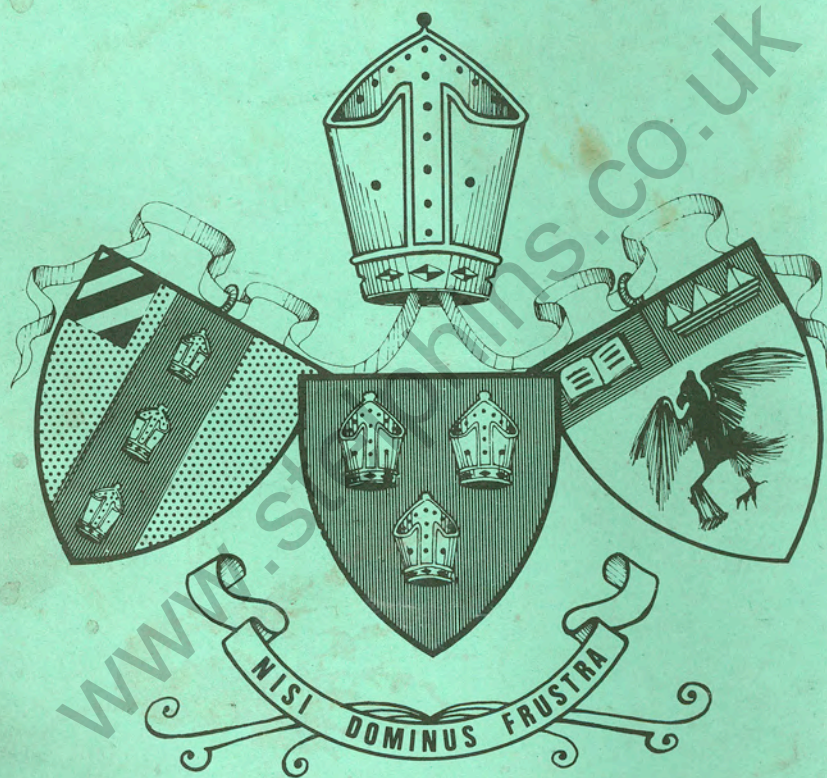


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Editorial

St. Elphin's — 1981

One's impressions of any year in a school's life are many and varied, and the one covered by this issue of the magazine has been no exception to that principle. With its excitements, its challenges and its inevitable moments of sadness, it has tested us all in different ways. The pages that follow tell much of its story. The editors, Sarah Dodd and Clare Locke, have had an unenviable task in trying to select those parts of our activities which seem most typical of the school. They have done well in managing to include so much and we thank them for their hard work. Sarah Dodd's work for the Magazine was done at a time when she was also preparing for the Cambridge entrance examinations. The school was thrilled to hear of her success in being offered a place at Girton College, Cambridge. Sarah will read for a degree in Theology and Religious Studies, beginning her course in October 1983.

Looking back over 1981, my own feelings are of consolidation and of gradual change. For reasons now well understood, we have closed the Kindergarten and Selwyn House. There have been important staff changes, too, with Miss Stevenson's appointment as Head of Jersey College for Girls and Miss Clarke's retirement from the Junior Department. Mrs. Hargreaves gave up full-time teaching, but the energy she devoted to creating a careers department of unusual quality is being consolidated by her successor, Mrs. Thomson.

Academically, much is being achieved. Nine girls from a small Upper VIth have recently begun degree courses in a variety of subjects and in towns ranging from Aberdeen to Canterbury. We have a large Lower VIth, whose good 'O' level results — 30% gained 9 or 10 passes in July — and willingness to remain in the

VIth Form are encouraging. Best of all, perhaps, the governors' generosity in increasing the scholarship provision this year attracted a good 'field' of external candidates and has strengthened the academic calibre of the Upper IIIrd Form.

To encourage scholarship within the school, an anonymous donor has recently given a considerable sum of money, in the form of valuable coins, one of which will, from now onwards, be presented as a prize on Speech Day each year.

Support of this kind is always appreciated and we are laying increasing and necessary stress upon good publicity and communication with the changing world outside. Social gatherings held in Sheffield and Chesterfield last year enabled us to talk about the School, to describe the increase in its sporting, musical and dramatic activities and to draw attention to the enthusiasm for the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards Scheme. Most of these are chronicled in the pages which follow.

Looking to the future, we have bought the first of what we hope will be several computers; and are currently planning for a new building to replace the Huts. The Friends Committee provided the money for the computer and are constantly thinking of the School's needs and helping it in all its activities. My thanks to them, and to everyone who works, in whatever capacity, for the School's well-being.

My distinguished predecessor, Miss Flood, writing in the 1930's was well aware of the changes that must inevitably come in methods of administration and education, but saw the Chapel as representing "the soul of the School". Today, as then, I hope that her words remain true. "Nisi Dominus frustra".

A. P. C. Pollard

Tributes

MISS M. M. CLARKE

Head of Junior Department - 1979-81

It is hard to believe that Miss Clarke was with us for only seven terms. Coming to the Junior Department when on the threshold of retirement, she may truly be described as young in spirit and outlook. We all have impressions of our colleagues, and mine of Peggy Clarke are clear enough: I recall her enthusiasms, her energy and her sense of fun. Her effect on staff, on girls and on parents was electric. The nicest new broom I've ever met swept through those junior corridors of power with vigour and determination, but never with unkindness. Every girl was kept fully occupied; the highest standards were demanded; outings were legion.

The children responded to her with affection, and adored her dogs! Those of us lucky enough to hear her memorable discourse on dogs — a winner at Buxton, later repeated in the summer concert — will always remember its wit, good sense and shrewdness. These qualities were characteristic of the dogs' owner and reminded us of St. Elphin's good fortune in finding Miss Clarke to appoint to the staff. In lamenting her retirement, we take pleasure in still seeing her occasionally in the staff room, in her new role as part-time remedial teacher. Long may she remain in this capacity.

A. P. C. Pollard

MISS I. C. STEVENSON
Deputy Head - 1977-8, 1979-81
Acting Head - 1978-79

Late in January 1981 the School learned of Miss Stevenson's appointment to the headship of Jersey College for Girls. For her this was a moment of supreme excitement, and an honour in which we all shared. It was also tinged with sadness, since we realised how much she had done for the School in her four years on the staff.

St. Elphin's had demanded three entirely different roles from Miss Stevenson: appointed as successor to Mrs. Kitchen, she worked with Miss Mayhew for a year before taking over the headship of the School at short notice; then, one year later, she became my deputy, and began her third 'life' here. For a person of such drive and enthusiasm — and loyalty and integrity — these challenges were seen as part and parcel of the professional teacher's job. Miss Stevenson is a professional in the true sense. She loves teaching, she thrives on administration, she enjoys meeting people of all ages, and nothing is ever too much trouble for her or takes precedence over her school responsibilities.



Though from a dayschool background (Croydon High School as a pupil, a teacher at Shrewsbury and Wimbledon High Schools before becoming Head of Science at Eastbourne High School) Miss Stevenson settled easily into the boarders' world, and came to enjoy the extra and varied challenges it brings. She valued the opportunity it gave for getting to know girls outside the classroom and participated in a host of extra-curricular activities. In particular, she ran a thriving badminton club; she supported school music in all its forms; and she was happy to arrange and accompany numerous outings. At the deepest level she found her religious faith strengthened by worshipping daily in Chapel..

Miss Stevenson's energy was phenomenal. Making the timetable, devising all examination routines, taking endless Minutes of meetings, meeting prospective parents whenever possible: all these and many other tasks were taken in her stride. A good disciplinarian, firm but fair, Isobel Stevenson should perhaps be remembered above all for the sheer enjoyment she had for every facet of school life. Her keen sense of humour was always apparent — not least, as I know from experience, when dealing with the ways of a male Head in a women's world — and this enabled her to cope with the crises, frustrations and family illness which arose at different times in her four years in Derbyshire.

July 1981 brought sad farewells, and gifts and appreciative words from governors, staff and girls. We are pleased to know that Miss Stevenson is already well settled in Jersey, and were delighted to have her with us on Speech Day. She will always be a welcome visitor to St. Elphin's.

A.P.C.Pollard

MRS. S. P. HARGREAVES

When we first heard the news, it was difficult for those of us who had arrived at St. Elphin's in recent years to imagine the place without Mrs. Susan Hargreaves. She was appointed to the school in September 1974, to teach French and help with Physical Education, especially swimming. In the following years she set up the Careers Department so that in July 1976, St. Elphin's was elected to membership of the Independent Schools Careers Organisation. (I.S.C.O.).

In the classroom Mrs. Hargreaves stimulated all ages and abilities in their French studies, so that the girls worked hard and with enjoyment. Enthusiasm was encouraged by rewards of Smarties and Mars bars — I'm not sure exactly what results merited such sweet reward but I do know that staff sometimes benefited when students had failed! These incentives may have contributed to her success as a teacher, but this was far more a result of the excellent example she always gave in her energetic and enthusiastic approach to all work, and by her unfailing insistence upon the highest possible standards.

As a Form Mistress Mrs. Hargreaves was concerned both for individuals — their curriculum, progress and future plans — and for the whole group. Untidiness was curbed by imposition of fines, but she was always ready for fun and enjoyed Socials, Scottish Dancing and Outdoor events. Her walking boots would always set a cracking pace on Sponsored Walks and during end-of-year activities. With a mind as active as her feet she encouraged the Sixth formers' thinking through Colloquium meetings.

Only a proportion of the girls in the school now have known Mrs. Hargreaves as a French teacher or as a Form Mistress but there is no one in the school who will not benefit from her work in establishing the Careers Department. Over a period of four years the number of staff involved directly in careers grew from one to four, a Careers Room was opened and well-stocked with a variety of literature, and a careers programme for the school beginning in the Upper Fourth form was developed. This includes meetings and advice for both girls and their parents. The groundwork Mrs. Hargreaves did in establishing this has given us an excellent foundation on which to build.

Our sincere thanks go to Mrs. Hargreaves for all she has done for St. Elphin's and we offer her our very best wishes for the future.

J. M. Crook

MISS H. REEVES

Heather Reeves spent almost half her life at St. Elphin's; as a pupil, her first form room was the middle Verandah Room, (which now houses the Bookshop) and as a member of the staff her final form room was the next door Verandah Room.

She saw many changes; pleated gym tunics changed to kilts, the Dining Hall becoming the Biology Lab., becoming in turn, the new VI Form Sitting Room. There was no gym, or Stopford Hall (named after the Headmistress in charge of the school when she joined as a pupil) and the school assembled in the old Chapel, which became the K.G. Dept., and is now shared by Powys and Gresford House.

Many girls and boys had the trauma of starting school softened by the gentle manner of Miss Reeves. She always looked for the best in everyone, and would have found it impossible to be unkind. Beneath the quiet manner, however, lurked a sense of fun, and above all, a sense of the dramatic.

Drama was, and is, her main hobby, and Bakewell's Peacock Players are fortunate in having the use of her talents as actress, producer and playwright. The Junior Drama Club (the joint venture of Miss Reeves and Miss Major) has presented some exciting productions, and laid the foundations for Drama in Senior School; children were positively encouraged to act and 'dress up' in their spare moments. Perhaps best remembered of all will be the annual K.G. Department Nativity play, often written by Miss Reeves herself; all the K.G. children, however tiny, were included, and somehow the play set the seal on Christmas in school for children and parents alike.

Her sense of duty and loyalty were an example to us all, and everyone wishes her well in her new life.

J. B. Thomson

Fixture Lists 1981

SUMMER TERM 1981

SPRING TERM 1981

January

Wednesday 14th	Term begins. G.C.E. Examinations begin.
Saturday 17th	Hockey v Ernest Bailey, 1st XI, U15, U14, U13.
Tuesday 20th	The Bishop of Warrington and Mr. Hopkins visit St. Elphin's.
Saturday 24th	Hockey v Anthony Gell, U15, U14, U13. Lea Green - Karate Course.
Sunday 25th	Hockey v Sheffield Ladies, 1XI.
Monday 26th	'Mocks' begin this week.
Tuesday 27th	G.C.E. Examinations end.
Wednesday 28th	Duke of Edinburgh Awards Meeting - St. Elphin's.
Saturday 31st	EXEAT. "At home" - Parents of UIII, UIV, LV, LVI Forms.

February

Thursday 5th	Careers Talk - W.R.N.S. Officer.
Friday 6th	Visit to Huddersfield Polytechnic, UV/LVI
Saturday 7th	Ice-skating (Sheffield). Outing to 'Godspell', in Nottingham. UVth Social at St. Elphin's. Lea Green - Karate Course. Hockey v Swanwick Hall, U15, U14, U13. Hockey v Denstone College, 1st XI.
Tuesday 10th	Barclays Bank Film. Outing to Buxton Opera House to hear Senior Choir taking part in "Stabat Mater".
Thursday 12th	Junior School play. Aviemore party leaves - 6.30 a.m.
Thursday 19th	I.S.C.O. interviews.
Saturday 21st	Orchestral Workshop - 7 p.m. concert Lea Green - Trampolining Course. Hockey v St. Anselm's, Foremarke, U13 Triangular Tournament.

March

Monday 2nd	Scholarship Examinations.
Tuesday 3rd	Scholarship Examinations. Derby Geographical Society Lecture. Some UV to Marks and Spencers, Sheffield.
Wednesday 4th	Ash Wednesday.
Friday 6th	Women's World Day of Prayer Service, Dale Road Methodist Church.
Saturday 7th	EXEAT. "At home", UV, LVI, UVI Form parents. Hockey, U14 South Peak County Tournament. Hockey, 1st XI, U15 v Ecclesbourne. Meeting with LVI parents. Hockey v Trent College.
Tuesday 10th	VI Form Geographical Conference, Derby.
Wednesday 11th	Scholarships interviews.
Thursday 12th	Confirmation Meeting.
Friday 13th	Hockey v Denstone, 1st XI.
Saturday 14th	House Netball matches.
Sunday 15th	Confirmation - Bishop of Warrington.
Thursday 19th	VIth Form History Lecture.
Friday 20th	Confirmation Meeting. Outing to Civic Theatre, Chesterfield to see "Joseph and his amazing technicolour dreamcoat".
Saturday 21st	England v Wales, Hockey International - 50 girls.
Sunday 22nd	Confirmation - Bishop of Derby.
Monday 23rd	House Music Competition.
Tuesday 24th	"Nursing" Careers Talk.
Wednesday 25th	Derbyshire Hockey Tournament, 1st XI.
Thursday 26th	Term ends. Ski party to Aprica leaves 27th March, returns April 3rd.

April

Thursday 23rd	Term begins. Meeting with UIV parents.
Friday 25th	LVI Dance with Welbeck: St. Elphin's. D. of E. camping weekend - North Yorks. Lea Green Courses - Golf, Yoga, Archery. W.R.N.S. Careers Talk, UIV and above.
Monday 27th	C.S.E. Maths.
Wednesday 29th	Spoken English Examination.
Thursday 30th	C.S.E. Maths. "Coca Cola" Tennis - Anthony Gell v St. Elphin's.

May

Saturday 2nd	Buxton Festival. LIV D.of.E. camping - Derbyshire. Newark and Notts Show.
Monday 4th	Domestic Science Practical Examinations. Junior school outing to Nottingham Playhouse - "Shine a Light".
Tuesday 5th	Domestic Science Practical Examinations.
Wednesday 6th	Coca Cola Tennis v Deincourt.
Thursday 7th	VIth Form History Lecture at Bishop Lonsdale College.
Friday 8th	Buxton Festival.
Saturday 9th	Buxton Festival. UIII Rounders v Foremarke Hall. Duke of Edinburgh camping weekend - Derbyshire. Canoeing Course.
Monday 11th	LIII's outing to Hardwick Hall.
Tuesday 12th	South Peak Athletics Meeting - Championships.
Wednesday 13th	Choir to Derby Cathedral - Mothers' Union Service. South Peak Tennis, U16 v Ashbourne.
Thursday 14th	Coca Cola Tennis v Ernest Bailey.
Saturday 16th	Old Girls' Reunion. Duke of Edinburgh camping weekend - Derbyshire. Outing to "La Traviata" - Crucible Theatre, Sheffield.
Sunday 17th	LIV's v Foremarke Hall - Rounders.
Monday 18th	Derbyshire Royal Life Saving Society Championships.
Wednesday 20th	"St. Nicolas" Worksop College/St. Elphin's choirs.
Thursday 21st	7.30 - 9.30 p.m. St. Elphin's gathering in Bradbury Hall, Chesterfield.
Friday 29th	Aston University Open Day - 6 LVI Girls. LV Parents' Meeting. School Concert. Coca Cola Tennis v Mortimer Wilson.
Thursday 28th	Ascension Day - Swimming Gala.
Friday 29th	Outing to "Jesus Christ, Superstar" in Nottingham.

