

Have Mynde

An abstract painting with a central dark, textured shape. The background is composed of various colors including red, yellow, green, and blue, with visible brushstrokes and splatters.

1996

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Foreword

*"All the world's a stage,
and all the men and women merely players;
they have their exits and their entrances;
and one man in his time plays several parts,
his acts being seven ages."*

This quotation from Shakespeare's "As You Like It", could well be applied to the school. Reading the monthly Newsletter and looking through the 1996 Have Mynde certainly gives a picture of activity and opportunity. The stages of women are clearly shown, from the dreams and accounts of Sandford House children, through the impressive creative writing of Nedham House girls, to the range of activities evident in all the accounts from Senior School. Add to these the events organised by the Parents Association and The Queen's School Association and the picture is complete, of a school which is busy, happy and successful. All those who are 'players' gain a great deal from the School and I am sad that some girls do not take advantage of the many opportunities on offer.

These opportunities are provided by staff and are over and above their teaching commitment. Teaching, as every teacher knows, is not just delivering subject matter but being aware of the needs and aspirations of the whole person who is on the receiving end. We are fortunate in having staff who are experts in their chosen fields and who are dedicated and sensitive teachers.

The beginning and end of the academic year always bring changes. In September 1995 we welcomed Ms. Noble as Head of Classics and Miss Arnold to Sandford House. Mr. Belkadi joined us to help cover Mrs Davies (Miss Heaney's) maternity leave and during the year Dr. Stalford covered Mrs Wiley's absence and Mrs Treweek has joined us to cover Mrs Chafer's maternity leave. Mrs Coxhead is our Health Adviser and provides a valuable service to the girls.

There have been staff changes during the year. Mrs Berry and Miss Nowell have been granted early retirement on health grounds. This is a great sadness to both ladies and a bitter blow to the History department of the school. Many girls have benefited from their inspired teaching and we are fortunate that the reputation of the department has been maintained by Mrs Robert, together with her colleagues.

Mrs Brady retires this summer after five years as Head of Nedham House. Mrs Brady had previously been a teacher at Nedham House and returned as Head. In this role she instituted several changes while maintaining the special atmosphere of Nedham House.

Mrs Wiley retires from the Chemistry department after 28 years service. She has inspired many girls with a love of Chemistry and shown them applications of the subject outside the laboratory.

Mrs Carpenter, who has taught Spanish and French during the last nine years, leaves us to take up a post in a Sixth Form College. She has imbued many girls with a love of Spanish through the Sixth Form course which she developed.

We bid farewell to Mrs Willsdon who leaves us after 3 years during which she has taught Biology. She and her daughter Rebecca leave to join Mr. Willsdon in Singapore. We wish them well.

Miss Grimshaw leaves us for a permanent post in London and Ms. Noble leaves to return to her former school in London. Miss Luxmore, Clarinet and Saxophone, leaves us to take up a post in Birmingham.

We thank all these ladies for the service, scholarship and inspiration they have brought to their teaching and to the School, and wish them well for the future.

The Staff and girls make their exits and entrances and the School carries on through its ages. There have been several major developments through the ages, the enlargement of the original building, the development of the Liverpool Road site, the Library Wing, the North Wing, the Language Block and the pitching of the gymnasium roof.

In November 1996 the School will embark on a new age to be made possible through an Appeal.

A Staff Committee looked at our future needs and took into account suggestions and comments from parents. These were discussed with Governors and various options were explored: utilising buildings nearby, moving to a new site, developing new areas on our present site. After investigation the last option was regarded as the only viable solution.

The areas on our present site which we hope to develop are the gymnasium roof and the area between the gymnasium and the North Wing, utilising the space above the gymnasium changing room and building above the entrance to the playground. This will enable a train of events to be set in motion: a new Sixth Form Centre in the 'new' space, an Art Room in the gymnasium roof, and a Dance-Drama Studio in the old Art Room. The vacated Sixth Form Common Room in Stanley Place will be used for lockers, thus freeing the ground floor of the Science Block for additional laboratory accommodation. As part of this plan we also hope to improve computer facilities and upgrade library and careers provisions. These are the major 'wishes' for the next age of the School, and it must surely be significant that the first year of the Appeal coincides with the Centenary of The Queen's School Association. As part of their Centenary, the Association is planning to increase their Bursary Fund and we hope that monies from the main Appeal will augment the School's Bursary Fund. These will ensure that girls of ability will be able to attend The Queen's School regardless of the limited financial means of the family.

The Parents' Association plays an important role in the life of the School. They help us with visits, careers work, support for School functions and fund-raising. Over the years the Parents' Association has provided the pupils with many 'extras' large and small. The Committee and all helpers are to be congratulated on their fund-raising during the last year, especially the Autumn Market, the Ladies Luncheon, the Caledonian Evening, Taurean Trio, Summer Ball and most recently, the Nedham House Garden Party.

Thanks go to our Governors and to Mr. Dutton for all the work they do for the School, often behind the scenes. We are fortunate in the whole team at The Queen's School and hope you will enjoy reading Have Mynde and will realise the team effort which makes so many of the activities possible.

Best wishes to those who make their exits in 1996 and welcome to those who make their entrances and help to move the School into another exciting age.

Congratulations to our Editorial Team on the 1996 Have Mynde; they have indeed provided a good stage for the finale of the academic year 1995-96.



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gifts to the school 1995-96

Steve Backhouse, School Electrician *Clock for the Main Hall.*

Mrs Ferris *Prize for Classics (£100), Display cabinet for the Classics room.*

Anon *Prize for Achievement.*

UVI Leavers 1995 *Tubs of bulbs, rose bushes and spring bulbs.*

*The Queen's School
Brotherhood Trophy for effort,
endeavour and fellowship.*

Shell Research Limited *Perkin Elmer 177 grating Infra-Red Spectrophotometer for the
Chemistry Department.*

Syd Faulkner *Rose bush "Schoolgirl".*

Siân, Myfanwy and Betul Salih *Donation for English, History and Classics Departments.*

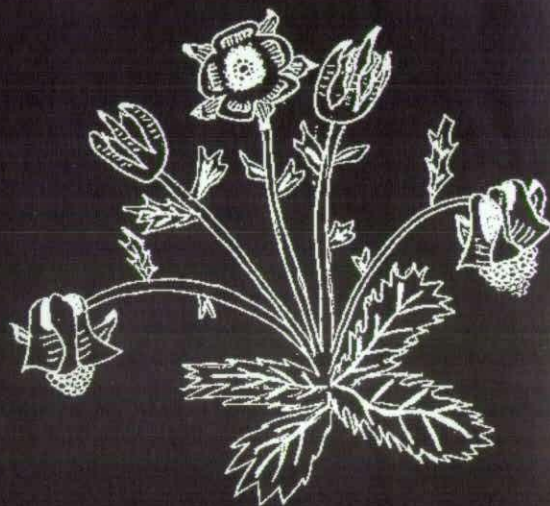
Mr LAWSON (Kathryn and Charlotte) *'Chester 1851' Directory.*

UVI Leavers 1996 *School Crest mounted on a wooden shield; roses for the garden.*

THOSE IN *authority*



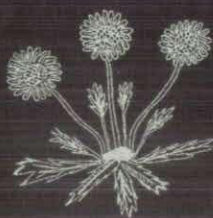
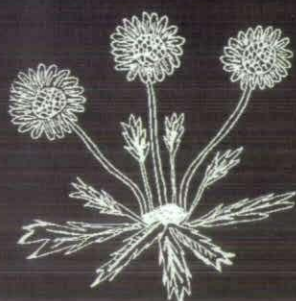
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HAVE *Mynde*



(left to right): Katherine Reed, Nicola Riley, Julie Simms,
Deborah Morris, Katherine Totty, Elizabeth Horsefield,
Catherine Gosmore, Sarah Drury, Mrs Griffiths,
Jane Williams, Emma Levick, Katy Benton,
Kate Walker, Elizabeth Barrow.





Staff news

congratulations

retirement

Mrs Marjorie Berry joined The Queen's School as a teacher of History in 1980. Since then her love and enthusiasm for her subject have inspired countless girls. She will be sorely missed. We are all very grateful to her for all she has contributed to the life of the school and we wish her a very happy and fulfilling retirement. JR

congratulations to...

marriages

Mrs Sarah Osborne (Purcell)
on her marriage in July 1995

births

Mrs Pauline Davies (Heaney)
on the birth of her son Gareth on 1st
November, 1995

retirement

Valerie Nowell joined the staff of The Queen's School as Head of History in 1984 after a solitary year-long trek round Europe. The individuality which led her to undertake such an expedition permeated every facet of her life at school.

Students will remember her outstanding scholarship and academic prowess, coupled with an inimitable style of teaching, which inspired many girls to love History, and to read the subject at university. Always interested in the status and perception of women, she taught a fascinating "Women in Society" course in the sixth form.

She will be remembered with deep affection by her colleagues both for her wisdom and her penetrating humour. Her premature retirement as a result of ill-health has been a great blow to us, and all members of The Queen's School join together to wish her a speedy recovery. MJH

retirement

Mrs Barbara Brady originally joined the staff at Nedham House in 1979 as Form I teacher. The First Year pupils greatly benefited from her blend of lively, imaginative teaching, good humour and firm direction. She remained for several years before leaving to move south with her family in 1984. Her return in September 1991, was as Head of Department. Under her intuitive hand, the curriculum has been extended, bringing it into line with the development of the 1990's. Various parts of the building have been renovated, especially the

newly-created entrance hall, the front room with its Design and Technology equipment, the staff room and the resources room, upstairs. She has earned the appreciation of staff, children and parents. Her busy schedule never prevents her from being an unhurried listener, offering constructive advice with sympathetic understanding. Thoughtful leadership, careful guidance and a warm personality give her the qualities of a valued colleague and friend to many. We wish her a very happy retirement and warmly thank her for the valuable contributions she has made to the Junior Department.

S. Paice

obituary

Stella Pope came to The Queen's School as Head of Classics in 1950. She was clearly a scholar and she has the ability to convey her enthusiasm for the ancient world to those she taught. The Virgil Society flourished under her guidance and students were taken to lectures in Liverpool organised by the school's branch of the University Classical Society of which she was secretary. There were also regular visits to Greek plays at Cambridge and Bradfield, and to Hadrian's Wall. Those of us preparing to read Classics at University benefited from holiday reading parties, which Miss Pope organised in her flat in Stanley Place.

In addition to her Classics teaching Miss Pope was also in charge of the reference library, and she took responsibility for helping Upper VI girls fill in their university applications, UCCA forms, as they were then known. When Miss Pope retired after twenty seven years at The Queen's School some of her colleagues wrote and presented a parody of Euripides' "The Bacchae" entitled "The Uccae".

Miss Pope took a deep interest in her pupils and kept in touch with many after they left school, extending that interest to their husbands and children. She was a great letter writer and sender of closely written postcards from the many places of interest she visited. Greece and Rome were her first loves. I had the privilege of spending a fortnight in Rome with her and could not have had a better guide. By this time I was her colleague in the Classics Department, and her help and guidance to me in my early years of teaching were invaluable.

After her retirement Miss Pope kept in close touch with the Queens School. She was a regular



visitor at Commemoration, Carol Services and Prizegiving. For many years she was the school archivist and she was a tutor in Classics for the open university until she reached the upper age limit. Even after that she continued to attend conferences and courses around the country. When I saw her a few weeks before her death she told me of a postal pupil to whom she was teaching Greek and whose translation of Thucydides she was marking.

Stella Pope was a very special person and those of us who have had the privilege of being her pupils and her colleagues have had our lives enriched by knowing her.

CF



retirement

retirement

Christine Wiley has always nourished a deep intellectual appreciation of her subject and has taken much care to ensure that a well-founded base has been presented to her pupils. Her quiet manner has also been a great reassurance to those who have found the exuberance of other members of the department too much to cope with as well as the rigours of the subject. She has always been a much valued colleague within the department and the school as a whole, not only for the excellence of her Chemistry, but for

her loyalty, support, advice and sincere friendship over many years. In recent years she has also led the very successful teams of Lower VI chemists to The Royal Society of Chemistry Young Analysts Competition at the University of Liverpool. Christine has not only worked in the laboratory but also with visits by groups of pupils to steelworks, sewage disposal works, the Salt Museum, and Stratford-upon-Avon - to illustrate that chemists are well-rounded individuals. As further evidence, Christine is an excellent cook, and enjoys walking in the Lakes, and is no doubt looking forward to having more time for both! KRY



Miss Wendy Grimshaw, herself a former pupil of the school, joined the History department in September 1995. Her youth and vigour have proved a real asset and although we will all miss her, we wish her well in her new job at Frances Holland School, London. JR

farewell



bon voyage

interview

with Mrs Coxhead, our new health advisor.

What training have you had?

I trained as a general nurse (RGN) in London. I then went on to study Midwifery at Birmingham followed by training in health visitor work in Croydon. I then went on to school nursing.

Do you like working here?

Very much. I like the caring atmosphere and also the fact that pupils care about each other as well as the teachers. I have also found that I have been accommodated very well.

Have many people been to see you?

Yes - however I have seen the two extremes: most of the people who have come to see me have been first years and sixth formers.

Is there a broad range of problems?

Yes, definitely! Problems vary from minor phobias to home problems. I also see a lot of people with stress. I help this by teaching relaxation and by having small group sessions.

What do you find rewarding about your job? Helping! I also like the fact that I can give my full attention because I am fully devoted to helping, as I have no other responsibilities.

CG & KT



Mrs Vivien Carpenter

After coming to The Queen's School in 1987 to teach the sixth form non-specialist course in Spanish, Mrs Carpenter developed a course leading to highly successful results in Spanish at GCSE for sixth formers. Her teaching has extended recently not only to A Level French groups but also to more junior classes and she will be missed by girls throughout the school as well as by her colleagues. Mrs Carpenter leaves us to take up a full time post at a sixth form college. We thank her for her dedicated work over the last nine years and wish her happiness and satisfaction in her new work. MC



farewell

Mrs Catherine Willsdon joined The Queen's School staff as a part-time member of the Biology department in September 1993 and became full time in September 1994. She immediately established herself as an invaluable member of the department, not only for her teaching skills but also for her unflappability and great sense of humour. As a colleague, she has been friendly and supportive. She has also been involved in many other school activities; helping with netball, joining in house and end of term events with verve. We shall all miss Catherine and wish her every happiness with her family in Singapore. SW

farewell

Ms Anne Noble came to the School as Head of Classics in September, 1995. She quickly made an impact: her warm personality, lively enthusiasm for her subject and inspirational teaching endeared her to staff and students alike. We are all very sorry that she is leaving us for family reasons and wish her well in her new post as Head of Classics at Putney High School. LG

farewell

An enthusiastic member of the Music Department, Ms. Luxmore has inspired and encouraged many in her specialist area of clarinet and saxophone.

We wish her well in her move to Birmingham. JL



The Queen's School Parents' Association recently presented the school with a cheque for over £11,600 to pay for items requested by the Junior and Senior Schools. The QSPA is proud of its fund raising activities and delighted that the money raised will be used for such worthwhile causes as The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, hockey and lacrosse training, music, computer science and the minibus fund. The money will also contribute towards new books and a CD ROM system for the library.

All this was achieved through the parents who supported the events organised by the QSPA Committee. Our biggest event was the Autumn Market, which involved a network of dedicated parents, who spent nights either making goods or on the phone, requesting support for the various stalls at the market. A big thank you to all involved. The May Ball at The Grosvenor Hotel

drew a tremendous response and was a sell-out within days of the tickets being printed. At yet another event, Peter Dixon, principal 'cello of the BBC Philharmonic, brought fellow musicians to the school for a delightful evening of music. He has since agreed to give a solo recital of Bach 'Cello Suites, in Chester Cathedral on 2nd May 1997, in support of The Queen's School. Two weeks ago the Garden Party at the Junior School drew record numbers of parents and children. The Junior School children were invited to enter a painting competition, on the theme, Endangered Species, to be judged on the day of the party. The Committee were overwhelmed by the quality of the art work produced. Judging was a difficult task and all agreed that the animals were endangered, indeed some were unique!

In addition to the social functions the Association is continuing its

meetings with the Governors to discuss matters of interest to the parents.

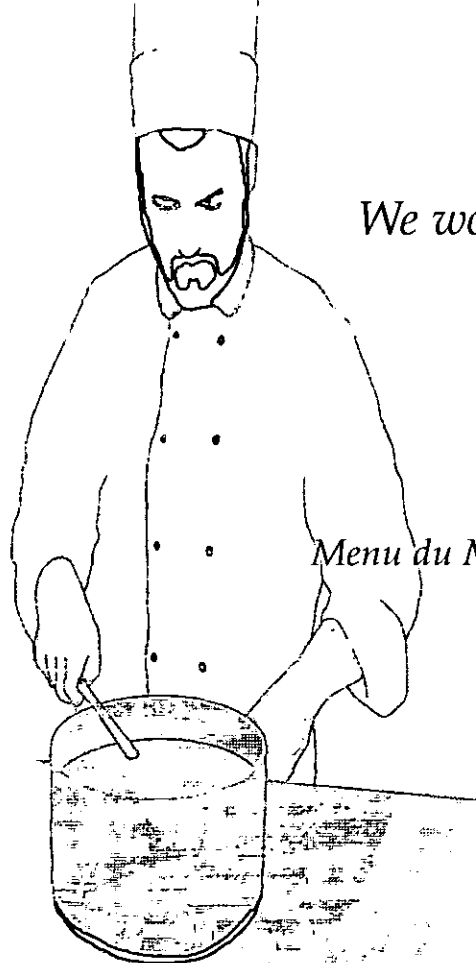
As 1997 approaches, the QSPA is becoming more focused, particularly in the light of the Appeal which is shortly to be launched. We have been working closely with Mrs Sheedy to think of ways to improve the lines of communication between parents and the school. Parents have been invited to become Classroom Coordinators, who will disseminate information as and when the need arises. Parents are being co-opted onto the Committee to spread the workload and increase the bank of expertise. Sub-Committees are forming to organise events for next year. All this has taken time, thought and energy, but will hopefully lay the foundations for an even more successful year in 1997.

Chris Jones QSPA Secretary

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association

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degree results 1995

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Joanne Brownley	1992	Liverpool	2:1 Orthoptics
Vivienne Bowra	1991	Manchester	1st M.Physics with study in Europe
Anna Maddocks	1992	Cambridge	2:1 History
Jane McManus	1992	Cambridge	2:1 Nat. Science
Lesley McWilliam	1990	Cambridge	2:1 Nat. Science
Natalie Morris	1992	Cambridge	2:1 Medicine
Karen Honey	1992	Cambridge	1st Nat. Science
Rebecca Richardson	1992	Cambridge	2:1 Classics
Victoria Flanagan	1992	Royal Holloway College, London	2:2 History
Sian Wright	1992	Manchester	2:2 Biology
Nicola Roberts	1992	Leeds	2:1 History
Sian Hockley	1992	York	1st Chemistry
Philippa Jebson	1991	Birmingham	2:1 French Studies/Geography
Fiona Brimelow	1991	Birmingham	2:1 Modern Languages (French/German)
Nicola Durrant	1991	Belfast	2:1 Physiotherapy
Sian Salih	1992	Nottingham	2:1 English
Morag Kellie	1992	Sheffield	1st Mathematics
Annabel Taylor	1992	Sheffield	2:1 Law
Kathryn Wylde	1991	Bath	2:1 Modern Languages
Laura Barter	1992	Imperial College, London	2:1 Chemistry
Julie Alexander	1991	Birmingham	2:1 Commerce with French
Polly Clark	1992	Birmingham	2:2 Geography
Victoria Connerty	1991	Birmingham	2:2 French Studies
Catherine Powell	1992	Birmingham	1st Psychology
Beverley Roberts	1991	Birmingham	2:1 French
Susan Ireland	1991	Edinburgh	2:1 French

Prize List 1994-95

The prizes were presented by Miss Anne Minors, BA Hons, DipArch (Dist), RIBA, HKIA

Upper Fifth Results GCSE Grades A-C

Sally Al-Bachari Eng A, Eng Lit A*, French A, Hist A, HE A*, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding achievement at GCSE

Sophie Arnell Eng, Eng Lit, French A, German, HE, Maths, Biol, Chem, Phys, Greek Civilisation A

Elizabeth Barrow Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Hist A*, Maths, RS A*, Coord Sc A*, Art A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding achievement at GCSE

Emma Victoria Barrow Eng A, Eng Lit A, German A, Hist A, HE A*, Maths, RS A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Victoria Bayston Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, German A*, Hist A*, Maths A*, RS A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Kathryn Benton Eng A, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Hist A, Maths, RS A*, Biol A, Art A, Greek Civilisation A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Alison Blackwood Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A, Art. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Emma Burns Eng, Eng Lit, French A, Hist, Maths, RS, Biol, Chem, Phys.

