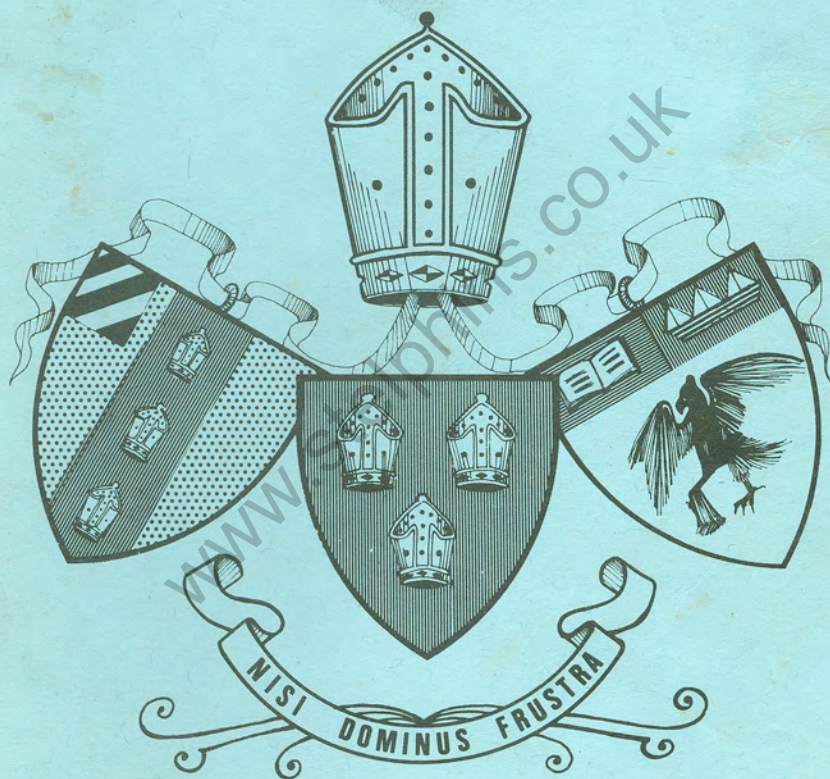
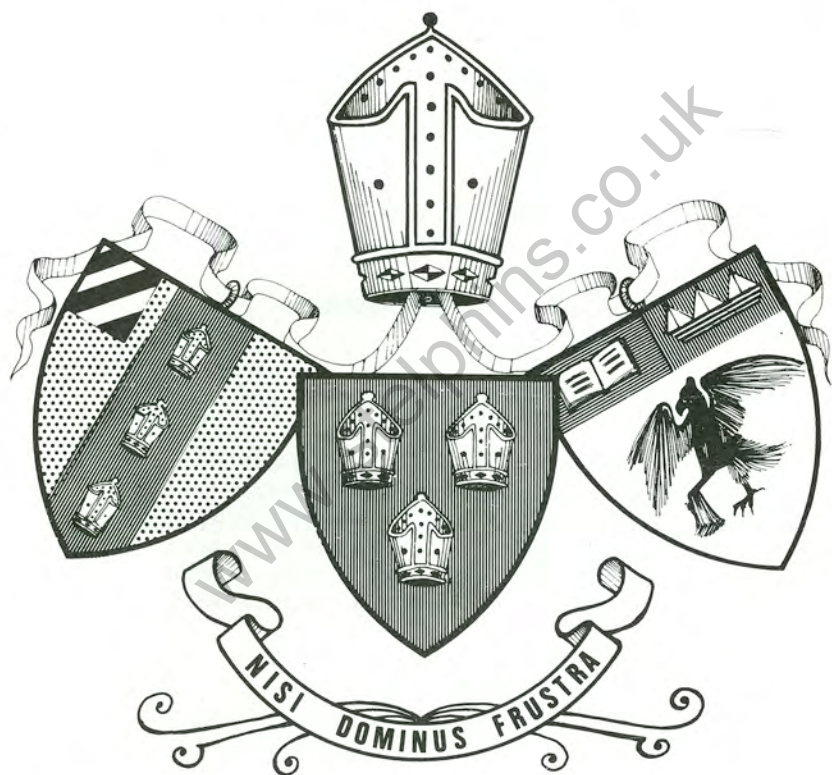


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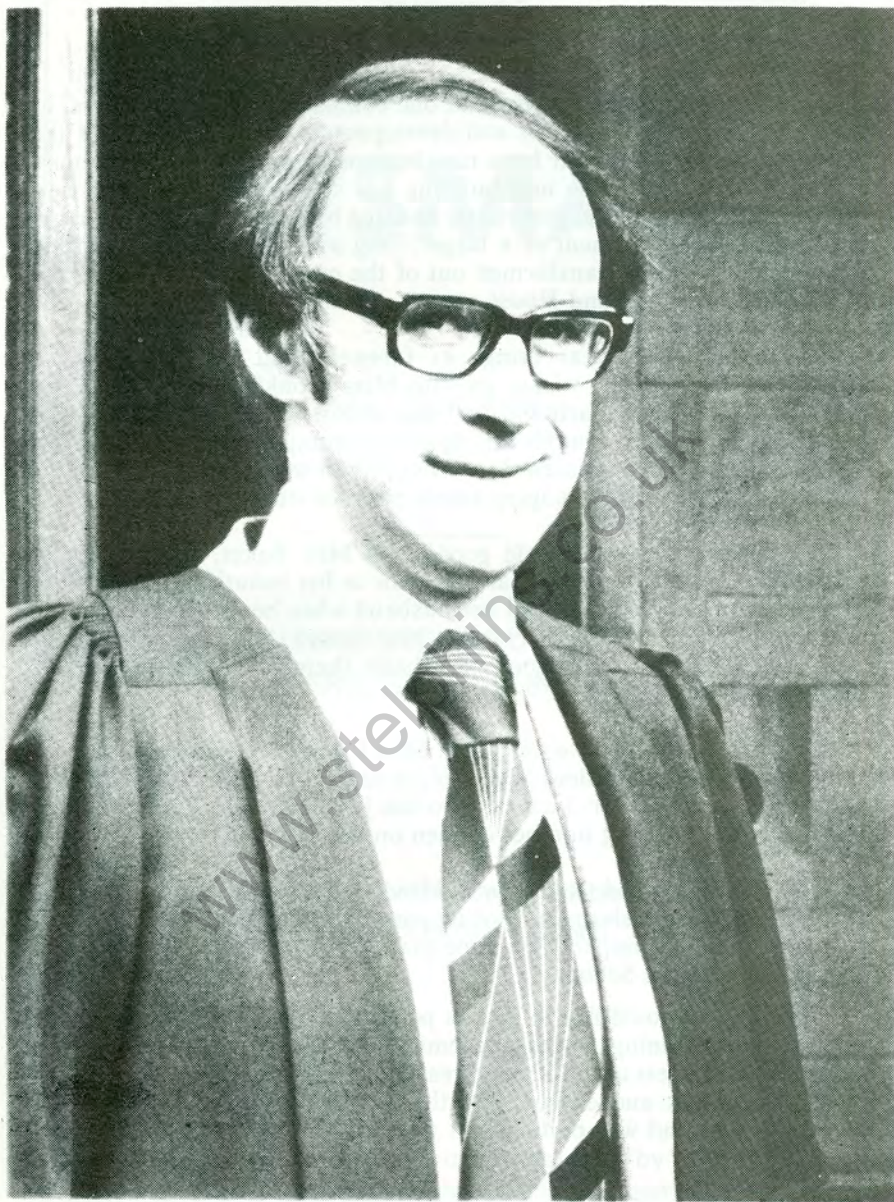
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Mr. Peter Pollard

EDITORIAL

This year has been a fairly quiet one compared with recent years, as far as architectural alterations and developments are concerned and the various projects of last year have now become a part of the older, more traditional buildings. One new building has suddenly appeared—a new playroom for Willowdene, generously donated by the Friends and we must not forget the development of a larger, long awaited Sixth Form sitting room which has been transformed out of the once form room, art room, general rubbish room and House room.

As always, each year brings its farewells and this year was no exception. Our warmest wishes go with Miss Monkley who contributed much to the Music Department and was always ready to accompany so beautifully many of the pupils taking part in competitions and Festivals; we were sad, too, to say farewell to Miss Hilton who tackled so patiently and cheerfully the ever-changing music practice time-table.

At Christmas, we also said goodbye to Mrs. Baker, for the best of reasons (she returned to school later to show us her beautiful baby girl), to Mrs. Parham who accompanied her husband when he moved to a post in Durham, and to Mr. Copley who has moved on to a change of environment in a mixed school. We thank them all for their valuable contributions to the School.

In their places we have welcomed Miss Crook as Head of the Science Department to teach Biology; Dr. Riley to teach Chemistry; Mr. Fletcher to teach Physics and Mr. Jackson who has joined the Music Department and the ever-increasing number of men on the Staff.

Miss Clarke joined us in May as Head of the Junior Department and her hard work, enthusiasm and loving care for the children have already made a pronounced impact. We hope that she will have a long and happy association with the School.

The School would like to pay its personal tribute to Miss Stevenson, who, at the beginning of the academic year, took over the position of Acting Headmistress after only one year as Deputy Headmistress. Thanks to her hard work and enthusiasm, the School has experienced a most successful year and we are delighted that she is still with us, as Deputy Head.

The School would also like to welcome Mr. Pollard, who has assumed the position of Headmaster from September, 1979. We take this opportunity to wish him success and happiness at St. Elphin's.

The School has had a very full and exciting year, particularly in sport and music where outstanding achievements have been reached.

Once again St. Elphin's took part in the Buxton Festival. The Senior Choir, trained by Mr. Brockbank, did very well, coming a modest second overall, along with other groups and individual members of the school.

We thank the Staff for the hard work they have done in arranging a wide variety of extra-curricular activities such as dancing, badminton, debating, chess, bridge, toy making, golf, art, natural history and the Junior Red Cross Society. This year also saw the opening of the new Book Shop, which has proved to be a great success. Many outings to shows, concerts and films have been arranged as well as holidays which have always been well supported.

We would like to extend our warmest wishes to all those who have left and wish them every success and happiness in the future.

Ann von Klosst-Dohna



Sincere apologies to SUSAN HAMPSON whose name appeared in the 1978 Magazine as SUSAN THOMPSON in the list of Sub-Prefects for Wilson House.

WELCOME TO MR PETER POLLARD

For the first time in our history we have a Headmaster to lead St. Elphin's. The appointment of Mr. Peter Pollard was no "trendy" initiative by the Governors, but an appointment of an outstanding candidate from a wide field of applicants. A School of the standing of St. Elphin's inevitably attracted a large number of potential heads — both men and women. I'm delighted to welcome Mr. Pollard and his wife and family to the School.

There are many reasons why the choice of the Governing Body rested on Mr. Pollard. He is a man for "today". He combines the highest of academic standards with a flair for understanding those whose particular gifts lie in other directions. He brings to the School a sensitive grasp of the acute problems that surround the word "discipline" in modern day society. He comes to us with a wide experience as Headmaster in another girls' boarding school, the Abbey School in Malvern Wells. His experience in sixth form work is a very great asset to St. Elphin's.

The acute problems that arise from simply living in the last part of the Twentieth Century have their repercussions in the educational field. We are all delighted to have at the helm a man of calibre and imagination as our School heads towards the next Century!

Michael Warrington
Lord Bishop of Warrington and
Chairman of the Governors of St. Elphin's.



THE INSTALLATION OF THE HEADMASTER

On Thursday October 4th we held a sung Eucharist in Chapel to celebrate St. Francis's day and the inauguration of Mr. A. P. C. Pollard as Headmaster of the School. The Bishop of Warrington presided over the service, assisted by the Chaplain. Each House was represented by 15 communicant members and there was a representative number of staff and Governors present.

After the Cross (carried by the Head Girl) had led in the Servers, Chaplain and Bishop, the two Deputy Head Girls led in the Vice-Chairman of the governing body and the Deputy Head, followed by the Headmaster. The Chaplain spoke the words of welcome, to which Mr. Pollard replied: "Thank you, Chaplain, for the welcome you extend to me. I promise to serve this school faithfully to God's glory and the extension of his Kingdom of love". He then entered the Sanctuary, and the Bishop led him to his stall, praying for God's blessing on him and for strength and courage for him to perform his task. After this brief ceremony, we entered the Eucharist service. The Bishop preached the sermon, in which he pointed out that as St. Francis challenged the materialism and lust for wealth prevalent in his age with a rule of strict poverty, so we must challenge the attitudes of our society with a spiritual renewal, if there is to be peace and understanding in the world; he also reminded us that our time here at St. Elphin's is a time of preparation for life not only in the academic, but also in the spiritual sense.

As Mr. Pollard has already been very much "in action" since the beginning of term, and was seen in and around the school on several occasions last term, it came as something of a surprise to realise that only as of this day was he officially acknowledged as Headmaster of St. Elphin's School — a sure indication, no doubt, that he has settled in well to our life here. We wish him all the best, and look forward to many happy years under his leadership.

A. M. Smith



HERBERT HOLLAND

The many friends of Herbert Holland will have been greatly saddened by the recent news of his untimely death.

His involvement with the School, in addition to the normal interest of a parent whose three daughters spent their educational careers at St. Elphin's covered a considerable number of years' service, with Mrs. Holland, on the committee of the Society of the Friends of St. Elphin's where his wise counsel in discussing the business in hand, coupled with positive and practical support of the many fund raising projects, helped very successfully to expedite the building of the Stopford Hall and subsequently the Gymnasium.

The Holland Fur and Feather stall at the Bazaar was always an outstanding attraction and the succulence of their turkey was much appreciated by the lucky holder of the winning ticket in their popular raffle.

Sports Day was enlivened for many years by the Holland family barbecue — a gargantuan operation mounted with military precision in the grounds near the Bursar's house — ably supported by the late Reverend Wilfred Speakman, the then secretary of the Friends, and always assured of success by the ambrosial promise of their excellent cooking.

In extending our sympathy to his family in their numbing loss, the Friends, and through them the School, will be for ever grateful for the affectionate and loyal support of a good man.

W. H. L.



SCHOOL OFFICE HOLDERS 1978-79



Head Girl: Susan Vaughan
Deputy Head Girls: Judith Ward
Michelle Li

Prefects: UVI Ann von Klosst-Dohna
Patricia Gorman
Helen Lewington
Melanie Roach
Michelle Roach
Susan Rothwell
Isabel So

LVI Kathryn Betterton
Jane Eaton
Susan Giddings
Rosemary Halsall
Jennifer MacIlwaine
Nicola Smith
Jacqueline Tear
Helen Womersley

Sub-Prefects: UVI Patricia Currie
Kemi Gbaja

LVI Angela Aulton
Joanne Beale
Caroline Board
Susan Brooks
Padideh Jalali
Tina Lingham
Marianne Preuss
Sarah Robins
Sarah Scott
Heidi Sloan
Angela Smith
Caron Smith
Nathalie Smith
Kay Williams

HOUSE OFFICE HOLDERS 1978-79



Gresford House

Head of House: Kathryn Betterton

Deputy Head of House: Heidi Sloan

House Prefects: Kemi Gbaja
Heidi Sloan
Patricia Currie

Sub-Prefects: Helen Green
Caroline Shaw
Catherine Taylor
Jeanette Lister

Kennedy House

Head of House: Jacqueline Tear

Deputy Heads of House: Nicola Smith
Caron Smith

House Prefects: Rosemary Halsall
Susan Giddings
Jennifer MacIlwaine
Padideh Jalali
Louise Burke

Sub-Prefects: Suzanne Coon
Alyson Idell
Elizabeth Ellis

Pigot House

Head of House: Helen Lewington

Deputy Head of House: Caroline Board

House Prefects: Susan Vaughan
Marianne Preuss
Tina Lingham
Nathalie Smith
Sarah Scott

Sub-Prefects: Kay Uawithya
Jane Clark
Judi-Anne Bowman

Powys House

Head of House: Susan Rothwell

Deputy Heads of House: Jane Eaton
Helen Womersley

House Prefects: Belinda Beecroft
Susan Brooks

Sub-Prefects: Heather Nye
Arandeep Dhanjal

Selwyn House

Head of House: Melanie Roach

Deputy Head of House: Michelle Roach

House Prefects: Kay Williams
Joanne Beale
Angela Smith
Susan Laoye
Briony Kernan
Jane Rayner
Kehinde Diagi
Ronke Adeyemi

Sub-Prefects: Caroline England
Elizabeth Bottomley
Claire Duffill
Anne Chapman
Sally Capsticks
Marie Roach
Janet Chan

Wilson House

Head of House: Judith Ward

Deputy Head of House: Michelle Li

House Prefects: Ann von Klosst-Dohna
Isabel So

FIXTURE LIST

September 1978 - July 1979

AUTUMN TERM 1978



September

Sunday	17th	Harvest Thanksgiving P.M. Mr. F. Lowe: Canadian Trail
Saturday	23rd	Sponsored Walk
Saturday	30th	Gresford House outing to Chester

October

Wednesday	4th	VI Form History group: Lecture by A. J. P. Taylor at Matlock College
Friday	6th	Talk on W.R.N.S.
Saturday	7th	Parents' Meeting UIV to UVI Under 18 County Hockey Trials Concert at Sheffield
Saturday	14th	Chatsworth Horse Trials
Tuesday	17th	LV's to "Macbeth" in Matlock
Saturday	21st	Speech Day
Tuesday	31st	Group of LV's to Nottingham Playhouse to see "King Henry V".