June

Tuesday 2nd	Tennis - Coca Cola v Anthony Gell.
Saturday 6th	Tennis, U14 v Anthony Gell. 1-day school for Senior choir, at All-Saints Church, Ripley.
Sunday 7th	Tennis v Ernest Bailey, U16, U15, U14. Whit Sunday - Preacher: Archdeacon of Chesterfield.
Tuesday 9th	I.S.C.O. interviews.
Wednesday 10th	Coca Cola Tennis v Deincourt.
Thursday 11th	South Peak U15 Tennis.
Friday 12th	Darley Dale Society visit to St. Elphin's. Coca Cola Tennis v Mortimer Wilson.
Saturday 13th	Junior School "Entertainment". Orchestral Workshop. Tennis v Presentation Convent.

Monday 15th School Examinations Week.
Nicholson Bowl Tennis v St. Helena.
Tuesday 16th Nicholson Bowl Tennis v Mortimer Wilson.
Wednesday 17th Associated Board Written Examinations.
Silver Cross Open Water Examination at Flash Dam.
Friday 19th Careers Staff to York - I.S.C.O. meeting.
Saturday 20th Sports Day.
EXEAT.
Derbyshire U15 Tennis Tournament at Allestree Woodlands.
Monday 22nd Silver Cross Open Water Examination at Flash Dam.
Thursday 25th Wimbledon outing - Form outings.
School Examinations end.
Saturday 27th Welbeck outing.
Sunday 28th Economics *Any Questions*.
Tuesday 30th Outing to Boots.

July

Friday 3rd English Speaking Board Examinations.
Friends' Committee Dance.
U11 Tennis v St. Anselms.
Visit to Sheffield Magistrates' Court.
I.S.C.O. Meeting - Careers Staff.
Monday 6th End of term entertainment.
Tuesday 7th Entertainment.
Wednesday 8th Entertainment.
Camping party leaves late evening, returns 20th July.
Thursday 9th Outing to Thorntons.
Saturday 11th Term ends.
Junior School Speech Day.

AUTUMN TERM

September

Wednesday 9th Term begins.
Thursday 17th V11th Form Outing to "A View from the Bridge", Victoria Theatre, Stoke-on-Trent.
Saturday 19th St. Helen's Church Parish Conference - St. Elphin's - 10.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m.
Ice-skating to Sheffield.
U11s to Matlock Bath Illuminations.
Sunday 20th Harvest Thanksgiving Services.
Monday 21st 10.30 a.m. General Purposes Committee Meeting.
Tuesday 22nd I.S.C.O. tests UV/LVI Forms.
Saturday 26th Sponsored Walk.
Swimming Competition, Matlock.
Wednesday 30th 1.30 p.m. National U16 Hockey Tournament (U16 team - Derby).

October

Friday 2nd D. of E. Camping.
Concert in Sheffield - Dresden Staatskapelle.
Saturday 3rd EXEAT.
U18 Hockey Trials.
U15 Hockey v Anthony Gell School (H).
Art Specialists to Bradford Central Library.
1st XI Hockey v Swanwick (A).
Wednesday 7th Common Market Lecture - Leeds.
V11th Form English group to lecture on Matthew Arnold - The Victorian Dilemma - Derby.
Friday 9th Chatsworth Horse Trials.
U16 Derbyshire Hockey Trials.
Social at Welbeck.

Sunday 11th Dr. Yates to preach at 11.00 a.m. Service.
Wednesday 14th U18 National Tournament.
Friends' Committee Meeting.
Friday 16th Visit to "A Midsummer's Night's Dream", Nottingham.
D. of E. Camping.
Saturday 17th D. of E. Camping.
R.S.C.M. Festival - Creswell.
U16 XI, U15 Hockey v Anthony Gell (A).
U18 County Training - Lea Green.
Outing to Derby Skating Rink.
Monday 19th - 23rd U16 County Training - Lea Green.
Wednesday 21st 7.30 p.m. Concert in Assembly Rooms, Derby.
Friday 23rd 10.00 a.m. Rehearsal at Bakewell Church.
Juniors - Outing to Sudbury Hall.
Saturday 24th 11.00 a.m. Commemoration Service in Bakewell
(Preacher: The Bishop of Warrington).
2.15 p.m. Distribution of Prizes
(Guest Speaker: Matthew Parris, Esq. M.P.)
Half-Term Holiday Begins

November

Sunday 1st Half-Term Holiday ends 8.45 p.m.
Wednesday 4th 1st XI v Mortimer Wilson (A).
LIVB to Exhibition/Demonstration of Christmas Art/Craft at Tawney House.
Challenge of Industry Conference.
Thursday 5th Challenge of Industry Conference.
Bonfire Night Celebration.
Saturday 7th Orchestral Workshops.
p.m. Music Theory Examinations.
Sunday 8th Remembrance Sunday.
Disco at Stancliffe.
Wednesday 11th South Peak Cross Country Championship.
1st XI Hockey v Worksop College (A).
Saturday 14th School Bazaar.
U14, U15 Hockey v Presentation Convent (H).
U16 XI South Peak Tournament (A).
Wednesday 18th 4.30 p.m. Careers Talk - Hotel & Catering.
Thursday 19th One day Course in Practical Geography/Biology UVI.
V11th Form History & German group to "Mary Stuart" - Nottingham Playhouse.
Puppet Show - Hiawatha.
Friday 20th Visit to "Doll's House" - Liverpool Playhouse.
Governors' Annual General Meeting - Warrington.
Saturday 21st U14 Tournament South Peak.
Monday 23rd School Examinations begin.
Wednesday 25th 1st XI Hockey v Denstone College (A).
Sunday 29th Advent Sunday.

December

Wednesday 2nd 1st XI v Belper (H).
Spoken English.
Thursday 3rd Associated Board Practical Examinations.
Saturday 5th 1st XI, U16, U15, U14, Hockey v Ecclesbourne (H).
House Outings - Nottingham.
Tuesday 8th House Drama Competition.
Wednesday 9th 1st XI v Repton (A).
Thursday 10th Transition Nativity Play.
Middle School Carol Service.
Friday 11th Junior Tea Party - House Parties.
Saturday 12th 1st XI, U16, U15, U14 Hockey v Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Ashbourne (A).
Sunday 13th Junior School Carol Service.
Senior School Carol Service.
Junior Christmas Dinner.
Monday 14th Christmas Dinner.
Tuesday 15th Term ends.

School Office Holders 1980-81

Head Girl:- Suzanne Coon.

Deputy Head Girls:- Siân Davies, Clare Duffill.

Prefects UVI:- Anne Chapman, Alyson Idell, Eva Kavuma, Ingrid Kenney, Eniola da Rocha-Afodu, Lisa Swingle, Helen Wheeler, Julie Whittaker, Wan See Wong.

Prefects LVI:- Sarah Dodd, Sarah Grafton, Rosemary Hack, Carole Hardwick, Elizabeth Thorp, Jennifer Webb.

Sub-Prefects UVI:- Elizabeth Bottomley, Patricia Bromley, Andrea Deeley, Elizabeth Ellis, Sally Gregory, Fiona Hunter, Lily Ko, Angela Lau, Karen Pilkington, Marie Roach.

Sub-Prefects LVI:- Ayodele Agboola, Johanna Bradwell, Mary Barrett, Andrea Cranshaw, Sarah Harrison, Catherine Hoskin, Jo Shirlcliffe.

House Reports

GRESFORD HOUSE

House Mistress: Mrs. Woods

Matron: Miss Hobkirk

House Captain: Eniola da Rocha Afodu

Last year we welcomed several new girls into the House and at the end of the Autumn term, thanks to everyone's hard work, we won the Work Shield.

In the Spring term we welcomed five girls from Selwyn who settled down quickly as we were all very busy preparing for the Lent Effort. We raised more than £90 and this was sent to help the disabled. Despite the entertaining surprise item, we only managed fourth place in the Music Competition, but many thanks to all those involved.

The Middle school sports teams put the Seniors to shame, winning hockey, netball and rounders. This achievement was again equalled on Sports Day when we managed to regain the athletics cup. Much to our surprise we managed to gain third place in the Swimming Gala instead of the usual last.

On behalf of the House, I should like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Woods, Miss Hobkirk and Eniola for all their hard work and enthusiasm. Unfortunately at the end of this term (Autumn '81), Miss Hobkirk will be leaving us, and we shall all be sorry to see her go.

Sarah Grafton

KENNEDY HOUSE

House Mistress: Miss Elvin

Matrons: Mrs. Slater
Miss Marshall
Miss Fearn

House Captain: Alyson Idell

During the last year, Kennedy's achievements in sport and other activities were greatly helped by the fact that Kennedy is luckily gifted with an athletic House Mistress, who took part with great enthusiasm. Many of our weekends were spent either swimming or playing hockey. The result of this was that Kennedy came 1st in both Inter House Hockey and the Swimming Gala. Kennedy also came a very close second in Sports Day.

Kennedy had its numbers swelled with the integration of Selwyn at the beginning of the Spring term and the new girls at the beginning of the Autumn term. All the girls settled down to Kennedy's routine and ways of life.

Kennedy raised a large amount of money in the Sponsored Walk and especially in the Bazaar at which we raised £400. On the social service side Kennedy raised a considerable sum which they decided to donate to "Action research for crippled children".

Altogether this school year has been very successful for Kennedy. Although we are not academically brilliant, when it comes to sport we go all out to win.

Sally-Ann Harrison

POWYS HOUSE

House Mistress: Miss Jarvis

House Captain: Ingrid Kenney

The first major event for Powys was the Sponsored Walk and we raised about £300 — well done everyone!

After various outings to Chatsworth, York and Sheffield, Powys settled down to practise for the House hockey matches, and the work certainly paid off. We came second overall, but had little time to celebrate because preparation had begun for the Bazaar. Once again Powys did well, raising over £113.

At the beginning of the Spring term, Powys welcomed thirteen ex-Selwynites to their ranks and did their best to make them feel at home. This term also saw the arrival of a new House record player which was much appreciated by all.

Confirmation Day was next on the agenda and eight Powys girls were confirmed, together with girls from other houses.

Although Powys's standard in the Music Competition was higher than in previous years we were, to say the least, not very successful, but we had a great deal of enjoyment out of it which is the main thing.

Finally, I should like to thank Karen Pilkington (Deputy Head of House) and especially Ingrid Kenney (Head of House) for helping keep Powys a happy House — and for their hard work to keep things running smoothly throughout the year.

Sarah Harrison

WILSON HOUSE

House Mistress: Miss Ffooks
Mrs. Aspinall

Matron: Miss Marler

House Captain: Lisa Swingle

Wilson started the term off well, raising a substantial amount of money for the Sponsored Walk, and followed this up by coming third in the Bazaar. We may have had many doubts about the quality of our food, but it certainly sold well! We then ended the term with a happy House Party, which was only marred by the thought of Miss Ffooks's leaving us.

We welcomed Mrs. Aspinall and some Selwyn girls into the House in the Spring term. They settled down very quickly and helped immensely in our efforts towards the Lent Effort. All our hard work was repaid by our raising the largest sum of money, which we sent to the Cancer Research Fund. Our achievements in the Music Competition were also pleasing. We came second.

The Summer term passed quietly enough. Our sporting achievements were fair, but we should like to have done slightly better.

Many thanks to Lisa Swingle (Head of House) who greatly helped the House.

Andrea Cranshaw

PIGOT HOUSE

House Mistress: Mrs. Hill

Matron: Miss Smith

House Captain: Helen Wheeler

This year Pigot's numbers were swelled by the arrival of eight new girls, two girls from the Junior school, and five girls who joined us from Selwyn at the beginning of the Spring term.

Everyone in Pigot took part in the Sponsored Walk, except for two girls who were ill, and we raised £416, being beaten into second place by the Junior school.

Many Pigot girls gained prizes and cups, and Pigot, as a whole is to be congratulated on winning the Work Shield in 2 terms of the last academic year. We have also started to present the Colonel Pigot Cup for service to the House, and the Davis-Wheeler Cup, for overall sporting ability.

We sold a large range of produce on our stall at the Bazaar, and thanks are due here to Mrs. Hill, Miss Smith, the Sixth Form and Upper Fifth for their constant help and hard work, which is always generously given, and was especially noteworthy at the Bazaar.

10 girls were confirmed by the Bishop of Derby in the Spring term, and Pigot were able to donate over a hundred pounds,

raised during Lent, to the Shaftesbury Society for Handicapped Children.

Pigot gained fifth place in the hockey matches and the swimming gala, and came fourth on Sports Day. However, the Senior netball team came first. We won the tennis cup, and — largely due to the effort and enthusiasm of Helen Wheeler and Jenny Webb, Pigot won the Music Competition. Sarah Ronald, Jenny Webb, Nicky Kimber, Ruth and Helen Wheeler, Wei Fung Li and Rebecca Pettifer are to be particularly commended for their outstanding performances.

The House party was carried on in the traditional way, and bore more resemblance to a full-scale riot than to a gathering of supposedly refined young ladies.

I should like to close by thanking everyone in the House for her support, and especially to thank Helen, Mrs. Hill and Miss Smith on behalf of Pigot.

Sarah Dodd

SELWYN HOUSE

It has now been 3½ terms since Selwyn broke up and although it was the smallest House it did have a friendly atmosphere. Being detached from the rest of the school had its advantages and disadvantages — the walking up and down from "The Lodge" in the snow wearing our fluorescent orange "diddy" jackets was no fun, but playing rounders in the garden during the Summer was quite the opposite.

Being down at "The Lodge" was always a break from school and lessons; it seemed to be a separate community although it was run in the same way as the other Houses.

When we found out that Selwyn was going to be shut down, we were all very upset and tried to stop it happening but in vain, and at the end of the Autumn term, 1980, Selwyn ceased to exist as a House. I know that all of us will remember it with affection, for a long time to come.

The Staff of Selwyn — Mrs. Aspinall, Miss Marshal and the teaching staff tried very hard to help make that Autumn term as happy as possible and we all thank them for making our last House Party the best that we have ever had.

MARGARET FLOOD HOUSE

Head Girl: Louisa Adamson

This was a good year for the Junior school. We did exceptionally well in the Sponsored Walk. We then went on to achieve a good stall, complete with cuddly toys, books and biscuits at the Annual Bazaar. The choir came first at Buxton Festival and the Lower IIIrd choral speaking group gained 90/100 in their class. The highlight of the Junior school concert was the performance of "The Swallow and the Dove" by the Drama Club.

During the Lent Effort we collected money to buy Guide Dogs for the Blind and during the year we were also able to send a cheque to the Blue Peter Appeal for the Handicapped.

The Junior school was sad to see Miss Clarke, our Headmistress leave and thank her for all her hard work. Her cheerful presence and her kind but firm discipline created a happy atmosphere in the Junior School, and we enjoyed, too, her family of dogs. We now welcome Mrs. Belk in her place, and hope that her stay will also be happy.

Louisa Adamson

Speech Days 1981

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPEECH DAY

We were happy to see most of the Junior School parents at Speech Day. This took place on Saturday, 11th July, at a time when several of England's cities were riot-torn. In the introductory remarks with which he opened the proceedings, the

Chairman commented upon the previous night's violence at Nottingham's Hyson Green, mentioning that some of those present could possibly have driven through the aftermath of debris and devastation on their way to school. Mr. Linnell pointed out the futility of such action as absolutely nothing is achieved by it.

After Miss Clarke's report on the many and varied activities which had made up another busy year of Junior School life, Miss Lester gave her address. We were very pleased to have her as our guest of honour, because she is both a Governor of the school and a former headmistress of Bury High School for Girls. Miss Lester heartily endorsed the Chairman's opening remarks and went on to speak of the high standards set for her in her childhood by her parents, which she appreciated much more later in life than actually at the time! This interested the children very much. Miss Lester endeared herself to all of us with her gentle and charming manner.

Next came the Prize Giving, and the list of certificates achieved in music, speech and drama, and sport was even longer than usual. When it was over the Head Girl, Louisa Adamson, thanked Miss Lester. The morning ended with items by the recorder group, who played a cheerful piece entitled "Simple Samba", and by the choir who sang a song called "Kangaroo" and concluded with Monk's setting of "All Things Bright and Beautiful".

M. M. Clarke

SENIOR SCHOOL SPEECH DAY

This year Speech Day took place on Saturday, 24th October. It was a cold and windy day but this did not dampen the spirits of girls, Governors or visitors.

The Commemoration Service in the morning was held in the beautiful Bakewell Parish Church and was led by the Bishop of Warrington.

The service began with the Bidding Prayer read by the Head Girl and the readings were performed by different members of the school community.

In his address, the Bishop asked us to distinguish between "sight" and "insight" and stressed the importance this can have on our lives and our "vision" of other people.

After the service there was a short interval for lunch before the Stopford Hall was packed ready for the speeches and prize giving.

We were delighted to welcome our visitor, Her Grace, The Duchess of Devonshire to our Speech Day. It was a great honour to have her with us. Other welcome visitors were, of course, the Old Girls who came back to receive their certificates and prizes.

The Bishop, in his rôle as Chairman of the Governors, spoke to us about the problems facing all independent schools in the present political and economic uncertainties, but stressed his confidence in the future of St. Elphin's.