Surah Carroll Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist A, HE A, Maths, Coord Sc., Art.

Sally Chadwick Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A*, German A, HE A, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Kelly-Anne Champney Eng A, Eng Lit A*, French A, Geog A, Hist A, Maths, Biol, Chem, Phys.

Gillian Church Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, Germ A*, Latin A*, Maths A, Music A*, RS A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE. Fifth form prize for service to the school. Best piece of creative work in "Have Mynde". Grade VIII Cornet - Merit

Anna Clough Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A*, German A*, Hist A*, Maths A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Clare Collins Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A, German A, Hist A, Maths A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Joanne Cornock Eng, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A*, Hist, Maths A, Music A, Biol A, Chem, Phys A.

Alexandra Crook Eng, Eng Lit, French A*, Geog A, German A*, Hist, Maths, Music A, Coord Science AA.

Alice Dawson Eng A, Eng Lit A*, French A, Geog A, Hist A, HE A*, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Georgina Denby Eng, Eng Lit, French, Geog A, German A*, Hist A, Maths, Biol A, Chem A, Phys.

Sarah Dent Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Hist A, Maths A, RS A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A, Art. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Sophie Dixon Eng A, Eng Lit A, German A, Hist A, Maths, RS A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Isobel Downey Eng, Eng Lit A*, French, Geog A, HE A*, Maths, RS A, Coord Science A*A*. Grade VI Acting

Sarah Drury Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, German A*, Hist A*, Maths A, Music A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Caroline Faria Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A*, Hist A*, Maths A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Sarah Gale + Eng A, Eng Lit A, French, Geog A, Hist A*, Maths, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A.

Catherine Gosmore Eng, Eng Lit, French A*, German A, Hist, Maths A, Music A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys.

Katherine Gregory Eng, Eng Lit A, Geog A, German A, Maths A, Music A*, RS A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Sarah Halbert Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A, Hist A, Maths A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys, Art. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Louisa Harris Eng, Eng Lit, French A, Geog A, Maths, RS A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys.

Catherine Hayle Eng A, Eng Lit, French A*, German A*, Maths A, Music A, RS A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

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Rebecca Hinde Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, HE A*, Maths A, RS A, Coord Science A*A*. Art. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

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Rebecca Hoy Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem, Phys A, Art A.

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Louisa Jones Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A*, Hist A, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A, Greek Civ A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Sonia Jones Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A, Hist, HE A, Maths A, RS A, Coord Science A*A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE Grade VI Acting

Sophia Khan Eng, Eng Lit, French, Hist, HE, Maths, Biol, Phys.

Natalie Ladd Eng, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A, German A*, Hist, Maths, Coord Science. Grade VII Acting - Honours

Emma Levick Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A*, Hist A, Maths, Coord Science AA, Art A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Anna MacLaine Eng, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A*, Hist A, Maths A, Music, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Anika Mathur Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Jane Mooney Eng, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A, German A*, Hist A, Maths, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Deborah Morris Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Hist A, HE A, Maths, RS, Coord Science, Art A.

Claire Newey Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A.

Faye Orme Eng A, Eng Lit A, French, Geog A, Hist, Maths, Coord Science AA, Art, Grade VII Acting

Laura Owen Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Hist A*, Latin, Maths A, Music A, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Samantha Oxford Eng, Eng Lit, French A*, Geog A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A, Chem, Phys, Art.

Giselle Parker Eng, Eng Lit, French A*, German A, Hist, Maths, Music, Coord Science.

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Laura Pinnington Eng, Eng Lit A, French A*, Hist, HE, Maths, Biol.

Jessica Pollitt Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist, HE A, Maths A, RS A, Coord Science A*A*.

Mela Preston Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist, Maths, RS, Biol A, Phys, Art.

Francesca Prokopp Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist, Maths, Music A, Coord Science AA, Art, Grade VII Acting - Honours

Katherine Reed Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Hist A*, Latin A*, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*, Art A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Nicola Riley Eng A*, Eng Lit A, French A*, German A*, Hist A*, Maths A, Music A*, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Jane Roberts Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A*, Hist A, Maths A*, RS A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Lowri Roberts Eng, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist A, Latin A, Maths A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*, Art. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Rachel Ryvar Eng, Eng Lit, French A, Hist A, Maths, Music, RS, Coord Science, Art A.

Rebecca Shields Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A, German A, Maths A, RS A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Julie Simms Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Geog A, German A, Hist A, Maths A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Orlanda Smith Eng, Eng Lit, Geog, German A, Maths, Biol, Chem, Phys, Art.

Francesca Southerden Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Geog A*, Hist A, Latin A*, Maths A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Elizabeth Stone Eng, Eng Lit, French A, Geog A, Hist, Maths A, Biol A, Chem A, Phys, Art.

Joanna Sykes + Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Geog A*, Hist A*, German A*, Maths A*, Biol A, Chem A*, Phys A*.

Kirsty Taylor Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A, Hist A, HE, Maths, RS A, Coord Science.

Katherine Totty Eng A, Eng Lit, French A*, Hist A, Latin A*, Maths A, Music, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Kate Walker Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Hist, Latin A, Maths A, RS A, Biol A, Chem, Art. Grade VII Acting

Jane Williams Eng A*, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Hist A*, Latin A*, Maths A, RS A*, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Kathryn Williams Eng A, Eng Lit A, French A*, Geog A*, Latin A*, Maths A*, Music A, Biol A*, Chem A*, Phys A*. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

Emily Wood Eng, Eng Lit, French, HE, Maths, RS, Coord Science, Art

Clare Young Eng A, Eng Lit A*, French A*, Geog A*, Hist A*, Maths A, RS A*, Biol A*, Chem A, Phys A. Prize for outstanding performance at GCSE

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Lower Fifth Results GCSE Grades A-C

Laura Brocklehurst Music A*

Georgina Jones - Pritchard Music A*

Upper Sixth Results A, AS and GCSE

Tessa Adnitt French, HE, Bus St, Gen St. Prize for Games and Gymnastics

Lesley Anders Econ, Geog, Hist.

Elizabeth Barnes Chem A, Maths A, Fur Maths, Phys A, Gen St A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level Prizes for Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics

Katherine Blackburn Biol, Geog A, Bus St A, Gen St. Prize for Business Studies

Sally Bowden Eng, Lit A, Hist A, Mus, Gen St A, AS French A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prize for History, Grade VIII Cello

Eleanor Bromilow Biol A, Chem A, Maths, GCSE Germ A

Emma Brownley Eng Lit, Geog.

Alison Burns Biol, Bus, St, Gen St.

Rachel Carter Chem A, Maths A, Phys A, Gen St A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prizes for Mathematics and Physics

Lucy Cooke Econ, Geog A, German, Gen St.

Sarah Craig Econ A, French A, Hist A, Gen St, GCSE Italian A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prizes for Economics and French

Julia Davies Chem A, Maths A, Fur Maths A, Phys A, Gen St A, GCSE German A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prizes for Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics

Alison Dawson Biol A, Chem A, Phys, Gen St. Prize for Chemistry. Centenary Prize for Progress. Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Iona Debenham Art, Eng Lit, Bus St, Gen St.

Laura Dodd German, Maths, Phys, Gen St, AS French Irvin Cup for Hockey

Rachael Downer Eng Lit, Hist, Music, Gen St, GCSE Italian

Kate Downey Econ A, Eng Lit A, Hist A, Gen St A, AS RS A, GCSE Italian. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prizes for History and RS

Helen Emery Biol A, Hist A, Latin A, Gen St A, GCSE Spanish A* Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prize for Latin

Elizabeth Evans Biol, Geog A, Hist, Gen St. Prize for Geography

Genevieve Faria Biol, Eng Lit, Hist, Gen St. Prize for Progress in English

Emma Flaherty French A, German, HE, Gen St. Prize for Home Economics Prize for Achievement

Emily Hancock Biol A, Chem, Maths A, Gen St. Prize for Games and Gymnastics

Catherine Heywood Biol, Chem, Geog, Gen St, GCSE Italian. Prize for Games and Gymnastics

Rachel Hobcroft Biol A, Chem, Geog A, Gen St A, GCSE Spanish A*. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prize for Geography

Abigail Holiday Biol, Chem, Eng Lit, Gen St A.

Naomi Hunt Econ, Geog, Maths.

Kathryn Jeffery Biol, Chem, Phys, Gen St A.

Katherine Job Chem, Maths A, Phys A, Gen St A, AS French A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Prize for Mathematics

Laura Jones Biol, Geog, Bus St, Gen St, GCSE Italian Grade VI Singing, Grade VI Piano

Mary Kinsey Biol, Geog, Bus St A, Gen St.

Yvonne Machell Biol, Chem, Geog, Gen St.

Alison Mann Eng, Lit, French A, Hist A, Gen St, GCSE Latin A. Prize for History

Sarah McManus Biol A, Chem A, Phys, Gen St. Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Caroline Molyneux Biol A, Chem, Maths, Gen St.

Hannah Morrey Biol, Geog, Maths, Gen St.

Paula Morris Biol A, Chem A, Phys A, Gen St A, AS French. Prize for outstanding performance at A level. Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Lindsey Musto Biol, Maths, Gen St, GCSE Italian.

Tania Short Eng Lit, Maths, Hist A, Gen St, GCSE Italian A.

Sally Skelland French A, Hist A, Maths A, Gen St. Prize for outstanding performance at A level

Julia Skilton Biol, Chem, Geog, Gen St, GCSE Spanish.

Camilla Smith Biol A, Chem, Phys, Gen St. Centenary Prize for Progress

Lynsay Taffe Eng Lit, Hist, Class St, Gen St. AS Latin.

Sally Thomas Biol, Maths, Phys, Gen St, GCSE Italian.

Sally Weigh Eng, Lit, Bus St, Gen St A, AS French.

Charlotte Wilcox Eng Lit A, Hist A, Class St A, Gen St A. Prize for outstanding performance at A level *CSE Italian A. Prize for Classical Studies

Sarah Williams Eng Lit, French, Geog A, Gen St. Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award

Louise Wong Econ, Eng, Lit, Hist A, Gen St.

Awards and Prizes, Donors

Ruth Mitchell Head Girl's Award (Owen Jones)

Helen Pantony Deputy Head Girl Award (Dr & Mrs Judge)

Angela Parkin Deputy Head Girl Award (Rotary Club)

Sophie Crossfield Queen Victoria's Jubilee Scholarship

Betul Salih Queen Victoria's Jubilee Scholarship. Prize for Service to the School (The Guha Family)

Roisin Almond Prize for Service to the School (The Guha Family)

Emily Barlow Prize for Service to the School (The Guha Family)

Kathryn Lawson Prize for Service to the School (Diana Beck Memorial)

Victoria Price Prize for Service to the School (Diana Beck Memorial) Prize For Public Speaking 1994 (Pate)

Sarah Jones Prize for Public Speaking 1994 (Pate)

Kate Ireland Grade VI Piano - Merit

Kate Brotherhood LAM Bronze Medal Acting

Lynsey Fleicher LAM Bronze Medal Acting

Sarah Williams LAM Bronze Medal Acting

Eleanor Galley Grade V Acting - Honours

Emily Dzelainis Grade V Acting - Distinction

Emma Roberts Grade V Acting

Lydia Ranger Grade V Acting

Ceri Clements Grade V Acting - Distinction

Laura Sensicle Grade V Acting - Distinction

(Mr & Mrs R. G. Shambler)

Helen Mounsey Senior Hannah Owen Award for Lacrosse (Hannah Owen)

Susan Waring Junior Hannah Owen Award for Lacrosse (Hannah Owen)

Lucy Leyland Short Trophy for Tennis (Tania and Anina Short)

House Games Cups

Senior Hockey, Hastings *Prue Nickson*

Senior Lacrosse, Sandford *Jill Moore*

Senior Tennis, Westminster *Clare Morris*

House Athletics, Thompson *Lynsey Fletcher*

Prize for Games and Gymnastics
Tessa Adnitt, Emily Hancock, Catherine Heywood (Margaret Meacock Memorial)

Irvin Cup for Hockey *Laura Dodd* (Mr & Mrs L. Irvin)

Fifth Form Prize for Service to the School:
Gillian Church, (Nicole Butler and Julia Copland)

For the Best Piece of Creative Work in 'Have Mynde' *Gillian Church, (Helen Parker)*

Centenary Prizes for Progress
Camilla Smith, Debra Orme and Alison Dawson (Mr & Mrs J. B. Phillips)

Subject Prizes

Art *Clair Norris* (Randolph Caldecott Society)

Biology *Alice Neal* (Brown Memorial)

Business Studies *Katherine Blackburn* (John Thompson Memorial)

Chemistry *Elizabeth Barnes, Julia Davies and Alison Dawson* (W. Davies Memorial)

Classical Studies *Charlotte Wilcox* (Sandford Memorial) *Lucy Williams* (Mrs C. Ferris)

Economics *Sarah Craig* (John Thompson Memorial)

English *Charlotte Wilcox* (Sandford Memorial)

French *Sarah Craig* (Madame Wozniak)

Geography *Elizabeth Evans and Rachel Hobcroft* (Doris Metzger Memorial)

History *Sally Bowden, Kate Downey and Alison Mann* (Owen Jones)

Home Economics *Emma Flaherty* (John Thompson Memorial)

Latin *Helen Emery* (Miss Whittham)

Mathematics *Elizabeth Barnes, Rachel Carter, Julia Davies and Katherine Job* (Miss Nedham)

Physics *Elizabeth Barnes, Rachel Carter and Julia Davies* (Owen Jones)

Religious Studies *Kate Downey* (Sandford Memorial)

Prize for Progress in English *Genevieve Faria* (Horton Memorial)

1995 Leavers - Destinations

University Degree or other course

Lesley Anders University of Central England, Law

Elizabeth Barnes Newham College, Cambridge, Natural Sciences

Katherine Blackburn Sheffield Hallam, Physiotherapy

Alison Burns University of Central England, Business/Management Studies

Lucy Cooke Leeds, Environmental Science

Sarah Craig Birmingham, Business Studies with French

Alison Dawson Liverpool, Medicine

Laura Dodd Southampton (RN Bursary, 1996), Electrical Engineering

Kate Downey Merton College, Oxford, History

Helen Emery Leeds, Psychology

Genevieve Faria Sheffield Hallam, Business & Technology

Emma Flaherty Northumbria, Law

Emily Hancock Birmingham, Anatomy/Physiology/ Biochem

Abigail Holiday Leeds Metropolitan, Physiotherapy

Naomi Hunt Edinburgh, Geography

Kathryn Jeffery Newcastle, Microbiology

Katherine Job Nottingham, Medicine

Laura Jones Newcastle, Geography

Mary Kinsey Leeds Metropolitan, Physiotherapy

Yvonne Machell Liverpool, Biological/Medical Sciences

Alison Mann St. Andrews, History

Sarah McManus Bristol, Dentistry

Caroline Molyneux UCL, Biochemistry

Hannah Morrey Oxford Brookes, Food, Nutrition & Biology

Lindsey Musto University of Teeside, Computer Design/Graphics

Clair Norris West Cheshire College, Art Foundation

Debra Orme Birmingham, History

Tania Short Sheffield, Psychology

Sally Skelland Sheffield, Law

Julia Skilton King's College, London, Nursing

Camilla Smith Newcastle, Biology

Lynsay Taffe QMW, Law

Sally Thomas Durham, Biology

Sally Weigh Manchester Metropolitan, Marketing/Market Research

Lucy Williams Swansea, History

Sarah Williams Lancaster, French

Louise Wong Cardiff, Business Studies/Japanese

1994 Leavers who deferred or re-applied

Helen Cartwright Durham, Modern Languages

Penny Neale Keele, Maths & Business Studies

Elizabeth Parker Emmanuel College, Cambridge (for 1996), English

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Alice Neal Biol A, Special Biol, Chem, Maths, Gen St A, GCSE Italian A. Prize for Biology

Clair Norris Art, Bus St, Gen St, Prize for

Debra Orme Geog A, Hist, Class St, Gen St, Centenary Prize for Progress

Victoria Pugh Biol A, Chem, Phys, Gen St

Abigail Rosenbloom Biol, Geog, Hist

Elizabeth Pumfrey (left 1993) Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Clare Morris Moore Cup (awarded to the girl who has most frequently represented the school as a member of the first teams in Hockey, Lacrosse and Tennis)

Jill Moore Moore Cup

Sarah Hutton Shambler Cup for Badminton (Mr & Mrs R. G. Shambler)

Emily Jones Shambler Cup for Badminton



skiing

Last year the school ski team won the North-West Independent Schools Championships at Llandudno. Rena Trybocka came 1st overall in the females and 1st in the Under 16 girls. Sarah Mills came 2nd in the Under 16 girls and Anna MacLaine came 3rd.

After skiing well in the regional rounds at Pendle, the team also got through to the English Schools Finals at Sheffield and Rena and Sarah attended the British Schools Finals at Chatham.

The skiers were:

Rena Trybocka	UV
Sarah Mills	LV
Anna MacLaine	LVI
Rachel Bochenski	UVI
Madelaine Troy	UIV
Catherine Fennel	UIV
Gemma Lee	UIV
Rosamund Lloyd-Jones	LIV
Victoria Fairclough	LIV

Anyone interested in skiing should contact Sarah Mills, LVH.

Rena Trybocka UVC

cross country

1995/6

We started in September with the house cross-country competition and from these results we selected Minor, Junior and Intermediate teams for the Chester and District Championships on 17th October 1995.

the intermediate team finished in 2nd position:

Georgina Jones-Pritchard 3rd
Leilah Williams 5th
Laura Antlett 13th
Katherine Whitby 19th

the junior team finished in 2nd position:

Naomi Lucas 1st Gemma Jones 9th
Amanda Gemmill 17th Elizabeth Pawson 20th

the minor team finished in 2nd position:

Katy Timmins 3rd Nicola Blucher 9th
Alex Wilcox 10th

The above mentioned girls all went on to represent Chester and District in the Cheshire Championships held in January at Dorfold Park, Nantwich.

Tennis report 1995

Captain - Lynsey Fletcher



The Queen's School Tennis teams overall had a very successful season with some excellent achievements. Over 40 Removes came to tennis practice every week and the Under 12 team beat Neston in the annual match by six matches to one.