November

Wednesday	1st	I.S.C.O. tests for UV
Saturday	4th	UV to "Julius Caesar", Octagon Theatre, Bolton
Tuesday	7th	VI Form History Group to "The Recruiting Officer", Crucible Theatre
Sunday	12th	Remembrance Service
Saturday	18th	A.G.M. of Friends Christmas Bazaar
Saturday	25th	Geography Expedition
Sunday	26th	Economics "Any Questions"

December

Tuesday	5th	House Drama Competition
Thursday	7th	K.G. Nativity Play LV's visit Denstone — "Merchant of Venice"
Sunday	10th	Senior Carol Service Junior Christmas Dinner
Monday	11th	Senior Christmas Dinner

SPRING TERM 1979

January

Friday 19th LV-VI to film "The World that Perished"

February

Saturday 3rd Parents' Meeting Form I-LIV
 Sunday 11th Vogel Ensemble
 Wednesday 14th Lower VI: Open Day at Sheffield University
 Thursday 15th Aviemore Ski-ing Holiday
 Saturday 24th Talk by Mr. Duffill "Some Opportunities in Local Government"
 Tuesday 27th LVI Human Biology group to Water Reclamation Works
 Wednesday 28th Ash Wednesday
 9.00 Sung Eucharist

March

Sunday 4th Confirmation: Bishop of Warrington
 Thursday 8th Ted Hughes' poetry reading — Manchester
 Friday 9th Dr Segerman-Peck "Translation"
 Saturday 10th UIV's to "The Middle Window" by the Peacock Players
 Sunday 11th Confirmation: Bishop of Derby
 Wednesday 14th I.S.C.O. Tests Upper V
 Thursday 15th LVI to Ogston
 Friday 16th LV-VI to film "Thief in the Night"
 Saturday 17th Parents' Meeting UIV-UVI
 Tuesday 20th House Hockey Tournament
 Saturday 24th House Netball Tournament
 Sunday 25th Economics Any Questions
 Monday 26th Inter House Music Competition
 Tuesday 27th Inter House Music Competition
 Friday 30th Junior School concert

SUMMER TERM 1979

April

Saturday 28th Buxton Festival

May

Friday	4th	Buxton Festival
Saturday	5th	Buxton Festival
Sunday	6th	Economics Any Questions
Tuesday	8th	Careers talk on Accountancy by A. V. Pizzey of Trent Polytechnic
Friday	11th	School Concert 7.30 p.m.
Saturday	12th	Old Girls' Reunion at School
Wednesday	16th	Visit to Art Galleries in London
Friday	18th	Visit to Lake District
Saturday	19th	Golf course at Lea Green
Sunday	20th	Golf course at Lea Green
Thursday	24th	Ascension Day Swimming Gala
Friday	25th	7.00 p.m. Higher Education Forum

June

Thursday 28th Party to Wimbledon

July

Sunday	1st	Music Festival at Stancliffe Hall
Friday	6th	Parents' Dance
Saturday	7th	Sports Day
Tuesday	10th	Form Outings
Saturday	14th	Junior Speech Day



SENIOR SPEECH DAY



On Saturday, 20th October, we were blessed with traditional St. Elphin's Speech Day weather; cold, though sunny in the morning and very warm (almost hot!) for the speeches in the afternoon.

All girls from UIII upwards, the Staff, Governors and many parents attended the Eucharist Service at Bakewell Parish Church in the morning, at which the celebrant was the Bishop of Warrington. The service opened with the Bidding Prayer, read by the Head Girl, after which representatives of various aspects of school life took an active part in the Commemoration Service.

The Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man preached the sermon on the subject of hands and asked us to use our hands for work, for prayer and in the service of others, as so many who have served the school in the past have done.

In the School Hall after lunch, the Bishop Chairman, Michael Henshall, opened the Speeches and Prize Giving by passing on the apologies of the Duchess of Devonshire for her absence because of her daughter's wedding. She has promised he said, that she will not be prevented from attending again by the weddings of any more daughters! The Bishop next spoke of the appointment of Mr. Pollard as Headmaster and hailed him as a "Man for Today" who will help in the fight against the selfish life-style of today and against the three "un's" which face us now, that is, uncertainty, ungodliness and unemployment. Finally, the Bishop thanked Miss Stevenson on behalf of the School for her tremendous hard work as Deputy and Acting Headmistress throughout the past year.

In his speech, Mr. Pollard confessed to feeling nervous, as this was his first full public appearance since his appointment as Headmaster of St. Elphin's. Naturally, he had had no part in the events detailed in his report, but he was able to speak from first-hand experience of the Sponsored Walk earlier this term which allowed him to assess the might of the "brotherhood" of the Friends of St. Elphin's Society. Mr. Pollard spoke about his hopes for the school and stressed the importance of self-discipline, both within the school and outside it. We were encouraged to be "outward bound" in our approach to life and Mr. Pollard also appealed to local parents and staff to give all the help they can to enable us to integrate more fully with the local community and become less of an isolated institution.

This year the prizes and certificates were presented by Miss Clarke, former Headmistress of Benenden School, who had all the grace and humour one would expect of such a highly distinguished lady. Miss Clarke

spoke about prizes and emphasized their value and importance; the value that is, of their function, as opposed to their material value. She deplored to a certain extent the present-day trend of 'pot-hunting' but then she added why not? After all, striving for excellence for the prize's sake has the same effect in raising standards as striving for excellence for excellence's sake! The desire to compete is a part of human nature, and, like nuclear power, can be used for the general good or for evil purposes. She encouraged us to applaud the achievements of others, but, having won prizes ourselves, to avoid becoming conceited.

A very tempting observation on what the gleaming array of cups on the table was surely originally intended for led into the distribution of the 'A' and 'O' Level Certificates and the prizes, cups and various trophies awarded throughout the year. When the table was finally cleared the Head Girl and her two Deputies made their Votes of Thanks and the National Anthem concluded the Speeches. Tea was provided in the Gymnasium and gradually the crowd thinned, as girls and Staff crept away to begin a much-needed half-term break, satisfied with a very successful Speech Day.

Angela M. Smith



JUNIOR SCHOOL SPEECH DAY

Speech Day was held on 14th July, at the very end of the school year. We were very pleased to welcome a large number of governors, parents and friends, and especially, Canon J. R. Smith and Mrs. Smith, to what proved to be a light-hearted and happy occasion.

The day followed its familiar pattern with Mr. Linnell, who kindly consented to be chairman, opening the proceedings and introducing the various sections of the programme. The annual report was shared by Miss Stevenson and myself and a busy and active school year was reviewed — Miss Stevenson dealing with the first two terms before I took up the story at the point where I arrived in May.

Prizes, cups and certificates of all kinds were presented to a large number of recipients by Mrs. Smith. This year we were kindly presented with a new cup for Art by Mrs. Waters. She designed and made the cup herself. Next came THE SPEECH — the point in any programme where the audience customarily settles itself for some twenty minutes of silent contemplation of life's personal problems ranging from the recent past to the long-term future, while a lone voice carries out the task of inspiring desirable motives and urging their instant adoption and execution. However, all who came with this in mind were doomed to disappointment, for Canon Smith galvanised us into instant attention by his opening remarks about the curtseys and bouquets and this attention was unflinchingly sustained to the point where he ended by granting the school an immediate eight week holiday instead of the "miserable half-day" usually requested on similar occasions! His reputation as a speaker had preceded him, but those of us who had not heard him before had no idea that we were in for a quarter hour of non-stop hilarity, as his quick wit and fund of funny stories kept us laughing until the tears rolled, while at the same time we appreciated the value of the more serious thought he provoked in what he calls his "punch lines". We were, indeed fortunate that such an accomplished speaker, who is in such great demand, chose to give us some of his time in what is a very busy life — travelling from one end of the country to the other to speak at all manner of functions.

After Sarah MacFarlane, the Deputy Head Girl had thanked Canon and Mrs. Smith, the morning ended with a short concert by the Junior School Instrumentalists and Choral Verse Speakers, and a song by the whole school.

M. M. Clarke

ENTRANCES TO UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES AND HOSPITALS

Penelope Hill-Wilson: St. Anne's College, Oxford to read Philosophy and Theology.

Helen Lewington: Durham University to read Physics.

Michelle Li: Loughborough University to read Production Engineering.

Isabel So: Salford University to read Electrical Engineering.

Deborah Whitworth: University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology to read Management Sciences.

Susan Vaughan: University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg: B.A.

Ronke Adeyemi: Brighton Polytechnic: Accountancy.

Belinda Beecroft: Sheffield Polytechnic: Accountancy Foundation Course.

Kemi Gbaja: West Middlesex Hospital — S.R.N.

Patricia Gorman: St. Katherine's College, Liverpool: B.Ed.

Ann Von Klosst-Dohna: Derby Lonsdale College of Higher Education — Bi-Lingual Secretarial Course.

Judith Ward: New College, Durham: H.N.D. Tourism.

SCHOLARSHIPS 1978-79

Sixth Form Scholarships	Eniola da Rocha-Afodu	£300
	Helen Wheeler	£300
Kennedy Scholarships		
Major	Elizabeth Horne	£500
Minor	Joanne Stephenson	£250

SCHOLARSHIPS CURRENTLY HELD

Sixth Form Scholarships	Jennifer MacIlwaine	£300
	Sarah Scott	£150
Coxon Memorial Scholarship	Sarah Scott	£100
Powys Memorial Scholarship	Susan Giddings	£100
Stopford Memorial Scholarship	Angela Smith	£100
Whittam Scholarship	Rachel Petty	£100

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON G.C.E. EXAMINATION 1979

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

Advanced Level Helen Lewington

Ordinary Level Emma Loveday

University of London G.C.E. Examination 1979

Advanced Level

Ronke Adeyemi ...	...	Economics; Geography.
Belinda Beecroft ...	...	Economics (SP.2); Mathematics.
Kemi Gbaja ...	...	History.
Patricia Gorman ...	...	English Literature; Religious Studies.
Beverley Hampson ...	...	Economics; English Literature.
Ann von Klosst-Dohna		English Literature; German (A).
Helen Lewington ...	...	Chemistry (A); Mathematics; Physics.
Michelle Li... ...	...	Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics.
Melanie Roach ...	...	Economics; Mathematics; Physics.
Michelle Roach ...	...	Biology; Chemistry.
Susan Rothwell ...	...	Biology; Chemistry.
Isabel So ...	...	Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics.
Susan Vaughan ...	...	Economics; English Literature; History.

Ordinary Level (with three or more passes)

Lower VI

Fiona Dabell ...	...	Biology; Food and Nutrition; Human Biology.
Jane Twogood ...	...	Biology; Greek Literature; Human Biology; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Kay Williams ...	...	Biology; Greek Literature; A/O Geography.

Upper VA

Jane Clark ...	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Mathematics.
Suzanne Coon ...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language (A); French (A); Latin (A); Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies.
Andrea Deeley ...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; French (A); German; Mathematics; Religious Studies (A).
Clare Duffill ...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.

Sara Dyson	...	...	Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French (A); History (A); Latin; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Caroline England	...	...	Art (A); Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); French; History (A); Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies (A).
Karen Fletcher	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Helen Green	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); French; Geography; History (A); Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Sally Havenhand	...	...	English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics.
Hilary Hayes	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics; Physics.
Elizabeth Herridge	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies.
Emma Loveday	...	...	Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language (A); English Literature (A); French (A); History (A); Latin (A); Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Religious Studies.
Sheilina Mawani	...	...	Art; English Language; English Literature; History.
Susan Milroy	...	...	Art; Biology (A); Chemistry (A); English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); History (A); Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Religious Studies (A).
Julie Rhodes	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies (A).
Marie Roach	...	...	Art; Biology; English Language; Geography; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Teresa Roberts	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Latin; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Eniola da Rocha-Afodu	...	...	Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French (A); History; Latin (A); Physics; Religious Studies; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Rachel Sherrard	...	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Latin; Mathematics.
Helen Smallman-Raynor	...	...	English Language; English Literature; French; German; Religious Studies.
Belinda Stephenson	...	...	English Language; English Literature; French; German; History.

Anne Stubbs	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French (A); Latin; Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Religious Studies.
Faith Sunderland	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics; Needlecraft; Physics; Religious Studies.
Lisa Swingler	...	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); French; History; Latin; Mathematics; Physics.
Joanna Thorpe	...	...	English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; German; History; Mathematics; Physics.
Helen Wheeler	...	...	Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French (A); German (A); Latin (A); Mathematics (A); Physics; Religious Studies.
Joanna Williams	...	...	Biology; English Language (A); English Literature; French (A); History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Wan See Wong	...	...	Biology (A); Chemistry; Mathematics (A); Physics (A); Chinese (A).

Upper VP

Susan Aspin	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics; Physics; C.S.E. French (1).
Elizabeth Bottomley	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French (A); German; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Sally Capsticks	...	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Religious Studies; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Janet Chan	...	...	Biology; English Literature; Religious Studies (A).
Sian Davies	...	...	Biology; English Literature; French; History; Religious Studies; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Hazel Ehlinger	...	...	Biology; English Literature; Mathematics; Religious Studies; C.S.E. French (1).
Elizabeth Ellis	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature (A); Geography; History; Religious Studies.
Bao Ju Fong	...	...	Art; Mathematics; Chinese.
Karen Ford	...	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; Geography; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Deborah Gallagher	...	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Sally Gregory	...	...	Biology; English Literature; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.

Penelope Grenfell	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; Religious Studies; AO Geography; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Lucy Hong	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies; Chinese.
Fiona Hunter	...	Biology (A); Chemistry; English Language (A); English Literature (A); French; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Eva Jung	...	Art; Biology (A); Chemistry; English Literature; History; Mathematics (A); Physics; Chinese.
Angela Lau	...	Biology; English Literature; Mathematics; Chinese (A).
Monique Lim	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Literature; Mathematics; Chinese.
Colette Powell	...	Biology; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies; C.S.E. French (1).
Charlotte Rowley	...	English Language; English Literature; French; Religious Studies.
Charlotte Sargeant	...	Biology; English Language; English Literature; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies; C.S.E. French (1).
Caroline Shaw	...	Biology; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; History; Needlecraft; Religious Studies.
Kay Stewart	...	English Literature (A); French; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Cathryn Taylor	...	Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies.
Kay Uawithya	...	Art; Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature (A); Mathematics; Religious Studies (A).
Julie Whittaker	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.