The Headmaster, Mr. Pollard, in spite of an ailing throat, then gave his report on the school year and was pleased to be able to announce the school's possession of an "Apple" computer, and the opportunities this offers for a wide range of girls.

Mr. Matthew Parris, Conservative M.P. for West Derbyshire, who was our guest speaker began his speech by recalling the time when he spoke at a coffee morning and how at the end of his talk he was given a tin of baked beans. Was this, he wondered on account of his under-nourished appearance! On a more serious note he asked us to remember that small ideas, which at the time seem insignificant, may in future years come up again and be appreciated for their true worth. Poetry, which he had learned at school, with great reluctance, he now remembered with pleasure. Just because wrong is done in this world, he continued, it does not mean that we have to be perpetrators of it. "If offences there must be, then woe to him through whom they come".

When Mr. Parris had distributed the certificates, prizes and cups, the Head Girl gave her Vote of Thanks and the Deputies asked for the traditional half-day holiday, in a not so traditional way — by the use of Shakespearian quotations. The National Anthem concluded the day and tea was served in the Gymnasium before the school dispersed for a much needed half-term break.

Carole Hardwick
Head Girl

THE CLOSURE OF THE KINDERGARTEN

At the end of this term, Kindergarten will be just a memory. When the girls ready to move up into Junior school go into Form 1, the others will have to leave.

Many people will remember the happy times they spent in K.G. How many remember the 2½p they were allowed to spend at the sweet shop in Two-Dales on Wednesday afternoons?

Countless people will remember (with affection) Mrs. Higgins with her great sense of humour and her capacity to make learning interesting but also vital. She taught here for years and then came in every Wednesday to do part-time work for a year afterwards.

This closure means the turning over of a page in St. Elphin's history but K.G. will never be forgotten while the people who passed through it live on.

Hilary Stoppard

ENTRANCES TO UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES, HOSPITALS etc. - 1981

Elizabeth Bottomley - Reading University to read French.
Patricia Bromley - Clerical Assistant in British Telecom, Leicester
Anne Chapman - Metropolitan Police Force.
Suzanne Coon - Leicester Polytechnic: Combined Studies in Maths, Physics and Computing.
Siân Davies - Leicester Polytechnic: Diploma in Speech Therapy.
Claire Duffill - Management Training Scheme at Harrods.
Sally Gregory - S.R.N. Course at Princess Alexandra Hospital, London.
Fiona Hunter - Liverpool University to read Microbiology.
Alyson Idell - Management Training Scheme at Harrods.
Eva Kavuma - Ithaca College, New York: Degree Course in Business Management.
Lily Ko - Teaching English in Hong Kong.
Karen Pilkington - Goldsmith's College, London University to read Geography.
Eniola da Rocha Afodu - Glasgow University to read French and Spanish.
Lisa Swingle - Aberdeen University to read Biology.
Helen Wheeler - U.M.I.S.T. to read Maths and French.
Wan See Wong - Liverpool University to read Building Engineering.

Scholarships 1981-82

Sixth Form Scholarships

Upper Sixth

Sarah Dodd; Carole Hardwick

Lower Sixth

Diana Hill-Wilson; Nichola Holt

Coxon Memorial Scholarship

Ruth Smith

Powys Memorial Scholarship

Rosemary Hack

Whittam Scholarship

Rachel Petty

Competitive Examinations Scholarships

Clergy

Clare Jones, St. Mary's School, Doncaster

Lay

Lucy Makinson, St. Elphin's School

Rachel Johnson, Darley Dale County Primary School

Exhibitions

Clergy

Rosemary Watt-Wyness, St. Elphin's School

Lay

Emma Thompson, Lilybank-Presentation Convent, Matlock

Scholar's Groat

Lucy Makinson

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON G.C.E. EXAMINATIONS 1981

Prizes awarded on results in G.C.E.

Advanced Level

Helen Wheeler

Ordinary Level

Diana Hill-Wilson; Nichola Holt

Advanced Level

Elizabeth Bottomley - English; French; History

Patricia Bromley - Art

Suzanne Coon - Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics

Siân Davis - English; History

Andrea Deeley - French; German; History

Clare Duffill - Economics; English

Fiona Hunter - Biology; Chemistry; Mathematics

Eva Kavuma - Art; English

Lily Ko - Mathematics

Angela Lau - Mathematics

Karen Pilkington - English; Geography; History

Eniola da Rocha-Afodu - English; French(A)(Special French Grade 1); History

Lisa Swingle - Biology(A); English; Mathematics

Helen Wheeler - French; German; Mathematics

Julie Whittaker - English

Wan See Wong - Chemistry; Mathematics; Physics.

Ordinary Level (with 3 or more passes)

Upper VA

Sarah Adlington - English Language(A); English Literature; French(A); German(A); History; Latin; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies(A)

Sarah Barrett - Biology; English Language; French; Geography; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)

Jessica Bryant - Biology; English Language(A); French; A/O Geography; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies(A)

Alison Cockman - Biology; English Language; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)

Jill Collett - Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies(A)

Hilary Cotman - Biology; Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies

Jill Davis - Biology; Chemistry; English Language(A); English Literature; French(A); Latin(A); Mathematics(A); Music; Physics; Religious Studies

Caroline Fairchild - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature; Food and Nutrition; French(A); History(A); Latin; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)

Sze Ling Gan - Art; Biology(A); Chemistry(A); Economics(A); English Language; English Literature(A); Malay; Mathematics(A); Physics(A); Religious Studies(A)

Sze Wan Gan - Art; Biology(A); Chemistry(A); Economics; English Language; English Literature(A); Malay; Mathematics(A); Physics(A); Religious Studies(A)

Susan Gibson - Biology(A); Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; History(A); Mathematics(A); Physics; Religious Studies(A)

Helen Giddings - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature; French; Latin; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)

Diana Hill-Wilson - Biology(A); English Language(A); English Literature(A); French(A); German(A); Latin; Mathematics; (A); Music(A); Religious Studies(A)

Nichola Holt - Chemistry; English Language(A); English Literature(A); French(A); German(A); Latin(A); Mathematics(A); Music; Physics; Religious Studies(A)
 Helen Hudson - Biology; Chemistry; English Language(A); English Literature; French; Mathematics(A); Music; Physics; Religious Studies
 Lisa Loveday - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature; French(A); German; History; Latin; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)
 Penelope Lowe - Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; History; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies
 Julia Mann - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature; French(A); Geography; German; History; Latin; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)
 Larret Mawdsley - Biology(A); Chemistry; English Language(A); English Literature; French; History(A); Mathematics(A); Physics(A); Religious Studies(A)
 Joanna Neil - Biology; English Language; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Rachel Petty - English Language(A); English Literature(A); French(A); German; Latin; Mathematics; Music; Physics; Religious Studies(A)
 Michelle Roberts - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature(A); Food and Nutrition; French; German(A); History; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)
 Joanna Scott - Biology; English Language; Food and Nutrition; French; History; Religious Studies(A)
 Susan Walters - Biology; Chemistry; Economics; English Language; English Literature; A/O Geography; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Ruth Wheeler - Biology; English Language(A); English Literature; French(A); History; Latin; Mathematics(A); Physics; Religious Studies.

Upper VB

Kathryn Abbott - Biology; English Language; English Literature; French; A/O Geography; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Karen Ambrose - Chemistry; English Language; Mathematics(A); Physics
 Amanda Baldwin - English Language; Food and Nutrition; A/O Geography; Religious Studies
 Kerry Botham - English Language(A); French(A); Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Jessie Chan - Biology; Chemistry; Economics; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics(A); Physics; Religious Studies
 Dorothy Cottrill - Chemistry; English Language; English Literature; French; Geography; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)
 Margaret English - Biology; English Language(A); Religious Studies
 Victoria Ferguson - Art; Biology; English Language; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies.
 Virginie Ferrey - English Language; English Literature; Food and Nutrition; French; Religious Studies
 Debra Gibson - English Language; Food and Nutrition; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Sandra Hardy - English Language; Needlecraft and Dress; Religious Studies
 Sally-Ann Harrision - History; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Sally Kirkham - Biology; Chemistry; English Language(A); Food and Nutrition; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Melinda Lau - Biology; Chemistry; Economics; English Literature; Mathematics; Physics; Religious Studies
 Sarah Lyte - Art; English Language; Religious Studies
 Julie Pownall - English Language; Food and Nutrition; French; Geography; History(A); Mathematics; Religious Studies(A)
 Carol Smith - Biology; English Language(A); Food and Nutrition; Mathematics
 Julie Tam - Art; Biology; Chinese(A); English Language; Mathematics(A); Religious Studies
 Rebecca Thornton - Biology; English Language; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Elsie Tse - Biology; Chinese(A); Economics; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Emma Waters - Art; English Language; History

Katharine Wilson - Art; Biology; English Language; French; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Alice Yue - Art; Biology; Chemistry(A); Economics; English Language; English Literature; Mathematics(A); Physics; Religious Studies

Upper VC

Iyabo Adeyemi - Biology; English Language; French; Mathematics
 Jeanette Feichtinger - Biology; Chemistry; English Language; French; German
 Sarah Garrett - Art; English Language; Religious Studies
 Nina Kan - Biology; Chinese; Economics; English Literature; History; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Wei Fung Li - Art; Biology; Mathematics; Religious Studies
 Olayinka Oyekunle - Biology; Chemistry; English Language; Mathematics; Physics

Prizes

Form Prizes

Upper VI - Helen Wheeler
Lower VI - Catherine Hoskin
Upper VA - Sze Ling Gan
Upper VB - Alice Yue
Upper VC - Olayinka Oyekunle
Lower VA - Anita Patel
Lower VB - Jane Proctor
Lower VC - Main Ching Yee
Upper IVA - Elizabeth Woods
Upper IVB - Angela Banks
Upper IVC - Louise Gladstone
Lower IVA - Emma Brown/Lucy Makinson
Lower IVB - Melanie Grenfell
Lower IVC - Alison Northcott
Upper IIIS - Sarah Ronald
Upper IIIE - Finola Doyle

Headmaster's Prizes for Effort

Upper VI - Karen Pilkington
Lower VI - Siu Kuan Jung
Upper VA - Susan Walters
Upper VB - Julie Pownall
Upper VC - Jeanette Feichtinger
Lower VA - Melanie Thompson
Lower VB - Kaye Huddy
Lower VC - Judy Shum
Upper IVA - Tracy Blanshard
Upper IVB - Lisa Vickers
Upper IVC - Rachel Jones
Lower IVA - Susannah Sheldon
Lower IVB - Emma Smith
Lower IVC - Jacqueline Pimbley
Upper IIIS - Jane Aizlewood
Upper IIIE - Karen Myles-White

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Subject Prizes

Scripture - Sarah Straw
English - Michelle Roberts
History - Larret Mawdsley
Geography - Angela Banks
French - Eniola da Rocha-Afodu
German - Michelle Roberts
Latin - Nichola Holt
Mathematics - Helen Hudson
Physics - Suzanne Coon
Chemistry - Alice Yue
Biology - Lisa Swingle
Art - Emma Waters
Domestic Science - Lavinia Matthews
Music - Fiona Turner

Special Prizes

The Chairman's Prize - Suzanne Coon
The Greenhall Prize for Religious Knowledge - Carole Hardwick
The Hamilton Memorial Prize for Art - Patricia Bromley
The Henry Andrew's Prize for Domestic Science - Sally Kirkham
The Henry Andrew's Prize for Needlework - Ruth Smith
The Scott Science Prize - Fiona Hunter
The Pass Prize for English - Sarah Dodd
The Hitchen Cup for Piano - Say Kee Lam
The General Musicianship Prize - Diana Hill-Wilson
The Hammett Prize for Steady Work - Wan See Wong

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Cups

Swimming - Kennedy
Hockey - Kennedy
Athletics - Gresford
Tennis - Pigot
Helen Robinson Cup for P.E. - Rachel Petty
Barton Cup for Swimming - Sarah Knight/Amanda Gretton
Miss Thompson's Cup for Music - Clare Duffill
Joyce Knight Cup for Speech and Drama - Susan Walters
MacIlwaine Cup for Organ Playing - Sarah Harrison
Aulton Cup for Singing - Elizabeth Parker

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GUILDHALL SPEECH AND DRAMA EXAMINATIONS

Honours in:-

Speech and Drama

Preliminary Grade - Anna Shepley; Justine Nelson; Claire Richardson; Lian Britchford

Grade 1 - Claire Manning

Grade 2 - Catherine Yates

Grade 4A - Eva Kavuma

25 girls gained Merit in Grades Preliminary - 5 and 20 girls gained Pass.

Spoken English - Grade 3 - Georgina Dale (Hons.).

Pianoforte

Introductory Grade - Fiona Cooper; Georgina Colhoun; Wendy Eyre

Preliminary Grade - Rachel Shaw

Junior Grade - Sophie Loveday

Grade 2 - Julie Gardner

Grade 3 - Julie Gardner

12 girls gained Merit in Grades Introductory - 3

Choral Verse Speaking - Form III gained Merit

Descant Recorder

Grade 2 - Julie Gardner

Acting

4 girls gained Merit in Grades 1 - 3

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THE ASSOCIATED BOARD OF THE ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

Distinctions in:-

Pianoforte

Grade 1 - Sarah Harrison; Bridget Thomson

Grade 2 - Karen Longden; Emma Wish

Grade 3 - Elsie Tse

Grade 6 - Diana Hill-Wilson

Grade 8 - Say Kee Lam

Merit gained by 21 girls and Pass by 48 girls

Organ

Grade 6 - Jennifer Webb

Merit gained by 4 girls in Grades 4 - 6 and Pass by 4 girls

Oboe

Grade 3 - Kaye Huddy

Grade 5 - Jill Davis

Pass gained by 1 girl in Grade 8

Flute

Merit gained by 5 girls and Pass by 9 girls

Clarinet

Pass gained by 4 girls in Grades 3 - 5

Bassoon

Passed gained by 1 girl in Grade 3

E Flat Horn

Pass gained by 1 girl in Grade 3

Violin

Merit gained by 3 girls and Pass by 2 in Grades 4 - 5

Violincello

Merit gained by 2 girls and Pass by 3 in Grades 1 - 2

Instrumental Ensemble

Class 1 - Rosemary Hack; Andrea Deeley; Diana Hill-Wilson; Suzanne Coon; Joanna Neil; Ingrid Kenney

Class 1 - Nichola Holt; Jill Davis; Diana Hill-Wilson; Suzanne Coon; Joanna Neil; Ingrid Kenney

Theory of Music

Full Marks in:-

Grade 1 - Elspeth Tyler

Grade 2 - Patricia Bartholomew; Julie Gardner; Uzo Okoli; Rosemary Watt-Wyness; Emma Wish; Wan See Wong

Grade 3 - Kate Huddie; Kaye Huddy; Elsie Tse; Siobhan Watts

Grade 4 - Susan Gibson; Jill Gregory;

Sophie de Malet Roquefort; Larret Mawdsley

Pass was also gained by 63 girls in Grades 1 - 5.

Music Report

Since the last Music report, the number of girls taking musical instruments in the school has risen considerably, and the general standard of music has risen with it.

Five days after the beginning of the Autumn term, all three school choirs won prizes in the Fleetwood Music Festival. This seemed to set the pace for other musical activities within the school.

I don't know whether to say it was encouraging or not that the music staff had great difficulty in fitting in a number of pupils for lessons, but we were pleased to welcome Miss Goldthorpe to the ranks to help with the ever-increasing number of musicians.

At the beginning of the year the school orchestra was divided in two; Mr. Jackson taking charge of the first orchestra and Miss Goldthorpe running a training orchestra. This has proved very successful.

Apart from the traditional fireworks on November 5th, we also had the opportunity of seeing the Vienna Boys' Choir in Nottingham on one of their rare performances in this country. They gave an excellent performance and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

In May, two organists, Sarah Harrison and Jennifer Webb, went on an organ course held at the R.S.C.M. headquarters, Addington Palace. There, they had the good fortune to receive tuition from Mr. Barry Ferguson, organist of Rochester Cathedral. He was extremely helpful and the whole expedition was a valuable experience.

A French Horn was lent to the Music Department which added to the variety of instruments in school and as a result we now have a girl learning this instrument.

The first orchestral workshop of the year was another success with the addition of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture and I think we can safely say that the audience enjoyed it as much as we did.

Only a week later there was yet another outing, this time to Bakewell Parish Church for a performance by the Sheffield Symphony Orchestra which included works by Brahms and Mahler. The orchestra was joined by Julie Price, the bassoonist from BBC's 'Young Musician of the Year' competition, for a performance of a Weber Bassoon Concerto.

At the beginning of the Spring term a group of girls went to see "Godspell" in Nottingham. This was a marvellous performance, thoroughly enjoyed by all. A few days later another group of girls went to Buxton Opera House to hear the Senior Choir join forces with other local choirs for a performance of Pergolesi's "Stabat Mater".