The Under 13 team had several friendlies and we also entered two teams in the Midland Bank Competition. The "A" team defeated Abbeygate, Heber, Neston, Sandbach and Heathfield to reach the Cheshire Finals where they defeated Lymm and Weaverham to become Cheshire Champions. In the Northwest Finals we were narrowly defeated by Withington in the second round. The U13 team also became Chester and District Champions last summer.

The Under 14 team played in the Junior Cheshire Doubles Tournament. They defeated Christleton, Tarporley and Neston to reach the semi-final but lost to Lymm by two matches to one on a very long, hot afternoon.

The Under 15s probably played more tennis than any other team last summer. In their Midland Bank Competition it was the "B" team who reached the Cheshire Finals defeating Upton, Abbeygate, Blacon, Heathfield and Sandbach en route. In the finals they lost to Lymm and Whitby.

They also played the local Chester and District Tournament and finished in third place and competed in the Intermediate Cheshire Doubles Competition where they were defeated by Stockport in the semi-finals. They had beaten Tarporley and Frodsham in the earlier rounds. The Senior team were runners-up in the Senior Cheshire Doubles Finals against Lymm, Wilmslow and Sir John Deanes. They won the Chester and District Doubles Tournament, regaining the trophy for Queens after seven years. Queens reached the third round of the Aberdare Cup this season, beating Blacon and Caldys Grange then narrowly losing to Merchant Taylors on game countback 29-25. Some enjoyable tennis was played to a very high standard. All teams played in several friendly fixtures as well as the tournaments and there were some excellent school tournament matches played.



The results are as follows :

Junior Singles Winner	Philippa Copland
Runner-up	Hannah Bowen-Jones
Doubles Winners	Philippa Copland and Sian Morris
Runners-up	Anna Catchpole and Amy Wallace
UIV Singles Winner	Rachel Cooper
Runner-up	Claire Roche
Doubles Winners	Claire Roche and Jane Ashton
Runners-up	Helen Roberts and Rachel Cooper
LIV Singles Winner	Lucy Leyland
Runner-up	Sarah Hutton
Doubles Winners	Lucy Leyland and Emily Jones
Runners-up	Gemma Roberts and Sarah Arden

Remove Singles winner	Naomi Lucas
Runner-up	Natalie Jones

The Short Trophy for Tennis was awarded this year for the first time and Lucy Leyland was chosen to receive it.

Tennis Colours:

Junior colours: Phillipa Copland, Sara Scott, Sian Morris, Hannah Bowen-Jones, Ciara Leeming.

Senior colours: Clare Morris, Jill Moore, Lynsey Fletcher.

Athlete of the Year Trophy: Laura Antlett and Angela Willis.

Athletics Colours: Laura Antlett, Angela Willis, Leilah Williams, Georgina Jones-Pritchard, Rebecca Willsdon, Angela Stacey.

The Moore Cup

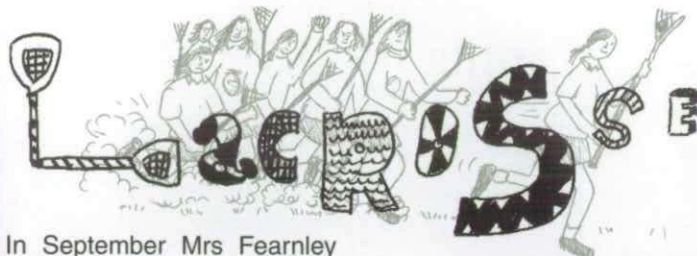
This is awarded to the Sportswoman of the Year who has represented the School in the first teams for hockey, lacrosse and tennis on the highest number of occasions. In 1995 this was awarded to Jill Moore and Clare Morris jointly.

rounders

We had lots of 'friendly' rounders matches last summer, all very light-hearted and enjoyable and in amongst all these came the Chester and District Tournaments against all the schools in the Chester area. Our Removes and Lower Fifts both reached the semi-finals, but our main congratulations must go to the Lower Fourths who won the Under 13 tournament, retaining their title from the previous year and also the Upper Fourths who won the Under 14 Tournament.



cross country
1995/6



In September Mrs Fearnley joined us to help with lacrosse whilst Mrs Waring was on maternity leave. As neither of us had much experience, Mrs Fearnley with lacrosse and myself in running a team, we had to start from scratch.

The season started extremely well with eleven girls being selected to represent Cheshire; Jill Moore, Clare Morris, Beth Turner, Helen Mounsey, Emma Barrow, Amy Wallace, Susan Waring, Becky Hoy, Caroline Faria, Ciara Leeming and Pippa Bruce. Susan went on to represent the North of England squad. During the Autumn Term we also benefited from expert coaching from Mark Coups and Rob Boulton.

The first team welcomed half its members as fifth years. Many positions chopped and changed over the course of the season, but we achieved some notable results, particularly against Wirral Girls' Grammar School 8-0, Howells School 9-1, and Claremont Fan Court - a touring school from Surrey.

In November we travelled up to Queen Ethelburga's College near Harrogate for the Northern Schools Tournament. As usual the weather conditions were wet and freezing, but the notoriously good food made up for this! We played well with some notable achievements.

More recently, we attended the National Schools Tournament in Milton Keynes. The competition was very stiff, but we played well, kept our heads up and finished fourth in our section. According to "those in the know", we were expected to get "totally annihilated" by Haberdasher's Aske's, but we only lost by four goals! Well done to everyone!

The U15's have continued to show us up. The first team don't quite know how they do it (and some don't like it) but they've won nine out of their ten matches. Apparently this is something to do with the five C's!?!

The U14's have also produced excellent results, winning seven out of their eight matches this season. They look set to carry on the U15's reputation next year.

The U13's are not quite settled yet but are slowly improving and coming together. Enthusiasm is strong and has rubbed off onto the U12's, who are so keen we have been able to field three teams. In recent months Pippa Bruce, Ciara Leeming and Helen Mounsey attended Welsh Trials. All three were selected, Pippa for the first squad.

We shall be very sorry to lose two squad members this year. Chloe Fordham and Becky Willsdon are leaving this summer and their squads will miss them next season. Good luck in your new schools. I have enjoyed my season as captain and would like to thank all those who helped and supported me throughout. It was very much appreciated, especially in Mrs Waring's absence. Thankyou.

Jill Moore, UVI

LACROSSE RESULTS TABLE

	Total Matches Played	Matches Won	Matches Drawn	Matches Lost
1st XII	11	4	2	5
2nd XII	5	3	1	1
U15	10	9	1	0
U14	8	6	0	2
U13	10	3	1	1

U15 lacrosse

March 1996 saw the end of four extremely successful seasons for the current Under 15 team. It ended with an emotional day at the North Schools Under 15 Tournament. We were narrowly beaten in the semi-final by one goal scored in the final 30 seconds. This resulted in our team finishing 3rd in the North overall.

From our very first practice in the Removes we have been a team of committed friends and this has been reflected in our performance and results gained throughout the years. Our dedication has been shown by our weekly visit to Chester Ladies Lacrosse Club fitness training and many a lunchtime spent with stick in hand on the field. We would like to thank all our parents for their support, travelling all over the country to spectate, transporting us to school and matches and turning us out in clean kit! Thanks to Mrs Fearnley for being there while Mrs Waring decided to go and have another baby. But our biggest thanks go to

Mrs Waring for her dedication to our team. Remember girls Confidence, Commitment, Control, Communication and Courtesy...the 5 C's. The Under 15 team

P.S. watch out. We'll be back.

U14 lacrosse

At the beginning of the season the Under 14 squad were very enthusiastic despite missing their most important member - Mrs Waring. The squad attended regular practices, and with the help and encouragement of Mrs Fearnley won all their matches; notable victories over Liverpool College and Bolton.

Mrs Waring returned after Christmas to be faced with a rather dilapidated squad, mainly due to over-indulgence during the festive period. The bitterly cold weather did us no favours and unfortunately many of our matches were snowed or rained off with waterlogged pitches. We braved the elements to attend our practices regularly and with Mrs Waring's guidance we won all our matches. We look forward to playing in the Territorial and National Tournaments for our age group next year and learning from the senior squad players when we combine for practices with them.

Lucy leyland and Amanda Gemmill.

welsh lacrosse

In March we represented the Welsh Lacrosse team at the Junior Home Nations Tournament at The Institute of Sport in Cardiff. Pippa was selected for the 'A' team and consequently participated in the territorial tournament. It was a thoroughly enjoyable experience. It gave her the opportunity to get to know her fellow team mates better. Despite frantic efforts to learn the National Anthem, we all arrived at the ground bright and early. During the course of the day we played matches against England and Scotland. We thoroughly enjoyed the competition entering into the patriotic spirit of the event with much enthusiasm. The experience was most rewarding and hopefully we will all be able to repeat the honour of representing Wales on further occasions.

U13 lacrosse

This year's lacrosse season got off to a good start with some convincing wins. There has been a pleasing turn out of eager lower fours who have been extremely enthusiastic when it comes to matches. Despite playing the upper fours at practice and losing every time, we have still had a lot of fun.

Over the year we have improved our skills, game play and cooperation greatly and our squad has become much stronger. The season culminated at the end of March when we, along with our supporters, parents and opponents met for The North Under 13 Development Tournament. Everybody was excited especially as there were high hopes for our 'A' team. Despite missing a few key players who were representing school at the Bromborough Music Festival, our 'A' team finished runners-up to a very strong team from Birkenhead. It was a very pleasant morning, with some excellent results for both teams.

On behalf of all the lower fours we would like to say a big thankyou to all who have helped with our lacrosse. Mrs Fearnley who started us off at the start of the year, Mrs Waring for coming back and improving our game play tremendously, Mrs Moore for organising our fixtures, our parents for bringing us to school very early on Saturday mornings and collecting us late after school, Helen and Beth for umpiring many of our matches, and Mrs Faulkner for keeping school open for us. We look forward to the season next year and hope that it will be as successful as this year.

Jenny Crooks
and Amalie Bowen-Jones

U12 lacrosse

The under 12 lacrosse squads have worked extremely hard to improve their skills and have produced some excellent results. The first match was against Moreton Hall, we were all very excited and after a 'nail-biting' final 5 minutes we eventually lost 3-2. We went on to play convincingly in the rest of our matches and proved victorious in all. We have all enjoyed the matches, squad practices and practicing with some of the older teams. We would like to say a big 'thankyou' to Mrs Waring and Mrs Moore for giving us so much help.

Emily Rudge

Squad Lists

Senior Squad

J. Moore, C. Morris, L. Fletcher, H. Mounsey, B. Turner, A. MacLaine, E. Barrow, R. Hoy, S. Scott, V. Hewitt, S. Morris, A. Wallace, C. Leeming, C. Fordham, A. Catchpole, R. Turner, D. De Silva, A. Arnell, S. Jones

U13

S. Lee, J. Bohdanowicz, R. Khan, B. Graves, R. Mcgimpsey, N. Lucas, R. Lloyd-Jones, K. Mcgettigan, G. Churton, C. Kato, V. Lloyd, A. Bowen-Jones, M. Nicholson, N. Jones, R. Donovan, M. Carpenter, C. Graves, R. Thomson, E. Jones, E. Pawson, P. Chesters, J. Crooks, S. Pym.





Captain - Clare Morris

This season's hockey has been as successful as usual on both individual and team achievements. At the start of the season three girls were selected to represent Cheshire at U18 level - Clare Morris, Becky McKay and Anna MacLaine. Sara Scott, Sian Morris and Hannah Bowen-Jones were selected for the U16 county team and Seven players received county honours at U15 level - Angela Warren, Melinda Totty, Helen Roberts, Susan Waring, Fay Robinson, Claire Roche and special congratulation must go to Gemma Roberts who was selected from the U14 team. A total of 13 players which must be a record for the Queen's School hockey!

The 1st XI welcomed some talented fifth years into the team, but the transition took a good half term to settle. Every Monday Mrs. Fearnley and Miss Huck have coached the squad on Astroturf at Chester College and these practices have been invaluable. Not only have our skills improved, but our team play has flourished which has been most encouraging. As the season has progressed, the standard of our play in fixtures has increased dramatically and we have not lost any matches in the spring term, a great achievement as we have played some tough opposition. We have won both the Chester and District Indoor and Outdoor Tournaments and in the Cheshire Finals Queens came third, narrowly missing the runners-up position by only one point. One noticeable change this season has been the improved attitude from all players - attendance at practices has been excellent and in matches the team spirit

has been admirable. Well done to everyone.

The U15s have lived up to their high expectations and have also benefited from the practices on the Astroturf. Many of them have had the added experience of Cheshire matches and their hard work has paid off as they have only lost two matches all season, a remarkable achievement. Their enthusiasm and skilfulness has won them the Chester and District Indoor Tournament - we hope these aspects will remain with them next year.

The U14s have had an unbelievably good season. They have played a lot of matches and this has obviously proved to be most beneficial. They easily won the Chester and District Outdoor Tournament and made the school proud by becoming Cheshire County Champions. With these successes the team looks set for an excellent season in September. The team has the talent, determination and will, the only item missing next season will be Gemma Roberts as she is leaving the area. Her excellent hockey and leadership skills will be missed and needless to say her goal scoring abilities too. Good luck Gemma.

The U13s have improved tremendously since Christmas - Anna MacLaine should be congratulated on helping to achieve their recent success, by coaching them with wholeheartedness. They have won every match this term and their "A" team won their section in the National Mini-Hockey Championships and went on to gain overall third position in Cheshire.

The U12s are as yet undefeated and an extremely talented side. Their scores have been most impressive, winning 10-0 against Merchant Taylors who are a good side - in fact they have not conceded

any goals, except in the Invitation Centenary Tournament when they came overall third in their section playing some outstanding opposition. Their team play can only improve as they become more competent in their skills and have further match play practice.

I have no need to express further quite how impressive this season's hockey has been. Everyone's attitude has been practically faultless and team play has been outstanding. The fixture results make the hockey the best in Chester and District and one of the top schools in Cheshire. This would not have been conceivable without Miss Huck and Mrs. Fearnley's endless coaching and Mrs. Moore's support. So thank you all for your hard work; it is fully appreciated. Well done to Jill Moore, Becky McKay and Prue Nickson for their dedication to hockey for all 7 years at Queens and I wish everyone including my successor good luck for next season and I hope that the hockey is as enjoyable and rewarding as it has been this year.



Squad Lists

Senior Squad

C Morris, J Moore, B McKay, P Nickson, A MacLaine, K Totty, N Riley, C Young, J Mooney, L Harris, S Dixon, S Scott, V Ball, V Hewitt, S Morris, P Copland, H Bowen-Jones, C Fordham, D DeSilva, R Turner.

U15

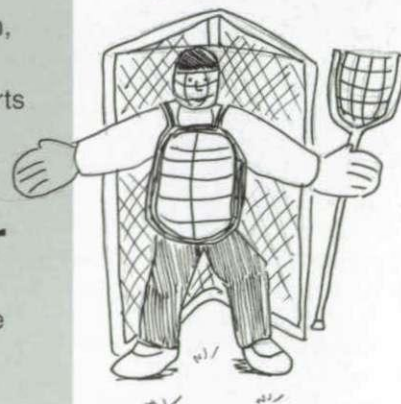
A Warren, P Lindsay, P Bruce, J Mounsey, M Totty, H Roberts, A Willis, L Antlett, A Stacey, G Swindells, R Cooper, S Waring, F Robinson, C Roche, C Clements.

U14

E Jones, S Worden, L Woolley, A-M Perry, P Dixon, A Gemmill, S Hutton, S Kalghatgi, J Haywood, L Leyland, G Roberts, G Jones, S Arden, A Kirk, S Mcilroy, L Petranca.

U13

C Graves, M Nicholson, B Graves, C Antlett, S Lee, V Lloyd, J Crooks, J Bohdanowicz, M Carpenter, N Lucas, R McGimpsey, R Khan, R Thompson, C Kato, K Mcgettigan, N Jones, S Pym.



Hockey Colours awarded to:

Junior

Susan Waring,

Claire Roche,

Fay Robinson,

Helen Roberts,
Melinda Totty,

Angela Warren,

Gemma Roberts

Senior

Anna MacLaine



under 14 hockey team

SEASONS HOCKEY MATCH RESULTS

Team	Matches Won	Matches Drawn	Matches Lost	Total Matches
1st XI	2	4	5	11
2nd XI	3	0	0	3
U16	1	0	0	1
U15	9	0	2	11
U14	8	1	2	11
U13	6	3	4	13
U12	9	0	0	9



Table Tennis Club

On 25th March 1996, the finals for the Remove, UIV and LV table tennis competitions were held in the school gym. People paid 10p to watch. Proceeds went to the week's charity appeal. Even Mrs Chorley paid to watch for three minutes through the window!

Champions Runners -up

Senior

Rachel Cooper, Angela Warren

Junior

Caroline Evans, Zubeena Coppack

Remove

Sarah Roberts, Natalie Goharriz

In the Remove final, Natalie Goharriz put up a good fight against Sarah Roberts, but narrowly lost in the end after an exciting match. Sarah won both of the two games. Well done to both!

In the UIV final, Zubeena Coppack played two nerve-wracking games, Caroline beating Zubeena in both.

In the LV tournament, Angie Warren and Rachel Cooper played two skilled and tense games. Angie closely losing each. Both girls played extremely well and deserve to have got as far as they did in the competition.

Next came the big match - Mr Armstrong first to serve. Both men played cautiously at first, but things hotted up when Mr Armstrong delivered the ball "rapidement" (as Mr B would say) over the net, but not so fast as to fool Mr Belkadi, who somehow managed to send it back over the net, landing on the table. The match carried on, Mr Belkadi being the overall winner.

Caroline Evans

netball

This has been a very successful season for our netball teams. Removes, LIV and LV have been extremely keen to practice and play matches. We played teams from Rydal, Catholic High, Tarporley, Abbeygate, Neston, Bishop Heber, Upton and Ellesmere College and all teams played in their respective Chester and District Tournaments. The U15 team qualified for the semi-finals where they lost by one goal to Christleton, the eventual winners and the Under 12 Team qualified for the final against Upton where they lost by 5 goals to 3. This is the first time we have qualified for netball finals so we are very pleased with our teams' performances. C. Moore

Tae Kwon-Do

Due to the success of the self-defence sessions held at last year's post-GCSE conference, Mr. Martin Williams, 2nd Dan, was asked to return to The Queen's School so that those interested could try their hand at Tae Kwon-Do.

Many Lower-sixths have been attending the classes as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award.

We hope to pass our first grading in the near future which will promote us to 9th Kup.

Girls from the Lower Fifth who were not put off by the strenuous press-ups, or the counting to ten in Korean, have also enjoyed Tae Kwon-Do.



gym club

On Tuesday lunchtimes many Removes and Lower Fourths attended a Gym Club run by Mrs. Moore, where they worked for Baga Awards. Some Lower Fifths also came and worked for badges, including Rhythmic Gymnastics and Sports Aerobatics. We all wish to thank Mrs. Moore for running a very enjoyable club.

Mary Carpenter LIVB

Badminton Club

Badminton Club is on every week in the Gym. All the years from the second year are welcome to come and join in. All the equipment that is needed is supplied and ready to use. It is run by Kate Williams (who is in the sixth form) and Mrs. Cracknell, who come every week at 12.00 and often stay until past 12.30. We have a lot of fun playing games and activities organised by Kate who also organises tournaments with prizes for the winners and losers. It is great fun but it also helps to improve our techniques.

badminton

The under-14 team

Sarah Hutton
Natalie Howe
Emily Jones
Amanda Gemmill

entered the Cheshire Schools' Tournament in Middlewich during March.