Upper VB

Anne Chapman	...	English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
Susan East	...	Art; Biology; English Language; English Literature; Geography; Mathematics.
Elizabeth Gough	...	Food and Nutrition; Mathematics; Religious Studies; AO Geography.
Carol Hensher	...	English Language; English Literature; French; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Yvonne Holmes	...	English Literature; Religious Studies; C.S.E. Mathematics (1).
Alyson Idell	...	English Literature; Mathematics; C.S.E. French (1).

FORM PRIZES

Upper VI	...	...	...	...	Helen Lewington
Lower VI	...	...	...	...	Jennifer MacIlwaine
Upper VA	...	...	...	...	Helen Wheeler
Upper VP	...	...	...	...	Fiona Hunter
Upper VB	...	...	...	...	Susan East
Lower VA	...	...	...	...	Carole Hardwick
Lower VP	...	...	...	...	Nicola Jenkins
Lower VB	...	...	...	...	Fiona Idell
Upper IVA	...	...	...	...	Nichola Holt
Upper IVP	...	...	...	...	Tania Lingham
Upper IVB	...	...	...	...	Sarah Garrett
Lower IVA	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Horne
Lower IVP	...	...	...	...	Jane Proctor
Lower IVB	...	...	...	...	Emma Watson
Upper IIIA	...	...	...	...	Camilla Hudson
Upper IIIP	...	...	...	...	Helen Hoskin
Upper IIIB	...	...	...	...	Deborah Hall

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HEADMASTER'S PRIZES FOR EFFORT

Upper VI	...	...	...	...	Michelle Li
Lower VI	...	...	...	...	Sarah Scott
					Caron Smith
					Helen Womersley
Upper VA	...	...	...	...	Helen Green
Upper VP	...	...	...	...	Caroline Shaw
Upper VB	...	...	...	...	Anne Chapman
Lower VA	...	...	...	...	Jennifer Webb
Lower VP	...	...	...	...	Mary Barrett
Lower VB	...	...	...	...	Oluwatoyin Osinsanya
Upper IVA	...	...	...	...	Sarah Barrett
Upper IVP	...	...	...	...	Joanna Neil
Upper IVB	...	...	...	...	Georgina Dale
Lower IVA	...	...	...	...	Elizabeth Bardsley
Lower IVP	...	...	...	...	Saiideh Zanganeh
Lower IVB	...	...	...	...	Sally MacIlwaine
Upper IIIA	...	...	...	...	Tracy Blanshard
Upper IIIP	...	...	...	...	Sara Asghari
Upper IIIB	...	...	...	...	Joanne Thompson

SUBJECT PRIZES

Scripture	...	...	...	...	Catherine Hoskin
English	...	...	...	...	Angela Smith
History	...	...	...	...	Emma Loveday
Geography	...	...	...	...	Rachel Wood
French	...	...	...	...	Jennifer MacIlwaine
German	...	...	...	...	Ann von Klosst-Dohna
Latin	...	...	...	...	Eniola da Rocha-Afodu
Mathematics	...	...	...	...	Helen Wheeler
Physics	...	...	...	...	Helen Lewington
Chemistry	...	...	...	...	Michelle Li
Biology	...	...	...	...	Susan Rothwell
Economics	...	...	...	...	Jane Rayner
Art	...	...	...	...	Kay Uwwithya
Domestic Science	...	...	...	...	Caroline Shaw
Music	...	...	...	...	Nichola Holt

SPECIAL PRIZES

The Chairman's Prize	...	...	...	Susan Vaughan
The Burgess Prize for History	...	...	...	Briony Kernan
The Hamilton Memorial Prize for Art	...	...	...	Caroline England
The Henry Andrew's Prize for Domestic Science	...	...	...	Elizabeth Gough
The Henry Andrew's Prize for Needlework	...	...	...	Sarah Fowler
The Scott Science Prize	...	...	...	Helen Lewington
The Pass Prize for English	...	...	...	Briony Kernan
The Hitchen Cup for Piano	...	...	...	Eva Jung
General Musicianship Prize	...	...	...	Jennifer Webb
The Hammett Prize for Steady Work	...	...	...	Isabel So

CUPS

Drama	...	...	...	...	Pigot
Hockey	...	...	...	...	Pigot
Athletics	...	...	...	...	Gresford
Tennis	...	...	...	...	Kennedy and Selwyn
Helen Robinson Cup for P.E.	...	...	...	...	Suzanne Coon
Barton Cup for Swimming	...	...	...	...	Eniola da Rocha-Afodu
Miss Thompson's Cup for Music	...	...	...	...	Carolyn Mello
Joyce Knight Cup for Speech and Drama	...	...	...	...	Vanessa Yates
	...	...	...	...	Angela Aulton
	...	...	...	...	Rosemary Halsall

GUILDHALL SPEECH & DRAMA EXAMINATIONS



Grade I Sarah Jackson (Honours)

Grade 2 Jacinth Hayles (Honours)
Jane Brockbank (Honours)

Grade 4 Tania Chandler (Honours)

34 Merit Grades Preliminary to Grade 5.

17 Pass Grades Preliminary to Grade 5.

Choral Verse Speaking

4 Choirs Grades 1-5 all Merit.

Guildhall Music Examinations

Pianoforte

Introductory Grade

Alexandra Caudwell (Honours)

Katherine Ward (Honours)

Preliminary Grade

Julie Gardner (Honours)

Sophie Loveday (Honours)

4 girls gained Merit and 2 gained Pass in Grades Introductory to Grade 2.

Solo Singing

Grade I Samantha Baxter (Honours)

Grade 3 Susan Milroy (Honours)

4 Singers with Merit.

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Pianoforte

DISTINCTIONS were gained by the following girls:

Grade I Catherine Bone Ellen Bone Anita Patel

Grade II Camilla Hudson

Grade V Sui Kuan Jung

Grade VII Eva Jung

MERIT was gained by 10 girls in Grades I-V

PASS was gained by 19 girls in Grades I-V

Organ

MERIT was gained by 2 girls in Grade IV.

Violin

DISTINCTION was gained by the following:

Grade II Eva Jung

MERIT was gained by 1 girl in Grade II.

PASS was gained by 1 girl in Grade II.

Violincello

PASS was gained by 1 girl in Grade III.

Clarinet

MERIT was gained by 1 girl in Grade V.

PASS was gained by 4 girls in Grades IV-V.

Flute

DISTINCTION was gained by the following:

Grade V Nichola Holt

Grade V Rosemary Hack

MERIT was gained by 3 girls in Grades III-V.

Oboe

DISTINCTION was gained by the following:

Grade V Andrea Deeley

MERIT was gained by 1 girl in Grade IV.

Theory of Music

The following girls gained Full Marks (99):

Grade I Dorothy Cottrill

Jill Gregory

Rachel Gregory

Grade II Camilla Hudson

Grade III Joanna Neil

Passes were gained by 38 girls in Grades I-V.

MUSIC REPORT



The music department this year has improved tremendously. We have acquired a music room, complete with a sophisticated stereo system and various percussion instruments. We now have nine pupils learning to play the organ, two of whom, Sarah Harrison and Jennifer Webb, gained their Grade IV with Merit — the first to accomplish this in the school.

The Inter-House music competition, won by Pigot, was very successful and the winning items were included in a concert given for parents the following term. The highest marks in the music competition were gained by Sarah Harrison playing the organ and Eva Jung who played the piano.

The school competed again in the Buxton Musical Festival this year. Jennifer Webb gained first prize in the Organ Solo Class, and the under 16 school choir also came first in the Hymn Singing Class. Numerous second and third prizes were awarded to the school.

We are sorry to lose Miss Hilton and Miss Monkley at the end of the year. We look forward to welcoming Mr. Jackson to the Music Department to teach Violoncello and Piano.

Mrs. Pattman now teaches a growing number of clarinet and flute pupils. The woodwind group is now well established with one oboe, three flutes, three clarinets and percussion. It has performed in some school assemblies and gained a second place in the Buxton Festival. We would like to thank Miss Lomas for giving so much of her spare time to the woodwind group.

Music outings have included a visit to Stancliffe Hall where members of the orchestra combined with the Stancliffe orchestra to produce an "interesting" sound! Quite a number of girls visited Stancliffe Hall for their production of 'Oliver!' which was greatly enjoyed.

Excellent results have been achieved in both the Guildhall and the Associated Board examinations with several distinctions being gained. Several girls are hoping to take piano duet examinations in the near future and we hope they will repeat the high standards of previous years.

Two Senior girls attended a Royal School of Church Music Choristers' Course here at the School during the summer holidays. As a result of this Angela Aulton has been invited to sing in Lincoln Cathedral for one week next year and Angela Smith has been placed on the short-list. We offer our congratulations to both girls.

We would like to thank all the Music staff, especially Mr. Brockbank, for their hard work, help and encouragement throughout the year. We hope that music in the school will continue to flourish in the years to come.

Rosemary Hack
Laura Wildgoose
Sarah Harrison
Jennifer Webb



GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL

Mrs. Naylor: Set of Dickens' Novels.

Sarah Kenning: Two Cookery Books for the Whittam Library.

Helen Green: Book: 'Our Magnificent Wild Life' for the Whittam Library.

Mr. R. E. Brooks: £30 to Music Department.

Miss Watts: Complete set of Grove's Dictionary of Music.

Mrs. Aulton: Cup for best Vocal Solo in Music Competition.

Sarah Fowler: Two books for the Whittam Library on Cookery and Needlework.

Mrs. Hooley: Books on Art and Crafts for the Whittam Library.

Mrs. Waters: Cup for Art.

CHAPEL NOTES



Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on Sunday, 17th September for the Senior Boarding Houses and on Monday for the Day Girls, Juniors and Kindergarten. I would like to thank all who contributed to these Services and especially Mr. and Mrs. Bloomer for the magnificent Harvest Loaf. The Social Services Committee distributed all the gifts to the local Hospitals and Homes, and to our ever increasing list of Senior Citizens.

The Chairman of the Governors was Celebrant and Preacher at the Sung Eucharist held in Bakewell Parish Church on Commemoration Day. Representatives from the Governors, Parents, Friends, Old Girls and present pupils took part in this great family Service.

In recent years I have tried to draw together the Carol Services in Chapel with the traditional Candlelightings held in the Front Hall; this year I incorporated it into the Junior and Middle School Services, but left the Senior School to follow the usual course. The Junior School Carol Service was moved to Sunday and a letter was sent to all parents to invite them to coffee in Willowdene and then to join the K. G. and Junior School in Chapel at 11.00 a.m., and there was a very good response. The Carol Service included five readings, carols for the Choir and congregation and instrumental items, reaching its climax with representatives from the K.G., Transition, the Junior Forms, Staff and Parents, coming forward to light candles before the Crib, which was in the Sanctuary. The K.G. sang an appropriate carol and there was a short Act of Devotion before the final carol 'O come, all ye faithful' and the Blessing. Girls from the Junior School acted as Crossbearer and Servers. Many thanks to the Junior and K.G. Staff who helped to make this a very happy event. A similar Service was arranged for the Middle School, although the Seniors retained the traditional Nine Lessons and Carols at 3.0 p.m. followed by tea for the guests and Candlelighting in the Front Hall.

Before Lent the Senior Houses spent much of their spare time in preparing food for sale in the Breaks, to raise money for charities. As a result of their work and the contribution of the Junior School, the Social Services Committee was able to send £50 to each of the following charities: The Spastics Society; Imperial Cancer Research Fund (leukaemia); Gunner Nilsson Cancer Treatment Campaign; Save the Children; St. Luke's Nursing Home, Sheffield, and Save the Refugees (Boat People). Miss Phillips who became Social Services Secretary at the beginning of the year left at Easter, and so the files are back in my hands once again! I would like to thank her for the work that she was able to do for the Committee.

During Lent a short Service was held each Friday before Lunch, consisting of a two or three minute address to provide a thought for a period of silent prayer. It was devised not only as a Lenten exercise for those who chose to attend, but to encourage the use of the Chapel for prayer and teach something of the value of contemplation.

Prior to the Confirmation, eight girls were Baptized in Chapel on St. Matthias Day, and twenty one candidates were presented to the Bishop of Warrington on Sunday, 4th March and nineteen to the Bishop of Derby on Sunday, 11th March. Both Bishops presided over the Eucharists which were attended by a large number of parents.

On April 2nd I was pleased to act as host to Bishop Parfitt and the C.E.M.S. of St. Giles, Matlock, who joined me in Chapel for Compline at 7.45 p.m. Afterwards they toured round the School and returned to Devonshire House for refreshments.

In the Summer Term the Sunday Services had to be re-arranged to cope with the extended tea visits which had affected attendance at Evensong. We have now a Eucharist (Series 1) at 9.50 a.m. with a short Address and three hymns, attended by three Senior Houses, and at 11.0 a.m. a Sung Eucharist (Series 3) with an Address, this time attended by the Junior School and the three other Senior Houses. This arrangement means that all Boarders attend one Service each Sunday, all Confirmed have the opportunity of receiving Communion, and girls can be ready to go out for Lunch Visits. The average number of Communicants on a Sunday is 135 and at the voluntary weekday Eucharists (excluding Ash Wednesday and Ascension Day) it is 40.

The Old Girls' Reunion was held in School on Saturday 12th May, unfortunately at a time when the School was on an Exeat, but the day ended with Evensong in Chapel at 3.30 p.m. The Lessons were read by Helen Simpson and Miss P. M. Robinson, and the Old Girls showed that they had not lost their ability to sing since leaving the School! I did take the opportunity to thank Mrs. Carmichael for her great enthusiasm and organisation in providing new tapestry hassocks for the Chapel and would like to thank all those who have contributed to this labour of love.

During the holidays I was delighted to officiate at the marriage of Vanessa Herridge to Thomas Bennett on Saturday, 4th August at Parwich Paris Church. Two O.G.'s, her sister, Elizabeth, and Carol Thompson were Bridesmaids.

I cannot end my report without a reference to Miss Margaret Hilton, who during her ten years on the Staff was a most regular communicant and witnessed to her faith in many quiet ways. 'The deeds God loves most are those He alone has witnessed.'

My thanks to Patricia Currie, the Head Sacristan, and the Chapel Guild for all their hard work during the year, Mr. Brockbank, and the Choir, the House Staff who have served as Sideswomen, Miss Jarvis for her flower arrangements and all others who have contributed to the Chapel in so many different ways throughout the year.

David Prytherch.



Confirmed by the Bishop of Warrington on the 4th March.

Patricia Bartholomew, Samantha Baxter, Ellen Bone, Jane Brown, Lucy Burke, Lisa Burton, Tania Chandler, Susan East, Elizabeth Ellis, Margaret English, Sarah Garrett, Louise Gladstone, Karen Hawthorne, Sally Havenhand, Alyson Idell, Ruth Jackson, Sally MacIlwaine, Alexandra Newton, Beverly Read, Angela Scott.

Confirmed by the Bishop of Derby on the 11th March.

Johanna Bradwell, Abigail Cherry, Jill Davis, Kehinde Diagi, Caroline Fairchild, Carole Hardwick, Eva and Florence Jung, Joanne Kemp, Susan Laoye, Clare Locke, Carolyn Mello, Anita Patel, Dawn Power, Julie Pownall, Joanna Ronald, Menna Salisbury, Denise and Sharon Taylor, Jill Taylor.

The following were Baptised in the Chapel prior to Confirmation.

Margaret English, Clare Locke, Beverly Read, Eva and Florence Jung, Dawn Power, Denise and Sharon Taylor.

The following Clergy daughters were prepared for Confirmation at School but presented for Confirmation by their fathers in their home Parishes.

Ruth Smith at West Hallam, Hilary Stoppard at Blackwell and Ruth Dodd in Cyprus.