In the second orchestral workshop of the year we had the added challenge of singing Benjamin Britten's 'Psalm 150'; this involved the orchestra joining forces with all the members of all three choirs, a venture which certainly paid off, so much so that in the next workshop this item was included once again. This workshop also saw the debut of the training orchestra which gave a very good first performance.

Later on in the term, Rosemary Hack and Sarah Harrison went to look around 'Boosey and Hawkes' and learned a great deal about the work involved in making both brass and woodwind instruments; they were also given various souvenirs by the staff there.

The last outing of the Spring term was to see 'Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat'. This was of particular interest to the younger members of the school and they enjoyed it very much.

At the beginning of the Summer term we were sorry to say 'Goodbye' to Mr. Brockbank, and we thank him for all his hard work and enthusiasm in the Music Department. In his place we welcomed Mr. Jackson as head of Music. Now the Buxton Festival was upon us and once again it was a successful occasion — with many girls obtaining first, second and third prizes. Rebecca Pettifer came first in the 'under sixteen' singing class, Jennifer Webb and Sarah Harrison came first and second respectively in the 'Open' organ class and Rachel Petty and Jill Gregory came first and second respectively in the 'Under sixteen' organ class. There were also several first, second and third prizes gained by groups of girls, e.g. the choirs and woodwind groups.

We were all ready for half-term when it came along but first we had the school concert. A lot of work went into the organization of this and everything ran smoothly. All the girls involved gave creditable performances and had a great deal of parental support from the audience.

At the very end of the Summer term a Summer Show was organized and run by Mr. Burgess and Mr. Jackson.

The first half of this show consisted of "Dolly Mixtures", i.e. a collection of short sketches, which provided much amusement for all. The second half of the show was a potted version of Rogers and Hammerstein's 'Sound of Music' with Suzanne Coon in the leading role. A great deal of hard work had gone into this, not only on stage but also behind the scenes by both girls and staff, involved in make-up, lighting, prompting and sound effects. The whole show was a great success and in addition to Mr. Jackson and Mr. Burgess we should like to thank Miss Goldthorpe for accompanying and Mrs. Outram and Mrs. Leach for stepping in at the last moment to help things go smoothly.

Finally we should like to thank all the music staff for their hard work during the course of the year and we hope that the high standard of music in the school will continue to rise during next year. Keep it up, all you would-be musicians!

Rosemary Hack and Sarah Harrison

Choir Report

At the beginning of term we had five days in which to learn two songs — 'Steal Away' and 'Radetzky March', and the Middle school choir had to learn 'Nobody Knows' and 'Fishing Song'. This was because our choirs had entered for the Fleetwood Music Festival.

On Wednesday, 17th September, the Senior, Middle and Junior school choirs set off for Fleetwood. The Middle school choir and the Junior school choir were both in the same class

and they performed very well indeed. Then it was our turn. In our class there were two extremely good choirs which did not make us feel too good about our lack of practices, but with Mr. Jackson accompanying and Mr. Brockbank conducting, we rode to victory.

The Middle school choir and Junior school choir came second and third respectively in their class and so it was a very happy group of girls that returned to St. Elphins.

A month later Mr. Bryan Anderson from the R.S.C.M. visited the school. He heard us sing and gave us a written report which highly commended the members of our choir.

The Commemoration Service went extremely well — all the anthems being well-known, and this year some new hymns were introduced, all seeming very popular.

At the beginning of February, the choir took part in a performance of Pergolesi's 'Stabat Mater' at Buxton Opera House and also had great fun in joining forces with the Junior and Middle school choir to sing Benjamin Britten's 'Psalm 150' with the school orchestra.

Once again the senior choir was invited to lead the Women's World Day of Prayer service, which was held at Darley Dale Methodist Church. It went very well, as did the two Confirmation Services which were held a few weeks later in the school chapel.

At the beginning of the Summer term, the choirs started numerous rehearsals for the Buxton Festival. Unfortunately the Senior choir had to learn two completely new songs, the set work 'Shepherds Cradle Song' and 'Ave Maria' — at short notice; this meant many extra practices and it is to Mr. Jackson's credit that the Middle school choir performed marvellously, especially Adrienne King who sang a solo part, and came a well-deserved first. The Junior school choir also sang well enough to win their class, but the Senior school choir were not so fortunate, although they came a close second. The next day the Senior school choir sang in yet another class and even though they came second again, they were invited to sing in the evening concert where they really proved themselves to be a good choir.

As if the year's choir events were not enough, the Senior choir led a Mothers' Union service on Wednesday, 13th May at Derby Cathedral and were recorded by Radio Derby singing 'Steal Away'.

The last 'outside performance' by the Senior choir was when we joined forces with Worksop College Choir and Ranby House School Choir to give a performance of Benjamin Britten's 'St. Nicolas' — the part of St. Nicolas being taken by the tenor, Ian Partridge. This was tremendous fun and was well appreciated by the audience and performers alike. Although this was the last occasion this year when the choir as a whole performed outside school, several choristers took part in a one-day choir course at Ripley which was conducted by Mr. Bryan Anderson — again an enjoyable occasion.

It just remains for me to say 'Thank-you' to Head-chorister Clare Duffill, and choirmasters Mr. Brockbank and Mr. Jackson for all their hard work (and patience!) throughout this year and may all the school choirs sing well for many years to come.

Sarah Harrison
Deputy Head-chorister 1980-81
Head-chorister 1981-82

GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL

Suzanne Coon and her parents:- A year's subscription to the National Trust.

Nurit Friedlander:- Books on U.S.A. volcanoes, and the St. Helen's eruption, and books for the library.

Mrs. Hooley:- Three books for the Fiction library.

Dr. Laitner:- "Careers of Professional Women".

Miss Marler:- Two ASB service books for the chapel.

Mr. J. Rowley:- Books for the library.

Mr. S. Thornton:- A film projector.

Mr. & Mrs. Chapman:- Donation for the chapel. Gift still to be chosen.

Miss W. Ashton:- Books for the library.

Mrs. J. Cannon:- Pictures.

CHAPEL AND SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT 1981

On Sunday, 25th January, within the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity, we were pleased to welcome to our Sung Eucharist the Mother General of the Order of the Presentation, the Headmistress of the Convent High School and ten senior girls, one of whom read the Epistle. As both our Schools uphold the values of a Christian education it is good that our relationship is strengthened not only by frequent sporting fixtures but also by social visits and by sharing our worship.

On the Fridays in Lent, members of Staff led a short meditation in Chapel before the traditional 'Oxfam' lunch.

The Social Services Committee worked very hard to raise money during Lent and each House chose a charity connected with the International Year for the Disabled. We distributed £600 as follows:-

Gresford sent £80 to Imperial Cancer Research;
Kennedy £150 to Action Research for the Crippled Child;
Pigot £100 to the Shaftesbury Society;
Powys £50 to the Multiple Sclerosis Society;
Wilson £80 to the National Society for Autistic Children and £80 to the Matlock Society for the Mentally Handicapped;
Margaret Flood £60 to The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association;

and a further £63 was kept in reserve for the Christmas Tea and Carols we have for the local Senior Citizens. The Chaplain's special thanks to the House Staff who do so much to encourage their girls in this enterprise.

The Bishops of Warrington and Derby Confirmed 44 candidates on Sundays 15th March and 22nd March and both used the ancient rite of anointing with the laying on of hands as allowed in the A.S.B. The second service was especially memorable as the Bishop of Derby baptised three of the candidates including a member of Staff — Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion — it was no wonder the exchange of the Peace had special significance on that day.

On April 7th the Chaplain welcomed the St. Giles Branch of the C.E.M.S. to Chapel and after a Eucharist played a recording of the choir singing the new setting of the Eucharist and discussed with the members our experiences with the new Service.

In May we welcomed many Old Girls into Chapel for Evensong. Helena Hill-Wilson, now a teacher at Guildford, read the First lesson and Mrs. Davies, mother of Siân, a Deputy Head Girl, the other, and it was a pleasure to see and hear Miss Helen Thompson at the organ again.

The Archdeacon of Chesterfield preached at the Sung Eucharist on Whit Sunday and we were glad that Mrs. Phizackerly could accompany him on his first visit to the School.

On the first Sunday of the School Year the new Choirmaster presented twenty seven senior girls to the Chaplain for admission into the Choir, and each was presented with the dark blue ribbon and silver badge and certificate of the R.S.C.M. and a number of Probationers now sit in the Singing Rows to await a vacancy in the Senior Chapel Choir.

Our links with our local Parish Church were strengthened by the visit of the Rector, Dr. Timothy Yates, who gave the Address at the Sung Eucharist on October 11th, and he follows the tradition of the previous Rector by having a daughter in the School.

The Commemoration Service at Bakewell Parish Church was so well attended that the Chaplain wishes to apologise for those who found it difficult to see or hear and hopes that other arrangements can be made for next year. The Bishop Chairman was the Celebrant and Preacher, and representatives of the Governors, Staff, Parents and girls took part in the Service. The Choir sang two anthems during the administration: 'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace' by Wesley and 'O Lovely Peace' by Handel. Our thanks to the Vicar of Bakewell, to Stephen Pilkington who played the organ and to Reg, the ever helpful Sacristan.

After various experiments we seem to have the right balance with our Sunday Services. The Junior School and Middle School (UIII - UIV) attend a Service at 9.50 a.m. One week this is a simple Eucharist with hymns and the next week a Family Service, and the Seniors attend a Sung Eucharist (Rite A) at 11.00 a.m. For those interested, our new hymnal With One Voice has proved a success with a wider range of hymns than before; it does have some good new hymns with 'singable' tunes as well as most of the old favourites and some with rousing choruses.

The Social Services Committee began its work after the Harvest Services by distributing thirty boxes of goods to local

homes and hospitals. Sixteen Sixth Form girls have volunteered to visit local homes on a weekly or casual basis and in this way we keep in touch with many old friends and retired staff.

Our thanks to Miss W. Marler who presented two copies of the ASB for use in the Head's and Chaplain's Stalls, also to Mr. and Mrs. Chapman for a generous donation to the Chapel for a gift, yet to be chosen.

The Chaplain would like to welcome Mr. A. J. Jackson as the new Choirmaster and looks forward to working with him. He is grateful to many people for the help and assistance they give in maintaining the Chapel Services — Miss J. Goldthorpe for taking the Middle School Chapel Practice, members of the Music Department who play the organ at weekday Services, the Staff who act as Ushers and arrange the flowers, Helen Wheeler and the faithful members of the Chapel Guild, Clare Duffill and the Choristers, Anne Chapman on the Social Services Committee and his colleague the Reverend James Burgess. In recent months Mr. Burgess has been helping out in local churches, especially St. Mary's, South Darley, and the Chaplain is grateful that the Headmaster has been licensed by the Bishop to assist with the administration of Communion.

Confirmed by the Bishop of Warrington - 15th March:-
Iyabode Adeyemi, Jane Bennett, Elizabeth Bilton, Tracy Blanshard, Fiona Cooper, Annabel Daws, Jill Gregory, Mechelle Hemley, Amanda Heygate, Camilla Hudson, Melanie Jowle, Sophie Loveday, Siân Middleton, Emma Partridge, Rachel Petty, Laura Rudge, Kay Sales, Jane Threlkeld, Fiona Turner.

Confirmed by the Bishop of Derby - 22nd March:-
Ayodele Agboola (also Baptized), Louise Bigland, Sally Bigland, Jane Brailsford, Claire Chrispin, Susannah Farley, Miss Joy Goldthorpe (also Baptized), Melanie Grenfell, Louise Hill, Kate Huddie, Charlotte Hulme, Rachel Hunton, Joanna Kiddy, Nicola Kimber, Jackie King (also Baptized), Karen Manning, Sarah Milligan, Lorinda Nicol, Jacqueline Pimbley, Sarah Ronald, Michaela Rushbrook, Alison Rutherford, Claire Sales, Jane Sidery, Trudi Ward.

P.S.—From spiritual warfare to physical warfare — after holding weekly classes for Judo and Self Defence for Sixth Formers over the past twelve years the Chaplain has retired from the ring, and will only be recalled for the odd bout with younger and smaller competitors!

Sarah Dodd, Head Sacristan; Ayodele Agboola, Social Services Secretary; Sarah Harrison, Head Chorister.

Obituary

ARCHDEACON SELWYN BEAN

Archdeacon Selwyn Bean, to whom tributes have been paid in the national press, was for many years a familiar figure at St. Elphin's.

He was, ex-officio, a member of the Governing body for 32 years, and became its Chairman shortly after the war. At a time of considerable difficulty over building restrictions and great shortage of money, his financial and administrative ability was of great value to the school, which expanded considerably during those years.

Besides his official visits he took the Services in the School Chapel on Whit Sunday for many years, and few who heard him will forget the strong clear voice which was so characteristic of him. In 1952 he was appointed Chaplain to the Queen — a post which he always regarded as a great honour and privilege.

He gave up the Chairmanship of St. Elphin's Governing body in 1959, when he became Chairman of the Pensions Board, and it was in this last capacity that probably his greatest work for the Church of England was done. Many clergy — St. Elphin's parents among them — have reason to be grateful to him — not only for his efforts to raise the actual pension, but for his constant interest in the welfare of the retired clergy and their wives, and the provision of suitable housing.

Archdeacon and Mrs. Bean were tireless in visiting the retirement homes and bungalows, or in viewing property — often travelling long distances during their own holidays.

When he retired from Manchester in 1966 the Beans settled in Farnham and for the rest of his life the Archdeacon was

Honorary Curate at St. Thomas-on-the-Bourne. He was very happy in this Parish, taking a full share in the Services, and he was held in great respect and affection throughout the district.

Mrs. Bean died in 1979 after a long illness, but the Archdeacon carried on and in January 1980 he went with his daughter, Mary, to visit his home and relatives in New Zealand. This visit was a tremendous success and gave great pleasure to all concerned.

He continued to take Services until Palm Sunday (1981) just before his 95th birthday, and though failing after Easter, his memory and interest remained remarkable.

He died on July 4th in Farnham Hospital, after some weeks' illness.

C.M.J.

Games Report

Last year St. Elphin's once again maintained a high standard in all sports, thanks to the enthusiasm of the Games Staff.

On the hockey pitch this year our teams have enjoyed many matches. The 1st XI and U16 teams entered the County Tournaments and came 3rd and 4th respectively.

1st XI and U16 squad - 1980-81:

Suzanne Coon, Alyson Idell, Clare Duffill, Siân Davies, Sarah Grafton, Elizabeth Hutchings, Nicola Holt, Sarah Adlington, Michelle Roberts, Hilary Cotman, Jill Davis, Julia Mann, Rachel Petty, Sally-Ann Harrison, Susan Gibson and Ruth Wheeler.

Several girls went to Derbyshire trials and after further training Sarah Grafton was chosen to play in the U18 2nd XI, Rachel Petty to play in the U16 1st XI and Jill Davis to play for the U16 2nd XI.

This year in the House hockey matches, each House played every other House. Kennedy won the Senior Cup and Gresford won the Junior Cup.

For the 1981-82 season we enjoyed great success.

1st XI squad - 1981-82:

Sarah Grafton, Nichola Holt, Rosemary Hack, Sarah Adlington, Michelle Roberts, Hilary Cotman, Ruth Wheeler, Sally-Ann Harrison, Rachel Petty, Susan Gibson, Carol Smith, Sarah Harrison.

U16 squad - 1981 - 82:

Alexandra Newton, Hazel Sinfield, Della Jackson, Elizabeth Bardsley, Elizabeth Horne, Danielle De Carle, Catherine Bone, Katie Wood, Zillah Buswell, Natalie Hewins, Amanda Gretton, Sarah Knight, Jane Proctor, Jacinth Hayles.

We had 7 girls representing Derbyshire in the 1981-82 season.

Our congratulations go to Sarah Grafton who was chosen to captain Derbyshire Under 18 1st XI as centre forward and to Rachel Petty, Under 18 1st XI right inner - Michelle Roberts, Under 18 2nd XI - Hazel Sinfield, Under 18 2nd XI - Amanda Gretton, Under 16 1st XI - Sarah Knight, Under 16 2nd XI - Katie Wood, Under 16 2nd XI.

In swimming there were some excellent results, when Alyson Idell, Siân Davis, Suzanne Coon and Lisa Swinger, coached by Mr. Soppitt, swam in open water to attain the R.L.S.S. Distinction Award and Silver Cross. Three girls gained the Award of Merit: Anne Chapman, Fiona Hunter and Ingrid Kenny and five other girls gained Bronze Medallions. A.S.A. badges were awarded to 15 girls who gained Honours Standard, 48 girls received gold, 33 silver and 55 bronze.

In the Swimming Gala this year Wilson were runners up to Kennedy.

The Tennis results were excellent. Fiona Turner and Camilla Hudson together with two other girls from South Peak were the U16 School Girls Doubles Champions. In the Coca Cola Championships the U15 team were the winners of our area and Derbyshire semi-finalists. They were also the winners of the South

Peak Area and, when representing South Peak at Allestree, reached the final.