They won the first round and then went into the final and came away victorious after beating Shavington.

Sarah Hutton and Emily Jones played U16 and U14 Cheshire Schools respectively during the season.

Over the last month the Shambler Trophy tournament has been played.

There was a good entry and Sarah Hutton, Emily Jones, Natalie Howe and Amanda Gemmill got to the final.

The eventual winners were Sarah Hutton and Emily Jones.

Sarah Hutton and Emily Jones UIVB

SWIMMING

The swimming team had two matches this year - one at Rydal and the other at Rydal Penrhos. We were narrowly defeated by one point against Rydal, which was a pleasing result as the Rydal team mainly consisted of boys. The other at Rydal Penrhos was a convincing win for us by over fifty points. In May 1996, our Under 12 and Under 13 teams swam in a Northwest Independent Schools Gala at Rydal Penrhos. We were the

only all girls team there, but we did very well to come third out of seven schools with some good individual results.

Well done to our teams from Removes to Lower Fifths who enjoy the excitement of these swimming matches and practices.

Rachel
Armstrong LV



ARCHERY

As I am a keen archer myself I thought it would be interesting to set up a coaching session once a week as part of my GCSE PE course. I had quite a good response but due to safety reasons only four people could take part. The volunteers were taught the basic skills involved in archery and an understanding of the rules. Due to a limited amount of time available I was determined the lessons would carry on whatever the weather. The volunteers, Kate Williams, Sarah Drury, Isobel Downey, and Sarah Gale, progressed well throughout the course even though they were unsure of participating in the snow on one occasion.

Louisa Harris. LV1 J.

Cricket

Cricket was a very popular summer sport last summer, all due to the expertise of Miss McGrath who was with us for the term. Girls of all ages enjoyed the practices and the end of term match. We are hoping to keep going this year with the help of Mr. Armstrong and Mrs. Mickiewicz.

C. Moore

ATHLETICS

Individual results were:

Naomi Lucas	1500m	1st
	Long Jump	3rd
Rabia Khan	Triple Jump	1st
	200m	3rd
Bridget Graves	100m	2nd
Shahrazad Dashti	Discus	2nd
Nicola Davies	High Jump	3rd
Relay Team		1st
Year 8		
Seeta Khalghatgi	100m	1st
Joanna Haywood	70m Hurdles	1st
Eleanor Stephan	Discus	1st
Sarah Arden	High Jump	1st
	800m	3rd
Relay Team		1st
Gemma Roberts	200m	2nd

Gemma Jones	70m Hurdles	2nd
Year 9		
Laura Antlett	1500 m	1st
Jane Bellamy	75m Hurdles	1st
Susan Waring	Javelin	1st
Katherine Whitby	800m	2nd
Relay Team		2nd
Emily Pearce	200m	3rd
Rebecca Willsdon	Discus	3rd
Intermediate		
Georgina Jones-Pritchard	800m	1st
Harriet Mucklow	80m Hurdles	1st
	High Jump	1st
Emma Barrow	300m	2nd
Leilah Williams	1500m	3rd

ATHLETICS

T.S.B. Athletics - 1995

The Cheshire round of the T.S.B. athletics tournament was held last week. Both the Junior and the Intermediate team performed very well, finishing in 1st and 2nd respectively. It was a very good team effort with some excellent individual performances. Naomi Lucas won the 1500m in a new school record of 5 minutes, 25 seconds and Sharhzad Dashti won the discus, Sarah Arden the High Jump, Laura Antlett the 1500m for the Intermediates and both relay teams won their races. Congratulations to everyone involved.

As I write, 1996 looks even better than 1995. Keep up with all the training girls.

Our Athletics Teams go from strength to strength each year. In 1995, our Junior team of Removes and Lower IVs qualified for the regional finals of the T.S.B. for the first time ever. Unfortunately we were not able to compete due to school examinations. Our Intermediate team also performed extremely well and finished as runners-up in the Cheshire qualifying round in Warrington. The Chester and District Minors Championship was to be held as usual at the Queensway Stadium in Wrexham. Fourteen local schools all arrived at 4pm to a torrential downpour of rain, thunder and lightning. The meeting had to be abandoned and re-scheduled at Upton one afternoon after half-term. Our Removes performed extremely well finishing in 3rd position overall, only three points behind the winners Tarporley. The Chester and District Annual Championships for all other age groups took place in Wrexham on 12th July. Queens' year 8 team won convincingly 69 points to 2nd place Tarporley's 36. Our year 9 team were runners-up to Tarporley 52 points to 50 and our intermediate team finished in third position. Overall, the Queen's School were Chester and District Champions.

C. Moore

football

Football at Queens has continued to make good progress. The standard of play has improved greatly and more girls than ever are now playing. It was pleasing to see so many first years joining the squad.

We now have our own "Q.S.F.C." kit generously provided by Rose Cottage Veterinary Centre, courtesy of Mr. Henry. It consists of blue and red striped shirts, blue shorts and red socks. As Barcelona F.C. play in the same colours, they will have to change their away strip

when they come to play at Queens!

We played our first full 11-a-side outdoor match, losing narrowly to the local champions Bishops High. We also competed in the Chester Christmas and Easter Football tournaments for girls and finished a very creditable third on each occasion.

We have been extremely lucky to have had such a good coach as Mr. Roberts. He has a very professional approach to coaching football and a great enthusiasm for the game, which has rubbed off on all the players. Furthermore, he has devoted a great deal of his own time to the Queens School Football Team.

With the increasing popularity of football as a girls' sport, we feel sure that Q.S.F.C. will become an important part of the sporting scene at Queen's.

Annabel Newey LVPL

house *report*

Captains

Hastings

Katherine Totty Sarah Halbert

Sandford

Anna Maclaine Emma Barrow

Thompson

Catherine Gosmore Sophie Dixon

Westminster

Katie Gregory Caroline Faria



We took up our jobs as house captains in January, not really knowing what to expect and certainly not realising the amount of work involved. We started collecting merit points twice a week.

Last term we had the enjoyment of organising the Junior Lacrosse and Senior Hockey teams. The highlights of these events were persuading people to play and desperately trying to find enthusiastic people to play Lacrosse goalie for the day. Junior Lacrosse was won by Sandford followed by Thompson 2nd, Hastings 3rd and Westminster 4th. Despite the extreme lack of goals, Senior hockey was won by Westminster with Hastings and Sandford in joint 2nd and Thompson in 4th.

At the end of last term we also held the Remove Quiz. We started planning it well in advance but still had a few last minute panics, with three of the house captains out of school on that day. Some how our hard work paid off as it went with only a few small hitches. Sarah coped brilliantly as quiz master and Caroline's 'blind-tasting' round was an inspired new addition to the quiz with Branston Pickle being the least favourite taste. The eventual winners of the quiz were Sandford, so well done to their team. Thanks must go to Mr Armstrong and Mr Cook for their technical help with this event and to Mrs Swift for co-ordinating the quiz. Thanks must also go to the rest of the house staff for all their help, without which our job would have been much more difficult. Finally we would like to say that we have all really enjoyed our first term in office and we are looking forward to the delights of the summer term.

Anna Maclaine and Katherine Totty, LVI

House Points

Hastings

241

Sandford

167

Thompson

230

Westminster

216



music music music

dates in the *music* calendar

15th October

Chamber Choir sings at the United Nations Service, United Reformed Church, Hoole.

16th October

Choral Workshop with Mike Brewer, OBE.

17th November

Chamber Choir sing at Evensong at Chester Cathedral.

7th/8th December

School Christmas Concerts.

19th December

School Carol Service at Chester Cathedral.

13th January

Anna Markland Music Festival.

16th February

Lunchtime Recital in the School Hall by Alexandra Dixon, Elin Stuart and Miss Rona Jones.

8th March

GCSE Music Evening.

15th March

Chamber Choir sings Evensong at Chester Cathedral.

23rd March

Training Choir and Senior Choir compete at Bromborough.

28th April

Chamber Choir sings at Chester Cathedral for a Remembrance Service.

3rd May

Commemoration Service at Chester Cathedral.

8th May

Lower Sixth trip to see the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra.

The Anna Markland Music Festival

This event has grown over the years into a musical extravaganza, and this year, the format which proved so successful last year was retained; all the classes took place on Saturday January 13th with the Winners' Concert held at 7.30 that evening.

Classes ran simultaneously in the Hall and Music Room 1, from 9.30 am until late that afternoon, and were adjudicated by two respected musical figures, John Daniel and Ashley Thompson. There was again an enormous entry of girls and in particular the Removes showed great enthusiasm in their first opportunity to enter the Festival. There was an incredibly high standard of playing which was commented on by both adjudicators. Those who won their classes went on to the Winners' Concert where they



competed against each other for one of the six trophies, the most coveted of these being the Anna Markland Trophy for Outstanding Soloist, which was eventually won by Jenny Higgins of the Lower Sixth. Jenny's accomplished performances of "42nd Street" and "But Not For Me" also won her the Ann Brotherhood Vocal Trophy. Samantha Ward of the Lower Fourth also received two awards, the Piano Trophy and the String Trophy. The Swann Trophy for Woodwind/Brass was won by Georgina Jones-Pritchard, upper fifth playing the recorder. Finally, the James/Surfleet Ensemble Trophy went to Katie Henry, Lauren Kerr, Emily Rudge and Amanda Gemmill, all from the Upper Fourth, for their performance of the Bach Air on a G String. All these winners must be congratulated on their achievements, and thanks must go to Mr Pilsbury and Mrs Lucas, without whom the event could not have run so smoothly, and also to anyone who helped or stewarded on the day. And to all those who didn't quite make it to the Winners' Concert - don't despair, 1997 could be your year!

Christmas concerts

7th and 8th December 1995

Once again, The Queen's School Christmas Concerts provided parents and friends with a varied programme of musical items involving over 150 girls from all years. String Orchestra opened the Concert and performed from Handel's Firework Music and also Bach's Concerto for two Violins with Elin Stuart and Katherine Pearce appearing as soloists on Thursday and Jenny Higgins replacing Katherine on the Friday evening. Junior Choir gave an enthusiastic debut performance as did Training Orchestra. Wind Band began the second half and were well received.

Training Choir and Senior Choir enjoyed performing their repertoire in front of an appreciative audience and Senior Orchestra proved to be a rousing final item with their rendition of the Overture to the Marriage of Figaro by Mozart. In between all the large ensembles we were able to enjoy a number of solo items on a variety of instruments. Thanks to everyone, including the behind the scenes team, who helped make the Concert so enjoyable.

Training Choir

Since September there has been a very good turnout at Training Choir as we welcomed many new LIV's. After working hard all term we performed two pieces at the Christmas Concert which were well received. In January we went straight back to work practising for the Bromborough Music Festival in March. "Witchery Wood" and "Peter Piper", were highly praised but lost the cup to the Senior Choir, although we won our class. After Bromborough, the UIV left Training Choir to join Senior Choir for Commemoration. We wish the Training Choir and next year's UIV and LIV the best of luck!

UIV Training Choir Members
1995/1996

Guys and Dolls April 1996



Comments from audience and cast:

"Eventually, after months of busy rehearsals and a lot of panicking on most people's behalf! 'Guys and Dolls' finally hit the stage to the enjoyment of all involved. Georgina Denby entertained the audience with her outstanding performance of Adelaide - the Queen of the 'Hotbox'-supported by her merry band of 'Hotbox Dolls'.

Jenny Higgins wooed the audience and Sky Masterson with her interpretation of the strait-laced mission doll, Miss Sarah Brown.

Ben Whittaker's and Graham Drury's performances, as Sky Masterson and Nathan Detroit, provided a wonderful lead for the 'crapshooters'.

The male and female choruses rounded off the cast list to provide three nights of Frank Loesser's 1950's musical. Reports were all excellent from audience and cast.

Well done to all involved."

"The whole cast, (joint King's and Queen's School), contributed to a night of great entertainment. The hard work and dedication made sure that the production ran smoothly-the audience were enchanted. Authentic costumes, good scenery, catchy tunes and superb acting, made for a pleasant interpretation to a classic play."

drama CLUB Report

Organising a drama club has been an interesting and enjoyable experience despite our shock in the first session to which 70 Removes and LIVs turned up in eager anticipation when we had been expecting about 30. We were blessed with an enthusiastic group who took advice but also had a lot of ideas of their own.

The club is split into various groups, managed by LVI and co-ordinated by Mr Ainsworth. Several plays have been produced, including: "The Wizard of Oz" and "Snow White and the 7 1/2 Easter Bunnies," which all had tremendous audience appeal. Numbers have thankfully calmed down slightly and we now have a dedicated core of innovative young people who are destined to excel in the world of dramatic arts.

J.C.W & K.A.R, LVI



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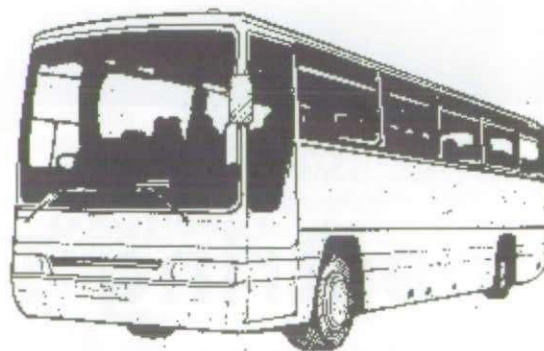
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Science & TECHNOLOGY

Learning Latin by Computer

1995/6 has seen further leaps forward in the provision of Information Technology to the girls of The Queen's School. Each year the quantity and sophistication of our computers increase, always leaving older girls feeling cheated whilst the Removes become ever more excited with the resources available to them. Our Computer Room (F3) has been re-stocked with a network of Acorn RISC PCs running top quality software. As the micros are linked on an Ethernet, girls are no longer slowed down by technical aspects such as using floppy discs, and can share resources such as CDROMs and the laser printer. Magazines, posters and tickets produced by girls include photos captured using our hand scanner and some charming group compositions taken by linking a camcorder to one of the micros. Developments have taken place on all fronts. A grant from CEWTEC gave us the encouragement to set up a quality CDROM system in the Library for our Sixth Form girls to obtain detailed information about courses in all UK universities, using the ECCTIS database disc. Since then a range of other CDROMs have been purchased, giving

girls a wide range of reference sources, and showing the way that data may well be retrieved from reference Libraries of the future. An additional CDROM system is now being installed in the Library 1996, with plans for an area to be specifically being set aside for electronic reference systems. The School Office now has a powerful system with a database that has already proved itself to be invaluable - not just to enable the instant retrieval of pupils' addresses and telephone numbers by Mrs Salter and Mrs Applewhite, but for the production of form lists, envelope labels, etc. The Deputy Headmistress, Mrs Sheedy, is also connected to them, so that all three can now share data. A major area of interest has been our recent connection to the Internet. Use of e-mail by girls has had to be controlled for reasons which can be imagined, but opportunities to send observations on the quality of TV productions to the BBC Point Of View programme, and receiving messages from a local boy's school were amongst the first uses. We are very fortunate that we have been part of a trial by Liverpool University which has meant that we have been able to be one of the

first schools to put our Prospectus on the World Wide Web! As a result, anybody connected to the Web anywhere in the world can read all about us! Certainly this is the information system of the future. Net surfers should note that our home page can be found at <http://www.liv.ac.uk/~queens/homepage.html>, and e-mail can be received in our Computer Room at queens@liv.ac.uk. In line with the ideas of the National Curriculum, the use of computers by our girls is becoming increasingly integrated with other subjects. IT lessons provide instruction in basics and to explain concepts, but the skills are then used in other subjects across the curriculum, using computers in other classrooms in the school. Kitchen design and diet analysis; language lessons in French, German and Latin; History lessons in the Preparatory and Junior Departments; the collection of weather data and its analysis; preparation of business plans; production of magazines, tickets and formal letters - these are all aspects of being prepared for the twenty first century

D.F.

The Removes Visit to Chester Zoo

On Thursday, 28th March all of the girls in the Removes visited Chester Zoo as part of our first year Biology syllabus. In Biology we were studying vertebrates - birds, mammals, amphibians, fish and reptiles. The Zoo was an ideal, local place to study these animals and their environments in more detail. We had booklets to fill in, and in our groups of three and four we toured all of the areas of the Zoo. Everybody took to Karah, the new baby elephant, who was just a month or two old when we saw her. The chimps swinging from rope to rope, grooming each other and playing with their young, caught everyone's attention. Although it was hard to tell one type of fish from another the aquariums were interesting too. As for the crocodiles - well, I am still convinced that they are fake as they lay so still in the shallow waters of the tropical house. After we had been round the Zoo it was shopping and refreshments time and posters and postcards were eagerly purchased in the Zoo shop. It was a very enjoyable day and we all learnt a lot from the trip.

Kary Timmins and Jane Neale,
Remove St.

mathematics COMPETITION

As in previous years, several girls have entered local and national mathematics competitions. In the National Mathematics Contest, Sophie Crossfield of the UVI came 142nd out of an entry of over 33,000. This outstanding achievement meant she was invited to participate in the prestigious Mathematics Olympiad. In the Intermediate Competition all the LV entered, with Penny Evans, Philippa Wetherell, Elizabeth Elliot and Katherine Whitby achieving Gold

Certificates. In addition to this 13 girls gained Silver Certificates and 16 gained Bronze Certificates.

In the UK Schools Junior Challenge, the LIV acquitted themselves excellently with Stephanie Wetherell, Petrina Chesters, Naomi Lucas, Elizabeth Halbert, Sally Pym, Gemma Clarke, Emma Jones, Natalie Wheatley and Victoria Fairclough all achieving gold certificates. In addition, 17 girls gained Silver and 24 gained bronze certificates.

In particular, congratulations to Stephanie Wetherell and Petrina Chesters who did well enough to be invited to take the UK Junior Mathematical Olympiad. This placed them in the top 0.7% in the country!

In the Mathematical Education on Merseyside competitions, Katherine Whitby won a consolation prize in the Senior Competition, with Ruth Armstrong, Natalie Howe, Marianne Milnes and Rebecca Wilkison gaining Certificates of Commendation. In the Junior Challenge, Shyma Ratnam did very well to win a Consolation prize in an entry of over 3,000, with Vicky Ashworth, Elizabeth Halbert, Lucy Heffer, Vicky Lloyd, Kathy Timmins, Sarah Watson and Alex Wilcox winning certificates of commendation. Well done to all these girls - this is a fine achievement.

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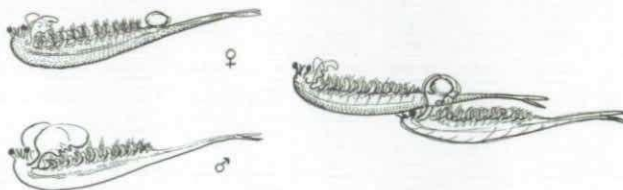


Science & TECHNOLOGY



shrimp watching

The Queen's School is a pilot school for a Science Education Research Project based at Homerton College, Cambridge. The project is supported by the British Ecological Society. We have set up a stable culture, or mini-world, of brine shrimps (*Artemia*). The natural habitat of this crustacean is a salt-pan or salt-lake. The ancestors of the shrimps in our culture came from Lake Utah, USA. They are pretty, feather-like animals and pupils have enjoyed observing their behaviour from day to day. The Removes have studied them during Biology classes. A small group of Remove and LIV formed a 'Shrimp Club' and have met each week for two terms to carry out some investigations with the shrimps. A limiting factor has been the short lunch break, but the shrimpers have nevertheless gained some interesting data from their experiments which have been passed on to the 'Shrimp World Watchers' Project.