It is interesting to note that an increasing number of Senior girls now come forward to be Confirmed, eight girls this year from the U.Vth and VIth.

HOUSE REPORTS

Gresford

House Mistress: Mrs. Xanthos (Autumn Term)
Mrs. Ralston (Spring Term)
Mrs. Woods (Summer Term)

Deputy House Mistress: Miss Monkley

House Matron: Miss Long

This year twelve new girls joined the house. Mrs. Ralston also joined us for the Spring term, replacing Mrs. Xanthos, but unfortunately Mrs. Ralston only stayed for one term. We then welcomed Mrs. Woods at the beginning of the Summer term.

Gresford's stall of 'bits and bobs' at the Bazaar went down well. The Lent Effort was made a success by Miss Long and some very hard-working helpers.

Although Gresford only came fourth equal in the House Drama Competition and in the Inter-House Music Competition everybody enjoyed herself. Eva Jung must be thanked for her excellent coaching and for her patience.

The Junior Netball team came a well-earned second while the Senior team came third. The Rounders matches played this term brought us a fifth place for the Junior team and a second place for the Senior. We came a well-deserved first on Sports day.

All that remains for me to say is 'Thank you' to the whole House for its help and support and I hope it keeps up the good work.

Kathryn Betterton
House Captain

Kennedy House

House Mistress: Miss Webster

Matrons: Miss Richardson
Mrs. Whithers

The beginning of the school year was quite unsettled for Kennedy. Many girls spent much of the Autumn term scattered around the school as the rebuilding of Kennedy dormitories was not completed. When they were finished the Bishop of Warrington came to bless the new buildings and Kennedy decided to rename their dormitories, basing the names on Royal Palaces. We have now settled down and are enjoying our new home very much.

This year Kennedy raised a large amount of money in various fields. In the Bazaar we managed to raise £197, the largest amount. The stall had no particular theme but we had a Bottle Tombola and goods sold ranged from soft, home made toys to potted plants. Our Lent Effort for the Social Services was also successful, the Pizzas we made proving very popular.

Kennedy did well in the Inter-House activities and the whole House enjoyed either taking part in the competitions or cheering encouragement. We were particularly pleased to come second in the House Music Competition which was a great improvement from last year's position of 6th. Our Drama this year was a modern interpretation of part of 'A Midsummer's Night's Dream'. In the Swimming Gala everyone swam well and we came a close second. There was also an improvement in our performance in Athletics in which we again came second. The climax of the sporting year came on the day of our Summer House Party when we came first in the Junior Rounders and joint first in the House Tennis Competition.

This year, everyone in the House has worked hard to raise standards and I feel that next year Kennedy should be even better. Unfortunately we have to say goodbye to Miss Webster who is leaving us after two terms. We wish her all the best of luck in the future and hope she will come back to visit us next year.

Jackie Tear, House Captain
Caron Smith, Nicky Smith, Deputy-House Captains

Pigot House

House Mistress: Mrs. Hill

House Matron: Miss Webster (Autumn)

At the beginning of the year we welcomed seven new girls into Pigot and Mrs. Hill took over as House Mistress, having the unenviable task of settling everyone into the new dormitories.

This year has been an extremely successful one for Pigot House. We had a well supported Bazaar Stall and I would like to thank all those parents and friends who so generously contributed.

Pigot did exceptionally well in the Lent effort and managed to raise £37.78, the highest amount. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the day girls who contributed so much towards the Lent effort this year. I'm sure we shall do just as well or even better next year.

Our production of 'A Midsummer's Night's Dream' in the Senior Drama competition gave us first place and we also won the Work Shield in the Autumn term. We continued to do well in the Easter term, winning the House Music competition and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our producer, Caroline Board.

We, once again, obtained the highest marks in the Easter term.

On the sporting side of School life, Pigot won the Senior Hockey cup, the Middle School Netball cup and were very close runners up in the Senior Netball. The Senior Rounders team came first and did very well, considering the number of practices they had, owing to the unpredictability of the English weather.

Pigot came fourth in the athletics. We had a few extremely good athletes and managed to come first in individual events. We decided after all our sporting successes to abstain from taking the swimming trophy, and settled for a modest third!

I wish Pigot House the best of luck in future years.

Helen Lewington
Head of House

Powys House

House Mistress: Miss Jarvis

Deputy House Mistress: Miss Williams

At the beginning of the year, Powys welcomed several new girls to the Upper III and Lower VI who have contributed greatly to Powys, the younger girls by their cheerfulness and good spirit, the older girls by their sense of responsibility in carrying out their duties.

The successful Christmas Bazaar gave Powys an opportunity to display its expertise in making soft toys and all who contributed are thanked for their efforts.

At the end of term, Helen Raynor and Heather Nye produced an excerpt from "Julius Caesar" and they are to be congratulated on the ingenious ways in which bedsheets became Roman togas.

Sadly, at this time, we had to say farewell to Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Parham and we thank them for their support and wish them well for the future. At the beginning of Spring term we welcomed Mr. Fletcher and we hope that he will enjoy St. Elphin's.

Several girls were awarded House Colours for their continuous support of the Music Competition and Sharon Wilby, our producer, is thanked for her efforts in this connection.

The disappointing games results do not reflect the amount of hard work and determination put in by the girls and their Captain, Jane Eaton.

I would like to thank Miss Jarvis, Miss Williams, my Deputies, Jane Eaton and Helen Womersley and the House for their support throughout the year and I wish everyone a successful and happy future.

Susan Rothwell
Head of House

Selwyn House

House Mistress: Miss Phillips/Mrs. Davis

Matrons: Mrs. Hill
Miss Richardson
Mrs. Le Mesurier

At the beginning of the year, sixteen new girls entered Selwyn House. Eight of these were Upper Thirds and the remainder were spread throughout the older forms. They were all made very welcome and soon settled down into the daily routine.

Selwyn has done well in all the competitions this year, especially the Music Competition and sports events, which would not have been a success without the efforts of Kay Williams and Angela Smith.

All the members of the Upper Fifth form in the House were made Sub-Prefects at the end of Autumn term and one of the Lower Sixth girls was made a full House Prefect.

I hope that Selwyn House will move on to new and better things in the future years, and that they enjoy all the happiness that they deserve.

Melanie Roach



Wilson House

House Mistress: Mrs. Ralston (Autumn)
Miss Ffooks (Spring and Summer)

House Matron: Miss Marler

At the beginning of the year we were pleased to welcome 17 new girls to Wilson. They were soon joining in all the House activities and I hope they will carry on doing their best for Wilson House.

We were delighted to have Mrs. Ralston as our House Mistress and Miss Marler as our House Matron and we were all very sad at the departure of Mrs. Ralston at Christmas. However, Miss Ffooks stepped in and continued the smooth running of Wilson very efficiently.

Wilson got off to a good start by coming second in the sponsored walk to Margaret Flood House who gained the much coveted record player.

Wilson raised a large amount of money at the School Bazaar. I would like to thank Mr. Thornton for his generous donation of delicious chocolates and toffees. They were much appreciated by everyone.

Although we had many near misses in the sporting field, Wilson were once again victorious in the Swimming Gala, giving us the swimming Trophy for the fourth successive year. My thanks go to Lisa Swinger for organising the teams so well.

The House entered into the Inter-House Drama productions with great spirit. Our entry this year was "The Taming of the Shrew". Many thanks to Ann Dohna for helping in the production of the play.

Lastly I hope that all in Wilson will continue to work hard for the new Work cup. I wish you every success in the future and hope that you will continue to keep up the House spirit.

Judy Ward
Head of House

Margaret Flood

Housemistress: Mrs. Willies Spring and Autumn
Miss Clarke Summer

House Matron: Miss Tuite

We were sorry to say goodbye to Miss Lavender after 25 years of devoted service to the Junior School. However Miss Tuite and Mrs. Willies coped admirably between them.

In the Sponsored Walk we came top of the School and received a record player for our efforts. The Junior School concert was a great success, thanks to the Junior School Staff, and our own efforts.

We were pleased to welcome Miss Clarke as our House Mistress in the Summer Term.

Emma Brown
Head Girl



A Rabbit

I sat beside a peaceful brook,
When a small rabbit came to look,
It peeped at me between the grass
And winked its eye, but, alas,
As I moved closer to reach out,
Away it ran and out of sight.
I searched for it high and low,
Where did my little rabbit go?
Into the earth so dark and deep,
Do you think it is asleep?

Fiona Turner
UIIIA



Morning

the sun
shines brick
red sky
blue leaf
green shadow outside
sun
light cars
buses footsteps hurry brakes
sing inside
cool, dim, damp
walls damp blankets
damp smell quiet
too

dogs
bark somewhere
else, but
nothing
to do
with you
or
the sunshines

Angela M. Smith (UVI)

The Burning Flame

The burning flame,
is yellow, orange, red,
it burns for such a long time —
the burning flame.

The burning flame,
it lets out warmth
and wisps of smoke —
the burning flame.

The burning flame,
lets out shadows
of golden flames
the burning flame.

Jane Threlkeld
LIIIB



Clouds

White and fluffy;
large and puffy;
grey and dreary;
slow and weary;
gaily skimming,
light, then dimming;
moving for ever,
whatever the weather,
and if the wind howls,
there will still be — the clouds.

Helen Giddings (UIVA)

YOUR CAR...



.AFTER ONE DRINK!

The Cougar

Ebony island in liquid amber,
Transfixing, translucent, true,
You hold your head so high, so proud,
And stare as though you knew
Me from some place else;
As if we'd met one night in the stars.
Your golden face is close to mine,
And then, in silence, we pass.
Like some last shaft of sunlight
Your eyes reflected your mind,
For a moment or more our brains
Were one
Then our unity went behind for ever.

Sarah Dodd LVA



Illustration by
Elspeth Gash
LVP



Susan Gibson, UIVA

Song of the Owl

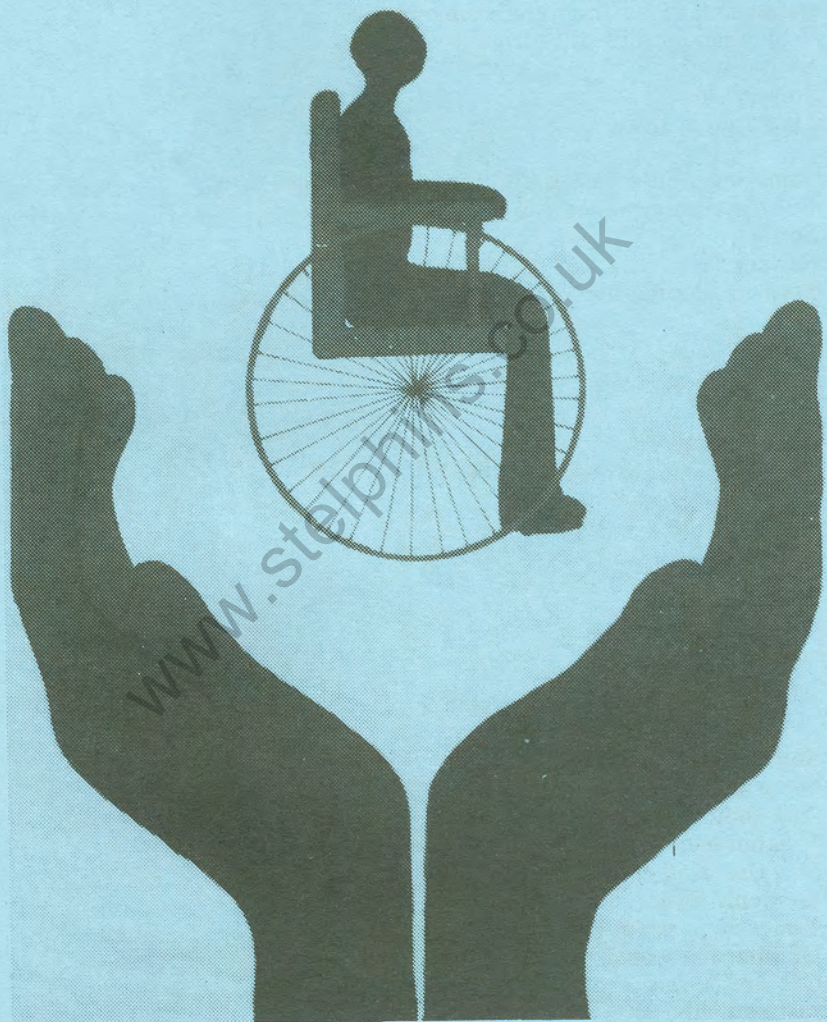
In the dark green wood
By the old oak tree
In the hollowest part
 Staring at me
I saw two round eyes
With hooded rims,
Thinking and pondering
 Wonderful things.
The field-mice are drowsy,
The summer days long,
But the nights short and sharp
For the owl's lonely song.
 Whispering reeds
 Silently stare
While the stream bubbles on,
 No worry, no care.
The golden fields pining
For sunlight once more,
While the owl calls on,
Quite certain, quite sure
Of the way he is going,
The pathway is known.
He flies through the night
 Unwatched and alone.
Silhouetted by moonshine
 The sea of trees
 Bends and bows
 With a flutter of breeze.
But the owl is a loner,
He glides through the air.
His hooded eyes glisten
No worry, no care



Elizabeth Horne
LIVA

Illustration by
Sally-Ann Thornton
LVA

HELP THE AGED



Siu Kuan Jung, LVA

Racing Water

The water rushes, gushes against the mill wheel
So slowly it turns,
So very slowly,
Like a great shire.

Faster and faster the water seems to race,
While the old mill still turns,
So slowly,
So very slowly,
Like a great shire.

Some years have passed and the mill no longer turns,
But the rushing water still races along,
So fast,
So very fast,
Like a galloping horse.

Elizabeth Bilton
LIIIB



Some people shuddered,
Some people sighed,
And some felt all funny inside,
'Cos our teacher said, "What a
Surprise if all of the adults
Suddenly died.
You write a poem just for me
Of what life would be like
Out on the sea
Just you children
And no adults, living alone,
Out on the sea".

Alison Rutherford, UIIIM

THE OWL AND THE PUSSY CAT

Jill Gregory, UIIA



Kay Sales, UIIA



On Reading 'Rebecca'

Manderley

Manderley, Manderley, whisper a thousand voices
Where many scented azaleas,
Raise their sullen beauty, above the wings of paradise.
In the hidden happy valley
The house, dark and mysterious
Where Rebecca's ghost still walks.
The empty west wing, where empty hearts
And cold souls still roam.

The gardens where old Jasper hunts, and his mother walks in
eternity searching for her lost mistress.

The long, winding drive, gravel, overshadowed by twisting
silver birches, throwing their long fingers in a canopy of shadows.

Through this firm aisle of past memories one can peer and
imagine that one can see Rebecca watching, laughing at one's folly.

Down through the cold wood where roots try to trip one,
branches try to prevent one from reaching one's ultimate goal.

