Carson).

NEWS OF OLD GIRLS

Though Miss BURCHNALL cannot come up to Reunions now she still keeps in touch with Old Girls through the "mini-reunions" of the S-W Branch of which she is President. She enjoyed the Just William series on TV and remembered Kay Lambourn (Richmal Crompton) and what fun she was when at School.

MARGARET CARMICHAEL (nee HOUGHTON) is still having difficulties with the local Council and builders while trying to have her cottage made habitable. She lectures for the National Trust on the Chester circuit.

JANE CHADBUND (nee Wells) has moved to Warwickshire and is looking forward to exploring the countryside there. Her elder daughter is a District Midwife in Sheffield, and she and her husband are busy decorating their house. Her other daughter, Georgina, is an experienced Girl Groom, having worked with polo ponies and as an instructress at a riding school.

JOYCE DAWSON (nee CARTMELL) has recently moved to York, having lived for 25 years in N. Ireland, — the last 13 in Belfast. She has a married daughter who teaches at the Govin School of Languages in Manchester, a daughter reading History at Somerville College, Oxford, and a son at Archbishop Holgate's Grammar School in York. She would be pleased to see any Old Girls who are in York.

JEAN-CHRISTINE DORMAN (nee TURNER) has been doing the Advanced Diploma Course in the Education of Backward Children at the Matlock College of Education and is now starting work in Special Education.

DIANA EDWARDS (nee CRICK) is now living in Kings Lynn and within reach of family in Norwich, Cambridge, Essex and Sussex. She has four grandsons aged 2, 3, 5 and 6. She is working as a School matron in Kings School, Ely.

ANN ENTWISTLE (nee LYON) is still doing some part-time work at the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital. She was appointed a J.P. last July. She has enjoyed hearing from SHIRLEY KcKENZIE (nee LEWIS) and has seen SHIRLEY THURMAN (nee THORNTON).

ALISON FOULDS has just obtained her S.R.N. at Adenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge. She is to be married next Easter.

FIONA GORDON (nee FAIRCLOUGH) is now secretary to the Manager of the Manchester Building Society, having taken a Higher Secretarial Diploma Course in Manchester. She hears occasionally from ANN BENTLEY (nee COLLEY) and FRANCES ANDERSON who passed her S.R.N., but left St. Mary's to do a typing course in London.

MOLLIE GORDON (nee McCOMBIE) who lives at Weelheads, Huntley, Aberdeenshire would be pleased to see any of her contemporaries who are visiting that area.

JANE GIBSON (nee BRIERLEY) and her family have now got a home of their own after 11 years of living in Service Quarters around the world. Her husband has retired from the R.A.F. to become Vice-Principal of a College near Wolverhampton. They will find it much more convenient (especially for school exeats) as their daughter is at school in Malvern.

JO HALLIDAY (nee SALISBURY) and her husband have also just moved to a home of their own after living in Naval Quarters for 3 years. He is working at the Royal Naval Hospital in Gosport where Jo completed her S.R.N. in 1972. As they have a small son aged about 2, she only works part-time now at a local hospital. Last Christmas she saw JULIE WHITE (nee ERVINE) and her baby son.

MARGARET JONES has returned to Bangladesh for aother year or two, having had five months in England. She is still working with the Oxford Mission at Barisal. The maternity hospital is now a medical care centre for mothers and children with special emphasis in preventive medicine. Bangladesh is a country with lots of palm trees, rivers, water lilies and kingfishers. The Bangladeshi are very warm, hospitable people and love acting, singing and dancing.

MISS M. LAMB is now living and working in her home district in Chislehurst, Kent.

FLORENCE MAHONEY really lives in The Gambia, but she is at present in the Congo where her husband is working with the World Health Organisation. As she thinks she was the first African to attend St. Elphin's, it gave her great pleasure, (when she visited the School last year) to see a number of pupils from overseas there now.

ROSEMARY MASON (nee LEVICK) has happily recovered from the fourth operation on her leg, which has been a complete success. She gave up her job as a hotel receptionist when she married in May, and she and her husband are now living over her husband's business in Peterborough. She says, however, that she has no intention of helping with the business (motor cycles, bicycles and motor accessories) so she will be looking for some other work.