The group have determined the swimming speed of the shrimps (on average 0.4km per hour), and have compared the rates of males and females (males are faster). The effect of different pollutants on the shrimps has been studied - they have been found to be remarkably resilient creatures! Based upon a hypothesis that the shrimps move in a set pattern, an investigation concerning the rhythm of their movement around the tank has been started. Studies are also being carried out on their feeding and their mating behaviour. When the salt-pans dry out, the shrimps survive as egg-cysts. These hatch when the pans fill with water again. Our shrimp world will be allowed to dry out in the school summer holidays as if it were a natural salt-pan, and then it will be set up again next school year. It is hoped that 'Shrimp World Watchers' will have another generation of brine shrimps to watch.

M.J.

Clubs and Societies

Voodoo

When we signed up for Y.E. in September, we all had different motives and none of us knew how to go about creating a successful company. We elected our directors to various positions and they had to decide on a public image which would, hopefully, catch attention and reflect the enthusiasm we had. The name 'Voodoo' was voted in: this gave us our black and white theme (easy for uniforms and cheap photocopying!) and led to our distinctive logo.

Our range of products was largely based on market research within our main market: school. We soon built up enough stock for weekly stalls and to attend various craft fairs in other region. Our most popular products were the ceramic tiles (thanks Debbie!), but our most well known ventures were probably the first and second year disco we ran and the infamous Valentines Magazine. Having got our paperwork sorted out we then attended the Chester Area Board finals in Broughton. We won Quality Assurance, Production and Best Managed Company awards, as well as second best overall company. This enabled us to compete in the County Finals in Crewe.

Doing YE has given everyone valuable experience and new friends - we've all developed new skills and learned the value of teamwork. Thanks must go to everyone who has supported us and anyone who has bought our products.

C.Y.

Young Enterprise Medley

Medley was formed in September of the Autumn term 1996. Attendance was good during this period and many ideas for products and future development were put forward. Our first public appearance as a company at the Autumn Market was successful with many orders being taken. The idea of personalised writing paper was very popular with the parents.

After Christmas morale was low but it improved with the success of the Valentine Disco held at County Offices, Upton. The company has now been put into liquidation but we did gain a nomination for the Presentation Award. This experience gave us the chance to work as a team and run a business. It showed the qualities and failings of us all, which proved very beneficial for most of us.

I.D.

The Combined Cadet Force

In September, fifteen girls from LIV joined the Army Cadets. This involved getting onto the bus every Friday to go to The King's School where cadets is held. At first enthusiasm was high at the thought of meeting all the King's boys! Now, though, the number of female members has dropped to eleven with only five attending our weekend adventure training camp and only four attending Summer Camp. A lot of girls have now realised that there is actually work involved! Every week, we rush to parade/inspection so as not to be late. After that it is off to separate sections to carry out training in the form of Section Battle drills, classroom lessons, first aid and map and compass, along with many other topics. We have recently taken part in an adventure training weekend in and around The King's School grounds. It was brilliant fun but everyone was reluctant to patrol the camp at 4:00 a.m. During this weekend we took part in command tasks, setting up camp, using the firing range, and we all attempted to cook our own food. Some experiments were not successful and ended with food soldered to the mess tins and inedible! Finally, thanks must go to Captain Robinson, Mr. Elmore and Under Officer Julai as well as the RSM's who run the CCF and do a wonderful job organising everything.

Sarah Proudlove and Petrina Chesters LIV H

Both Quest Club and Christian Union have seen an increase in attendance this term. Christian Union numbers have increased into the twenties, which includes our three keen and faithful Kings boys. Our meetings this term have been taken by various people including Mrs Griffiths, Miss Woodland, the Kings boys and Vicky's mother who talked about the effect that Christianity has had on her life. We finished the term with our traditional Easter party. Quest Club



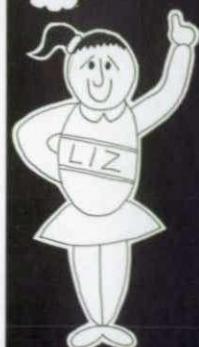
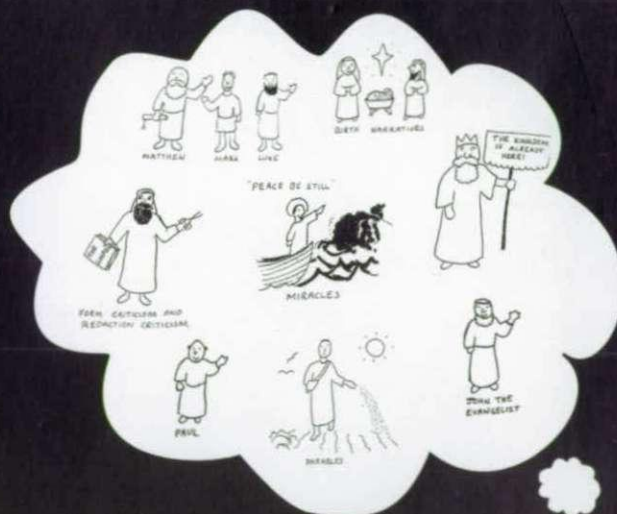
started the term with the faithful few Removes and Second years. We had meetings taken by Mr Armstrong who spoke about the relevance of Jesus and God in our lives, and the Fifth years, who organised a quiz which proved to be popular. Other meetings were spent singing, discussing issues and doing drama. The highlight of this term has been our annual visit to Living Waters, an eighteenth century mansion in beautiful parklands in the Welsh hills, at Dolwen, near Colwyn Bay. Although aimed at the younger years, there were members of every year who attended, the older years helping to run the weekend. Despite the forecast of rain, the sun shone the whole time, which added to the enjoyment. Our speakers for this year were Stuart and Julie, Mrs Barnes' son and daughter-in-law. Their theme for the weekend was the rather unusual theme of "Feet". They captivated everyone's attention by combining Christianity with events such as opening Creme Eggs with feet. The weekend was greatly enjoyed by everyone, even more so by those Upper Sixth for whom it was their last visit with

the school. Thanks must go to all the staff who gave up their weekend and who have spoken at our Quest Club and Christian Union meetings and especially to Mrs Lloyd, whose continuing support and loyalty is greatly appreciated. Thanks must also go to Mr Lloyd; without whom Living Waters would not be the same.

Sarah Dent, LVIF



NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES



**Elizabeth
Barrow LVI**



MRS. LLOYD ~



Francesca Prokopp LVI

work by religious studies 'a' level students

FASHION

the clothes show

It was a month to remember. Not because it was nearly Christmas or the end of term holidays. It was because something different happened on the 3rd December. This was the day I visited Birmingham, or more exactly, 'The Clothes Show'.

After dragging myself out of bed to reach Chester for our early start, I was beginning to wonder whether it was worth it. I was looking forward to going so much that the journey seemed to take forever. It didn't help when we appeared to be stuck in a traffic queue on the way, although this soon disintegrated - to my relief.

We arrived in Birmingham at about 11 o'clock. Everyone was excited and couldn't wait to get off the

bus. We would all have done just this if it wasn't for Mrs Hoyle who had figured out how to use the microphone in order to organise us before we dashed off.

An hour later, we were spending our money at various stands and picking up bargains. Others were having haircuts, or advice on beauty products, while others had makeovers. Personally, I was quite content standing at the 1FM stand, where a lot of different acts were performing, although I did wander around the stalls and spent my money on a new bag. There was so much there, you didn't know where to start. This made it easier to get lost, too. Although I thoroughly enjoyed the whole day, the highlight must have been the catwalk show. I was pleased at meeting Jeff Banks too, which was a bonus. During the show, it was the male models who proved to be very popular, although the whole performance was excellent; the sound, lighting and presentation all being well organised. Overall, it was a day to remember.

Helen Ryvar LV



the fashion show

On March 22nd LV PI held a fashion show in aid of Francis House Children's Hospice. The clothes modelled were from various companies including BHS, Sail and Ski and Olympus Sports World.

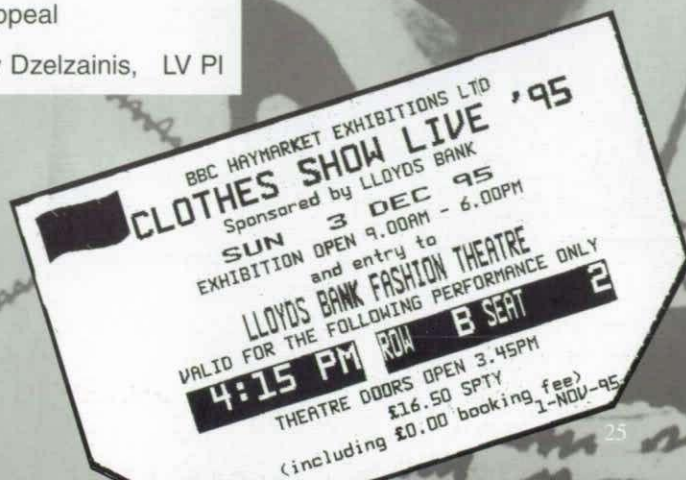
Girls from LV PI and willing members of staff helped make up the modelling team. Dedicated organisers and hours of practice helped make the night a huge success. During the evening there was a raffle of prizes donated from local stores. This helped to boost the proceeds to a magnificent £1370. Thanks must go to Carole Dzelzainis and Pat Kilshaw for their help and to all the people who have supported us and given donations to this worthy charity.

£870 Francis House

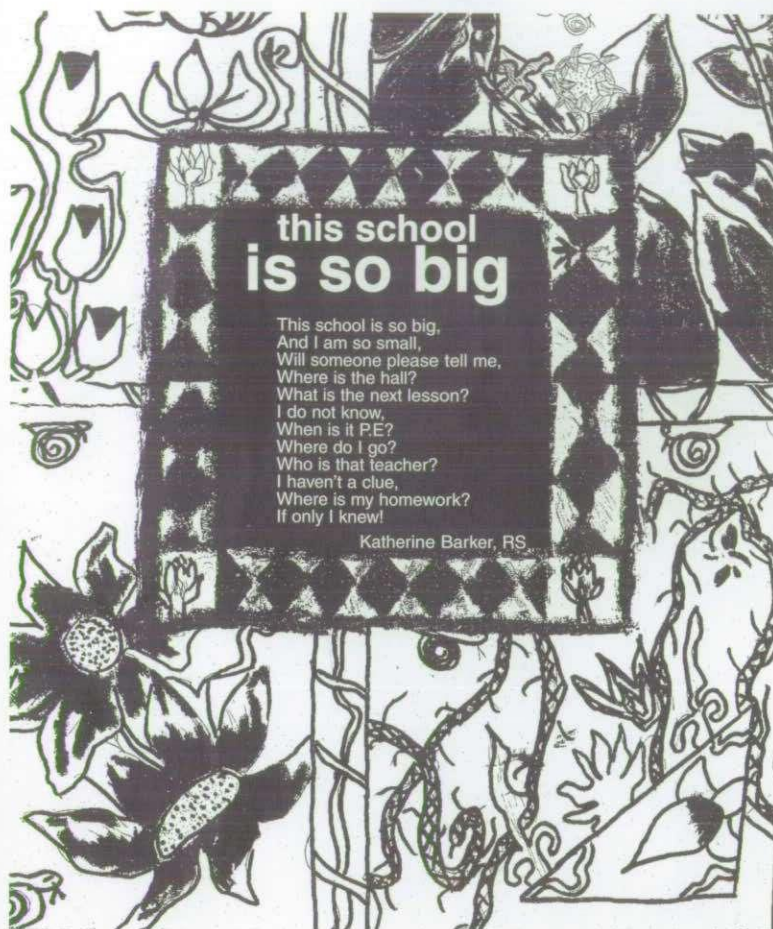
£500 Queen's School

£97 Dunblane Appeal

Emily Dzelzainis, LV PI



creative writing



Poem based on '*The Automat*,' a painting by Edward Hopper (1956)

I wonder will anybody notice me in this stylish,
golden hat.

I bought it specially for the end of work when I sit
in the automat.

The coffee's always the same, the lights are
always low

But faces change and all different kinds of people
say "hello."

I suppose I look quite lonely and in need of a little
care.

I flatter myself they'd think it a crime to leave me
sitting there.

Mother always said with looks like that I'd be
married by twenty-five.

But my left hand displays no wedding ring 'though
it knows I've often tried,

There was Richard, Edward, Henry, John and
even his brother Paul,

But none of them took much interest in anything
'part from football.

So I come here every night and think of the things
I miss,

Children, a home, romance, love, an idyllic
moonlight kiss.

That'd keep me happy forever, I've no ambitions, I
don't need much fuss,

Just a red-brick house with a garden in front and a
mini instead of the bus.

It doesn't matter, I know it only happens in picture
shows,

When handsome strangers sweep girls off their
feet with some chocolates 'n a rose.

I've never met Cary Grant and I doubt that I ever
will,

But that's not real life, this is real, working all day
to pay the bills. Still,

"Tomorrow is another day" as Vivien Leigh once
said,

I've got my golden hat and hope for the future
which lies ahead.

BLACK

Delicious foods, such as black jacks,
Liquorice, olives and black paint tracks.
The infamous, disgustingly awful black pud
Black, the sound of a black heart thudding.

Black can mean minerals, soot, jet and coal
Jet is the coat of a wild new foal.
A spooky black cat, its owner a witch.
Coal black a stallion, nose all a-twitch.

Black is for death, black is for murder,
Black is the victim, whose life goes no further
Black is the racism, black is the race,
Black is the culprit, without a black face.

Bruised black is the eye that Will Carling has got
Soot-black is the cauldron, soot-black the stew
Jet black the briefcase, grey-black the bear
Black are the schoolbags,
Where textbooks are stored.

The mysterious night has a shiny jet sky
And fleeting shadows prowling by.
Black is for bruises and bleeding black eyes,
Black is for evil, to hate and despise.





'a' level work

by katherine brotherhood & helen dzelzainis uvi

Indian puppet drawings



close work by victoria ball ov

art nouveau inspired paintings

charlotte jones LIVR

melissa nicholson LIVS

victoria lloyd LIVH

rachel mcgimpsey LIVS

sarah proudlove LIVH



creative writing



THE RUMOUR

What? What's that?
Did I hear you say.
He hates me?
Is that the truth?
He likes another girl?
I'll ring him up tonight,
And give Him a talking
to.
I rang Him last night.
He said it wasn't true.
I believe Him,
Not you.
You only heard it from
His friend's brother's
girlfriend
Who just happens to
be
Your piano teacher's
daughter.
Rumours hurt.
I hope you
understand.

Petrina Chesters, LIVH



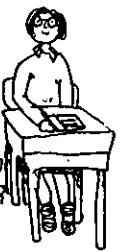
FREEDOM

I wish I was somewhere else,
In a little cottage in the
countryside.
With a buttercup meadow,
And cows grazing.
With beautiful butterflies,
And birds singing.
With my mother and father
And two little sisters.
Playing in the meadow,
In the safety and sunshine.
I wish I was somewhere else.
I am locked up
In this dark little annexe,
Just sitting
And waiting to be found.
Everyone miserable.
My sisters are crying.
I want to cry too,
But I must not weep.

I am locked up,
And I want to get out.
I wish I was somewhere else,
Overseas in a new peaceful
country.
With no war,
Only my friends and my
family.
Going outside,
Without being worried.
The silence is beautiful,
No gun shots.
Just peace and
quiet.
I wish I was
somewhere else.

Lowri Harrison

LIV R



War

A war to the death is an
ugly thing,
A death to the war is
beautiful.

Elizabeth Kerfoot, LIVH

HAIKU

The crisp white snow lay
As a beautiful blanket,
On the frosty floor.

Delicate, intricate,
Snowflakes drift from the chilly air,
Resting on the ground.

Sunshine peeps through the
clouds,
Outbreaks of light fall on my skin,
I can feel the heat.

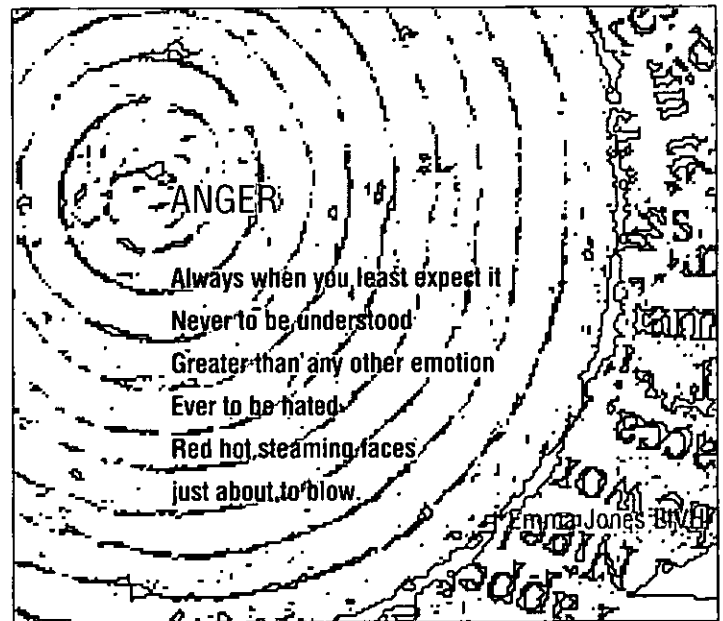
Daffodils and tulips
Blooming into beautiful flowers
Show through the frosty floor.

Sunny days and hot nights.
The sun gets hotter and hotter,
I rest in the heat.

Huge blue waves crash onto
The sandy shore, at the beach.
Kids shouting with pleasure.

Red, gold, yellow leaves
Drift to the soft floor, covering
The wet green grass.

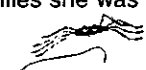
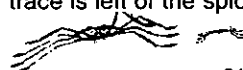
Chilly nights; the winds
Breeze fiercely through my hair,
Leaving my face numb with cold.
Sarah Lee LIV S



SPIDER

The spider stands on a branch of the great elm tree. She begins to spin. Silken thread is wound around various branches in an intricate pattern, all to catch her prey. The web glints in the moonlight, complete and fresh. The spider sits in the centre, motionless. Suddenly, she senses a struggling body at her side and moves in for the kill. When she has pierced its small body with her fangs, she encases it in a coffin of silken threads. Tonight she is not so hungry and so hangs it up on the web, a midnight snack. Then she returns to her lookout post in the centre. When dawn comes her web is covered with dew and she patches up some damage which has been done during the night. Suddenly, there is a commotion; it is a bird. The bird plucks off the spider and lifts her high into the clouds, devouring her as he goes. The web is demolished. No trace is left of the spider, except for a few encased flies she was saving for a rainy day.

Alison Capper, LIV S



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A DAY I SHALL NEVER FORGET

My fourteenth birthday was planned as a special day. We were to have breakfast downstairs, instead of our cold, dismal, hide-out room.

I was excited, but slightly nervous, sitting on the edge of my seat, just in case the Germans attacked. The curtains were drawn and we were starting to eat our meal, which Mrs Nelson had kindly prepared for us.

Suddenly, there came a loud, gruff voice.

"We know you're in there, you filthy Jews. If you don't come out now, we will knock the door down and kill everyone we find!" beloveld the voice in German.

Our hearts pounded. Should we open the door? (Weeks later I decided what we did was probably for the best). Mother, pale-faced with a trembling lip, slowly walked towards the door and opened it.