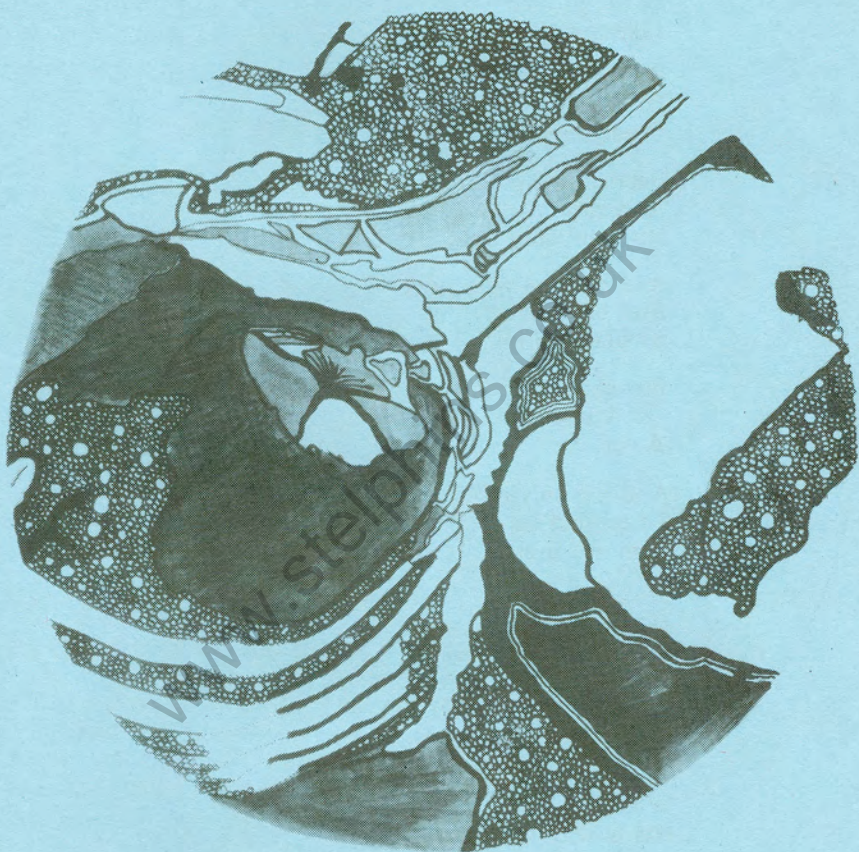
If one keeps walking, one reaches the cove where Ben the
half-wit works,

Where the cold sea lashes unrelentingly, at the resisting stones,
throwing them back and forth.

A cold, green monster, ridden by white horses, hiding the
secret of the murder of Rebecca, deep in its breast.

The broken disused boat house,
Where dark deeds are done and forgotten.
Rebecca rules Manderley in death as she has in life,
Her laugh, her voice ring through the house,
Her tread is often heard.
Only three people know of her cold heart,
Her cruel mind, her damned soul.
Most think she was an angel.
Three know she was a devil.
Still she rules Manderley.
When she is defeated, Manderley is burned.
For ever she holds her hand, and bends one to her will,
Here I sit and muse,
On the road to Manderley.

L. Mawdsley
UIVA



Joanna Shirtcliffe, UVP

The Springlet

The Springlet was an unusual animal,
Quite unfriendly
Sometimes a cannibal.
After being bitten by the cat
He then sat down

He lived in a hole
In the ground
Like a mole

But his habits were those
Of the
Great Purplenosed

Beetles — which he eats
As a rather
Unnourishing treat.

And his toes were pink
And his eyes
As black as ink.

But alas, the poor Springlet
Got killed by
A cat,

And the only thing left
To remind us of
Him was a cleft,

Or a rather large crash
In the bank
Where he ran back

After being bitten by the cat.
He then sat down
On a red/purple mat.

Which had been made for
His twelfth birthday
And he died, did the poor

Springlet. Never again
Will he
Play in the rain.

He was the last
Of his race.
The Springlet's days are past.

Melanie Thompson. LIVA

COUNTRY WORD SEARCH

A R G E N T I N A D U S A I P O I H T E
 I M H L I Z A R B I W A L A M R U B C C
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 R H O D E S I A I E G P Y E K R U T U N
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Answers on page 56

Mountbatten

Earl Mountbatten was a very good chap,
And on the Queen's right he often sat.
Tall, brave, handsome and proud,
As all the people cheered in the happy crowd.

He had lots of medals for being so brave,
For all the people he happily saved.
Now for a day off — that's always welcome,
So no more things he has to tell them.

Sailing happily with his small grandsons
In a lovely cruiser that weighs twenty tons.
Laughing happily upon his boat,
Not a word was sent — not even a note.

"Bang" went the boat with shattered glass,
And sorrow struck the tall, brown mast.
Mountbatten has gone with the calm blue waves,
For his own life he could not save.

Louise Gladstone
LIVB



The Bird

The sky is one less
For there on the ground
Lies this creature of song
And its once bright eyes
Now dark and dim.

Its wings will not glide
Through the sun-lit sky
And its voice has now gone,
For alone on the ground
Lies this creature of song.

Hazel Sinfield
LIVB

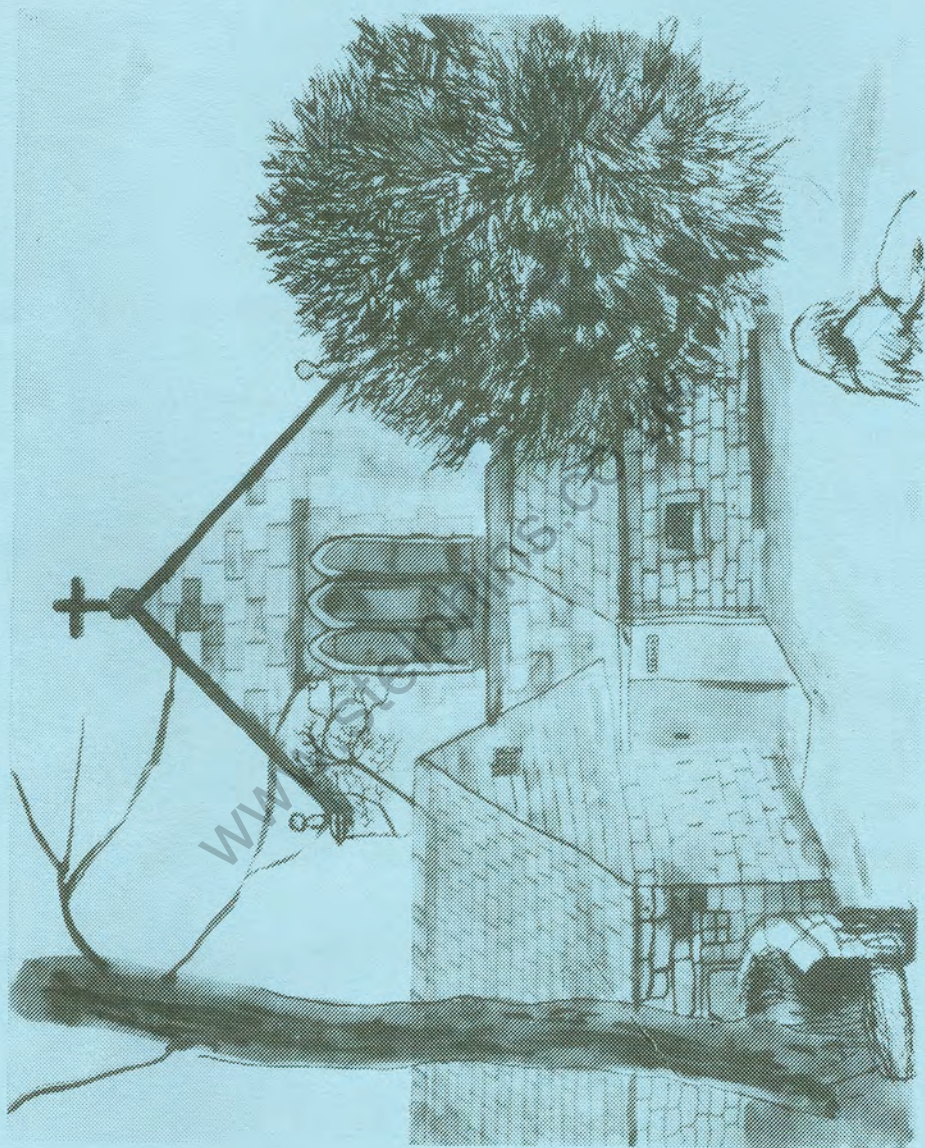
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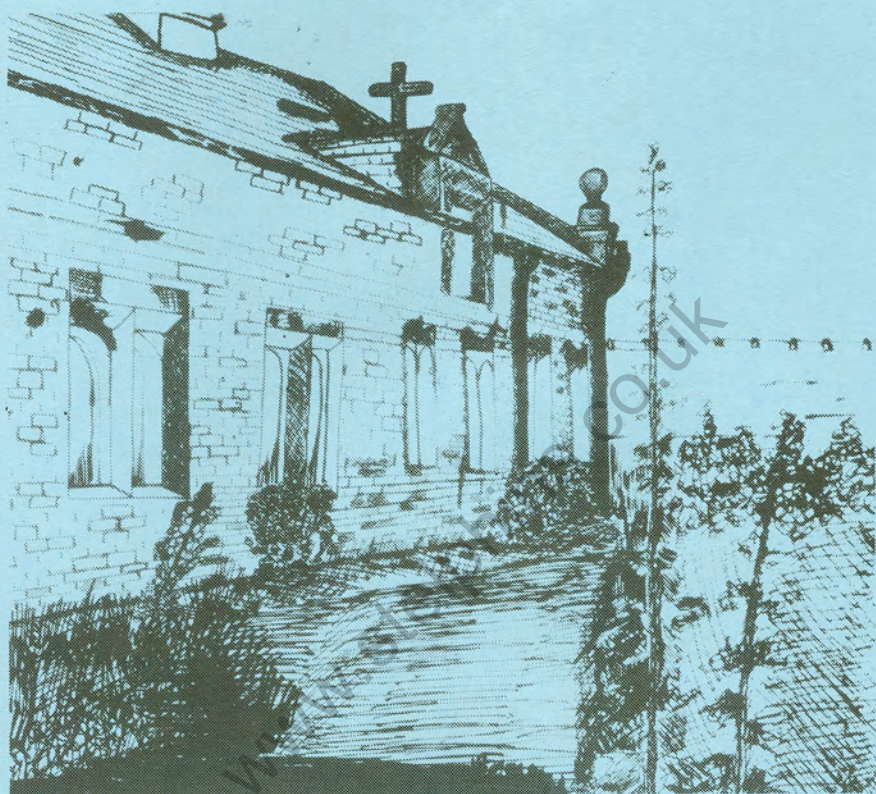
Siu Kuan Jung, LVA



Eva Kauuma, LVI



Heather Nye, LVB



Elsbeth Gash. LVP

Prep!

Three preps tonight,
Oh! not again,
It really is quite a pain!
Vicky's looking very puzzled,
The sun comes out and we're all dazzled!
Emma's eating ink as usual,
Outside the room it starts to drizzle.
In the sky there is a rainbow.
Then the wind begins to blow.
The clever girls in the room
Have their heads down writing soon
The rest just look puzzled and gaze round the room.
Drawing is easy for Annabel
But, what's that! Was it the bell?
Everyone starts to pack away,
Now it's time to go out and play!

Sarah Hill, Upper IIIS



Weather

Suddenly the rain falls
The lightning flashes
We count two-three
The thunder rumbles — 'Bang, Bang'
The rain carries on falling
The lightning flashes violently again,
The thunder rumbles loudly.

Then all is quiet
The rain, the lightning, the thunder have gone
You see a speck of sun
The countryside is suddenly full of dazzling light.

Jane Pashley
LIIIB

Algeria
Angola
Argentina
Australia
Austria
Belgium
Botswana
Brazil
Britain
Burma
Canada
Chad
Chile
China
Columbia
Cuba
Denmark
Ecuador
Egypt
Eire
Ethiopia

France
Germany
Ghana
Greece
Holland
India
Iran
Iraq
Israel
Italy
Japan
Kenya
Korea
Libya
Madagascar
Malawi
Mexico
Morocco
Mozambique
Nepal
Niger

Nigeria
Norway
Oman
Pakistan
Peru
Poland
Rhodesia
Russia
Somalia
Spain
Sudan
Sweden
Syria
Taiwan
Tanzania
Turkey
Uganda
United States
Wales
Yugoslavia
Zaire
Zambia

Michele Gretton
LVP

The Flower

I have no house
I am two days old
White and yellow am I
A sweet daisy in Spring.

Pretty daisy
Sweet daisy
but only two days old,
I smile
I sing the while
A sweet daisy no more am I.

Emma Stephenson
LIIIB



Animals' Favourite Smells

Dogs like the smell of meat,
All nice and fresh and ready to eat.
Cats like the tang of fish,
Cut up ready in their dish.
Mice like the smell of chunks of cheese,
So that they may nibble and tease.
I like the smell of horses and straw.
They like the smell of pony nuts more.

Annabel Daws
UIIIS

CRAZY SQUARED-UP PORTRAITS



Sarah Garrett, UIVB



Nichola Holt, UIVA



Sarah Adlington, UIVA



Katy Abbott, UIVP



Ruth Wheeler, UIVA

The Vixen

She walks silently,
As she steals through the grass
Watching her prey.
The prey all unsuspecting
Eats and drinks unknowing of the danger,
Then suddenly without any warning,
Like a meteor rushing through the night,
She strikes to kill,
Gleaming fangs showing,
Claws, ripping and tearing.
The rabbit struggles on,
Then it is still, all life gone.
She opens her mouth and carries away the body.
She runs along the hedgerows,
Through the woods and fields,
Then darts quickly into a thicket
And down into the den.
At the bottom are waiting,
Six hungry cubs.
They smell mother and food,
Fighting and biting,
As a mad rush for the kill is made.
When all is gone,
They settle down.
The vixen lies down to sleep.
The cubs, all tired from fighting,
Lie close to their mother
In little furry balls.

Victoria Ferguson
UIVP



MY FAMILY



Rowan Adlington, UIJP



Claire Jenkinson, UIIA

Owl

Lying in bed, sleepless,
window
half
open,
eyes
half
shut,
waiting
for sleep to overtake you.

The traffic is distant,
Trees whisper, nod, hush.
Then the owl hails the moon—
Who-who?

Eyes snap open, ears prick, heart trips
and lands heavily — scalp creeps and blood sobs
Softly in the limbs, unnerving the toes.
You lie in bed, tense waiting,
waiting,
...traffic is whisper distant hush tree...

HURRY BURY YOUR HEAD IN THE PILLOW LEST
YOU HEAR HIM AGAIN!

Down
smoothly
swiftly
side
to side
glides
a single
silent
feather.

WHO — WHO-WHOOO?

Angela M. Smith



Lisa Burton, LIVB

A memory of the sea evoked by firelight

Fire strikes light from burnished copper of ages.
Warmth seeps through limbs
 buried deep in disembodied thought
Eyes blurred
Soft senses.

Till sudden a shimmering sea of light—
Phoenix of gold, black velvet, blue gold—
Rises from the ashes of mundane life.

Peace, serene peace,
Calm washes over my troubled soul
Bringing content with the warmth of embers
 on copper of ages.

Till sudden the screech of awful hunter
Darkens the brow of the anguished sea.
Crushes contentment, nature unnatural!

Coiled tension.
 Iron strength and ruthless.
 Superlative.
 Cruel.
It hurtles from light.
 Kills.
And flees to the sun.
Satisfied.
 Glutton.
 Machine.

Till slowly the world regains its balance,
Rage tempered by sight of death in life,
And calm washes over my troubled soul....

Jennifer MacIlwaine



Patricia Bartholomew, LIVA



Zillah Buswell, LIVA

The Weir

For them it held a morbid fascination,
It was as if they were watching the jumbled
Thoughts of their minds in the foaming water
Which leapt and struggled to be free — of what?

They knew not what, and so they sat
Patient, in cars of red, blue and white
For hours at a time, gazing at the
Turbulent water with its foam dashed high.

It seemed alive, for ever moving,
Glinting where it caught the rays of the sun.
It roared and gurgled, but its music
Did not offend the ears, it soothed them.

The people watching felt calm and untroubled,
It was as though their thoughts and worries
Had been absorbed by the raging water
Leaving behind a vacuum — of Peace!

Caron Smith (UVI)



The Fence

Wood and wire respectably married
Enclosing liberty
Posts staked out like victory spikes
Joined by the painful battle cries
From the conquest of man over fellow creatures
Prisoners captured and kept
In fields surrounded by fences.