On a lighter note, the tennis teams played the mothers, and a few fathers, and everyone involved had a very enjoyable evening.

In the House tennis matches, Wilson were runners up to Pigot.

We were once again lucky on Sports Day when the weather remained dry. Gresford came first and Kennedy were a close second. The Victrix Ludorum Cups were won by:

Senior: Sarah Grafton

Intermediate: Michelle Hawthorn

Junior: Sarah Hill.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Fearn, Miss Williams and Mrs. Hooton for all their hard work and enthusiasm throughout the year, especially for organising our trips to Wembley to see England play Wales, and to Wimbledon.

Sarah Grafton

LEA GREEN

Lea Green is a conference and sports centre which caters for nearly every different kind of sporting or recreational activity. The school has been there on a number of courses such as trampolining, karate, ballroom dancing, hockey, fencing, canoeing, yoga and many more exciting activities from scuba-diving to guitar playing.

Lea Green is an old large stone built house surrounded by tennis courts, hockey and football pitches and an athletics field. Slightly hidden by trees is a huge modern gymnasium with a selection of fantastic gym equipment, which includes several very good trampolines.

The courses are normally non-residential weekend courses, but the girls who trained for the Derbyshire team stayed there for a week.

Large tasty meals are always provided and normally with the pudding is a large jug of hot custard which is always much appreciated.

After the courses we normally come back to school tired and aching after the amount of exercises but very happy after enjoying a very eventful weekend.

Emma Hopewell

Club Reports

DRAMA CLUB

Drama Club consists of about twenty five people. Our first performance this year was in a concert. Because there were so many of us we split up into two groups. Miss Major, who had written a play called "The Snowman That Wouldn't Melt", produced it, while Miss Reeves, who had adapted a play called "Cabbages and Kings", worked hard to perfect our acting.

The day of the concert arrived; everyone had butterflies. Would everything go smoothly? It did; lines were remembered and the players received many giggles and much applause.

Our last performance of the year was made in June at the very end of "The Junior School Concert".

Miss Major had written a lovely play, and because there were so many parts all the drama club were able to take part in some way. Rehearsals were at first only on Fridays but as the day of the performance grew near we had one every Wednesday also. The play opened to show the chorus singing a verse of "All things bright and beautiful". The play went well even to the last minute of everyone taking her bow. I'm sure that everyone in the Drama Club will agree with me that it is worth while learning her lines to act on stage.

Catherine Yates

Original Contributions

November

*Bare trees, leaves all gone,
The grass is dying,
Everything is so quiet,
Birds flying south.*

*Winter is near,
the sun is gone,
Squirrels are nice and warm,
November is here.*

*The mouse is hungry
so is the owl,
He suddenly swoops down,
seizes the mouse and flies away.*

*The farmhouse is desolate,
so are the fields.*

*But inside,
The children sit by the fire thinking of Christmas.*

Carolyn Cartwright

Autumn

*The elm stands still and cold,
The bluetits sit on the branches,
The woodpecker,
Pecks away at the bark.
A mouse searches for food,
The owl hoots.*

*Dead nettles lie on the ground
Birds fly to the South
To hot countries
Way across the oceans wide.*

*The young children in the house
By the cosy fire
Play games and eat roasted chestnuts
Waiting for Christmas to come.*

Rachel Hunton

One Autumn Morning

*When the sky looks grey,
The sleepy owl blinks from his branch,
High up in the Chestnut Tree,
The long tailed Tits
Flutter and fly up in the bluey grey sky,
The Harvest Mouse searches for food
As the Woodpecker pecks on the tree,
But the farmhouse lies still,
quiet and snug
And the meadows are full of life!*

Louise Hill

Ode to Death

*Farewell sweet earth and northern sky,
For ever blest; here will I lie,
Here with lissom legs did I used to run,
Beneath the moon, beneath the sun,
Among the fields, among the corn,
Alive to each bright, dewy morn.*

*Cruel fate that took away the light,
Diminished morning into night,
That took away the glowing sun,
With one cold bullet from a gun,
From where it came I do not care,
For now I sleep beyond all prayer.*

Catherine Bone

ANIMAL WORD SEARCH

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Answers on page 17

If, after all,
I am wrong
about all this,
My God,
and I die,
have I really
so very much
to fear?
For always
after the loving
comes the leaving,
and always
after the joy
must come
a little sorrow
and the winter
follows autumn
as the summer
follows spring —
and the silence
follows singing,
We must end all to begin,
and the stars
follow the sunshine
and the peace
follows the pain,
after the dance
is always stillness
'tho the muse
will dance again
after tears
comes the smiling
and the loss
follows the gain
so after living
must come dying
like the hills
beyond the plain.

Sarah Dodd UVI

A true friend will
put a finger on your
faults, without rubbing
them in.



H. Hoskin UIVA

Those who
deserve love
the least, need it
the most.

Siobhan Watts UIVA

THE BAE 146 BRITAIN'S MINI AIRBUS

The BAE 146 was rolled out of its hangar at British Aerospace's Hatfield factory on May 20th. The BAE 146 is a short haul feeder-liner, powered by four Avco-Lycoming 6,700lb ALF SO2-R-3 turboprops. It has a maximum cruising speed of 490mph, accommodation for 70-100 passengers, and it costs £5 million. The aircraft comes in two series, series 100 and series 200.

The first BAE 146 has been appropriately named G-SSSN because it is quieter than most turbo-props. Its wings, engines and most of the avionics were made in the USA by AVCO, the pads in Ireland by Shorts, the tail-plane and control surfaces in Sweden by Saab-Scania, the rest is made in England by British Aerospace: AVCO, Saab-Scania and British Aerospace are all risk-sharing partners in the £350 million project, but it will provide about 12,000 jobs.

Air Wisconsin have ordered 14 146-200's and have taken options on a further 4 at a value of £33 million, West-Air, another American airline, have ordered 6 146's and have taken options on a further 8. Two unnamed airlines have also made orders for the 146, one American the other European. This puts the orders up to 25. But 250 146's will have to be sold before a profit is made.

No military interest has been shown but the Nimrod production line has been chosen so the 146 could relieve the long range maritime Nimrod of short range risks. The 146 could replace the Queen's Flight Andovers if the government sticks to its decision not to allow the last 2 BAC-11's to be sold.

L. Barker LVB

An ounce of help
is worth a
pound of pity.

Siobhan Watts UIVA

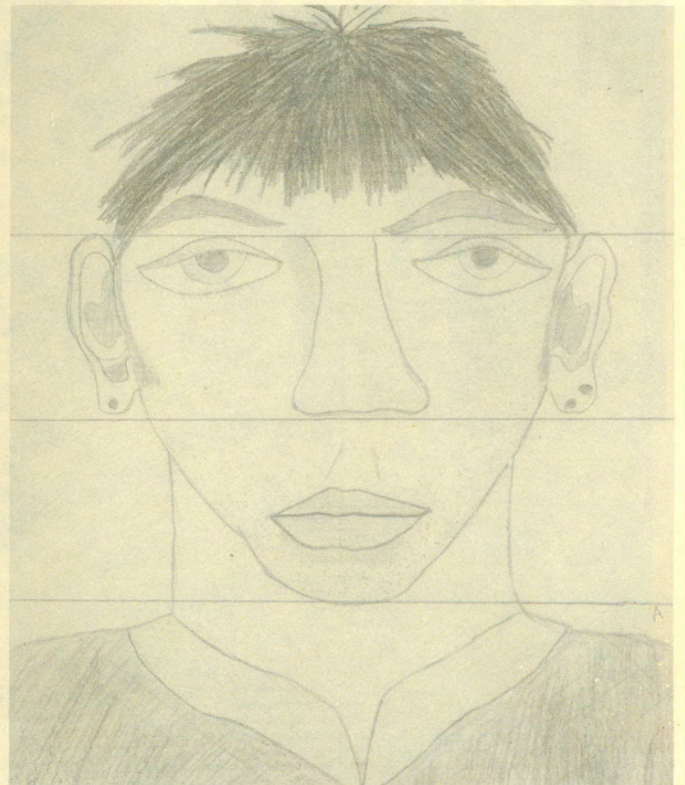
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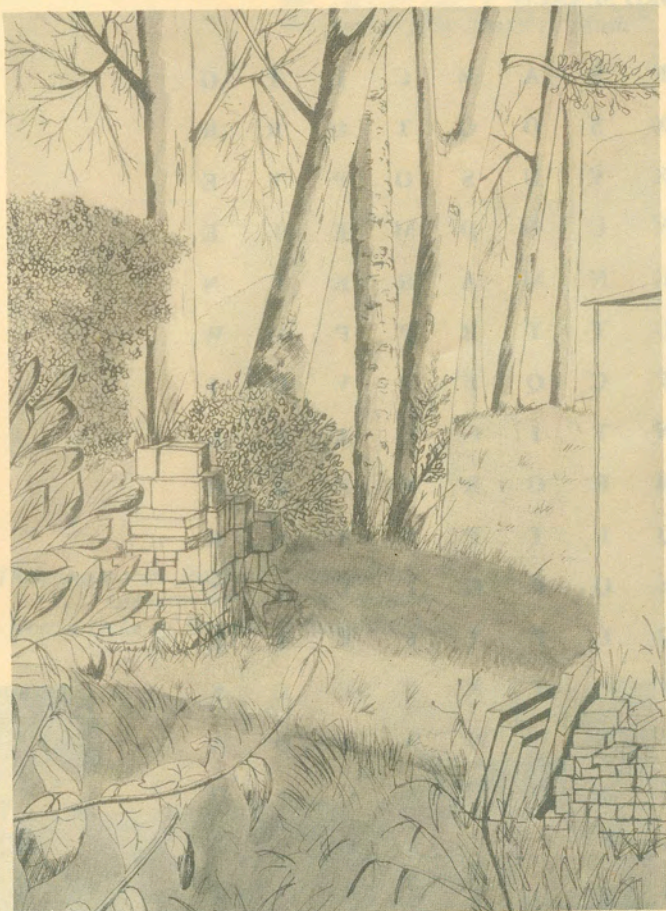
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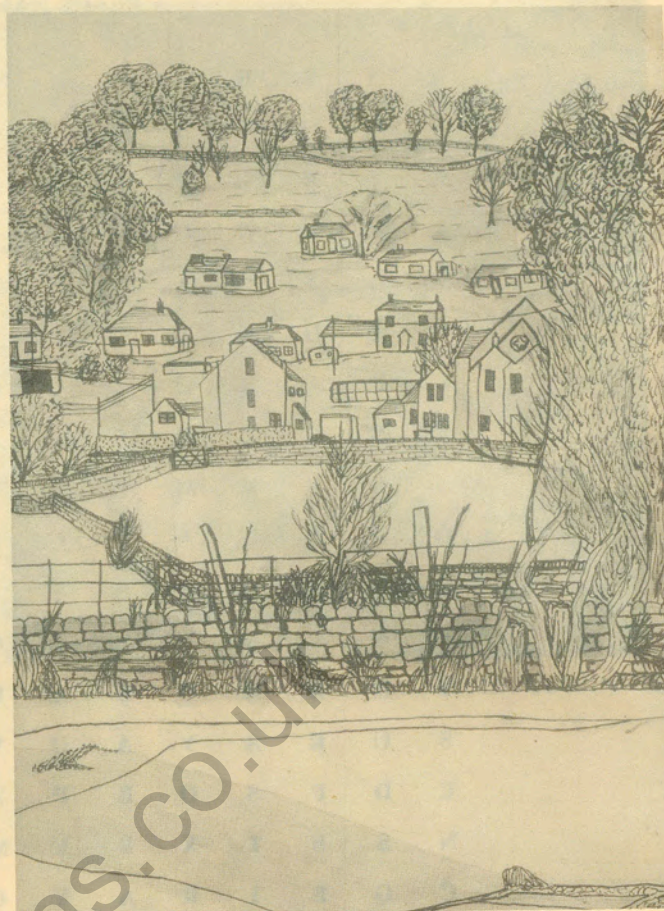
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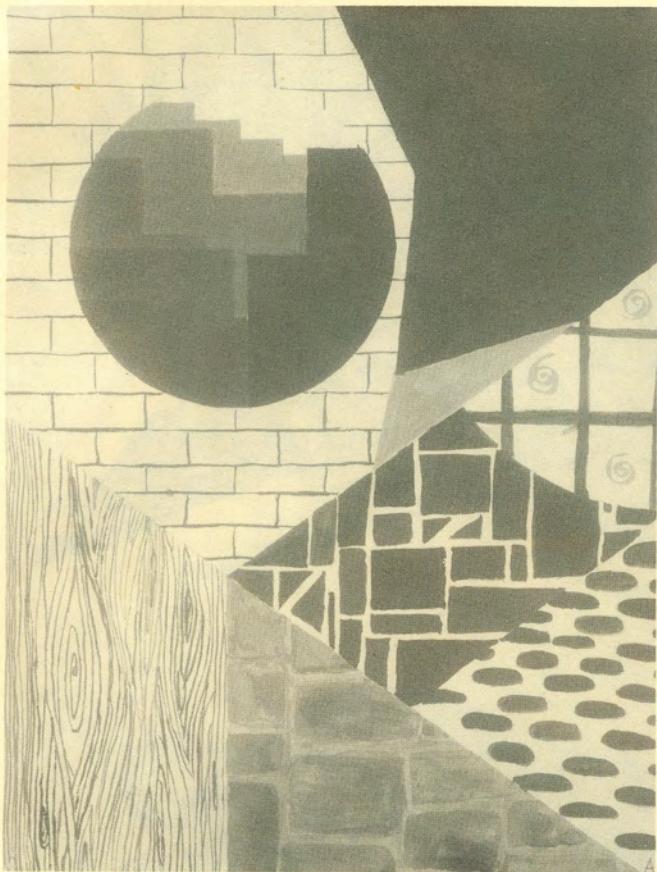
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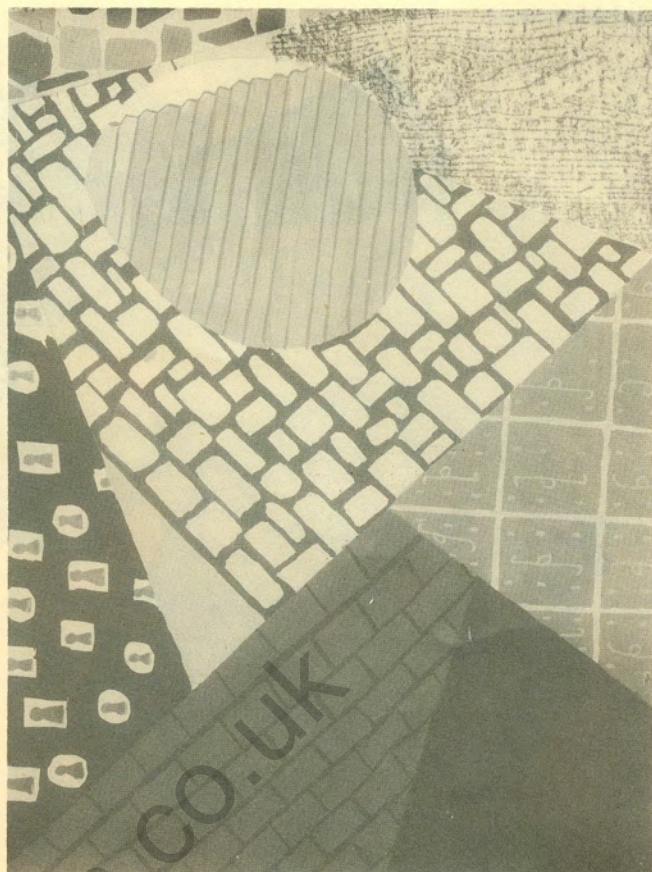
J. Gregory LV



Rebecca Cunningham LIVB



Claire Plover UIVA



Jane Bennett UIVA

Answers to Animal Word Search from page 13

dog - mouse - horse - cat - hamster - mole - hen
squirrel - rat - pony - cow - sheep - bull - kangaroo
fox - gerbil - rabbit - hare - chicken - pig - tiger
lamb - lion - coot - donkey - ass - moorhen

Underline each word when you have found it

Sarah Renshaw-Smith UIIS

Answers to Place Name Word Search from page 15

America - Antigua - Barbados - Bahrain - Bahamas
Brighton - Denmark - Dunkirk - France
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Hatfield - London - Liverpool - Manchester