The small room became crowded with noisy, rough German Nazi soldiers dressed in khaki suits with the Nazi emblem embroidered onto them. We were dragged along and forced to walk towards the small village hall which we found was full of other Jews. Recognising Jewish friends, I tried to approach them, only to be kicked to the ground bruised and wounded.

I could hear high-pitched cries as people were whipped and beaten.

A strong German soldier stomped towards me. "It's your turn to go in ; you're right after that father of yours, Mr. Schmitt."

I stared at him in horror. "You have got father as well?" I asked.

"Of course," he replied smugly. My father and brother had been sent to another part of the country to go into hiding.

Father had thought it was safer to separate the family and they would have less chance of finding us.

The man grabbed me, pushing me towards a small study, where a stern Nazi officer stood, a whip in one hand and a frown on his ugly face. He asked me many questions. Who took us into hiding? Where did we get our fake passports and identity? Who gave them to us? Towards the end I was feeling rather pleased with myself because I had answered all of the questions but steered around the truth.

"Bend down," shouted the man angrily. Of course I obeyed. Suddenly, my whole body shook with pain and blood trickled down my bruised back. He was whipping me.

"That will teach you to lie. You're a filthy rotten lying Jew".

I knew they were trying to get me to scream for my father to hear, but as my numb body ached with pain I needed to scream. I did so, but this received more beating.

I remember entering a dirty, smelly cattle lorry with two metal buckets for toilets. At least my family was together. Huddled up together in immense darkness with my father's arms around me, I sobbed. This was the worst day of my life and the last time my family would be together.

Sarah Roberts Remove S

Monologue

Right everyone, line up in pairs whilst I count you! 2,4.... stop pushing back there!... 8,10... quiet everyone!... 16, 18, 20. Good, we're all here. Now get into your groups. My group follow me : Tommy, James, John... (Trust me to take the real animals around the zoo!)... Kate, Becky, Emma, let's go!

Kate, you can't possibly need the toilet again, you went five minutes ago!... Oh well, too late! It's alright, it doesn't matter. Just don't drink any more lemonade!

James, where's Tommy? And where did that chimpanzee get peanut butter sandwiches from?

John, don't tease that gorilla! Don't put your fingers!...Phew! That was close. I think we'd better move on.

Becky, if the wind changes your face will stick like that!... (It won't make any difference anyway)...

Emma, don't jump in that puddle... Oh well you'll dry out... (Ha! serves her right!)...

Listen everyone. James has taught the parrot to talk... James I think you and I need to have a little word!

Goodness, look it's lunchtime already...(Thank God!)... Let's go and meet the others... (They all need locking up if you ask me!)...

Right everyone line up whilst I count you: 2,4... Stop it!... 8,10... Quiet!... 16, 18... 19...

James! Where's Tommy?

Elizabeth Armstrong UIV C



friday bomb

Friday Bomb

Sirens wailing,

Children screaming,

Bodies everywhere.

All because of one thoughtless thing

That ruined the peace there.

Church bells ringing,

No-one singing,

Mourners everywhere.

People yelling, screaming, shouting,

For the peace that once was there.

Stephanie Wetherell LIV H

satisfaction

Killing, maiming, destroying people's
Innocent lives.

The horrific sight of a war-torn city,
death lingers round every corner.

Lying in wait, for the next bystander
to meet an end.

Regimental Harmony.

Too much, too soon.

"You're not my religion, my colour, my race."

Sights locked, squeeze the trigger.

Satisfaction sick satisfaction.

An ugly fight to the Death.

For what?

Happiness? Universal Peace?

More like universal pain.

Anguish. Strife.

The reason?

Sick satisfaction.

Elizabeth Kerfoot LIVH

Haiku

Red Pain of war becomes
Scarlet tears from the victim,
Sorrow and suffering.

Orange Amber ball of flame
Steadily disappearing
Past the horizon.

Yellow Peeping through the clouds
Playful rays of warmth and strength
Essential for life.

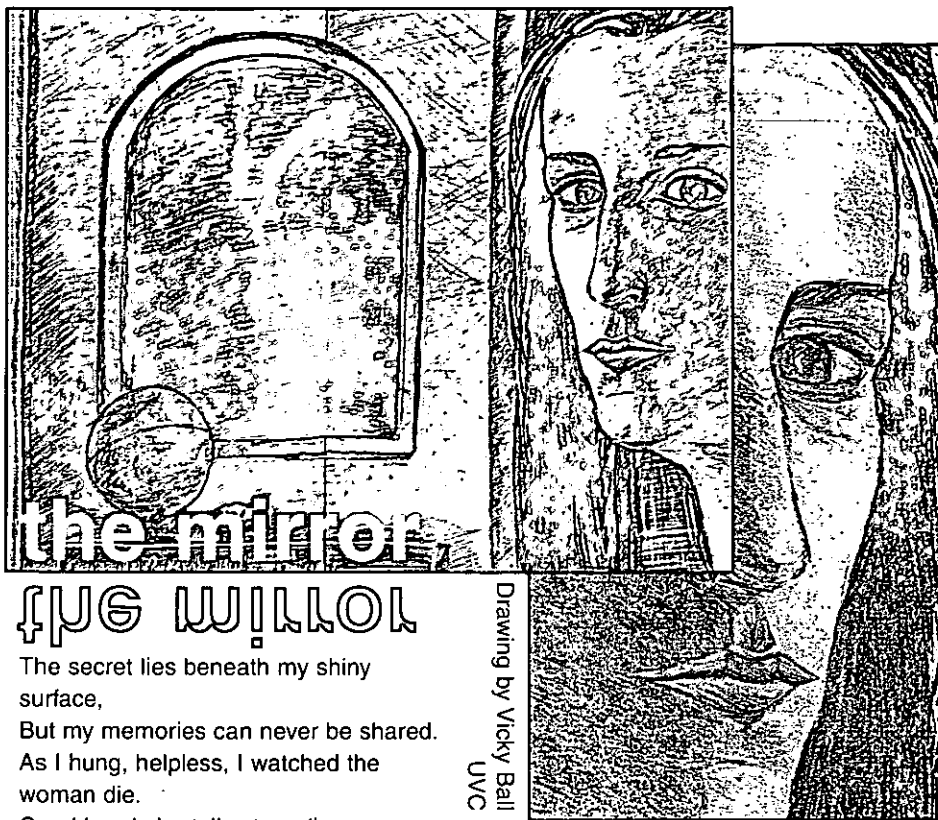
Green Dew settles again
The emerald blades, fresh damp
Glistening in the light.

Blue Deep azure expanse
And crowds of delicate swirls,
Dancing in the breeze.

Indigo Tall and majestic
Like regimented soldiers
The Iris bloom.

Violet The flowers open,
Bursting from their hiding place
To flourish in colour.

Natalie Jones LIV S



the mirror

the willow

The secret lies beneath my shiny surface,
But my memories can never be shared.
As I hung, helpless, I watched the woman die.
Cruel hands brutally strangling
every last breath from her body.
He stood, smiling, when the deed was done,
Now he feigns sorrow and grieves with a
heart of stone.
Figures dressed in black move softly,
weeping,
They comfort him, but they don't know
the truth,
They never will.
The fleeting images faded as she died.

Drawing by Vicky Ball
UVC

<p>Still, She lies The rouge Making her Lifeless face Look full of life. Cold She is On her own now Or perhaps not Beasts In Hell The dark figures come To fetch her</p>	<p>Embracing themselves Around The body Her corpse is dragged Down Down To the burning place To where she has Gone Dead Forever dead But never forgotten.</p>
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Emily Jones UVB

The Chimney Sweep's Ghost

They gave me the brush
And pushed me up
Into the chimney's dark hole.
The gloom came to greet me,
It guided my feet,
Twisting along the sharp walls.
In an old hole,
The black stole my courage,
Leaving me there to die.
Then came the smoke
And roasted me slowly.
My body to ashes was burnt.
One night I was woken.
The culprits were shadows
Eagerly reaching to grab me.
I am an old ghost,
A ghost of the coal,
Floating along the grim passage.
Here I am stranded
In a sealed tomb,
The chimney to heaven too long.
I am doomed to remain here
Forever and ever,
The only escape endless night.

Kate Billings UIVB

Caroline Appleton UIVJ

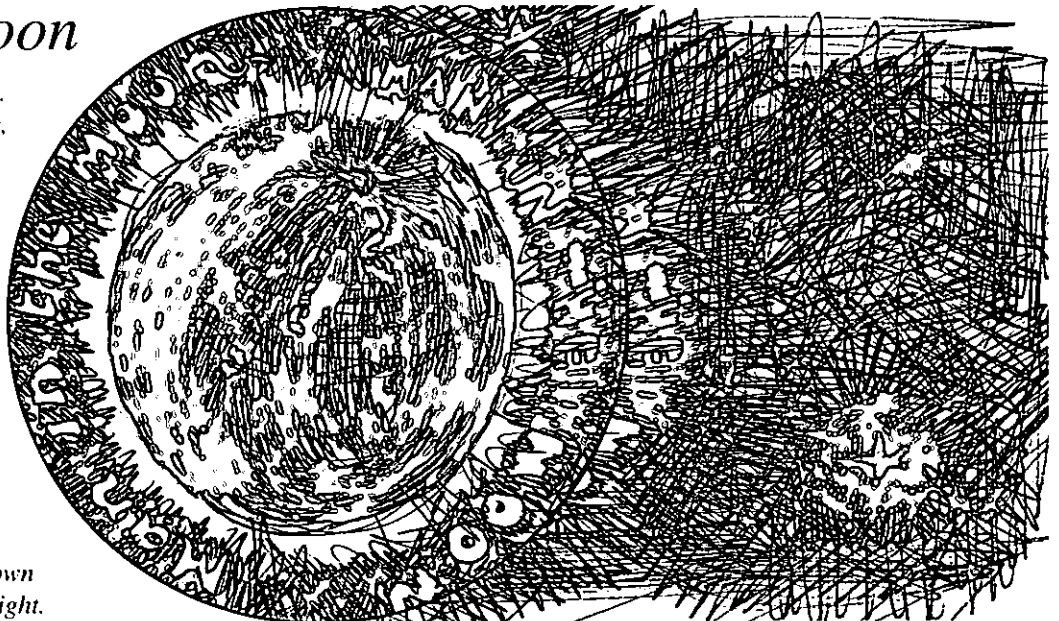
The Moon

*A huge shape, suspended in space.
A luminous globe, alabaster white,
Source of folklore and mystery.
Diana the huntress goddess of
night.*

*A pock-marked surface.
Scars made when the galaxy was
young.
One side burning
in the sun's light,
The other, frozen in darkness.*

*She waits out her lonely vigil
Alone in the black of space.
A thousand burning lights gaze down
As she slowly spins in her lunar night.*

Claire Braid UIVJ





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antarctica



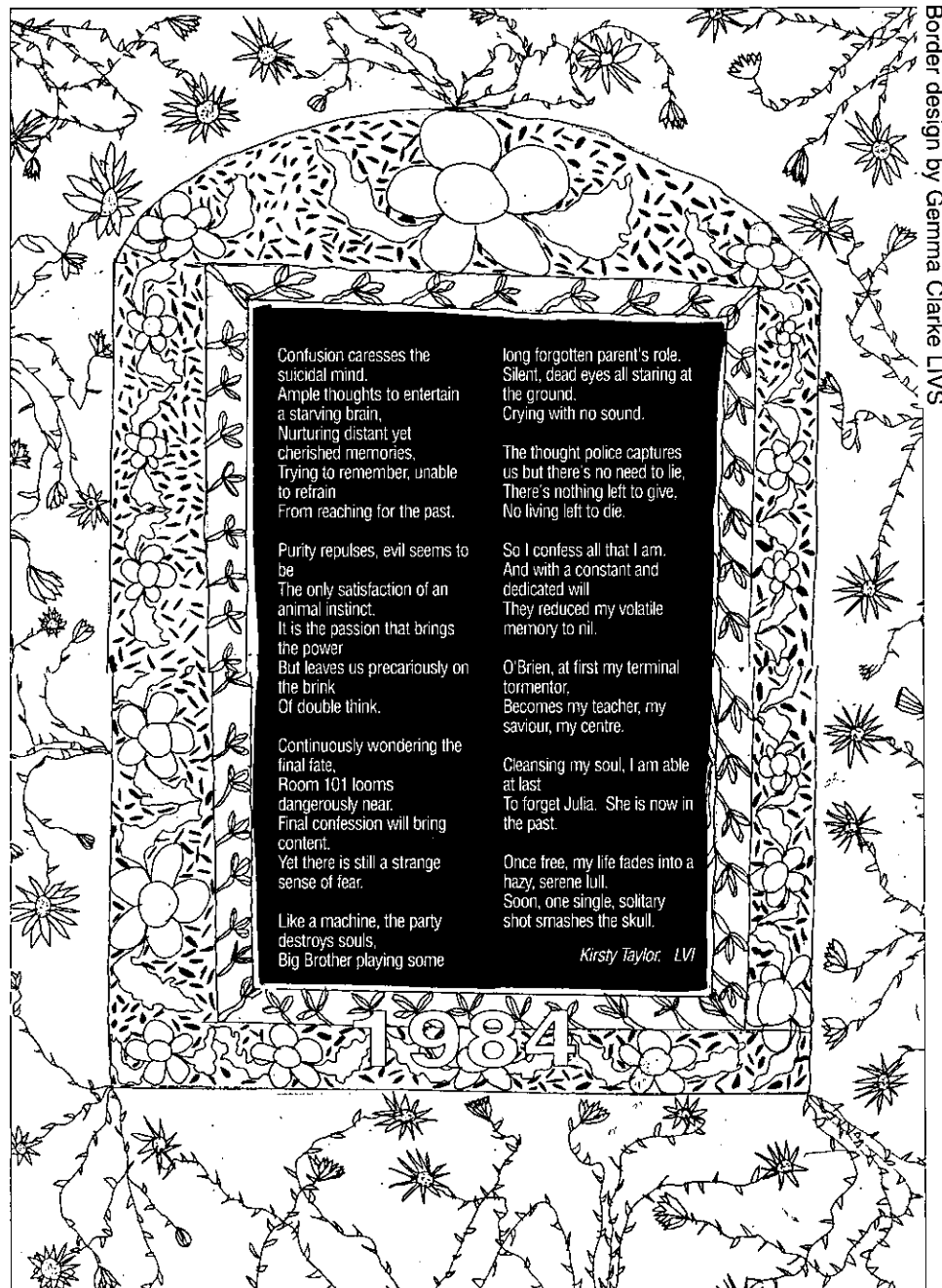
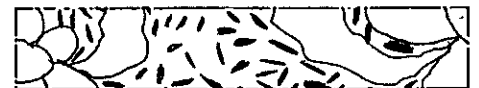
Antarctica is the last unspoilt area on earth, as yet little interfered with by humans. Should it be exploited for its resources or be given special protection as a precious asset for the whole world? Antarctica-beautiful, isn't it? Although many people are filled with awe and wonder at the snowy wastes of the ice continent, few people really appreciate the rare landscapes, the beautiful sights, as the sun reflects its myriad rays of the glistening snow, and the feeling of peace and tranquillity conveyed through the atmosphere. This has all been made naturally, without a single human's help. When a land such as this is compared with towns and cities - all man-made - it shows us what a powerful force nature really is, and how dull and depressing it could be if humans get involved and exploit it. The transformation of Antarctica to a huge scientific laboratory for research could get out of hand and therefore we must try and stop that. If Antarctica was given special protection, we could preserve the beauty and splendour within its icy mountains and cliffs, and we could keep it for evermore in the same state it was when we found it, and how it has been for millions of years. Who are we to spoil this land? We are only humans; we are filled with greed whenever we discover new land, and we immediately try to take it over. If research is done in Antarctica, what will be proved? What will we discover? As far as I can see, the answer to both of these questions is absolutely nothing. We'd just be disturbing one of the most peaceful places on earth, not to mention the fact that many animals' homes would be disturbed or destroyed. They don't deserve to be turfed out

of their natural habitat, just so we can do useless experiments to see if we can obtain anything for ourselves.

If Antarctica was exploited for its resources, not only would we disturb the animals, we could cause a number of disasters. The consequences of our actions could be fatal, and this is why we must do our best to take care of Antarctica and try to protect it.

Antarctica could be a precious asset to the rest of the world if it is protected because it really is the only place where there's no war, no suffering and no crime. If we alter any of this, unintentionally or not, we could end up with there being no unspoilt area on earth at all.

Rebecca Jones UVC



Confusion caresses the
suiical mind.
Ample thoughts to entertain
a starving brain,
Nurturing distant yet
cherished memories,
Trying to remember, unable
to refrain
From reaching for the past.

Purity repulses, evil seems to
be
The only satisfaction of an
animal instinct.
It is the passion that brings
the power
But leaves us precariously on
the brink
Of double think.

Continuously wondering the
final fate,
Room 101 looms
dangerously near.
Final confession will bring
content.
Yet there is still a strange
sense of fear.

Like a machine, the party
destroys souls,
Big Brother playing some

long forgotten parent's role.
Silent, dead eyes all staring at
the ground,
Crying with no sound.

The thought police captures
us but there's no need to lie,
There's nothing left to give,
No living left to die.

So I confess all that I am,
And with a constant and
dedicated will
They reduced my volatile
memory to nil.

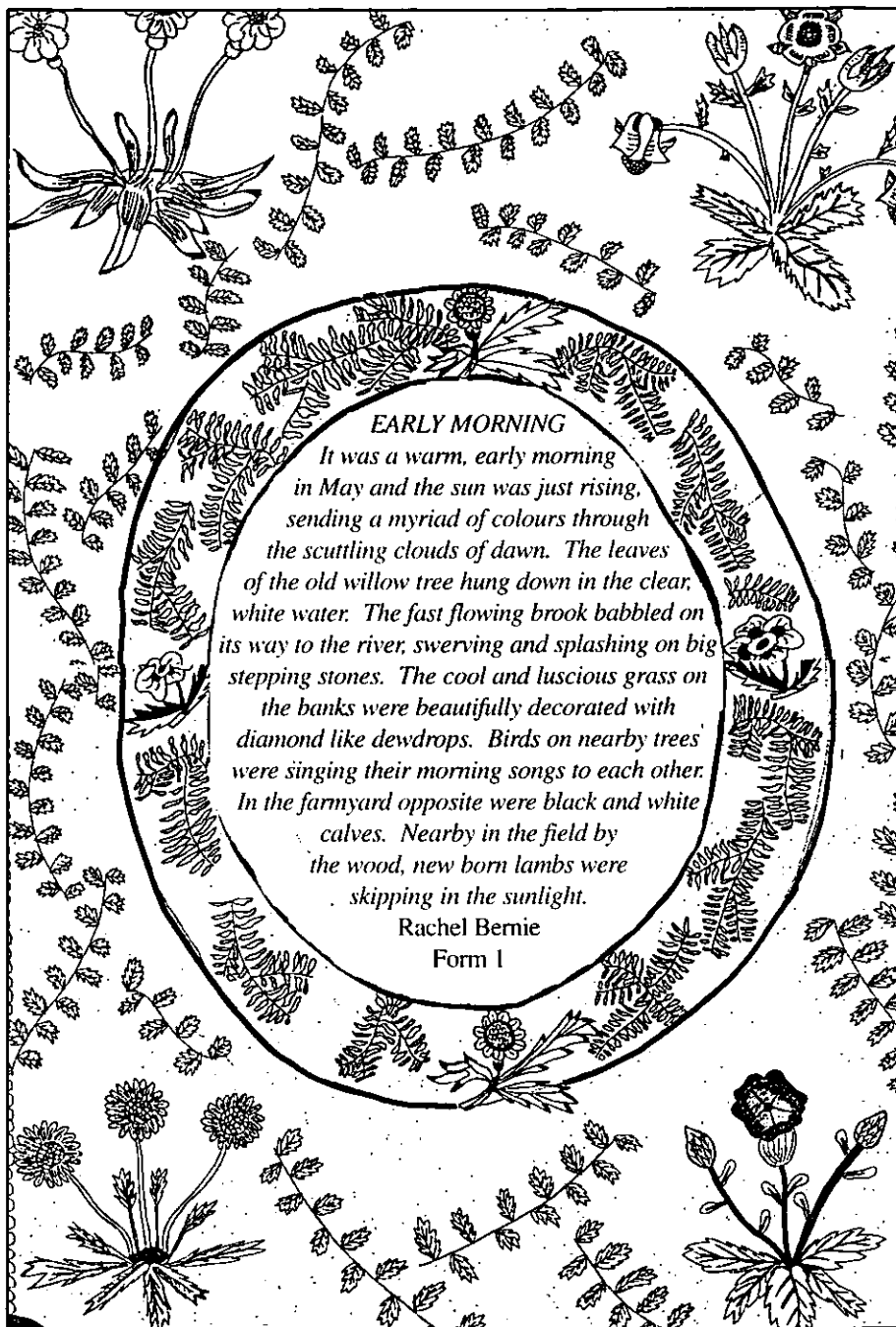
O'Brien, at first my terminal
tormentor,
Becomes my teacher, my
saviour, my centre.