ELIZABETH NEEDHAM is thoroughly enjoying her job as Nursing Sister in the Palace of Westminster. She finds it particularly exciting as she is the first person to have this newly-created post. There is an enormous staff, as well as the general public who "float in and out", besides the Members and Peers, so she has some very interesting times.

When ALISON NILLES (nee ORME) was married this summer her three sisters, Marie-Louise, Virginia and Suzanne, were among her bridesmaids, and guests included MANDY GEE, JANE SLATER (nee DUNN), NICOLA ROE, JANE BOOTH and BELINDA BATT (nee BROOKE-TAYLOR).

SYBIL OSMOND (nee WELLS) has been elected an Associate of Newnham College, Cambridge, but her chief delight at the moment seems to be that she and her husband have at last got a grand-daughter — after 4 grand-sons! At a wedding reception recently she met SUSAN BROOKER (nee GARRETT) and her husband.

OENONE ROONEY (nee DUNKELEY) and her husband have now left the two-teacher school in South Otago (almost the most southerly point in the mainland of New Zealand) as the School was down-graded to a one-teacher school. They are now at Waitaki Bridge School on North Otago where her husband is head-teacher of the two-teacher school. Their elder daughter, Louise, is one of the 29 children on the roll. They are always pleased to see any St. Elphinite who may be passing.

ROSEMARY RUNCIMAN (nee HADFIELD) now lives on the north bank of the Clyde — their sixth house since their marriage in 1957. Among the considerable amount of shipping which passes, are nuclear submarines from the nearby Naval Base on their way to undisclosed destinations. Their 3 daughters (15, 13 and 10 years) are now at boarding-school in North Yorkshire. She occasionally does some French teaching and as her husband's job frequently takes him to Germany she is about to revive her knowledge of German.

Having moved about every 3 years, she feels in a position to comment on the average attitude of the congregations of the Church of England — they are not very ready to welcome newcomers and by the time one has become accepted, the next change of job has occurred. A few smiles and a little interest would make a lot of difference, she says. However, she also adds (with great thankfulness) that the training in faith received at St. Elphin's has been of inestimable value during their most interesting, but none too stable, life to date.

She remains in touch with MARY STAPLETON (nee SAPWELL) and SHEILA THOMSON (nee COTTERILL) and recently entertained PAT PHILEOX (nee JAMES) and her family who were on a rare visit from the States. She and Pat are Godmothers to each other's eldest daughters.

WENDY SLATTERMOEN (nee FORD) sends news of her family (3 sons) and a letter about their life in Norway which is so interesting that the relevant part of it is given in full as a separate article.

KATHERINE (JO) SIMONS (nee SMITH) has been teaching at the Cheltenham Comprehensive School since her marriage, but gave up her job in July as she is expecting a baby in December.

ROSAMUND SMITH (JO's sister) has been travelling quite a lot since she left School. She has now started at Oxford Polytechnic where she is to read Cartography.

ROSEMARY TAYLOR thanks all those who have enquired since her hip operation last year. The joint is marvellous and better than the original! It is good to be able to walk properly again. She sends news of JEAN WADDELL with whom she caught up with a lot of news in May. She also sees MARY AITCHISON (nee DAVIDSON) periodically. Mary's son Michael has now left school. She enjoyed a weekend with FRANCES FOYAN (nee ADAMS) in October at the time of the S-W Reunion, and also spent a lovely day with BETTY WILKINS (nee MARTIN) in the summer.

EIRENE CLARKE (nee TAYLOR) has retired this July from the Headship of St. Edmunds College, Liverpool where Rosemary teaches. Eventually Eirene and her husband will be retiring to the Penrith area.

Rosemary was interested to hear that Bishop Henshall has been appointed Chairman of Governors. She teaches his daughter Caroline at St. Edmunds.

WINIFRED THOMPSON has been leading her usual busy and interesting life, including visiting the new Royal Free Hospital at Hampstead with some of her contemporaries who trained at the old hospital in the Gray's Inn Road (badly damaged in the war). She also had an interesting holiday in Durham and has had a visit from her niece, Joy, from New Zealand. Together they visited St. Elphin's and took photos for Joy to take home to her mother (nee DOROTHY THOMPSON) so that she could appreciate the changes in the School since she was there.