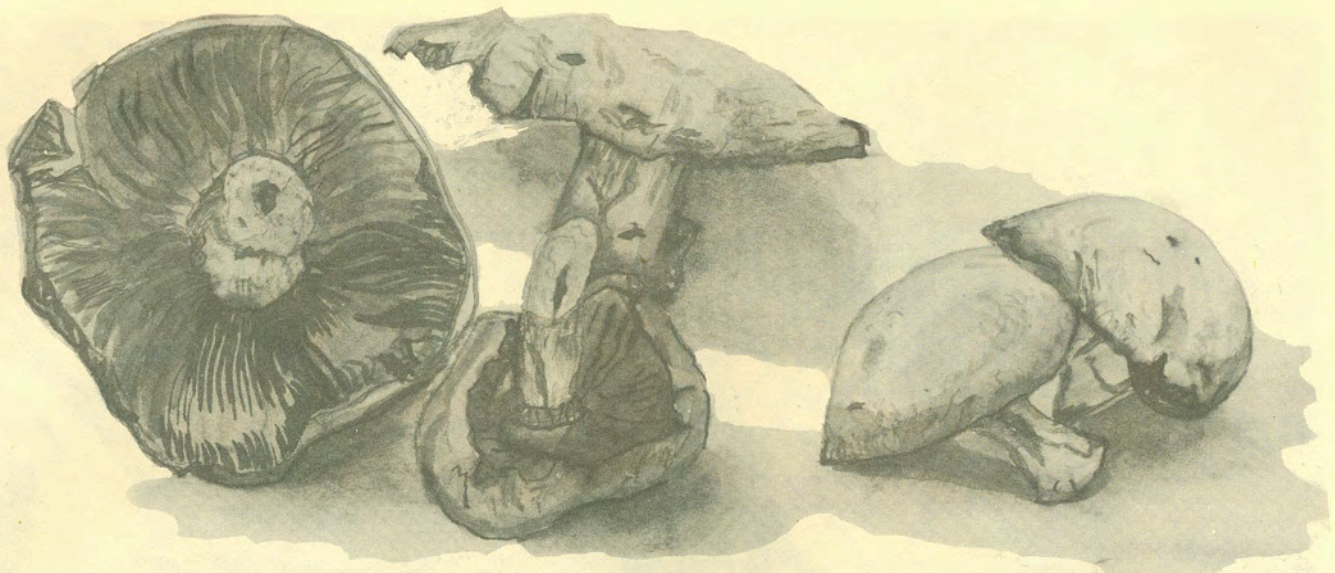
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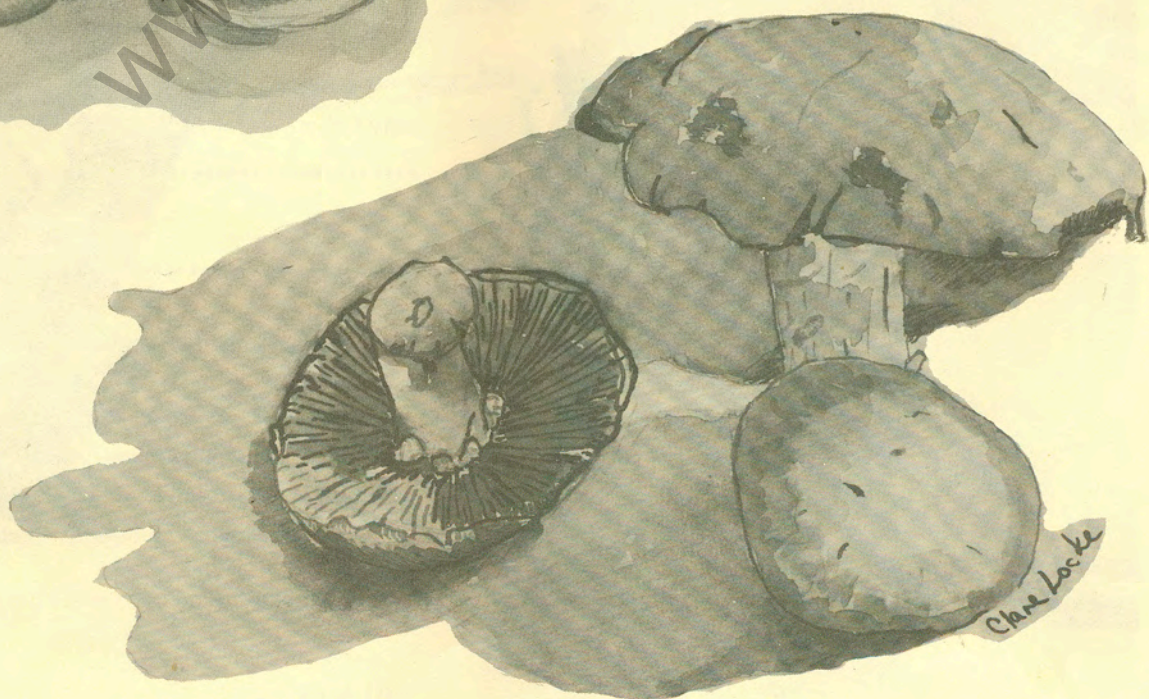
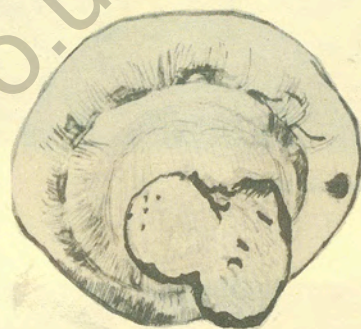




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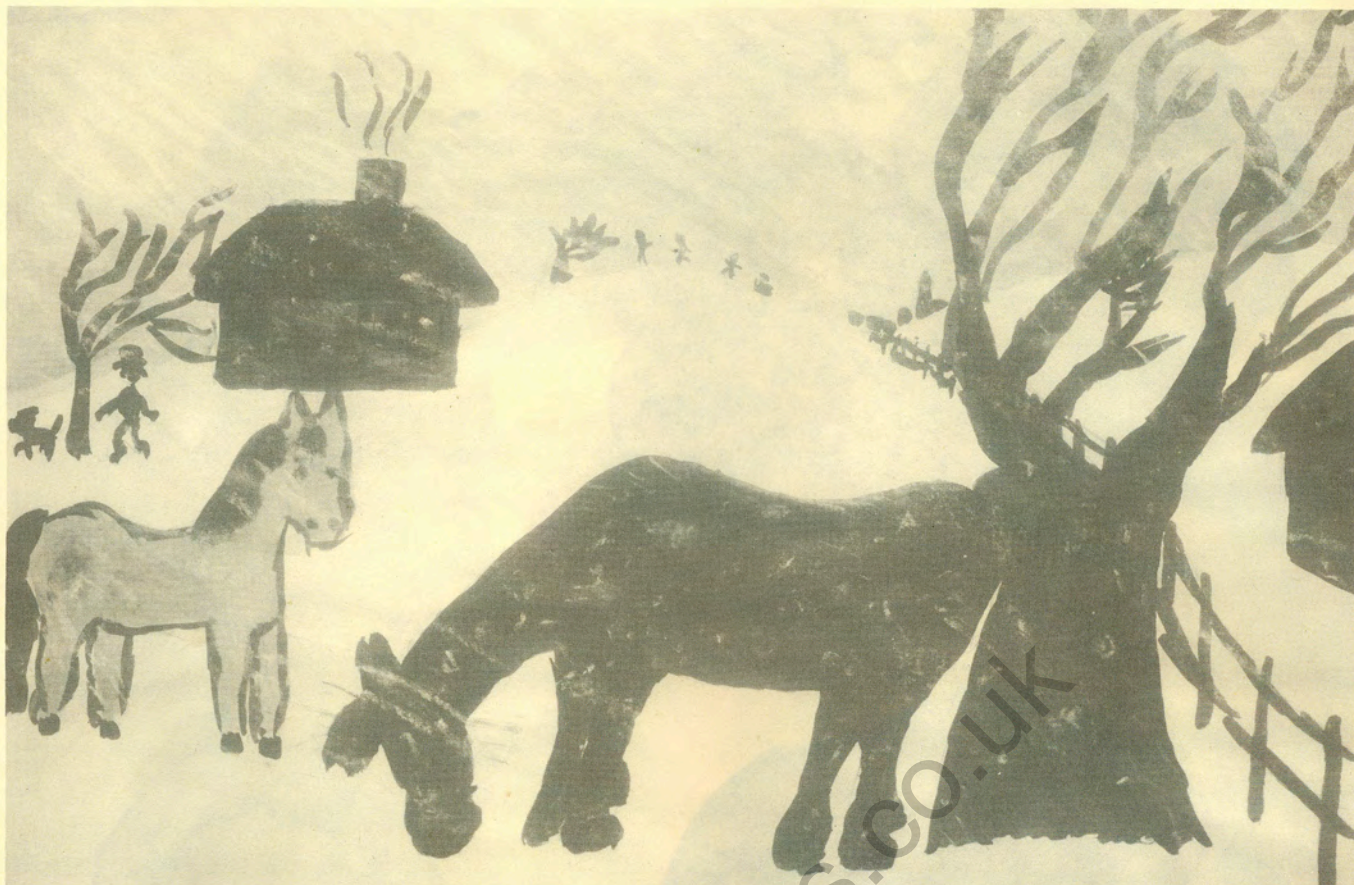


Sarah Lyte LVI



Clare Locke

Clare Locke UVI



Vanessa Daws UIIIE



Sharon Neale UIIIE

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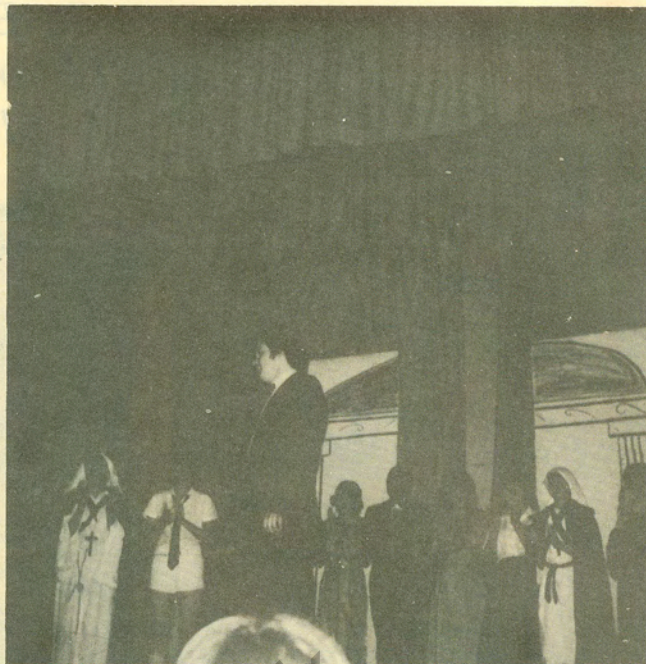
Breakfasting in Style!



*"How can anyone look so cheerful.
at 6 o'clock in the morning?"*



*Mr. Jackson takes a bow with
the cast of "The Sound of Music".*



*Three more stars from the entertainment,
last term (or have they escaped
from a Duke of Edinburgh Expedition).*



The Chaplain puts us all to shame.



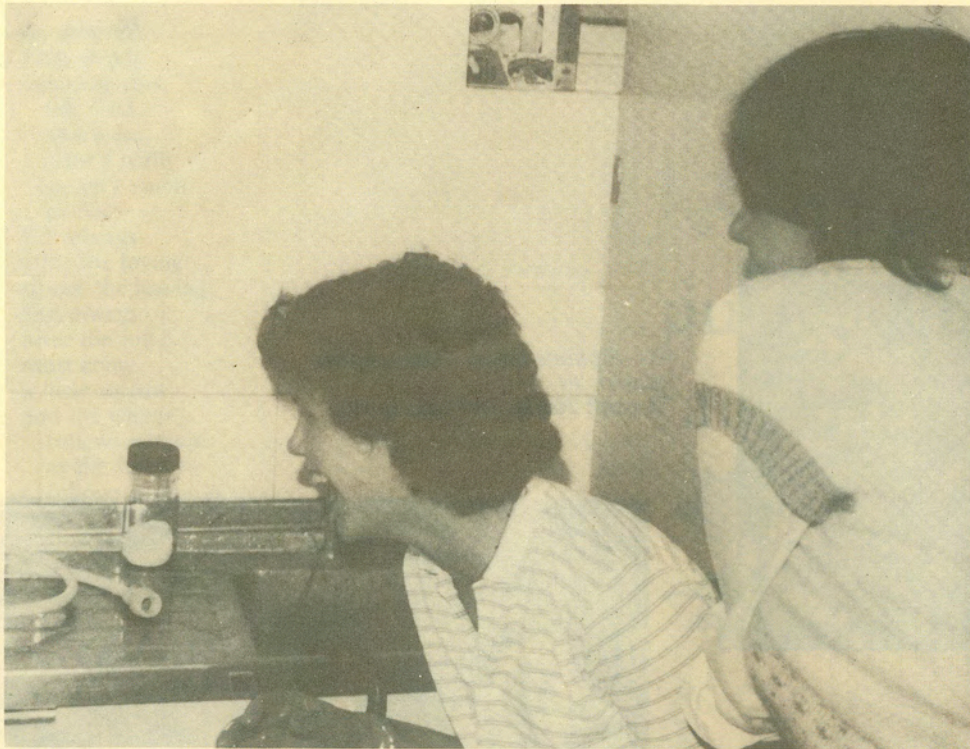
*St. Elphin's invade Italy - Aprica
Easter '81
Jacinth Hayles and Lisa Burton*



A Rotherwood Fire-Drill



The Pigot Lower Fifth Remedial Group



*All in the
day's work for a
Head Girl!!*



*3-legged race,
"Sports Day" 1981*



*Advertising St. Elphin's
on the French Autoroutes!!*

COMPUTER CLUB

The Friends very generously provided us with the money for a microprocessor, and we have been able to start a computer club. There is a varied range of activities enabling the girls to play space invaders, and other games and also giving programming experience to those interested. Computer activities are now being used for the hobbies in the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme.

NATURAL HISTORY

We are indeed grateful for the time allocated to Natural History. Many Thursday tea and prep sessions were devoted to dissecting, and general information, discovery and involvements connected with the topics studied.

Our thanks go to Miss Cooper who was very helpful, and enthusiastic.

The highlight of the activities was the visit to Riber Zoo. This was most interesting and we were informed about the lynx cats which were reared there.

For this and all the other activities we are truly grateful.

Fiona Randell, Alison Woods, Alison West

SCHOOL BOOKSHOP

The Bookshop has at last found what we hope will be a permanent home in Room 53 — one of the former Verandah classrooms. This means that we can now display our books without having to pack up after every session, put up posters and spread out our catalogues.

We hope that new members will come along to learn the joys of choosing and owning their own books. We have plenty of forms available for your parents to sign, and a large selection of books from which to choose.

Open every Monday at 4.15 p.m.

Careers

Regretfully the Careers Department has lost the help of Mrs. Hargreaves, although she has appeared in school in her new role as a part-time member of the I.S.C.O. Staff. The latter are now reaping the benefit of her cheerful enthusiasm, but she remains a very useful link for the school. Mrs. Hargreaves worked with great determination to build up the Careers Department to its present level, and the school owes her a great deal. Mrs. Outram, from the Languages Department, who has a daughter at the school, has become the fourth member of the team.

Three-quarters of the present Upper V have joined the I.S.C.O. scheme this year, and will be eligible for help for another seven years. Although the I.S.C.O. interviewing takes up a major part of the Autumn term, there has also been a two-day Challenge of Industry Conference for the whole of the VI forms, which was very exciting. Students from Ernest Bailey School, Matlock, and Denstone College joined the St. Elphin's girls, and accepted the "challenge" with articulate vigour. Representatives from Management and the Unions gave valuable information for use in Business Games and Role-play exercises. Do you know the meaning of "constructive dismissal?" So many of us lack industrial experience, but parents, as always, have volunteered to help remedy this, and the Careers Staff are very grateful.

The present Lower VI combined their Form Outing in the Summer with a visit to Oxford University Colleges — an experience which proved quite memorable. Girls are encouraged to visit as many universities, polytechnics and colleges of higher education as possible before making their final decisions at the beginning of the Autumn term in the Upper VI. May I reiterate Mrs. Hargreaves's plea for alternative plans at all levels, to prevent sleepless nights in August, when one has left school.

The girls and the Careers Staff feel that careers advice could be given earlier in school life. It is helpful if girls start, as soon as possible, to make themselves familiar with the information available in the Careers Room.

Visiting speakers this year have talked about Marketing, Nursing, the W.R.E.N.S., Colleges of Further Education, L.E.A. Careers Offices and Hotel Management and the Catering Trade.

Visits made by girls have included Marks & Spencers, Huddersfield Polytechnic, Leeds University for an engineering course, Boots, Withington Hospital, Cambridge University, Chartered & Industrial Accountants and a local primary school.

Staff visits have been made to Kirklees, for Business Games, Derby School of Occupational Therapy, Bradford University for Pharmacy, Harrods, Nottingham & Aston University and Leeds University Languages Department. The staff also attend I.S.C.O. regional conferences to find out how other schools are planning their programmes; a particularly interesting visit was made to Padgate College, Cheshire to hear specifically about 'Careers for Girls'.

The staff try to cover as many different career fields and levels of training as possible, but we are always ready to hear of any gaps you may think we have in our programme.