Cleansing my soul, I am able
at last
To forget Julia. She is now in
the past.

Once free, my life fades into a
hazy, serene lull.
Soon, one single, solitary
shot smashes the skull.

Kirsty Taylor, LVI

1984



EARLY MORNING

It was a warm, early morning
in May and the sun was just rising,
sending a myriad of colours through
the scuttling clouds of dawn. The leaves
of the old willow tree hung down in the clear,
white water. The fast flowing brook babbled on
its way to the river, swerving and splashing on big
stepping stones. The cool and luscious grass on
the banks were beautifully decorated with
diamond like dewdrops. Birds on nearby trees
were singing their morning songs to each other.
In the farmyard opposite were black and white
calves. Nearby in the field by
the wood, new born lambs were
skipping in the sunlight.

Rachel Bernie

Form I

apartheid

Blazing heat on the dusty pavement,
Searing heat and torpid air.
Silence broken by faltering footsteps;
Black and white.
Eyes meet.

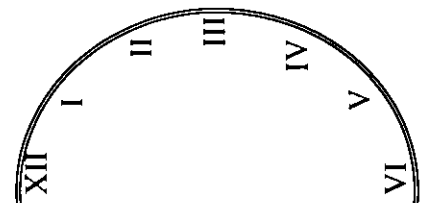
Black feet fall to the gutter, eyes follow.
He is transparent,
Literal colour blindness.
The white mind closed to reason,

Besieged by signs of discrimination:
"Blankes Alleen"- whites only,

Needless reminders

For white men carry these signs in their
eyes.

Georgina Jones-Pritchard
UVM



Tick Tock, Mr Clock

The cogs turn round in his brain
He paces up and down his hall
His round face like the moon
Sad and lonely
He sits in his plain wooden chair
His mind prowls round like a cat
There is no knowledge he doesn't know
The time goes by - slowly
Each second a year
Each day a decade
The little man alone in his home
The little man alone in the world
No feeling has he
Not one emotion does he know
He sits alone in his room
The keeper of time

Rachel McGimpsey LIV



The Baby Sitter

From a corner of a room I watch you,
Lying curled up by the fire,
Your glassy eyes staring into space.
The fine fur on stick-like arms
makes me afraid of you.
Your bony structure haunts me.

The tray stands untouched on the work-top.
The lifeless food sits, not tempting you.
A juicy orange, a crunchy biscuit and that
unopened packet of crisps,
All of which I long to eat.
A hot chocolate drink, the rising steam rises,
twisting, winding,
Trying to attract your attention, but failing, it
dies.

The time comes for me to go to bed
Not one word from you, no story or kiss
goodnight.
You do not even raise your head.
So without a word I slip from my place, up
the stairs,
And lie lifeless in my bed.

Then Mum comes home
and you are gone.
Slowly you walk down the road,
Your clothes billow behind
you in the wind.
Just like a ghost your frail body
slips from place to place,
You leave no trace.

Gemma Jones UIV B



creative writing

water

The water shines gold
As a new day spreads itself out,
Shining like a knight in a suit of
armour,
Knowing of the hard battle ahead.
He spreads his smile to the corners of
the pond.

As tadpoles play
The great diving beetle guards his pool.
Birds suck up drops of shimmering
water,
Like a dog licking the meat off a plate.

Plants stand still in a clump
Like soldiers saluting the queen.
Their brown and green points like
spears
Stretch up to get a better view of the
golden ball in the sky.
Another day creeps away,
And slides into the uncontrollable night.

Emma Martin RS

TECHNOFEAR

I seem to have a problem
Of a great degree,
Machines and things are rebelling,
And are on the hunt for me.

My computer crashed on Monday,
And on Tuesday did the same,
If it happens anymore,
I think I'll go insane.

The things they've done are endless,
Will justice ever be done?
It's a war that's happening here,
But they have not yet won.

So now you know my problem,
Let's launch the new crusade,
Strike up your defences,
And show we're not afraid.

The enemy must be beaten,
It's time we made a stand,
Let's beat this technophobia,
And get back in command!!

Jessica Tilling LIV R

The television flicks on and off,
The shower is always cold,
I try to tell them they won't win,
But they will not be told.

HAIKUS by remove st

Watery sun appears
from behind green pasture
as the world awakes

Katy Timmins

The North wind blows fierce
and the trees bend to its will,
giving up their leaves

Jane Neale

As Winter begins,
snow makes a white carpet
on the ground and trees.

Sarah Watson

Crashing on the beach,
the waves hit the sandy shore
and soak the golden ground.

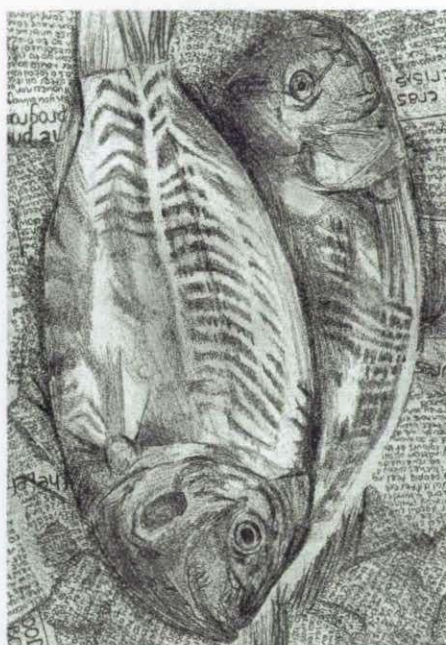
Alex Owen

The lesson

Another lesson, in another day.
Oh, thank goodness it's music.
Time for a chat or maybe a sleep,
But I do have that magazine to read.
The usual rusty bell goes,
Making a pathetic clicking sound.
No time to stop, no time to wait,
I must get to my music lesson.
I'm sitting by Jane,
No she promised me.
Well, let's both sit by her.
All right that's fine with me.
Into the room comes Mrs Meddler,
As gently as a mouse,
Then uproar!
I went out with Peter last night,
Don't lie, he goes out with me.
Yes the answer, Miss, is Beethoven.
There is a disco on Saturday,
Starts at half eight.
Yes, I am listening, Miss, honest.
I'm getting a new outfit,
Red with glistening sequins.
And if I'm lucky, a new pair of shoes.
Sorry Miss, I would give you the
answer if I had it, but I don't.
There is an article in this magazine.
It's about that new pop group.
You know, Boyzone.
Which question Miss?

Number four or five? Oh, number
seven, I haven't done that one.
I got a detention yesterday,
I wasn't really doing anything.
Only chewing some gum.
I'm not talking Miss.
It must be Sophie.
That's a point.
I've got some gum,
Take a piece.
I'm not chewing anything Miss.
I'm sucking my tongue.
Can't help it. Honest.
I'm going on holiday soon,
I'm going to Barbados.
I'm getting a whole new wardrobe to
go with it.
No Miss, I am sorry.
I haven't quite finished my questions.
What another detention?
Oh, please Miss, Not another one.
Monday lunchtime, okay.
What a bore. Never mind.
Look at this poster I've got.
I got it out of a maga-.....
There's the bell.
Got to go.
See you at next week's lesson.

Vicky Lloyd, LIV H

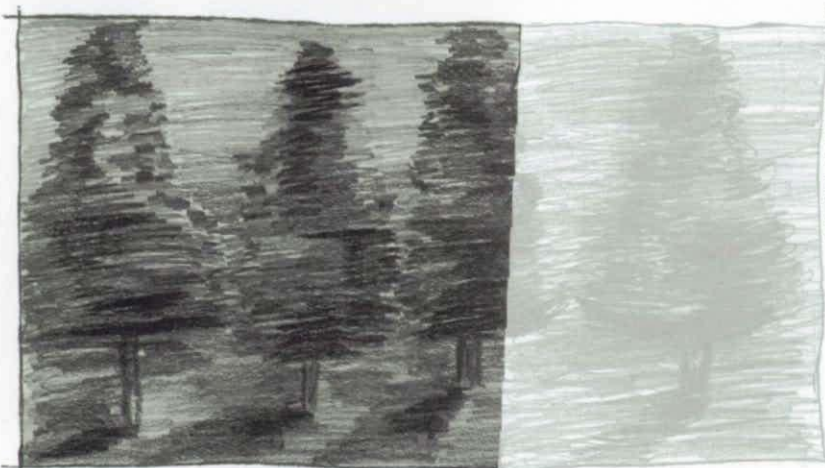


fish

Sara Scott UVC

Bulging eyes
Show the pain of
The catch.
The hurt
Is so obvious
In the dull
Grey-black skin
And flopping fins.
The burning anguish
Of fumbling, scorching
Human hands.
Nevertheless, I
Point it out to
The gormless
Fishmonger who
Resembles
His not so
Well kept stock and
Say-"I'll have that.
The cod.
My cat will
Enjoy it."

Petrina Chesters LIVH



The Nuclear Future

Blood here,
Blood there,
Blood on the walls,
Blood in the air.

People struck,
People dead,
People bleeding,
People red.

No noise,
No cries,
No shouts,
No lies.

Everything quiet,
Everything red,
Everything gone,
Everything dead.

No-one came,
No-one tried,
No-one helped,
No-one could hide.

It was a hole,
It was a hell,
It was a mystery
why the bomb fell.

Louise Petranca, IV B

haiku

the four seasons

spring

Warmer mornings and
Plants growing in hedgerows,
Hopes of summer soon.
New-born lambs spring high,
Over fields with mothers near,
Straying not far away.

summer

Hot sun shining down,
Insects buzzing everywhere,
Smells of new-cut grass.
Tastes of summer fruits,
Forgotten during the times
Of a long, long year

autumn

Trees show red-gold leaves,
Bonfires crackling in the darkness,
Cold weather here again.
Rustling noises in
The brightness of an autumn lane,
High winds sweep the ground.

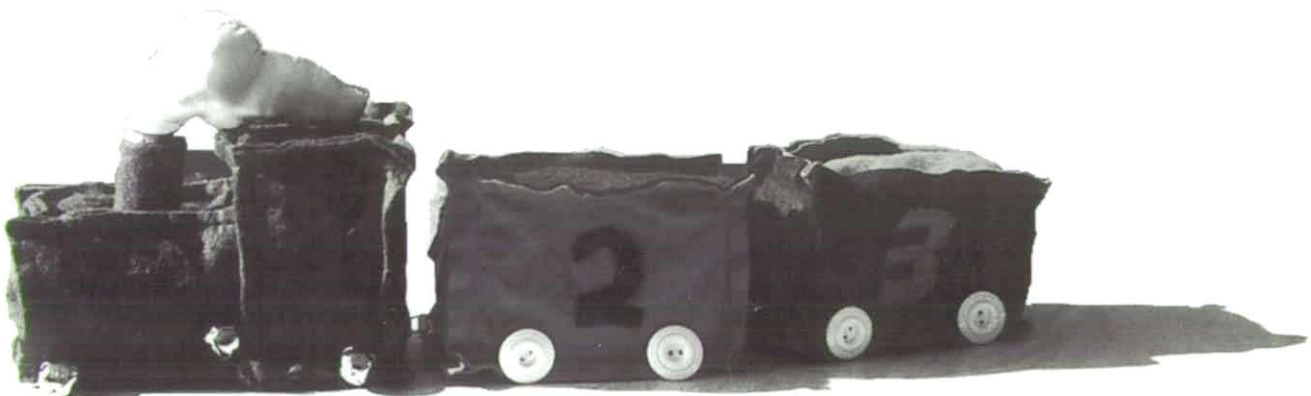
winter

White world all around,
Happy children play in the
Quilt of snow lying down.
Harsh cold fades away
In a room full of warmth, to
Kill winter gloom.

Gemma Clark LVI S



lower school HOME ECONOMICS *IN ACTION*



FEET

by Elizabeth Barrow LVIB



parcels



by rebecca hoy

SANDFORD HOUSE news

The last year has been a very busy and lively one at Sandford House. We began the Summer Term with our 15th birthday party. This year Bobo the Clown came to entertain us all and the children were treated to an afternoon of jokes, fun and magic. This included a surprise guest appearance of a live rabbit!

On Tuesday May 9th, the whole school celebrated V.E. Day. Everyone came dressed in red, white and blue and the day was spent discovering what life was like for children during the war. We were even served a typical war time menu for lunch.



On a beautiful warm and sunny day in June, all thoughts of work and lessons were forgotten as we embarked on a school outing. Classes 1 and 2 went on trip to Farmworld and Classes 3 and 4 visited Tatton Park.

At Farmworld the children were met by the farmer and taken to the milking parlour, where they watched three cows being milked and learned about the skills involved. They were then taken to the sheep paddock where, seated on large bales of hay, they were able to bottle feed some of the lambs.



The next treat in store was a tractor ride around the paddocks where they saw deer, llama, ponies, hens and pot bellied pigs. The tour ended at the adventure park and after half an hour's hot and energetic play, everyone collapsed onto the grass for a well deserved picnic.

Classes 3 and 4 also spent their day out in the countryside. On their arrival the children were met by the rangers and split into two groups. The first headed off to the pond to go fishing. Each child was provided with a net and a jam jar and a whole variety of creatures including tadpoles, leeches, water spiders and water boatmen were caught.



The second group went to study woodland creatures. First they were given two minutes to find a series of

paper insects hidden in the trees, then the search was on for real insects. Each child had a jar with a magnifying lid and our final collection included ladybirds, beetles, millipedes, newts, moths and spiders.

After swapping over activities the children finally stopped for lunch. In the afternoon we all went for a tractor ride to the woods where we studied the plants and the trees. Our tour continued through farmland and then back through the park where we were told about the deer, rabbits, squirrels and pheasants, before finally returning to the coach, tired but happy after an action packed day.

The term continued to be eventful. The children took part in a sponsored swim and raised £900 for the Countess of Chester's appeal for Chesters House which aims to provide accommodation for families of sick children. We also had a very successful Sports Day and later in the term we had a new venture, a 'Teddy Bears Picnic', for all our new September intake children.

The Summer Term was brought to a close with a musical production of 'Alfredo and the Golden Bird'. After the performance a special presentation of two garden chairs and a radio cassette, was made to Mrs Doreen Judge, who was retiring at the end of the term. Mrs Judge has taught our Class 1 at Sandford House for the last sixteen years. She has given all the children in her care an excellent start to their school life and we were very sad to see her go, but grateful for all her hard work and dedication. We wish her a very happy retirement.



As a consequence our Autumn Term saw changes at Sandford House. Mrs Hudson moved to Class 1 and a new teacher Miss Rosemary Arnold joined us to take Class 2. We hope that she will have a very rewarding and enjoyable time with us. September passed by very quickly and soon it was Autumn Market Time again. A large collection of toys was gathered from our children and we are grateful to all those parents who sorted, priced and helped to man our stall on the day. Our thanks also go to the Parents' Association for all their hard work. We are hoping to use some of the money raised to buy a new compact disc player for our department.

The next event of the term was our Harvest Festival Service. This year we had the subject of 'Trees' as our theme. Each child brought in a basket of food and we were able to present them to many senior citizens, families and organisations throughout the neighbourhood. We are once again very grateful to all those parents who kindly delivered the gifts.

In November, Class 3 produced an assembly for the rest of the school and their parents. They took 'Plants' as their theme and told us all about the conditions plants need to grow.

As Christmas approached, rehearsals were soon underway for our nativity play. This year it was called 'The Little Angel'. All the classes made a contribution but the sight of all Class 1 dressed up as angels singing 'Away in a Manger' was one to behold!

On the last day of term there was dressing up of a different kind. Our Christmas party had a 'Bedtime' theme and all the children arrived in pyjamas, nightdresses and slippers. We also had quite a few visiting teddies as well!



In the New Year, the whole school went on a trip to the Gateway Theatre to see 'Once Upon a Time'. Several fairytales were performed including Hansel and Gretel, The Frog Prince and Tom Thumb. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show and participated enthusiastically in all the songs. One of our boys, Sing Hay, was also lucky enough to be presented with a prize on stage for guessing the answer to a riddle.

Class 1 also went on a visit to the Toy Museum in Chester. They had been doing a topic on toys in school and they were all enthralled by the collection of toys on display.

During the Spring Term it was Class 1 and 2's turn to present an assembly. Class 1 acted out the story of Noah and Class 2 explored the subject of 'Time'. We also had a representative from 'Help the Aged' come and talk to the children about the charity and the problems facing the old.



The heavy fall of snow mid term was greeted with great enthusiasm by all the children, less so by the teachers! In a single lunchtime, our playground was full of a great assortment of snowmen. Unfortunately, that evening the thaw set in and all our visitors disappeared over night!

Our term ended with our Easter Service. The Easter story was retold by girls in Class 4 and each of the other classes explored through poems and songs, an aspect of spring.

Supporting charities continues to be a major part of our life in Sandford House and this year we raised £1531. The money was distributed to the following charities: £900 to Chesters House, £83 each to Hope House Children's Hospice and The Hospice of the Good Shepherd, £50 each to The Leprosy Mission, The Children's Society, The British Diabetic Association, Help The Aged, the P.D.S.A., Children in Need, Childline, N.S.P.C.C. and A.C.T., £15 was spent on the continued 'adoption' of our Eclectus Parrot at Chester Zoo.

Miss R.R. Morgan



Charlotte Randall

Our Assembly.

Our assembly was about The Bad - Tempered Ladybird. The bad-tempered ladybird was Simon because he has a big voice. The good-tempered ladybird was Emma C. We acted out the story and the bad-tempered ladybird went round all the animals and asked them to fight, but they didn't want to. Everyone had a part. Stephanie and Victoria read a poem called "Time For School." Then we sang a song called "My Grandfather's Clock." We enjoyed doing our assembly to our mummy's and daddy's.