JOYCE THOMPSTONE (nee KNOWLSON) is now living permanently in what used to be their weekend cottage in the Cotswolds, as her husband has retired recently. Her son is now Vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Boston, Lincs (after curacies at Hoole, Chester and Fulwood, Sheffield). Her sister JOAN ASHWORTH (nee KNOWLSON) is living at Upminster, Essex and serving as a Magistrate. Joyce has also met up with JOAN SMITH (nee COLVER) who, with her husband, a retired solicitor, lives quite near to her.

ANN TURNER is at present in South Africa (no further details).

Thank you all for your letters and news — many of you now send the news in note form, which makes it much easier for me, but I love the chatty letters too. I feel I know so many of you, and I look forward to hearing from you each year. I wish I could reply to all your letters.

I now have 9 grandchildren — Margaret has 3 daughters (the eldest is to start at St. Elphin's next year) and Mary has 3 sons; my son has 1 boy and 2 girls; Catherine is teaching at a Vith Form College in Cambridge.

At Easter Catherine and I spent a very interesting holiday in Crete. We attended the traditional Good Friday and Easter Eve Services of the Greek Orthodox Church in the fishing village where we were staying.

I still enjoy my Guiding, but alas they have brought in an age-limit, so I suppose my days are numbered! However, they have asked me to become Division President (no age-limit for that!) so I shall still have the entrée to most of the events I want to attend.

That is my news; I hope I have recorded your news items correctly, but I add my usual plea for forgiveness for any mistakes.

I will do my best to see that you all receive the magazines you have asked for.

Best wishes to you all,
Yours sincerely,

Eileen S. SMART (nee WHITTAKER)

Finlandia,
41 Pinewood Avenue,
Bolton-le-Sands,
Carnforth, Lancs.

Extract from a letter written by WENDY SLETTERMÖEN (nee FORD) who lives in Norway and has three sons now aged 11, 6 and 3.

..... We moved from Oslo, where my husband was studying at Oslo University, to Geilo, where he obtained a post at the District Comprehensive School, teaching English, History and Norwegian.

In 1975 we took over his parents' farm while continuing at school. (In Norway the tradition is that the farm goes from father to eldest son. A new law, however, has made it that the eldest child, regardless of sex, has the first right to the farm).

We farm sheep and at the time of writing we are getting towards the end of lambing. We have nearly 150 ewes who have lambed (the sheep are inside during the winter — 6 months). This year the winter has lasted 7 months and today (May 14th) when it is usually green and the sheep grazing outside, we have still plenty of snow and there is a cold north wind blowing!

The summers in Geilo are usually hot (but cool in the evenings), especially the last two years. But they are far too short; towards the end of August you can feel a cold nip in the air in the evening.

Geilo lies about 700 metres above sea-level. It is Norway's, and Scandinavia's, largest winter sports resort. Even though the village is quite small — about 1,500 permanent population — this increases to over double when tourists arrive for Easter and Norwegians from the towns come up to spend Easter in their chalets.

Our children all ski (the youngest is 2½ years old). We tour mostly — that is cross-country ski-ing with much lighter skis. If we decide to go several miles, we take the youngest in a specially constructed rucksack, carrying him on the back.....

BIRTHS

BROUGHTON — On April 22nd, 1977 to Richard and Mary (nee DAYBELL) a son, PETER JOHN REEVES.

HALLIDAY - In 1975 to RICK and JO (nee SALISBURY) a son, NATHAN.

JAMIESON - On March 21st, 1977 to ROBERT and MARY (nee HEGINBOTHAM) a daughter, ANNA MARIE KATHERINE (sister for WILLIAM).

LEWIS - On march 13th, 1977 to CHRISTOPHER AND JO (nee DICKMAN) a daughter, JENNIFER LUCY MARY.

SLETTERMOEN - to WENDY (nee FORD) on September 29th, 1966 a son LARS; on July 18th, 1971 a son, ASLE; and on August 18th, 1974 a son HANS.

STONEHAM - On January 12th, 1977 to CHRISTOPHER and MARY (nee SMART) a son, PAUL CYRIL LINDSAY.

MARRIAGES

BARGER-ASHCROFT - On June 4th, 1977 in St. Elphin's School Chapel, Raymond Barger to JUDITH ASHCROFT.

DORMAN-TURNER - In December 1975, Richard John Dorman to JEAN-CHRISTINE TURNER.

GATES-WHITE - On June 19th, 1976 at Old Brampton Church, Chesterfield, Martin Gates to SUSAN WHITE.