J.B. Thomson

School Tours, Outings etc.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

The Lower III's have gone on several educational trips, the first being a trip to a dairy in Sheffield. This trip was in connection with dairy farming work. At the dairy were many large machines for washing, filling and packing milk bottles into crates. Tests were done and we saw some milk being tested. Also when we learned about sheep farming we went to the Renshaw's farm and saw three lambs and three sheep, one of which was heavily pregnant. She later had quadruplets.

Later in the year was the history trip to Hardwick Hall. Here there was a film to show us rooms that we were unable to see because of repairs. We saw many tapestries on the walls and much oak furniture and panelled walls.

Soon after examinations we went to see Bakewell and Hope Well Dressings and the reservoirs. We gave marks out of fifty for appearance, colour etc. to the Wells. Mrs. Bloomer gave us all a fizzy drink and Bakewell Pudding. We saw Ladybower and Derwent Dams. Near Derwent Dams we found the grave of a small dog who was found near his master's body on Howden Moors.

Elsbeth Tyler LIIM

ITALY SKI TRIP — EASTER '81

We arrived at the hotel in Aprica after a long day's journey, most of us being rather tired.

The next day we tried our hands at ski-ing, which we all enjoyed very much, and after the first lesson most of us could ski a little.

The sun shone for the first three days, but unfortunately it then rained and melted the snow, leaving us unable to ski.

Then we found out that we could go by coach to St. Moritz in Switzerland and ski there, so about half our party decided to go. Everyone enjoyed themselves very much.

Unluckily, because of the lack of snow there were two days on which we could not ski, but in spite of this everyone had a good time. By the end of the week all of us could ski, even if it was only a little. There is not really anything else to say, apart from the fact that it was a very enjoyable outing, and "Thank you" to all those who organized it for us.

Sarah MacFarlane LIV

APRICA SKI '81

This was our first foreign ski party for five years. — (When we had visited Sauze d'Oulx, it was during a season with too much snow and we suffered a 24 hour delay en route) — and we picked a season lacking in snow! At least this time there were no delays on the way and we arrived in the Sondrio province of Northern Italy to be greeted with: — "not THE St. Elphin's". (Even if you say it to all the girls, Gordon, we did appreciate it).

There was very little snow about in the village, but after a short night's rest, we were soon travelling up in the 'bubbles' to meet Bruno and his friends and to install ourselves on a moated snow patch.

Luckily, higher slopes proved to be better equipped with the vital white stuff and we had to evolve special suicidal techniques

to jump the rocks, straw and bare patches going up the steep ski tows to get there.

Sunshine and rain played havoc with the lower slopes — but some skiing was possible every day. The high spot of the week, however, was the visit to St. Moritz, travelling between high drifts — and then up to miles of lovely, uncrowded, crisp, snow-as-it-should-be, in the sunshine.

We encountered our regulation delay at Milan airport coming back; they had sent OUR plane back to Luton! This gave rise to several disjointed phone calls home; 'thank you', Mrs. Pollard, for your patience and Mr. Prytherch for your help.

Thank you, too, to Mr. Jackson and Mr. Burgess for their support, hard work and kamikaze entertainment value on skis.

In 1982 Marillera in N.E. Italy must prepare for THE St. Elphin's — and we have plans to ski in Spain in '83. So be warned.

RIVIERA CAMPING '81

This time, our greeting was: "Hello! You must be Mr. Marsden?" to Bob which went down well.

We learned that: "English style toilets", meant two (one each!); that "Electric light in all tents", meant: "wire up these lamps to your minibus battery"; and that, "best local beach 20 minutes walk away", meant "nearest local beach 30 minutes walk away", C'est le prospectus!

Too hot and too mosquito-plagued to stay in one place, we visited: Hyères, where they were pruning the palm trees; Monte Carlo, where the Palace Guard sensibly stayed in the shade and where one of our number was instructed by the police to put a skirt on; Antibes, to visit the Picasso museum; Port Grimaud of the new tourist development; Bormes les Mimosa for the flowers; Hyères Plage for Bastille Day fireworks; and St. Tropez, because it's there!

Torriental rain and floods brought the temperatures down to manageable mid eighties towards the end of our stay — and the Mistral arrived on cue to make minibus loading difficult and driving home dangerous.

Rush hours in Paris and London were negotiated on the same day — congratulations and appreciation, Bob — and we arrived back on the M1 to find that they'd dug it up and taken it away.

Special thanks to Bob for all the excellent and patient driving - when all around were driving like maniacs — (and for his Swiss Army knife).

— to Charlie who ran the Auxerre site single handed at a very tender age. (We still don't know if she was English or French)

— to the Friends for buying the minibus roof-rack, cover and ladder.

— to Bob and his friends for organising the purchase, making and fitting of these items.

— to Graham for lending his ladder again.

— to the Bursar, kitchen staff and men at school for lots of help, lots of food and lots more help.

— and finally to the girls for saying what I never thought I'd hear —

"Please come and tell these men to go away".

SPONSORED WALK

On the twenty-sixth of September, in the pouring rain, people started out from the school on the annual Sponsored Walk. The distance we had to walk was nearly halved because the weather was so appalling. The route led us through a wood that was full of mud, and we could hear our boots squelching and mud oozing beneath us.

We plodded on through more woods, over streams and through fields, lugging our haversacks with us. Lunch had been postponed until we were back at school to prevent people having to eat in the rain. By the time we reached the second stop we were tiring, and when we reached the last kilometre, we were not only drenched but just managing to keep ourselves trudging onwards to where the coaches were waiting. Just as we came to the end of the walk, much to our dismay (especially Mummy's who claimed she was falling asleep), the bus full of people set off. While we waited for the next coach I handed in my form, and we all checked out at the last checkpoint.

When we got home we all had a hot bath and Mummy promptly fell asleep.

Louisa Adamson

THE STAFF HOCKEY MATCH

The staff hockey match is every girl's chance to give the teacher a taste of his or her own medicine. Unfortunately we, the pupils, not surprisingly, do not get our own way!

The 1st XI jog out to the all-weather pitch, ready to display all tactics, whether foul or fair.

The staff make an entrance amid much laughter and applause. To call them a motley crew would be an understatement. They have obviously spent much time and effort on their prehistoric outfits, proving once and for all to which era they belong!

The match begins; the fight is on. The more athletic amongst the staff make a futile run for the ball, but our skill and agility prove too much for them. Rules and morals are cast aside in attempts to redeem themselves. Feet, as well as sticks, fight to make their mark on the ball, while the referees turn a blind eye to the base skills of their colleagues!

Still the staff fight a losing match. A new method is taken up, and the staff seek safety in numbers. Suddenly there are two members of staff to every girl, in an attempt at intimidating us!

When these tactics are not entirely successful, it is the turn of the 'professional' medical team, in the form of Mrs. Embrey and Mrs. Önaç, to arrive on the scene. They must be commended for their admirable skill in the art of inflicting injury. The able-bodied players are bound up with bandages and sent back on to the pitch after what the 'doctors' called a 'necessary' rest period. Meanwhile, the wounded players suffer!

Despite these adverse circumstances, the first XI battled on, and the final score was a draw. At the end of the match, staff and pupils left the pitch, tired but happy. The staff, I hope, enjoyed themselves, and the pupils saw that their staff really did have a sense of humour.

I think I can safely conclude that the staff hockey match was great fun!

Nichola Holt UV

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Of the original 30 girls who took part in the pilot scheme in 1980-81, all have now achieved their Bronze Awards — and those who are still with us are now working towards Silver level.

The new intake of approximately 40 girls is now working towards the Bronze Award. This is a very encouraging and worthwhile start and we should like to thank all staff, parents and older pupils who are giving up so much of their free time to make this scheme a success.

At Bronze and Silver levels, candidates must gain certain standards in a variety of fields including: Service to the Community, Sport, and Skills. An expedition (after suitable training) must be completed, involving one or two nights under canvas.

J. Marsden

BRONZE AWARD EXPEDITION

Location:- North Yorkshire

Time:- During the worst April weather of the century

Participants:- S. Straw, L. Eaton, E. Horne, M. Thompson, C. Bone.

Friday

After a morning of blizzards, our hopes of getting to North Yorkshire had diminished, but our determination strengthened, owing to the enthusiasm of our assessors and the generosity of Mr. Graham Ellis (who lent us his minibus roof rack — and fixed it for us in a force nine gale and blizzard).

We were happily packing and by 5 p.m. we had departed with our shovels.

No problems en route until the minibus ground to a halt in Malton, defeated by the damp. A friendly policeman came to the rescue and directed us "Straight through the red lights"! to the nearest garage, where a few used notes changed hands and we were off again.

We spent the night in the warmth of Mr. & Mrs. Pollard's cottage in Thornton-le-Dale — and our troubles began again — with a number of power cuts — which made wandering about in

the night hazardous (for those who were not wandering). At 3 a.m. a thing fell heavily on me — just Lisa trying to find the door, (She also sat on Catherine's head at one stage, without waking her up!).

Saturday

We were woken up by Mr. Burgess yelling, "Who wants a cup of tea?", and "Tea's off - Power cut", in his normal gentle voice. However, camp stores were mustered and we headed for Rosedale Abbey, well equipped, courtesy of the Bursar, in startling orange waterproofs. We had a good laugh — when Melanie's cagoule came down to her ankles.

The first part of our walk was as much uphill as down, with frequent photographic stops (my purpose was photography). Lunch and our first check point at a 'pub' in a foot of snow.

After lunch the trudge to Wrelton began. At the bottom of a long and tiring hill, we were met by Mr. Jackson and Miss Marsden. They informed us that the minibus had broken down and had been towed to Wetherby and that we'd have to walk there, pick up our tents and *then* walk back to Wrelton! We took the hill slowly — in spite of staff pushing us up — and welcomed a rest on the village green at the top. Our biggest surprise of the day followed — round the corner was the minibus — what a relief! After a brief stop to wake Mr. Burgess up, we carried on to our camp site.

Tea on site was a success, but washing wasn't; Lisa and I nearly gave ourselves frost bite! We were all in bed by the time the assessors called to make sure that all was well.

Sunday

We rose at 7.30 a.m. to the twittering of (no not the birds) Lisa; she makes a very effective alarm clock. At 9.30, as requested, along came the minibus and all staff demanded black coffee — wonder why?

P.S. Miss Marsden says she always has it black, Mr. Burgess says he has no colour prejudice, and Mr. Jackson says he doesn't notice before midday.

Today we were able to take our original route, thanks to the weather, which had improved. We set off, missing the first turn — what a start to the day. Out came the compass and we had a consultation, and were soon in Beadale Wood, covered in mud. Later we rested and had lunch at the Roman camps, having made a precise and prompt rendezvous with the minibus and Elizabeth's parents.

Then the last leg to Pickering (and a lovely cake shop where we were able to warm up and dry out).

The journey back to school was uneventful, as most of us slept. We arrived back happily — with our mission accomplished — and looking forward to our next expedition.

Special thanks to Miss Marsden, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Burgess, our assessors, drivers and safety officers: Mr. and Mrs. Pollard for so kindly (and bravely) lending us their cottage to use as a base; Colonel Hobbs for the equipment; Mr. Ellis for the roof rack; and the kitchen ladies for all the food, the laundry ladies for drying the tents, and Ben for letting us join his sausage appreciation society!

Sarah Straw

Old Girls' Section

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January, 1982

Spalton (Young); Catherine Smart; Eileen Smart (Whittaker); Miss Helen Thompson; Miss Lesley Thompson; Rosemary Taylor; Marjorie Tomlinson (Barratt); Kay Uawithya; Elizabeth Wareham (Carson) and Elizabeth Walker.

Dear fellow-members

As I wrote a long letter in the News Sheet which was sent to all Guild members in October, there is no need for me to say much now.

The News Sheet seems to have been much appreciated. Those members who no longer take the Magazine feel that they are once more in touch with each other and with the School. I hope that as a result, we shall have a good attendance at the Reunion, especially as many have said that the date — **September 18th** — will be more convenient than the May one.

I hope that many of those still at School, but who will be leaving in July, will be able to come to it.

Details will be sent out when I send the new Address books, on which I am now working (though rather hampered by the fact that less than half of the forms have been returned so far).

If it is not too late, I wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Eileen S. Smart (Whittaker)
(Secretary)

REUNION AT ST. ELPHIN'S

Those present included:- Barbara Brooke-Taylor (Barrow); Christine Codling (Tew); Jean Davis (Donaldson); Hilary Davies (Lane); Anna Dawes (Kastoriano); Caroline Dunwell (Wareham); Claire Derry; Louise Elkington; Margaret Farley (Smart); Mary Goodman; Marjorie Gardener (Longden); Hilda Gaddum (Scott); Helen Gilbert; Audrey Glover (Bell); Fiona Gordon (Fairclough); Megan Graham (Murphy); Margaret Griffiths (Ashton); Vera Hoole (Murdoch); Valerie Howells (Purdy); Helena Hill-Wilson; Alison Hassell (Hurlow); Mrs. Kitchen; Joyce Knight; Avice Lee (Barrow); Margaret Laithwaite (Owen); Patricia Marshall (Cliffe); Mary Mayo (Reeman); Elizabeth Nutter (Tye); Josephine Ogden; Lady Osmond (Sybil Wells); Jane Pashley; May Richardson; Mary Scudamore (Jones); Barbara

NEWS OF OLD GIRLS

BETTY ABDY (BIRKETT) finds it difficult to get away from home as her husband is not well. She keeps in touch with BETTY LEE (RHODES).

STELLA ALLEN is now semi-retired and teaches only two days a week which she finds very pleasant. She recently saw MISS FREEMAN in Axmouth.

SHEENA AVENIES (YEOMANS) lives in France now. She and her French husband have two boys - Jeremy (5) and Stevan (3).

ALIX BERWICK, who has been retired since 1971 lives in Milford-on-Sea and would always be pleased to see anyone from St. Elphin's. She is a Diocesan Reader and helps in the Parish. She does Yoga, gardens, and "tries to paint". Her sister KATHLEEN AYERS - "Ti" who lived for many years in South Africa, has now come back to England and she and her husband live in the same road as Alix.

MISS BURCHNALL who still lives at Nether Stowly has suffered a great loss in the death of MISS COLE who used to live with her. She is, however, very fortunate in her neighbours, and there are some Old Girls who visit her. She has just found that her Vicar, who visits her, knew MISS FLOOD when he was in Exmouth.

CONSTANCE BUTLER (ELING) sent me some interesting old postcards of St. Elphin's, which I hope to bring to the next Reunion. Constance's family are all married and she has 5 grandchildren.

ANNE CARSON goes to the Hallé Concert in Manchester once a fortnight and sees ELIZABETH PRICE (ROWE) and her husband. Both their children have left school now.

MARJORIE COMEAU (LINSLEY) taught for 3 years at Ivy Bridge Comprehensive School, Devon, and is now Head of the Religious Knowledge Department at Plymouth Girls High School.

SUZANNE COON is at Leicester Polytechnic reading Maths, Physics and Computing for a B.Sc. Degree.

EDWINA DAVEY is still at the Goring Hotel in London where she has been for 29 years. She is trying to keep her family home going in Lincolnshire, but her mother is now in a Private Old People's Nursing Home.

ELIZABETH DECKER (SCOTT) who is a Nurse, sends me a very interesting letter from her home in Sierra Leone, from which I quote:-

" Some time ago I sent news of my work out here; then I was working in Freetown, the capital city. I have been out a lot since then and many things have happened; I was away for two years to a town called Rotifints, which is about 60 miles from Freetown, and worked in the Government Hospital with the Chinese Medical team who are out there on a contract with the Govt. of Sierra Leone. The hospital was built by the American missionaries in the 1820's in the town of Rotifints; a lot of missionaries were massacred in the 1st Tax war in Sierra Leone. The hospital itself is old but a great deal of work is done by the Chinese team and I enjoyed working there. In fact I must say that it was a wonderful experience from the modern British hospital with which I am familiar I myself am now married my father, Archbishop Scott of West Africa has retired and I have moved out of Bishop's Court which was my previous address My husband is the Advertising Manager of one of our newspapers."

CLAIRE DUFFILL is now living in London where she is on a training course at Harrods, after successfully passing her A-levels.

ANNETTE ELEY (BEDDOES) would like to trace ELINA CAMPBELL and DIANE CLARKE who were in her year at St. Elphin's (1965-72). They were cousins of ANGELA BOSFIELD, and all three came from Nassau in the Bahamas. If anyone can help, please write to Annette (126 Alfreton Road, Little Eaton, Derbyshire).

After living in Wiltshire for 28 years, MARGARET FOLEY (WONTNER-SMITH) has moved to Dorset now that her husband has retired. Her twin daughters are both very busy; Sheila is married and lives in Leeds where she lectures in Art; she had her first exhibition of wall-hangings two years ago and is now working for her second one. Barbara has her own business in Decorative Art and is at present working on a job in Jordan.

Maragaret has just become a grandmother as her son and his wife (who live in Wales) had a son in July.

ALISON FOULDS (I am told) is working as a Nurse in South Africa. If anyone has her address I would be glad to have it.