Julia Mann (UIVA)



Natalie Hewins, LIVA

Silver

What is silver?
It is to me,
Sunlight shining through the boughs of a tree,
Raindrops trickling down the window pane,
Oil lying at the side of the lane,
Diamond necklaces dazzling clear,
Studs shining in your ear,
Silver watches, silver rings,
Lots and lots of pretty things,
Little stars sparkling bright,
Shining, shivering during the night
On the road the cats' eyes glow,
And in the valley the river's flow.

Sarah Jane Knight
LIVP



The Old Tree

Its twisted limbs, like arms, surround
The entwined bark and moss.
The leaves nestle and whisper
And the bird's song, the only sound.

The contorted limbs overhang
The drooping reedy grasses
Which sway in the lullaby of the wind,
Embedded in the swamp of the marshes.

The tree's been there for years
And when the autumn time comes
Its leaves detach themselves
And fall to the ground like tears.

Rachel Petty (UIVA)

School Time

Chapel time,
Lesson time,
Break time,
Biscuit time;

Lunch time,
Free time,
Eating time,
Playing time;

Washing time,
Breakfast time,
History time,
Prep time;

Bed Time!!!

Michelle Hawthorn, UIIIS



A thought for budding poets

A small group of Upper Fifth and Lower Sixth girls made the journey to Manchester to attend a lecture by Ted Hughes, one of the English poets whose work is often set for 'O' level.

Mr. Hughes read some of his poems, explained why he wrote many of them and answered some of our questions. Unfortunately there was not enough time to answer all our questions, but it was a comforting thought for any budding poetess to learn that Mr. Hughes works by the rule: one per cent inspiration, ninety-nine, perspiration!

GAMES REPORT



Despite this winter's Arctic conditions, St. Elphin's once again managed to maintain its high standard of sport.

Hockey was no exception and in spite of frost-bitten toes, our 1st XI Hockey team managed 4th place in the Derbyshire Schools' Hockey Tournament.

Similarly the U16 XI represented South Peak in the Derbyshire Championships and came 4th. The U14 team, however, only managed 5th place at the South Peak Schools' Hockey Tournament.

Following the Derbyshire Schools' Hockey Trials, Jane Rayner was chosen as Reserve in the U18 County Squad while Susan Milroy was chosen to play for the U16 Second Eleven. Kay Stewart was also chosen as Reserve.

Unfortunately there was no visit to Wembley this year to see the International Women's Hockey Match, as the event coincided with a visiting day.

However, it is not only in Hockey that we have done well. Sally Baker and Sarah Richardson won the U16 South Peak Tennis Tournament and went on to represent South Peak in the Derbyshire Championships where they were runners up to North West.

Once again St. Elphin's competed for the Nicholson Bowl and won against Repton School but owing to unforeseen circumstances we had to give St. Helena's a walkover.

I would especially wish to congratulate Sarah Richardson, Carolyn Mello, Helen Walker and Rosemary Hack for their resounding victory against Long Eaton School in the final of the U15 Coca Cola Tournament. They reached the final by defeating Tupton Hall 5-1 home and away and Violet Markham 6-0 home and away in the preliminary round thus qualifying for the semi-final where they beat Swanwick Hall 5-1.

After last year's "washout" we were more than grateful when the weather kept fine for our outing to Wimbledon. We were all treated to a feast of tennis, although the large crowds often made it very difficult to see anything. In swimming too, St. Elphin's excelled itself. Carolyn Mello and Vanessa Yates represented the school in the Derbyshire Life Saving Championships where they came second and consequently went on to represent Derbyshire in the Midlands Championships where they were placed 8th out of 20.

Five girls, namely Sarah Mayall, Kay Winkler, Susan Vaughan, Elizabeth Ellis and Pat Currie received their R.L.S.S. Teacher's Awards in swimming.

On Sports day, Gresford came first with Kennedy a close second. The Victrix Ludorum was won in the Senior School by Eniola da Rocha Afodu; by Vanessa Yates in the Intermediate School and by Jacinth Hayles in the Middle School.

Unfortunately, owing to the teachers' sanctions imposed in other schools, there had been no possibility of any inter-school athletics events being held and very few hockey and tennis matches could be played.

On behalf of myself and all those keen spirited enthusiastic girls who have braved the frosty mornings in winter and worked hard to improve their sport, I would like to thank Mrs. Fearn, Miss Williams and Mrs. Hooton who have helped us all immensely in the improvement of sport in St. Elphin's. I would also like to give a special thank you to Miss Davey who has returned once again to help with the tennis and whose undying loyalty to the school and dedication to the girls has been a source of inspiration to us all.

Jane Rayner



TEAMS AND RESULTS OF MATCHES

HOCKEY TEAMS

U16 XI

Clare Duffill, Sian Davies, Julie Rhodes, Elizabeth Herridge, Kay Stewart, Susan Milroy, Alyson Idell, Hilary Hayes, Judi-Ann Bowman, Suzanne Coon, Eniola da Rocha-Afodu.

Reserves:—Ann Stubbs, Jane Clark.

U15 XI

Rachel McCall, Sally-Ann Thornton, Helen Atkin, Rachel Wood, Georgina Board, Laura Wildgoose, Carolyn Mello, Sara Richardson, Vanessa Yates, Sarah Grafton, Helen Walker.

Reserves:—Ann Hall, Lorelei Coon.

U14 XI

Sarah Garrett, Nichola Holt, Helen Giddings, Michelle Roberts, Jill Davis, Sarah Adlington, Sally Ann Harrison, Hilary Cotman, Julia Mann, Rachel Petty, Susan Gibson.

Reserves:—Ruth Wheeler, Jessica Bryant.

Results

Anthony Gell	U16 XI won 2-0. U15 XI won 7-0. U14 XI won 5-0.
Swanwick Hall	1st XI lost 6-2. U15 XI won 7-0. U14 XI won 1-0.
Convent	U16 XI won 2-0. U15 XI lost 1-2. U15 XI won 5-0. U14 XI lost 0-2.

TENNIS TEAMS

Owing to Teachers' Sanctions in State Schools only one match was played.

v. Presentation Convent

Under 18 VI won 8-1.
Under 15 VI won 7-2.
Under 14 A VI lost 3-6.
Under 14 B VI lost 3-6.



Coca Cola Tennis

Sara Richardson, Carolyn Mello, Rosemary Hack, Helen Walker and Sally Baker.

Tupton Hall	Away won 4-2. Home won 5-1.
Violet Markham	Away won 6-0. Home won 6-0.
Semi-final	Swanwick Hall won 5-1.
Final	Long Eaton School won 4-2.



South Peak

Sara Richardson and Sally Baker were the Under 15 South Peak Champions and were runners up in the Derbyshire Under 15 Championships.

ROYAL LIFE SAVING AWARDS

Teacher's Award

Kay Winkler, Patricia Currie, Sarah Mayall, Heidi Sloan, Elizabeth Ellis, Susan Vaughan, Rachel Sherrard.

Award of Merit

Kay Stewart, Jane Clark, Sian Davies, Colette Powell, Elizabeth Gough, Susan Aspin, Alyson Idell, Suzanne Coon, Hilary Hayes, Susan East, Lisa Swingler.

Bronze Cross

Sarah Grafton, Anne Bell, Nicola Jenkins, Ann Hall, Jill Taylor, Menna Salisbury, Helen Atkin, Sarah Smith, Jill Davis, Rachel Petty, Virginia Ferrey, Sally-Ann Harrison, Susan Gibson, Ruth Wheeler, Amanda Baldwin, Caroline Fairchild, Nichola Holt, Sarah Adlington, Ann Chapman, Cathryn Taylor, Judi-Ann Bowman, Helen Womersley, Elizabeth Herridge, Faith Sunderland, Kay Uawithya, Penny Grenfell, Fiona Hunter, Julie Whittaker, Susan Milroy, Suzanne Coon, Hilary Hayes, Lisa Swingler, Sian Davies, Elizabeth Ellis, Fiona Hunter, Helen Wheeler, Colette Powell, Kay Stewart, Susan East, Alyson Idell, Jane Clarke, Elizabeth Gough.

Bronze Medallion

Sarah Grafton, Anne Bell, Ann Hall, Nicola Jenkins, Menna Salisbury, Jill Taylor, Helen Atkin, Helen Walker, Rosemary Hack, Sarah Smith, Sally-Ann Harrison, Virginia Ferrey, Karen Ambrose, Jill Davis, Rachel Petty, Judith Ward, Helen Lewington, Ann Klosst-Dohna, Ruth Wheeler, Susan Gibson, Amanda Baldwin, Caroline Fairchild, Nichola Holt, Sarah Adlington, Belinda Bramhall, Elizabeth Thorp, Catherine Hoskin, Jennifer Webb, Elizabeth Bottomley, Caroline England, Karen Fletcher, Sally Gregory, Jeanette Lister, Emma Loveday, Belinda Stephenson, Joanna Thorpe, Joanna Williams, Sara Dyson, Hazel Ehlinger, Kathryn Hill, Charlotte Rowley, Yvonne Holmes, Caroline Shaw, Teresa Roberts, Sarah Harrison, Nicola Haslam, Suzanne McLean, Katherine Paterson, Jacqueline Roberts, Kay Westmoreland, Jill Collett, Helen Hudson, Ann Westmoreland, Sally Kirkham, Sarah Lyte, Susan Walters.

Advanced Resuscitation

Jane Clark, Susan Aspin, Sian Davies, Suzanne Coon, Susan East, Elizabeth Gough, Hilary Hayes, Alyson Idell, Colette Powell, Kay Stewart, Lisa Swingler.

Honours

Ruth Jackson, Joanne Kemp, Lisa Eaton, Amanda Gretton.

Gold

Rachel Wood, Nicola Robinson, Lorelei Coon, Johanna Bradwell, Sarah Beecroft, Bridget Thompson, Sarah Hetherington, Heather Nye, Hilary Cotman, Jane Proctor, Dawn Power, Hazel Sinfield, Emma Baker, Lisa Burton, Helen Giddings, Tina Worbey.

Silver

Clare Locke, Rachel McCall, Katie Wood, Sally MacIlwaine, Amanda Skipper, Elizabeth Horne, Hilary Cotman, Karen Myles-White, Tracey Smith, Catherine Roe, Debra Gibson, Larrett Mawdsley, Ruth Dodd, Melanie Thompson, Susanne Hope, Wan See Wong, Karen Curley, Angela Smith, Sally Capsticks, Michelle Gretton, Jane Hensher.

Bronze 46 girls.



GOLF

For the second year running we have taken part in the Golf Foundation Coaching Scheme. A group of about a dozen girls has patiently swung clubs at the end of the grass hockey pitch on Friday evenings under the benevolent eye of Mr. Tom Jones, professional at Bakewell Golf Club. This scheme is extremely cheap (total cost between £2 and £3 for ten lessons) and clubs may be borrowed, so there is minimal financial outlay. For those girls who show real potential, further lessons may be given free of charge.

We are most grateful to Chatsworth Golf Club for allowing us the use of their course at Edensor. Although it is not always easy to find mutually convenient times when either Mr. Jones or myself can take the girls to Edensor, there have been some most enjoyable Sunday afternoons on the golf course. The Jacob sheep and electric fences surrounding the greens are but a small hazard when compared with the wonderful views over Chatsworth and the surrounding parkland.

I very much hope that more girls will take an interest in this sport. If we can arrive at a stage where some of our pupils have a "proper" handicap of 36 (or under) then we could take part in the schools' Aer Lingus golf competition.



SKI REPORT — AVIEMORE 1979

It was novel to drive south from Matlock in order to reach Aviemore, but in what we now regard as 'our' ski weather — the A6 south was the only road open (and that only at 6 a.m. not later).

However, after a Staffordshire detour and a Shap hold-up (due mainly to a road workers' strike) we arrived in the north as planned for a late meal and reconnoitre.

Snow conditions were all that could be desired, but visibility and temperatures were far from ideal. Choices were: sunny skiing in the valley (preferred by neurotic staff) or blizzard piste-bashing on the mountain tops.

A well remembered day saw most of the group in the valley, experts on Cairngorm, coach half-way up, and staff walking up in white-out conditions to collect strays!

The social life surpassed most expectations; it is surprising how little sleep one really needs, even after such strenuous days.

Of the forty-four girls who ski-ied, thirty four gained their bronze awards (others in the group already had theirs from last year) and five achieved silver standard.

Plans are already well advanced for 1980.



CAREERS



The most notable feature of the careers work this year has been the creation of a proper "team" of staff. Mrs. Embrey and Miss Crook attended the ISCO conference at Warwick University last December and are now fully trained to interpret the ISCO tests and to conduct the follow-up interviews. This means that we can cope with larger number of girls taking ISCO tests in their O-level year and should also mean that our counselling service becomes vastly improved as time goes by.

Last year I wrote that there was no better way of finding out about a certain career than to go and see for oneself at first hand. I am very glad to be able to report that several of our pupils have done just this and that in each case they felt the experience was well worthwhile and far more beneficial than a mere dip into the literature in the careers room.

Three girls attended the four day Industrial Conference at Sherborne School last Christmas holidays and we are most grateful to Mr. Thornton, a governor of the school, for his help in sponsoring them. They learned much about the manufacturing process, how it has to be organised, about the financial side, about the importance of teamwork, of leadership and so on. We have also sent girls on three-day courses to Allied Breweries (Marketing), to Sir Robert MacAlpine (Civil Engineering) to Shell BP (Accountancy) to Bradford University (Women in Industry and Management) and to Newcastle Polytechnic (the "Polysample" course).

One-day visits have taken place to the distributive Industry Training Board centre in Manchester (Retail Management), to Thomas Ward (Accountancy), to Leonard Fletcher and Partners (Quantity Surveying) to Shand (Civil Engineering), the Derby City Hospital (Nursing and Para-medical) and to the universities of Birmingham, Sheffield, Nottingham and Manchester — covering a wealth of subjects from Ophthalmic Optics, Pharmacy, Dentistry and Medicine to Applied Linguistics, Computer Studies, Law, French, Mathematics and Engineering.

Talks have been given at school on Local Government, Accountancy, Journalism, Modern Languages and the Women's Royal Naval Service.

The Forum which was held on Higher Education at the end of May was well attended. The panel of speakers felt quite strongly that girls should follow their *interests* when deciding upon degree courses and not necessarily confine themselves to vocationally-orientated courses. By following their interests it was felt that they would more likely fulfil their true potential (in terms of intellectual achievement and personality).

As I write this report the A-level results have just been published. Although many are successful, it is always so helpful if a girl has made several plans to cover all eventualities. So please remember this need for "insurance policies". One can always withdraw from a course. It is not so easy, and often impossible, to gain admission at the last minute. We do our utmost to help our pupils when A-level results are known — the telephone is my constant companion — but more initiative could be taken by the girls during their last year with us.

Susan Hargreaves



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SCHOOL TOURS

Having survived some 25 field-study or sporting weeks away with School (and for those who like to start counting on their fingers—there have been as many as three a year!) it seems to be an appropriate time to look back over this period to various high spots, mistakes, embarrassing moments and blizzards.

The visits have catered for about 800 girls and ten staff (seven of whom are still at School) and have visited ten countries (if we can dis-unite the UK).

Accommodation has ranged from the Egon Ronay “recommended” to a distinctly sordid barge; weather has varied from the “swim in Loch Rannoch” to verging on hypothermic, and food has included such gastronomic delights as vermicelli sandwiches, ovaltine in soup bowls, (mistakenly seasoned with salt and pepper), shredded lettuce in mashed potatoes and oysters and smoked eels.

For embarrassment (and not only for the instigator) the first prize goes to the member of staff who, in a hotel where all floors were identical and after reading the Riot Act, i.e. lights out etc., heard a radio playing and shot into the appropriate bedroom shrieking “Stop messing about, put that radio off and get into bed” to a honeymoon couple who already had!

Mistakes include—in the very early days—(one learns!) booking into a hotel adjacent to an R.A.F. Cadet camp (and this with Upper Fives) taking a tour (albeit a short one) round the Loire Valley wine cellars, and the aforementioned barge.