GORDON-FAIRCLOUGH - On July 16th, 1977, at Christ Church, Walmsley, Bolton, Alex Nicholas Gordon to FIONA FAIRCLOUGH.

GRANT-NIGHTINGALE - On July 21st, 1976, John Dey Grant to DOROTHY NIGHTINGALE (nee NASH).

MARSON-LEVICK - On May 12th, 1977 at All Saints Church, Bakewell, Richard Marson to ROSEMARY LEVICK.

NILLES-ORME - On July 30th, 1977 Jurgen Nilles to ALISON ORME.

THOMAS-ELTOFT - On July 8th, 1977, in Leeds, Jacob Thomas to SUSAN ELTOFT.

THOMPSON-SAVAGE - On June 21st, 1976, at Ridgeway, Sheffield, William E. Thompson to ANNE SAVAGE.

ENGAGEMENTS

On February 14th, 1977, Michael Yates to JANET HUNT.

DEATHS

JESSIE BURMAN, on December 3rd, 1976.

JOAN FRANCES ELIZABETH HINE (nee BOUNDS) on November 16th, 1976.

Miss E. M. CARUS-WILSON, in February, 1977.

Miss E. M. Carus-Wilson was a much appreciated member of the staff of St. Elphin's from 1922 to 1924.

Her subsequent career was brilliant. She was Professor of Economic History in the University of London from 1953 to 1965. She was a recognized authority on such subjects as the woollen industry in the late Middle Ages and the Medieval Merchant Adventurers and was actively engaged in writing and lecturing until her sudden death in February of this year.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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- MARGARET MALMSTORM (nee WALLIS), Husmansuegen
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- ROSEMARY MARSON (nee LEVICK), 25 Market Street, Whittlesey,
Peterborough, Cambridgeshire.
- SUSAN E. MILLER (nee THOMAS), all letters to:— c/o Mr. and
Mrs. S. Thomas, Canberra, North Muskham, Nr. Newark,
Notts.
- PHOEBE M. MILTON (nee WHITE), the Poplars, Mattersley,
Thorpe, Doncaster, S. Yorks DN10 5EP.

OLD GIRLS GUILD

TREASURER'S REPORT

In December, 1976, the balance in the Current Account was £225.96 and in the Deposit Account £460.54, an increase of £43.17 and £127.69 respectively, over the 1975 amount. This was due partly to £102 in the Current Account from the redemption of a 6% Savings Bond which had come to the end of its "life", and to a total of £175 given in donations, some of which is in each account.

There is also an increase in the total subscription and badge money of £58.52, although this does not represent much of an increase in actual number of members.

The cost of magazines increased to £400+ from £298.57, a rise of over £100. However, in this current financial year (1977) the magazine bill is £331.58, a reduction, as a number of members were not sent a magazine because of non-payment by the dead-line date. Several members have also notified us that they no longer wanted a copy. The magazines are now 48p a copy. Postage for overseas members alone came to £50, and now postage has increased recently, so the next will be higher.

In 1976, notices were sent to 48 annual members. Subscriptions of £1 were received from 10, 8 of whom were our older members; 2 transferred to the membership; total 12, and no reply was received from the other 26. Therefore £26 in subscriptions, and 26 postages at 6½p, was lost. In fact, some of these defaulters owed for 2 years. 20 members were crossed off for non-payment for 1974-76; 6 of the 1976 leavers asked for badges, but sent no money. The price of badges quoted x years ago was 2/6 (now 12½p) but very few people seem to realise that banks will not accept ½p on cheques. Inflation has necessitated that the price shall be 13p. (Thou shalt not increase the price of old stock!).

Addresses:— once again I have had a number of queries about magazines, but if addresses are out of date, it is not surprising that magazines go astray. College addresses usually last 3-4 years only, and we receive no others.

I am in the process of reorganizing addresses of all our 600+ members, by a card-index system. Progress is rather slow because of constant changes, not to mention marriages! I should be glad if members changing addresses would be good enough to let me know,

so that I can try to keep the index up to date. This is particularly important for the annual members and those opting for 3 year membership.