MARY GAMBLE and MURIEL ROSE (STAVERT) have just had another wonderful holiday together, of which they sent me a very interesting account; this time they went to Romania. The leader of the party was Father Peter Pufulete who is in charge of the Romanian Orthodox Church in London, so as well as seeing the country they visited many of the Churches and Monasteries and were amazed at the strength of the Church there. Mary's sister JENNIE GAMBLE (who is now a Governor of one of the local — Basingstoke — Senior Schools) is unable to fly, so spent her holiday touring Scotland and, later in the year, went to Devon and Cornwall.

FELICITY HAY (FORSTER)'s grandson Adam was the 3-week old baby nursed by the then Lady Diana Spencer when she accompanied the Prince of Wales on his visit to Broadlands in May to open the Lord Mountbatten Exhibition. Pictures of her with Adam appeared on I.T.V. News and in some Sunday papers, and were repeated when her pregnancy was announced. Felicity has 4 other grandchildren.

MAY HAMILTON-EDDY (LINDSAY) enjoys her work at the League of Friends shop at the Middlesex Hospital.

PATRICIA HARDING (WIGFUL) has moved to 129 Newton Wood Road, Ashstead, Surrey, and would be glad to hear from any Old Girls in that area. She would especially like to have news of RUTH DEAN. She sends news of PENNY OSBORN (STREET) who lives in Chesham and has two children, and also of JENNY HAMNER (WRIGHT) who has moved to Norfolk and who also has two children; she met her in London at an exhibition of her husband's paintings. Patricia herself has one daughter.

When ALISON HASSALL (HURLOW) married in April, CLARE BARTRAM (COX) and her husband came over from Paris, and their son Ian was one of the pages. PAT NOBBS

(THORNTON) was also there with her husband and baby, Peter. Alison's husband teaches in Mickleover where they now live.

MISS JASPER has just moved to a smaller house about half a mile from the previous one. She recently met ROSEMARY BOOTH (SANDS) and her mother who were on a brief visit to Oxford. Rosemary is shortly going out to Japan with her husband and a daughter. The other two children (one at University) are staying in England. Miss Jasper sees MISS BEAN as often as she can and went to the Memorial Service which was held at Farnham for the Archdeacon.

RACHEL JOHNSTON has been helping with the Nativity Tableaux at St. Thomas's Hospital where she was a Sister for many years. She takes a Trolley shop to 8 wards every Wednesday.

ELEANOR JONES (BURNETT) writes from the Isle of Man, where she lives, that she is very happy to have her younger daughter, her husband and 2 sons aged 9 and 10 living on the island now, which means that she is able to see them regularly. Her elder daughter is a Phycisist in the Nuclear Medicine Dept. at Charing Cross Hospital, and her son is Head of Science at a Comprehensive School in Runcorn.

Eleanor sends news of NOEL CARR who has recently retired from Medical Practice in Christchurch (Dorset). She still lives in Mudeford near Christchurch in a lovely house overlooking the harbour. Before her retirement, Noel was awarded her F.R.C.P.

MRS. KITCHEN has moved from Bakewell to a bungalow in a small village in Devon where everyone is very friendly (address:- Merrial Cottage, Northlew, Okehampton, Devon EX20 3BN).

PIPPA MALLET is now at Chelsea College, University of London, reading Biology.

ALISON MANNING (YATES) has worked for the Civil Service since leaving School and in May she was an employment adviser in the Job Centre at Clacton-on-Sea.

JILL MANUEL (PEPPERCORN) had lunch recently with Miss Lloyd — who was looking very fit —, ROSEMARY BOOTH (SANDS) — who has since gone to Japan with her husband and daughter — and Jill's son, who is now a Scholar at St. John's.

ADELAIDE MILLIGAN keeps very well and active in spite of her 80 years of age. The Enrolling Member of the Mothers' Union at her Church (BERYL CHANCE — née WISBER) was at Matlock Training College about 30 years ago, and did some of her training at St. Elphin's teaching English and Games. Some Old Girls may remember her.

DOROTHY MULLINER retired from her job as Matron's Assistant at Draper's Homes in Margate last May, but has been allowed to stay on as a resident, living in her own bungalow and doing small jobs to help out when necessary.

JUDITH MUNDAY (KEAL) has three children aged 16, 15 and 9. Her daughter, who is the eldest, has just passed 8 O-levels.

DIANA PAULI (PUGH-MORGAN) now lives in Basle in Switzerland. She and her husband have two sons.

ANNE REEVE (ROGERS) now lives at 43 Griffin Close, Stow-on-the-Wold, Gloucestershire.

MISS ROBINSON had a busy time last winter as she was in charge of her Parish during an unusually long interregnum, and after that had to face the serious illness and subsequent death of her house-companion. She was sorry not to be able to come to the Reunion in May.

OENONE ROONEY (DUNKLEY) and her family are hoping to be in England during 1983 if her husband's application for a teaching exchange is successful.

MARY SMITH (BENNETT) moved from Shrewsbury 18 months ago when her husband became Vicar of St. Chad's, Burton-on-Trent. This caused problems with their children's education. The elder one had begun her A-level course so she stayed in Shrewsbury to complete it. She is now doing a Personnel Assistant's course at Coaldon College, Stoke-on-Trent, where she has been made President of the Students' Union. The younger one remained as a boarder at his Prep School (becoming Captain of School) from where he won a scholarship to Ellesmere College, Shropshire.

CHERYL SOMERSET (BAKER) now has two children. They and half an acre of garden keep her fit. Her Mother ESME BAKER (FEASTER) is also an Old Girl, but hasn't been able to come to a Reunion recently.

MARY STAPLETON (SAPWELL) now lives in Rochester as, last February, her husband Henry was appointed by the

Crown to the vacant Residentiary Canonry at Rochester Cathedral. Things were very busy for them with all the farewells in Norfolk, and the move, and one unforgettable — if hectic — day in London which ended up with them both sipping sherry at No. 10 Downing Street.

They have settled down now, but find the life very different from the care of 4 rural Parishes in Norfolk, as Canon Stapleton, as well as being Precentor of the Cathedral and Warden of the Diocesan Readers, is on several London Committees, including the Redundant Churches' Fund, and the Council for the Care of Churches. He is also Chairman of the Church of England Tourism Committee, and it was in this capacity that he represented the Archbishop of Canterbury at a World-wide Conference in Sweden on Churches and Tourism, and gave one of the lectures.

Their daughters have adjusted well to the move, and are both happily settled in their Schools.

ROSAMOND STEEL (SAPWELL) and her sister MARY STAPLETON (SAPWELL) now live reasonably near to each other — the one at Tonbridge Wells and the other at Rochester — so the two families are able to meet more often. Rosamond's son and daughter-in-law have been in Nigeria for two years, but are due to return soon. Her three daughters are:- 1 teaching, 1 a student radiographer, and the youngest at a VIth Form College. She herself is kept busy as the wife of a rural G.P. and has various parish and diocesan activities. Her father also lives with her.

MISS STEVENSON is finding life very hectic at the College in Jersey where she is now Headmistress, with many social events as well as work.

ROSEMARY TAYLOR had tea with MISS LONGMIRE recently and had a good chat over former times. Miss Longmire has a marvellous memory of girls and happenings during her time at St. Elphin's. Rosemary has heard from JUNE HANNANT (BURR) this summer. June has had to stop teaching to look after her mother. Five of her daughters have 10 children between them — only Trixie is unmarried and lives at home. She runs a play-group for small children between 2½ and 4 at Cromer.

Rosemary has also heard from JEAN MCGREGOR (BEAUCHAMP) who, sadly lost both parents earlier this year. Jean's daughter is expecting a second child in October, and her son, Ian, was getting married in August.

WINIFRED THOMPSON (WILKINSON) who is now a widow has at last got a girl in the family. As she has two sons, three grandsons, and two great-grandsons, the advent of a great-grand daughter is a real joy.

Winifred, who came to a Reunion recently, has fond memories of St. Elphin's. She was confirmed in the School Chapel and played in both the Cricket and Hockey 1st XI's when MARGARET GRIFFITHS (ASHTON), who was also at the Reunion, was Captain. They were both at St. Elphin's from 1909-1917 and are both aged 81.

ELAINE WOODHOUSE recently went for a week's painting holiday at Loweswater in the Lake District.

JULIA WRIGHT (WELLS) has moved to a village in the New England district of New South Wales in Australia; her husband, David, left the Army in January 1981 and they have bought a large 80-year old house which used to be part of the General Store. David has started his own fencing business and is now trying his hand at minor home renovations. Julia herself has a part-time job. They have two children, John (6½) and Peter (2½). They hope to come over to England for a visit in a few years and meanwhile her sister ANGELA HEWITSON and her family have been to see them.

HELEN YOOL (STONE) has settled happily in Lyme Regis. She especially enjoys her Abbeyfield work.

BIRTHS

DENNY - On January 30th, 1980 to John and BEVERLEY (SMITH) a son - Rhys Clifford.

GASCOIGNE - On November 1st, 1981 to Ian and JILL (KING) a daughter - Helen Louisa Rosemary.

GORDON (correction) - On November 28th, 1979 to Nicholas and FIONA (FAIRCLOUGH) a daughter - Sarah Natalie, and on August 5th, 1981 a daughter - Olivia Rachel.

HAWKWOOD - On December 2nd, 1980 to John and PHYLLIS ANN (NIBLOCK) a daughter - Rebecca Jane.

NEEDHAM - On January 5th, 1981 to Malcolm and JULIE (BATT) a daughter - Joanne Catherine.

REEVE - On July 17th, 1980 to ANNE (ROGERS) a daughter - Lucy.

SCOTT - On March 26th, 1981 to Andrew and PAULINE (WHITTINGTON) a son - Alexander James.

SHEPLEY - On November 18th, 1981 to SARAH (GELLING) a daughter - Rosanna Louise.

SOMERSET - In April, 1977 to Peter and CHERYL (BAKER) a daughter - April, and in March, 1979 a son - Carl.

SPENCER - On October 5th, 1981 to EASTA (ELTHAM) a daughter - Marianne Clare.

STONEHAM - On September 27th, 1980 to Christopher and MARY (SMART) a son - William Robert Melville, a brother for John, Ian and Paul.

WOODCOCK - On April 28th, 1980 to Barrie and ELIZABETH MARY (NIBLOCK) a daughter - Rachel Louise, a sister for James and Peter.

ENGAGEMENTS

BELINDA BEECROFT to Nicholas L. Leeson.

PHILIPPA BURNETT to Dr. Henry Connell.

MARRIAGES

Comeau-LINSLEY - In 1979 Mr. Comeau to MARJORIE LINSLEY.

Decker-SCOTT - On June 27th, 1981 in the Cathedral, Freetown, Sierre Leone, by her father, the Archbishop of West Africa, ELIZABETH SCOTT to Decker.

Dickin-GRAINGER - On December 20th, 1980 Brian Dickin to LOIS MARGARET GRAINGER.

Eley-BEDDOES - In 1977 Mr. Eley to ANNETTE BEDDOES.

Hassell-HURLOW - On April 25th, 1981 John Hassell to ALISON HURLOW.

Manning-YATES - On May 3rd, 1981 David Manning to ALISON YATES.

Somerset-BAKER - In 1974, Peter Somerset to CHERYL BAKER.

DEATHS

ELEANOR BLAKELOCK - In October, 1979 aged 93.

ETHME BOZWELL (O'FERRALL).

MISS COLE (Staff) - On December 3rd, 1980.

HELEN (NELL) JOHNSON (HUNT) - On April 26th, 1966.

WINIFRED JONES (BIRCH-JONES) - In October, 1980 aged 80.

KATHLEEN STAMP (MURDOCH) - On September 15th, 1981 aged 79.

GRACE TOWNSEND (BLAKELOCK) - On June 8th, 1978 aged 90.

St. Elphin's Old Girls' Guild

New Entries - 1981

Mary Barrett.....	Life
Sarah Barrett	"
Elizabeth Bottomley	"
Ann Chapman	"
Georgina Dale.....	"
Suzanne Coon.....	"
Siân Davies	"
Clare Duffill.....	"
Elizabeth Ellis.....	"
Nurit Friedlander.....	"
Sally Gregory.....	"
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Alyson Idell.....	"
Ingrid Kenney.....	"
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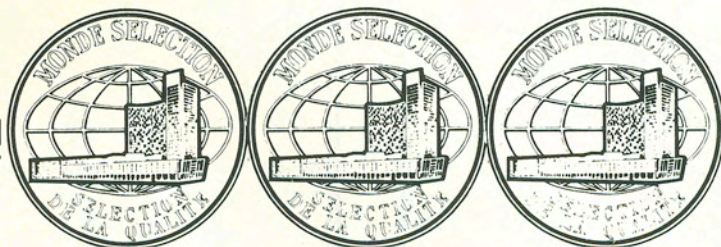
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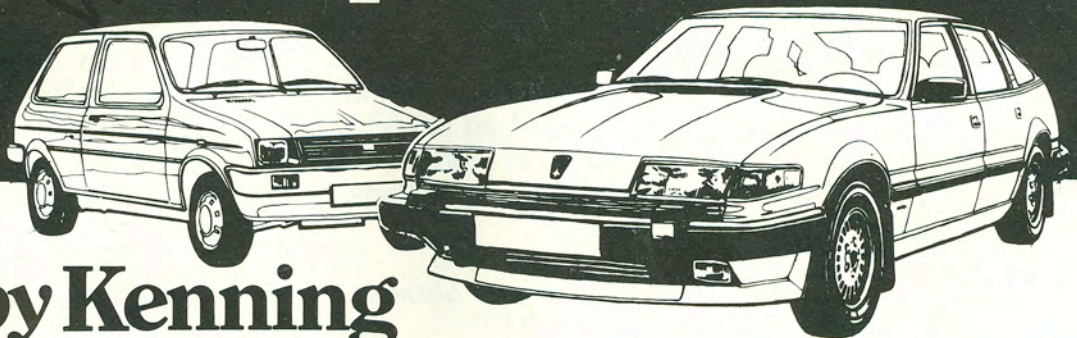
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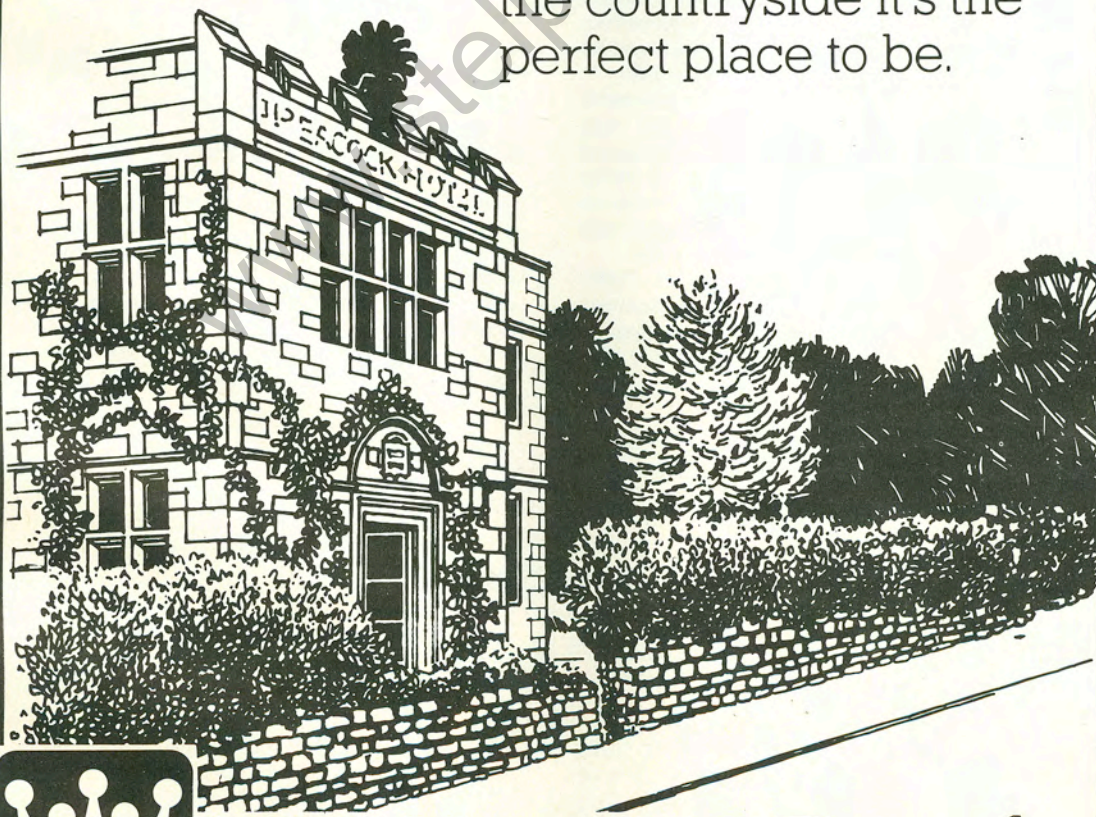
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