Snow has, not surprisingly disrupted several visits—but where would a ski-holiday be, otherwise? Delays have caught up with us at airports (Milan, Venice & East Midlands) plus M6 (Shap) and A9. We continue to amaze our hosts by arriving on time, whatever the conditions.

Youth hostelling was perhaps most revealing (aren't our girls shy?) especially when self-catering—some starved for the first few days, but soon got the message.

Funniest? A ride home in a Dutch police car, sirens wailing and falling off the seats giggling, going round the corners.

Dirtiest? **THE BARGE.** On which there were those who didn't wash for a week, those who showered every hour (with their shoes on) and those who slept in housecoats, socks and towels to avoid touching the beds—and had the best holiday ever.

Most worrying: I cannot put into print, what the girls (long since left) tried to persuade our coach driver (a trustee fortunately) to smuggle from Denmark for them, **nor** the problems I had trying to dispose of same.

Final bouquets to Ian and Gina in Guernsey, everyone in Aviemore, long-suffering drivers, Madame in Rotheneuf and Mrs. Fearn.

May the next 25 be as varied.

J. Marsden

Al-Ain

Al-Ain is situated between two capitals, Dubai and Abu-Dhabi, 100 miles away from both each way. It is described as a garden city; a garden of Eden. On nearly all the roundabouts can be seen a fountain with many palm trees and flowers; little buildings also stand on the roundabouts. In the middle of the road is a piece of land just as well cared for with its beautiful scenery. The water for the whole city is pumped from a little oasis which is very beautiful with its many palm and banana trees. The market cannot be described as very civilized but does sell some nice fruit, vegetables, fish and meat. Al-Ain produces its own fruit and vegetables and exports them to Dubai and Abu-Dhabi. Al-Ain also slaughters its own animals for meat, but the fish does not come from Al-Ain but is exported from Dubai or Abu-Dhabi in ice trucks.

The laws in Al-Ain are very strict. No liquor is sold in Al-Ain as it is a Moslem community, so the English citizens have to travel to Dubai or Abu-Dhabi to purchase it.

On all the shop doors is a sign saying in Arabic and English "Shop lifting is not worth the risk". This is a reminder that if they are caught, shoplifters have their right hands chopped off; a second offence sees the other hand missing and the third offence results in the head rolling!

The prison is just as bad with a diet of bread and water, and very often the offender is forgotten; it may be a year before he is brought before the judge to be accused of the guilty or not guilty crime for which he had been placed in prison.

There is one hotel in Al-Ain which is very expensive, no doubt, owing to the fact that it is the only one!

The sports stadium is also very pleasant with its many floodlights and green football pitch. It also caters for tennis, badminton, basket ball, snooker, pool, billiards, volley ball and table tennis and they are also building at the moment, squash courts and a swimming pool. Only the rich Arabs and a few of the English who have been introduced by an Arab are allowed in the grounds.

Al-Ain also has a Zoo, recently opened to the public. The animals are in good condition, fed well and given the best attention.

All in all Al-Ain is a beautiful and marvellous city, where everyone who comes enjoys himself.

Trina Richards
LVP

One Day in Moscow

It was warm, I felt happy and the sky was a faint blue as I sat up and heard noises all about me. Two birds were fighting outside my window and I could hear some children shouting and screaming in Russian. I was happy because it was going to be an enjoyable day.

Having eaten my breakfast, I decided to go to the market because I needed a new pair of slippers. I had been told that slippers were fairly cheap there, but extraordinarily comfortable. All around me I could hear Russians chattering; everyone was happy on account of the sunny weather.

It seemed years since I had last seen the sun; for weeks it had been snowing and raining, yet summer had now finally arrived.

I had bought everything I needed from the market, so I went to 'GUM', the largest department store in Russia. As it is traditional, I bought an ice cream, and then I had a good look around.

I wanted to buy some presents for my friends at school but the choice was so varied that I did not know what to buy! Finally I bought a money box and a wooden ornament of a man playing ice-hockey.

Now, I was standing outside the Department store wondering where to go. Stretching out in front of me was Red Square; how magnificent it looked in the sun, with the brightly painted church in the background. For a few moments I was enchanted by the beautiful sight.

When I had finally recovered my senses I decided to go for a walk past the Kremlin and then on past the Bolshoi Theatre. It was such a glorious day that I could have walked for miles.

As I wandered past the Kremlin, I thought how wonderful the golden domes looked in the sun. I could never remember having seen such a lovely sight before in my life. On walking past the Bolshoi Theatre, I thought of the solemn opera I had heard there only a few nights before. What a beautiful building, ornately decorated in gold and blue.

I was now hungry and I decided to take the underground to the hotel. At the hotel I had a quick snack and then I went to Peridel kino — another wonderful place which has to be seen to be believed. I sat down on the grass and looked out at the wide lake. Soon I was entranced by my dreams, and I only came back to reality at five o'clock.

I was sad to leave this place, but my tea was awaiting as I was going to the Kremlin Theatre that evening!

Andrea Cranshaw
LVP

Life in the Pacific

The first sound that greets me in the morning is the singing of birds. Contrary to one's expectations, these birds are very plain and small, but their voices are soothing to the ear. Through the window the sun shoots its bright rays and I warm to the sight of it. It is a wonderful feeling being able to wake up with the sun shining on you, knowing that the day will be hot and sunny.

A refreshing plunge in the pool is enough to shake drowsiness off you, followed by a quick drink and then off to survey the town.

No shops open until 8.00 a.m. but once they are open, people seem to appear from nowhere, flowing in and out of various shops in a steady stream. At this point, I would like to add that Port Moresby, the capital, has a population of only about twenty thousand people, so it is not very large, therefore it does not contain many large stores.

The favourite spots of the street sellers are outside the larger stores where they set up their goods on the pavement. Their stocks include yam-yam (sweet potato), guavas, pineapples, mangoes and beetlenut amongst others. These red-gummed primitives (the red is caused by the blending of the beetlenut and lime powder) sit in rows of fifteen or more and gabble away in Pidgin English (the main language used there) breaking off every now and again to straighten the rows in which their goods are lying.

The natives are very friendly in general and normally come up to you and want to shake your hand or touch your hair. Do not be alarmed if this happens to you, just say "hello", shake hands and then move on. It does not matter if you do not understand them; in most cases they do not expect you to.

The Melanesian race sets its own pace. Haste is unnecessary. This may annoy many expatriates who live out here, but these people cannot be hurried. You will be lucky if you wait less than five minutes for them to cross a road. Occasionally some of them stop in the middle and stare at you and it does no good shouting at them, they only pretend they do not understand and gabble away in Pidgin English until you give up the attempt. The Pidgin English is a primitive variation of normal English, Dutch and Spanish. It is really very simple; for example they call grass skirts "ass-grass".

From time to time when you are driving, you may come across a "sing sing", a type of celebration in which the whole village takes part. They dance around in the ass-grasses, leaving bare the top half of their body, save for some strands of beads or shells. Their faces are painted for greater effect. On special occasions they smear themselves with pig-fat. Pig is the main source of food for the feast. The pigs are killed and then dug into the

ground and covered with red-hot rocks and then they are left for a day. When the food is required, the pig is dug up, cut and then eaten. Actually it does not taste too bad. I speak from experience!

Another wonderful aspect of New Guinea is its climate. It is never cold and it rains mainly during the night except during the wet season when unexpected showers fall at intervals from the sky-blue heaven. Fortunately these outbreaks rarely last for very long, and so do not be surprised if the sun shines brightly a few second later.

In the evening every type of entertainment is provided (excluding television). Cinemas and clubs are part of a routine followed by many Europeans. The clubs arrange parties, fetes and films and they usually have swimming pools. There is at least one party a week somewhere. The thing to do is get to know everybody and then there is no risk of being bored.

New Guinea is a wonderful, exciting and intriguing place for the younger adults, it is a country which never grows old. When you grow older, you leave it ('go finish') as it has no means of providing for the elderly. It is an innocent country, as yet not too industrialized, though no doubt in a few years' time it will be like anywhere else in the world — a mass of iron and steel, cars pouring all over the place, destroying the beautiful green hills and valleys, leaving a deep scar behind. The scar being 'civilization'. As yet the people think it is exciting, as yet they are happy. For my part I hope 'civilization' does not destroy the people or the country. It is far too beautiful for that.

Marielle Sanders
LVP



OLD GIRLS' SECTION

Letter from Miss Stevenson

September, 1979

Dear Old Girls,

I was very pleased indeed to meet so many of you at the Reunion in School on that lovely Saturday in May and I was especially delighted that Miss Robinson was able to be present.

I remember how interested you all were in the various alterations that had taken place since your previous visit, particularly the changes in Powys and the formation of my flat where there had formerly been a dormitory and before that a Houseroom. More decorating has been done since May and Rotherwood is now completed as the Lower Sixth House and the top floor of Gresford has been painted white, including the furniture which makes it look very fresh and pleasant. The bottom floor should be done in the Christmas holidays. The whole School is also being re-wired, a mammoth task involving the raising of various floor-boards. New lighter-coloured linoleum has been laid across the Bridge and through Wilson House.

A playroom for Willowdene has appeared suddenly behind that building, a generous gift from the Friends. It is still having the various services installed but will soon be ready. Miss Clarke, the new Head of the Junior Department, has many plans for activities for the Juniors and this extra space will be very useful.

Mr. and Mrs. Pollard and their two young sons are living in Rosedene at present and the new term has started well. We are all looking forward to welcoming you to the next Reunion on Saturday, 17th May, 1980, when you will have a chance to see the various improvements.

Very best wishes to you all.

Yours sincerely,

Isobel Stevenson

Reunion 1979

We had a good crowd at the Reunion at St. Elphin's on May 12th — just over 70 of us sat down to an excellent lunch in the Stopford Hall (this, of course, included several husbands, friends and children).

Previously about 50 members of the Guild had attended the A.G.M. in the Common Room, when the Chair had been taken by Miss Robinson, our Vice-President, whom we were delighted to welcome on her first visit to the School since she left.

The meeting opened with Prayers and remembrance of those Old Girls who had died during the year.

The minutes were read and confirmed and then the Treasurer presented her Balance Sheet and financial report for the year ended December 1978 (both printed elsewhere). Their adoption was proposed by Miss Jasper and seconded by Margaret Farley (nee Smart).

Miss Stevenson (acting Headmistress) then gave us news about St. Elphin's, which she preceded by a very warm welcome to the School.

Staff changes and Examination successes which she told us about are printed elsewhere in this Magazine, but we also heard about the alterations to Powys (Top Central) and Pigot Houses (and later we were able to see them for ourselves) and we were interested to hear that the Friends are having plans passed for a playroom outside Willowdene (the old San); there is also a long-term plan to get Selwyn House — at present over in Darley Lodge — on to the main site, as the traffic on the A6 makes crossing the road very difficult and dangerous.

During the year there had been a very good Sponsored Walk which raised £2000 and a successful Christmas Bazaar bringing in over £1000.

There was some discussion about future reunions as the ones in the "alternate" years (i.e. when we do not hold one at St. Elphin's) have been very badly attended recently — no matter which part of the country we visit. In the end it was proposed by Sybil Osmond (nee Wells) and seconded by Margaret Carmichael (nee Houghton) that we should ask if we could have one at St. Elphin's again next year, and that we should then consider the possibility of having one in alternate years only.

Miss Stevenson thought that May 17th would be a suitable date when we could come to the School again and have the opportunity of meeting the new Headmaster.

At the end of the meeting we re-joined our families for lunch after which we spent a very interesting afternoon looking at the new buildings and improvements — or just gossiping in the sunshine on the terrace outside the Hall.

Evensong in the Chapel brought another interest — the new Organ, which Miss Helen Thompson seemed to enjoy playing.

It was a successful and happy day and we are all grateful to Miss Stevenson and the other members of staff for making us so very welcome.

Those present included:— Miss Robinson; Miss Helen McKenzie; Miss Marjorie McKenzie; Mrs. Kitchen; Miss Helen Thompson; Miss Lesley Thompson; Mrs Wass; Magdalene Baggott (Cullen); Jennifer Beebe; Edna Birchwood (Smart); Margaret Carmichael (Houghton); Catherine Clarke (Spencer); Christine Codling (Tew); Olga Constable (Johnson); Rebecca Cotman; Julia Dakin; Jean Davies (Donaldson); Alison Durdy (Godfrey); Margaret Farley (Smart); Marjorie Gardener (Longden); Rosemary Gask (Crow); Audrey Glover (Bell); Mary Goodman; Megan Graham (Murphy); Alison Grimes; Elizabeth Harris (Adams); Rachel Johnston; Stephanie Jones; Anna Kastoryano; M. Kingsnorth; Margot Lewis; Joan Kiddell; Joyce Knight; Mary Mayo (Reeman); Sybil Osmond (Wells); C. Pearson; Jane Powell; L. Ralph; Heather Reeves; Jill Reid (Charlton); Rachel Roberts; Margaret Rouse (Carmichael); Lindsey Ruehorn; Mary Scudamore (Jones); Helen Simpson; Catherine Smart; Eileen Smart (Whittaker); Cheryl Steele (Chalke); Mary Stoneham (Smart); Melanie Sutcliffe; Winifred Sweeting (Bagshaw); Rosemary Taylor; Dorothy Tredwell (Kiddell); Elizabeth Walker, Sarah Warburton; Elizabeth Wareham (Carson) and Elizabeth White (Evans).



From the Secretary

Thank you all for your letters and news items. It is interesting to note that the number of those remains fairly constant with a nucleus of "regulars" and the balance made up of different ones each year. I do enjoy hearing from you.

I hope the magazine distribution is fairly satisfactory now; I certainly no longer feel I am posting them into the empty air.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,
Eileen S. Smart (Whittaker)

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

DISNEYLAND — AT LAST

My dream for years was to go to Disneyland and take the children and as with most things, time passes and nothing happens — I suddenly thought that unless a move was made, I would be too old and the children no longer children.

I have three children, Peter 19, Joanna 17 and Diane 10 — Peter had already said that he wasn't interested so that left the three of us.

Next step to find a travel agent who would think like us — after many phone calls around the agents, deposits were paid and the air of excitement rose.

April 15 1979

Our Travels Start

Sunday D.C.10 from Gatwick to Los Angeles — how easy plane travelling is — just a very long journey with non-stop meals and drinks — on arrival we were all exhausted and so glad to have a good night's sleep in a comfortable bed.

Monday Disneyland — everything we had hoped it would be and more — fantasy world at its best — everyone so happy — everything so clean, no hurry, no queues, fantastic shows, so much to see. The day disappeared too quickly as did every day from here on — this day was worth all the dreaming and waiting for.

Tuesday We travelled down to San Diego to stay with a doctor and his wife up in the mountains outside the town — on an Avacado grove also with oranges and lemons in the garden.

Wednesday Day in Marineland — a beautiful and exciting place with animals giving amazing shows and thoroughly enjoying it all, such vitality and life.

Thursday Our hosts took us to San Diego Animal Park — a huge Safari Park. We toured around on a monorail looking at all the animals in natural surroundings including a day old giraffe — such care taken over details for everything.

Friday We asked if we could look at some typical American stores to compare prices etc — we had great fun looking for clothes, presents and food — such high standards of cleanliness and finish on all goods.

Saturday We said goodbye to our hosts and took a plane to San Francisco. When we had unpacked we spent a couple of hours roaming round the town on the cable cars — it is so hilly and such great fun to get around that way — it is as hilly as T.V. shows it — late in the evening we went down to Fishermans Wharf for a Seafood Supper — it is a fantastic market place for freshly cooked lobsters, crabs, etc. with all the smells and atmosphere to go with it.

Sunday We hired a car and drove over the Golden Gate bridge past Alcatraz Island, now deserted, to see the Redwood forest — the height of the trees made us dizzy. In the evening we went to a traditional Japanese restaurant — it was fascinating.