Rosemary E. Taylor,
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ST. ELPHIN'S OLD GIRLS' GUILD

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1. CURRENT ACCOUNT

	£	p		£	p
To: Balance brought forward	...	...	By: Postage	...	2.30
Subscriptions	...	22.50	Magazines and postage	...	400.93
Donations	...	71.90	Balance brought forward	...	225.96
Transfer for D/A for magazines	...	250.00			
6% Bank Savings bond redemption	...	102.00			
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2. DEPOSIT ACCOUNT (Life Subscriptions A/c)

	£	p		£	p
To: Balance brought forward	...	332.85	By: Transfer to C/A	...	250.00
Subscriptions	...	218.26	Balance brought forward	...	460.54
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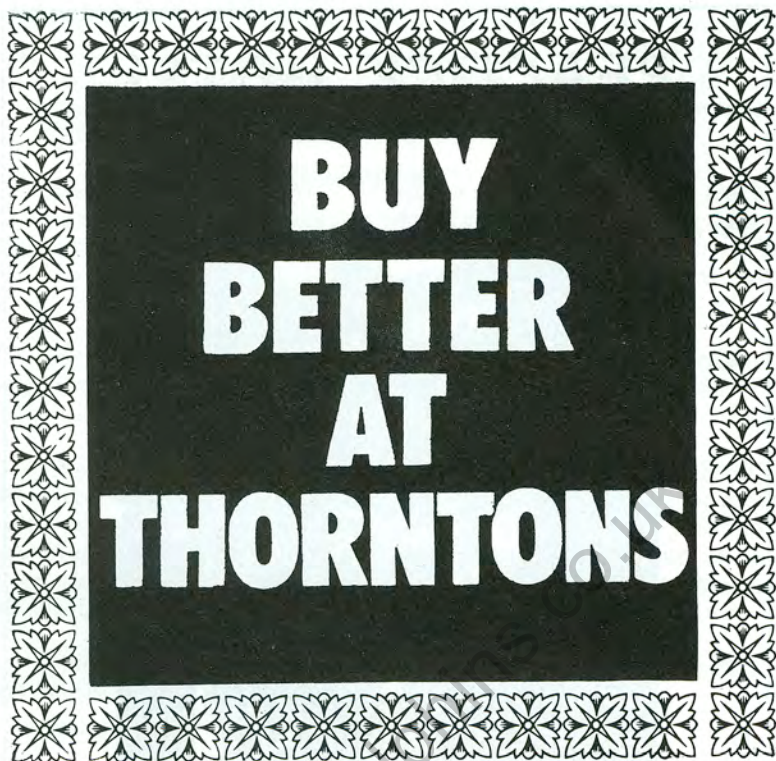
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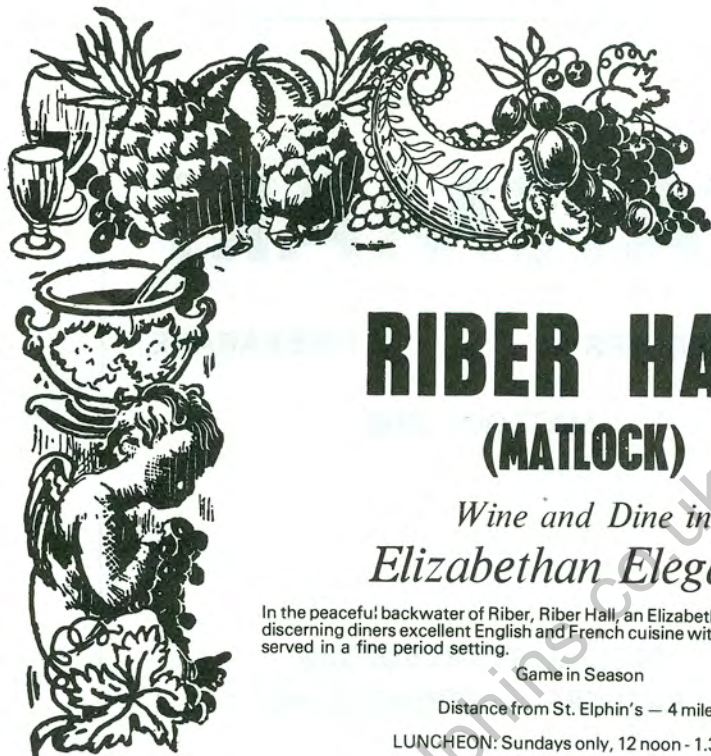
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