Monday Flew to Hollywood — stayed in a Hotel opposite the famous Chinese Theatre with all the footprints and handprints of film stars and others; also stars set into the pavement with film star's names on them.

Tuesday A coach trip around the film stars' homes, wonderful houses, wonderful area and so many of them, then down to Farmers Market a huge area of Market stalls and cafes selling food and prepared fruit, veg and seafood salads, also fruit and vegetables I had only ever heard or read about — my elder daughter bought a slice of melon over 2ft. long. We then explored the tar pits — strange to see tar boiling out of the earth, fossilizing everything around it.

Wednesday Early morning swim for the 3 of us then a day long tour of the Universal Studios — all the tricks of the trade explained also lots of film stars walking around or filming at the various sets, many shows to explain things — training of birds and cowboy filming — so much to see and time running out.

Thursday Day trip to Knotts Barry Farm — the name didn't mean much on paper but it was nearly as enjoyable as Disneyland — exhibits of America's past — log rides — mining trips, Indians, Cowboys and also fantastic Rollercoasters — traditional American and Mexican Crafts also on Display — along to the Wax Museum working models of all the film stars saying parts of their famous films — all so tastefully displayed.

Friday Took a service bus into Los Angeles — boys sitting on the back seat entertaining the passengers with guitar music. In town we went to the top of a Sky Scraper — a fantastic view from the top — so many high buildings — full of overpasses and underpasses. Looked at many shops and again staggered by the low prices and high quality of the goods, also the vast selection.

Saturday Trip around the Mexican part of town and to the Market then on to the coast to see the Queen Mary now with a typically English Village built around it — on to Long Beach — full of surf and sand — no wonder everyone is brown even in April — on to Santa Monica to look at the world's largest boating Marina.

Sunday Our last day — how sad. Thought we would sample a Hawaiian Brunch — so much food so beautifully cooked and presented we didn't know when to stop — then back to have a cooling swim and pack to come home.

All exhausted but the holiday of a lifetime.

Pauline Thomas (nee Thompson)



NEWS OF OLD GIRLS



LAREMA AYERST (nee FISHER) now that her 5 children are grown up and married, has become involved with her local District Council, and is Chairman of Housing, as well as being a counsellor/tutor of the Oxford and National Marriage Guidance scheme.

JUDITH BARGER (nee ASHCROFT) is now a Ward Sister at St. Thomas's Hospital in London, where she trained.

ELIZABETH BARWICK (nee BERRETT) is secretary to the Managing Director of Wold Farm Foods in Grimsby which is owned by a group of large scale farmers who grow and process their own foods.

MISS BURCHNALL feels very frustrated as she cannot get out to do her gardening because of arthritis in her back. We send her our good wishes.

SUZANNE DIGGLE (nee SILK) after taking her B.Sc in Southampton went on to do research at the I.C.I. She was married in 1962 and has two children — Robert aged 11 and Clare aged 9. In 1975 she gained a Certificate in Education and now teaches at Macclesfield High School for Girls. She and her family were very interested to visit St. Elphin's recently. She would be pleased if any of her old school friends would contact her (see addresses).

JOANNA BEACH (nee FRICKER) qualified as a Princess Christian Nursery Nurse and had some very interesting jobs, visiting America and Hawaii twice. Following her marriage in August she is to go out to Germany as her husband has a 3-years' tour to finish!

JANE FRICKER qualified last year as P.E. Teacher and is working in a large comprehensive school in Rainham, Essex. Tennis is her main game and in 1978 she played in the Eastbourne Tournament and won the semi-finals.

After leaving St. Elphin's, where she was first a pupil and then a member of the Staff, MARY GAMBLE spent 27½ very happy and busy years as Secretary to the Headmistress of Christ's Hospital. Since retiring nearly 10 years ago, she has travelled abroad quite a lot, often going with MURIEL ROSE (nee STAVERT) who also lives in Basingstoke. Muriel has two sons — both engineers — and her sister EVELYN has a daughter who works in the British Embassy in Paris. Mary also hears from BETTY ABDY (nee BIRKETT) and DOROTHY WARD (nee KEELING) who still lives in Kenya, having founded the first secretarial college in Nairobi many years ago.

JENNIE GAMBLE retired 2 years ago from being Head of the Home Economics Dept at the Harriet Costello School in Basingstoke. Her department was the largest in the School and she had 6 staff to help her.

MARJORIE GARDENER (nee LONGDEN) who has 3 sons (not 2 as I thought) has now got 2 grandsons as well. She is finding life very full in the Dales. As well as belonging to various organisations, she does Meals on Wheels and takes two Keep Fit Classes a week.

In July 1977 AUDREY GLOVER (nee BELL) and her husband had the honour of being invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. Recently Audrey was presented with the Silver Badge of the National Life-Boat Institution.

ANNE GUTCH has gained a Class II(ii) Degree in English, Classical Civilization and American Studies at the University of Manchester.

MISS HARRISON was sorry she was not able to fulfil her intention of coming to the Reunion. She finds it difficult to get out and about. She still has letters from some of "her" old girls and loves to hear about their work and growing families.

KATHLEEN HILL obtained a B.Sc. Hons. Degree in Chemistry at London University and is now training in the "City" to become a chartered accountant.

VERA HOOLE (nee MURDOCH)'s husband died last year, so she is glad that her daughter, KATHLEEN BROWN (not Beaver as wrongly named in last year's magazine) has come to live near her.

ROSALIND MAUDSLEY (nee SEVILLE) is in Mexico for 2 years with her husband and two daughters, aged 6 and 4.

MARY MERRILL (nee SMARDON) now lives in Florida where the weather is very different from ours. In March she wrote about all the lovely trees and flowers in bloom. Next year (1980) she and her husband hope to come to Europe to see their middle daughter whose husband is stationed in Germany. She would love to contact some of her old friends, who could reach her through her sister Patricia (Mrs. R. Banham) at 11 Pillmuir Avenue, Torquay.

After leaving school, JULIA NEEDHAM (nee BATT) completed an intensive Bi-lingual Secretarial Course at Richmond College, Sheffield and worked as a secretary for a year. Since her marriage she has had various jobs including doing "Bed and Breakfasts" in their home in Castleton. Earlier this year they bought a house in Hope, and have been very busy decorating it.

LINDSAY NICKLIN (nee WHITE) has returned to Derbyshire after various wanderings. She and her husband both work for the County Education Authority, one as administrator and one as a teacher.

HAZEL PHILLIPS (nee PRINCE) and her family are spending a year in England (see addresses) before returning to Colombia, South America where her husband is a Missionary teacher and Pastor. They find life in the city there very hot and dusty. The three children (aged 12, 10 and 7) attend the local British School in Colombia, and will be going to local schools near Poole while they are in England.

OENONE ROONEY (nee DUNKLEY) and her family have moved to a house of their own instead of living in the school-house, and her husband travels the 13 miles to the new school of which he is principal. It is a two-teacher school with 49 children, and is run on the open-plan system. Their elder daughter, Louise, now 7 years old goes to a school near where they live, and Corinne, who is 4, attends Kindergarten.

JOYCE RENWICK is enjoying her retirement in Cheltenham. She, MARGOT (IMRAY), FRANCES (HATFIELD) and LAREMA (FISHER) had a "mini-reunion" last autumn and MISS IRIS HALL joined them. They all enjoyed it very much.

MOLLY ROUNTREE thinks she may be approaching the distinction of being the oldest "Old Girl", as her connections with St. Elphin's go back to 1907 and she well remembers Miss Kennedy. She finds it difficult to get to Reunions now, though, as she says, she is still very much alive and enjoying life.

ELIZABETH SCOTT is a Sister in the Maternity Hospital which is very near the Bishop's Court where she lives in Freetown, Sierra Leone. She sends her warmest regards to all her old friends.

ANNA SHOOTER is working as secretary to the Assistant Area Manager (Manchester) of the National Westminster Bank. Address: Willow Cottage, Bridge Green, Prestbury, Cheshire.

CATHERINE SMART is still teaching at Long Road VIth Form College in Cambridge. She was elected County Secretary of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association when it was formed by the amalgamation of two single-sex teachers' associations in September 1978. She finds representing the 900 or so members of the Cambridgeshire Branch a fascinating, if sometimes formidable, task.

JANE WALKER SMITH who qualified as a S.R.N. in 1974, and then worked in Sheffield is now a Sister in the Coronary Care Unit at Barnsley District Hospital.

Her sister, SARAH WALKER SMITH also qualified as a S.R.N. this year at St. Thomas's Hospital and is staying on there to get some post-registration training before specialising.

ROSAMOND STEELE (nee SAPWELL) has been made a churchwarden of St Thomas's Church in Groombridge, so, with various Parish and home activities, she is kept fully occupied.

ELIZABETH STREET joined the VIth form of Giggleswick School after leaving St. Elphin's. She is now at Hartwell House, a secretarial college, where in addition she studies International Politics. After she finishes at Christmas 1979 she hopes to work in London.

ROSEMARY TAYLOR has retired from teaching as from last December, and is enjoying her freedom, especially being able to "holiday" during term-time! She has recently seen MARY AITCHESON (nee DAVIDSON) and her family and at the same time MRS. RHYS-JONES (Miss HINDLE) ex-staff. Rosemary visited LINETTE CROXFORD (nee RICE) and family at Goodwick, Pembroke, when she was on holiday. Linette's elder daughter goes to Penrhos and her younger daughter will join her in 2 years. They had not met for 34 years since leaving school.

WINIFRED THOMPSON has enjoyed her routine of visits to National Trust houses and gardens and "Castle Heritage" in Northumberland. They stayed in Bishop Hatfield College at Durham and one evening they had formal dinner with the dons and Latin Grace as at St. Elphin's of old.

Her niece PAULINE THOMAS (nee THOMPSON) is Catering Officer at the Spastics Boarding School at Craig-y-Park, near Cardiff. She has sent an account of her "holiday of a lifetime" — printed at the end of these news items.

SARAH Warburton did a two year Cordon Bleu Diploma Course and now works as a free-lance cook, which she finds very interesting. She keeps in touch with SALLY HARDEE and RACHEL WOODHOUSE, both of whom have become engaged recently (but gives no details!)

CAROLINE DUNWELL (nee WAREHAM) has been a policewoman for 2½ years and very much enjoys her work. She has now married another member of the force.

ELIZABETH WAREHAM (nee CARSON) has been working as a civil servant with the Ministry of Defence for 3 years. Following a recent exam success, she is hoping for a transfer to another department nearer her home when Government bans and cuts allow it.

CHERON LEIGHTON WILKINS has gained a Class II(i) Degree in Music at Birmingham University and is going on to do Post-Graduate work in Music Therapy.

ELAINE WOODHOUSE had an accident in January and was in hospital for a month and then spent 2½ months (following an operation below her hip) with her sisters. She is now home again and able to enjoy her garden.

REBECCA WOODSEND after gaining her A Level English Literature at Nottingham High School for Girls is now at the Marlborough Secretarial College.

HELEN YOOL (nee STONE) lost her husband last year and now lives in Lyme Regis. She finds people wonderfully welcoming and friendly. She would be delighted to see any Old Girl living or visiting in the area. Telephone 02974-2581.



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CHRISTINE WOOD (nee CLAGUE).

ENGAGEMENT

JANE BODEN to Dennis M. Orchard.



MARRIAGES

Barwick - BENNETT - On May 24th 1979 at Grimsby, Dick Winston Barwick to ELIZABETH ANN BERRETT.

Beach - FRICKER - On August 4th 1979, Captain David Beach (Royal Signals) to JOANNA FRICKER.

Cytko-OLIVER - On September 27th 1978, Donald Cytko to SUSAN OLIVER.

Dunwell-WAREHAM - On September 16th 1978 at St. Barnabas Church, Middlesborough, Andrew Stephen Dunwell to CAROLINE WAREHAM.

Hawkwood-NIBLOCK - On September 16th 1978 at St. Mary's Church, Nether Alderley, Cheshire, John Kevin Hawkwood to PHYLLIS ANN NIBLOCK.

Needham-BATT - In November, 1975, Malcolm Needham to JULIA BATT.

Spencer-ELTHAM - On April 1st 1978 at Newchurch Parish Church, Culcheth, N. Warrington, Timothy Spencer to EASTA ELTHAM.



BIRTHS

HEWITSON - On December 23rd 1978, to Richard and Angela (nee WELLS) a son, Michael Richard.

SAUNDERS - On April 18th 1978 to Peter and Juliet (nee DAVIES) a daughter, Rhonwen Mary Rea.

SPENCER - On December 25th 1978, to Timothy and Easta (nee ELTHAM) a son, Nicholas Roland.

WRIGHT - On February 14th, 1979 to David and Julia (nee WELLS) a son, Peter Victor (brother for John).

DEATHS

BERTHA HEDLEY (no details).

PHYLLIS SRAWLEY (nee FOSTER) on September 19th 1978.

JOAN RICHARDSON (nee CLARKE) on December 8th, 1978.

CARRIE WINTRINGHAM (nee HOWE) on January 7th, 1979.

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Hazel Ehlinger	Life
Kemi Gbaja	Life
Elizabeth Gough	Life
Penelope Grenfell	Life
Kathryn Hill	Life
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Colette Powell	Life
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Teresa Roberts	Life
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Susan Rothwell	Life
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Rachel Sherrard	Life
Heidi Sloan	Life
Isabel So	Life
Kay Uawithya	Life
Susan Vaughan	Life



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1978

In December 1978, the balance in the current account was £394.54, and in the deposit account £748.79, an increase of £190.75 and £386.44 respectively from the previous year. In the past, I have said several times that without the generous donations we should be "in the red". Before getting excited about our well-being, let me say that it is because no magazines were paid for in 1978. I received no bill, and this came earlier this year (1979) together with that of the last magazine, therefore £360.50 has now been paid, which almost disposes of the increase stated above. Incidentally the cost of the magazine has risen from 60p in 1977 to £1 per copy in 1978 which we had earlier this year. This, together with postage of roughly £60 makes it quite costly.

Donations totalled £160.03, an increase of £57.41 — thank you very much! Some of these donations are most generous, especially one we had from Miss Thompson-Smith.

The subscriptions totalled £229, considerably better than in 1977 (which were £60). At the London meeting, Miss Mayhew commented on this, and it seemed that "leavers" enrolled as members of the Guild and then did nothing further! Since then 3 or 4 more have joined but it was a poor year. I hope all girls leaving, whether from 5th or 6th forms will consider becoming members. This year 1979, will be the first year for possible renewal of subscriptions of girls who left 3 years ago, and paid the lower rate. I hope some, if not all will convert to life membership if they are over their student days. If still studying, there is nothing to prevent them paying the same again for a further 3 years.

The present system of subscriptions is as follows:—

(a) payment for 3 years	£2.50
(b) payment for life (Clergy daughters)	£5.00
(c) payment for life (others)	£10.00

This system seems to be settling down now and should help to make the Treasurer's life easier!

The Abbey National interest is reduced by £6.29, as I mentioned at the last meeting. We considered that the sum invested, £500, might be re-invested elsewhere, but, to date, it is still in Abbey National pending good ideas.

Also as an item of Income in the current account is a sum of £204, which was a redemption of a £200 Savings Bank Bond which had finished

its life. This almost accounts for the difference in the 1977 and 1978 balances. Perhaps it should be considered whether or not this £200 should be invested, possibly with the Abbey National sum, to gain a little more interest.

If any member wishes to have a badge, I have a few left, price 13p NOT 12½p please, on cheques.

My thanks to Eileen Smart who does a lot in the way of cheque collections and sorting, before they reach me.

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Subscriptions 17 at £2.50	...	42.50
18 at £10.00	...	180.00
Donations	...	107.38
Badges	...	1.01
Interest D/Ac	...	29.11
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