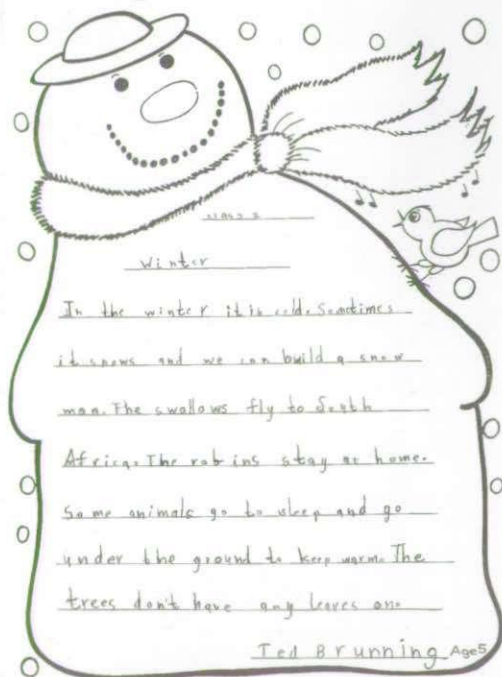
Phillippa McElroy, Class 2

Dear Adam,

Simon brought his baby lamb into school today. It's only five days old. It is really fluffy. The colour of the neck is white with little white spots and the rest is black. His mummy hasn't got enough milk so he has to be fed by a bottle. It is really cute, I love it. It hasn't got a name yet but Class 2 are going to write some on a piece of paper to give to Simon to give to the farmer and the farmer's going to choose a name.

With love from Laura.

Laura Whitely
Age 7, Class 3



Winter

In the winter it is cold. Sometimes it snows and we can build a snow man. The swallows fly to South Africa. The robins stay at home. Some animals go to sleep and go under the ground to keep warm. The trees don't have any leaves and

Ted Brunning, Age 5

My Puppet

My puppet is called Samantha. I made her out of paper bags and toilet rolls. She likes to eat chips.

Rebecca Vickers
Age 5 Class 1

My Mummy

My mummy loves me because I love her too. Yesterday I got two house points and she gave me some glittery crayons. That's why I love her. Katrina Griffin
Age 5, Class 1

My Day Out

We walked from Trevor to Llangollen on Sunday. We saw some boats with pots of plants on the roof top. We also saw a dog on one boat too. There were also some ducks in the canal, it looked lovely in Llangollen. After my dad found a place for us to have a picnic my mum said we could play by the river. I fell in the water and my brother too, we both got wet. I was feeling tired on the way back so my dad put me on his shoulder, it was fun.

Sing Yun Lee
Age 5 Class 1

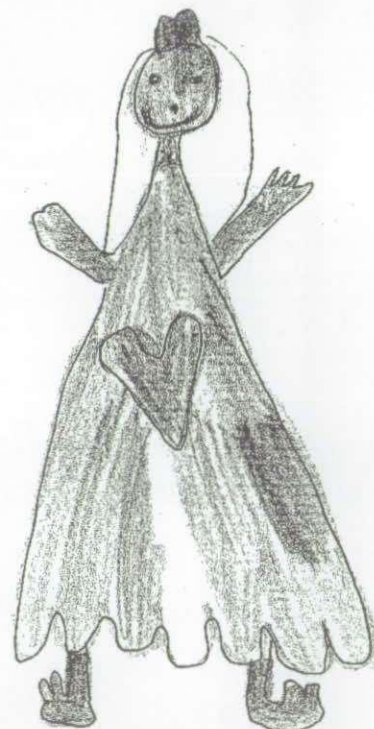
- 10 Ten white snowmen standing in a line
One toppled over, then there were nine.
- 9 Nine white snowmen standing by a gate
One got knocked over, then there were eight.
- 8 Eight white snowmen thought they were in heaven
One got melted, then there were seven.
- 7 Seven white snowmen picking up sticks
One got too hot, then there were six.
- 6 Six white snowmen skipping around a hive
One got stung, then there were five.
- 5 Five white snowmen knocking at the door
One went in and then there were four.
- 4 Four white snowmen sitting in a tree
One fell off and then there were three.
- 3 Three white snowmen doing up their shoes
One too tired, then there were two.
- 2 Two white snowmen standing in the sun
One melted down, then there was one.
- 1 One white snowman standing all alone
He ran away, then there were none.

Victoria Clarke, Age 7, Class 3

Happiness

Happiness is pink because it is my favourite colour.
Happiness feels like I am relaxed.
Happiness tastes like luns.
Happiness smells like perfume.
Happiness sounds like a flute.
Happiness looks like people dancing.

Victoria Goodwin
Age 6, Class 2



Tabatha Leggett

The Paradise Island

I saw the most beautiful island you could imagine.

See the pineapples and kiwi fruit.

Lovely sounds of pretty humming birds singing.

And the sea was truly a miracle.

Around the surface there were ripples.

Now there are beautiful flowers with nectar.

Do you think it was a wonderful dream?

Sarah Leyland,
Age 7, Class 3

New Years Resolutions -1996

- I just must tidy my bedroom up because it is a tip.
- I will try and share everything because I never share with anybody.
- I've got to stop fighting with my brothers because if I do my mum goes barmy.
- When I come home from school I have to help mummy with the cooking because it is not fair for my mum to do all the housework.
- At swimming I've got to try to hurry up because I am normally very slow.
- I just must stop shouting at everybody as I go past.
- I will really try to get to bed earlier because I go to bed much too late.
- I shall let all the people that want to come in my game in the playground.

Philippa Johnstone, Age 7, Class 3

Toy Museum

We went to the toy museum. I went on the minibus to the toy museum. My favourite toy was the doll in the pink dress.

Anna McGeorge, Age 4, Class 1

My Mummy

I love mummy when she cuddles me. I like my mummy's perfume. My mummy cooks chicken with chicken sauce. I love it.

Gillian Rodgers, Age 5, Class 1



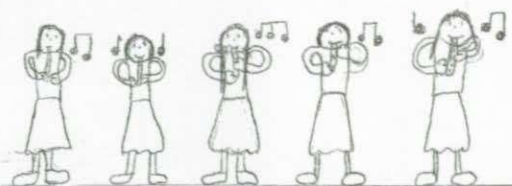
Our Service

Yesterday we did our Easter Service. I was so nervous I almost forgot my lines. I was Poem Two and I had to say the second verse of a poem about Jesus. The first song we sang was called "Give Me Joy". Olivia, Elizabeth, Dina and Anna were the family. Class One sang "Beautiful Flowers" and said a poem about growing cress and they sang a joint song with Class Two called "We Have A King." During that song we played our recorders. The tune was quite difficult. All of the classes had at least one song to sing. I liked it when Emily from Class Three dressed up as a cat because Class Three were doing a very special

Easter

poem. All the important people sat at the front like the headmistress, the governors and the teachers. My mum couldn't come so my dad recorded the Easter Service for her to watch. He stood at the back but most people were sitting down. The hall was jammed with people. The next morning we performed the play again but this time in front of Nedham House, so my sister Rachel could see both Kate and me doing the play. At the end Miss Paice made a speech because Mrs Brady couldn't make it.

Sarah Bernie Age 8 Class 4



When I grow up...

When I grow up I want to be an actress because I'm good at acting and I like doing plays. I would like to have a nice house with one bedroom. I want to have modern furniture, gold walls and a swimming pool outside, and I want to live by the fields. I want a big garden with lots of flowers. I want to cook and eat lots of good things. When I grow up I want different clothes. I will wear skirts and jeans. I will keep my hairstyle because I won't look pretty with short hair. I don't want to marry because I don't want to have babies. I want to live alone by my mum and dad. When I grow up I want to drive a navy blue car and live by a town. I will also have a cleaner to do all the work and I will have a TV. I will stay up until ten o'clock.

If I have any spare time I will go up hills or read an exciting book. When I grow up I want to have lots of friends and I want Kimberly to live by me. I want to go on holiday to hot places and have cool drinks and go to restaurants. That's what I want to do when I grow up!

Amy Underhill, Age 7, Class 4

THE MYSTERIOUS FOOTPRINT

I am seven years old, and my name is Judith. I live in Wrexham in Wales. I live with my mummy, my daddy and my big brother.

One day I was walking along a golden beach at night, I enjoyed it very much with all the seagulls screeching around me, and the moonlit night-time sky. Suddenly I heard the splash of oars, and I saw the shadow of a rowing boat in the stormy sea with the waves crashing on the shore. I could smell the smell of salty water in the sea. When the shadows went into a cave on the bottom of a cliff, I went nearer and saw these footprints, they were quite small. They looked like the person was wearing welly-boots on the damp soft sand. I felt very scared.

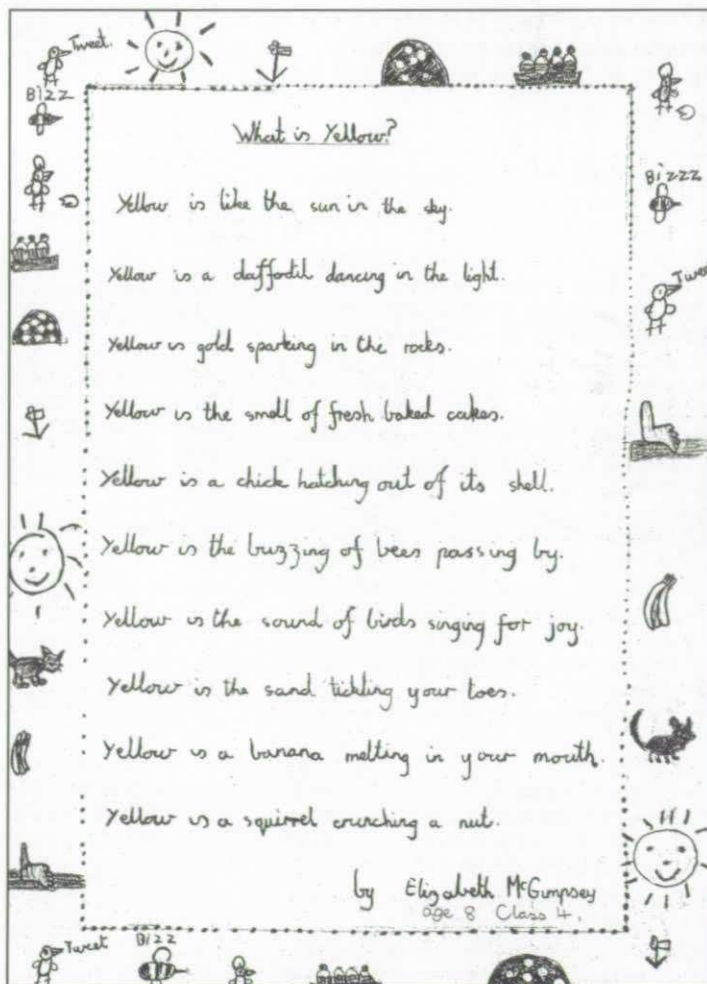
I followed the footprints all the way to the cave. When I got into the cave the ground was hard, stony, and full of little puddles. The stones hurt my feet as I walked, and the air smelled musty and of bats. It was very horrible and dark and I was very scared. Icicles hung above my head. In the distance I saw a lantern and a figure coming towards me. I quickly got in a small hole just big enough for me, it was in the wall. This figure came past me. When he was a distance away, I jumped out of this funny hole in the

wall. I hoped he wouldn't come back again, I carried on. By this time I was worn out but I kept on going. Suddenly he came back and we came face to face and I was very scared. Then he chased me like mad. I carried on running. Suddenly I slipped on the wet floor, and he caught up with me, "Please, I wasn't doing any harm" I said quietly, but my voice echoed in the cold cave which made it sound ten times as loud.

"Oh, alright then, I'll let you go just this once", he boomed. He looked very much like a smuggler. He wore a red and white striped T-shirt and torn black trousers and he had two parrots on each shoulder. I was very scared. I went back and I saw a slight hole in the ground. I found a spade near it and dug an even bigger hole, then I hit something hard, I uncovered it, I thought it was a big wooden chest.

Soon when I had dug it up, I went up to the fresh air, and it was very pleasant compared to the cave. I was very excited, the locks on the chest were rotten with water. After I had tried for about ten minutes to open it, I found a hammer under the sand on the beach. I used it to break the locks and in one smash, the locks were open and inside was shining treasure! So I took it home because it was dawn and the very next week, we had a big party with joy, when I showed my family the treasure.

Judith Butcher, Age 7, Class 4



NEDHAM HOUSE news

The Summer Term began in a very colourful and lively fashion with a V.E. Day 50th Anniversary Celebration. Red, white and blue clothes were the order of the day and some (Mrs James and her ladies!) dressed in 40's fashion, complete with a "Veteran Grandad".



The music staff, led by Mrs Lucas, presented a Summer Concert in which many girls took part. Solos, duets and ensembles of both singing and instrumental music were performed. The considerable talent of the pupils and the dedication of their teachers were ably demonstrated, making it a fitting occasion to say our farewell, and to give our thanks to Mrs Lucas after four years of teaching music at Nedham House. The demands of her teaching time-table in the Senior School meant that she had to leave us but we were very happy to welcome Mrs Holmes in her place. We hope that the splendid work she is now doing with all the girls and the Orchestra will continue for many years. Miss Jones, our piano teacher, took over responsibility for the Choir and they now meet for 30 minutes of very hard work at Thursday lunchtime.

An extremely interesting afternoon was spent in the company of Mr. Le Pine-Williams, a friend of the Hulbert family (Lucy and Alice). Mr. Williams lived in Nedham House, then known as Craigbet, until it was sold to Mrs Brown, for The Queen's School in 1946. He spent his childhood in the house leaving when he married in 1945 and his stories of games he used to play and the dangerous escapades he and his brother got up to in and around the house amused the girls. Form 3 classroom was once 2 bedrooms; one was his sister's and one was his. Form 1 classroom was his parents' room and the upstairs staffroom was the spare room. He told us of how he used to climb down a 'secret' staircase, into the pantry, to eat raisins and sugar and of adventures on the roof! Not having visited the house since 1945 he was fascinated to see all the physical changes and was pleased that it is, to quote him, "alive and happy with young children and looking so bright and cheerful and cared for".

Sports Day followed soon after this visit; it was again a great success, held in sunshine and well attended by parents and friends. Merlins were victorious for

the fourth successive year! We again hosted a successful picnic and fun day for our incoming Form 1; the invitations and planning for the day were very competently organised by Forms 2 and 3.



Form 3 invited their parents and other guests to watch their performance of 'Back to the City', a story of London children evacuated to Wales during the war. This brought their history studies very much to life and they put on a very creditable performance, complete with sound effects and popular music of the period. After the performance Mrs Hazzledine presented a very generous cheque for £300, from all the Form 3 parents, to be spent on a maypole, music stands and athletics hurdles, all of which are now in regular use.

All the visitors to school, including parents, remark upon the lovely displays of art, pottery and classroom work which are displayed around the building. There are always items of seasonal or topical interest, sometimes thought-provoking, and thanks go to Mrs Meredith and Class teachers for their hard work in producing the displays. The grounds always look immaculate, thanks to Mr. Lilley and Mr. Charters continues to work hard in the swimming pool.

We started the new academic year with a Curriculum Presentation Evening for parents. Once again, this was appreciated and well received, helping to clarify the programme of study that each class would be following.

Mrs Tottey's knee operation took place early in September so she was unable to be with us in the Autumn Term. Luckily for us Miss Catherine Irvine was able to take over all of her timetable, including after school fixtures, and we enjoyed having her on the staff. She proved ready and willing to turn her hand to every task that presented itself.

Our Harvest Service this year was on the theme of rice and Form 2 and Miss Paice presented a costume drama of a traditional Japanese story. Form 3 girls presented many interesting facts about rice, together with examples of different types of the grain and dishes made from them. Generous gifts from parents enabled us to present a cheque to UNICEF and to take fruit, vegetables and other comforts to children in The Countess of Chester Hospital and The Chester Nursing Home.

The Autumn Market was again well supported and Nedham House girls raised a great deal of money selling their

attractive and original 'filled baskets' and being sponsored on the Bouncy Castle. The winner of the prize for the most bounces in one minute was Nicola Edwards (Form 3) with 128 bounces! The committee has very generously given us permission to buy several items which will greatly assist us in school. They are:- an electric keyboard, more music stands, a 2 tape radio cassette player, a set of the Oxford encyclopedia and a set of sports bibs.

Our grateful thanks to all of you who have made this possible.

Bookland once again visited us for a 2 day book fair, organised by Miss Paice. This has become a popular annual event, proving very convenient for parents of all Lower School children. Another regular event on our calendar is the visit of Swedish Student Teachers from Chester College. They always express their pleasure in coming and remark upon the friendly, courteous behaviour of our children.

In the weeks preceding Christmas we had two interesting visits in school. The first was a concert - 'A Musical Journey' - with many replicas of ancient and unusual instruments being played. This was followed by workshops when all the girls were involved in producing a piece of music with a medieval flavour. Class 4 from Sandford joined us on this occasion. The second visit was by two artists who came, with all materials necessary, to show us how to make lanterns out of garden canes and tissue paper! Each pupil had one to take home, complete with a candle to light it. Several girls took part the next evening in the lantern - lit procession through the streets of Chester.

Form 1 delighted us, as usual, with their Christmas play, 'Mrs Claus to the Rescue'. The sight of the diminutive Mrs Claus battling against all the odds to make Christmas happen for the children of the world is one I shall not forget. The choir and musicians must also be congratulated as they provided lively, entertaining music and songs throughout the performance. Well done Mrs Holmes for the music and Mrs Lindop for the direction.



Our Christmas theatre visit to see 'Gulliver's Travels' at Theatr Clwyd proved to be not quite what we were expecting,

but the children enjoyed, on the whole, the extravagant spectacle of costumes and sets. The last public event of the term was a lovely, informal carol singing hour, attended by many parents and friends. The orchestra played for us and the choir had prepared two songs, one in Welsh, especially for the occasion. Tea and a mince pie rounded off the afternoon. A wonderful Christmas lunch was provided by Mrs James and the kitchen staff. The choir sang again, beautifully and with moving simplicity, in the Cathedral Carol Service. Their clarity of tone and diction, and the perfect Welsh pronunciation was remarked upon by many.

January saw the return of Mrs Tottey to P.E. lessons, although she had been working hard throughout the Autumn Term organising the Ski Holiday. Nedham House birthday - the 48th - was celebrated at home with an African theme. The day coincided with the 50th anniversary of UNICEF and we followed their chosen theme of Tanzania for the day's celebrations. Miss Paice and Form 2 produced an assembly play entitled 'Ewongalema' - a traditional African Story - and the lunchtime menu had an African 'ring' to it. The girls entertained each other in the afternoon with a concert and made donations totalling £60 to UNICEF. The heavy snowfalls in February closed school for two days - the first time I can remember such a happening. We held our 2nd Lower School Open - Morning a few days later and received many interested visitors.

Half term brought the long-awaited Ski Holiday for 33 members of Forms 2 and 3. A few girls had skied before but most were beginners so the lessons on the dry slope at Bebington were very useful.

Form 3 have prepared a separate report on the holiday so I shall restrict myself to expressing my thanks to Mrs Tottey for her meticulous organisation and hard work.

During the year the girls raised a great deal of money for various charities. They decided that they wanted to help an organisation and organise and run the event themselves - thank you for supporting them. Our one organised event was for Barnardos. Mrs Benson came to talk to us about the work done by the society and inspired most of the girls to take part in the 'Care for an Egg' week. With sponsorship they raised £460. We had an egg 'creche' in each classroom and some eggs were seen to be getting some fresh air in the garden at break times, under the watchful eye of their guardians, of course.

Outings and visits during the year included:-

Chirk Castle Form 2, Living History Day, The Tudors at Chirk
Dunham Massey Form 1, The National Trust Centenary - 'For Any Field'
'Tatton Dale farm Form 3, to be WW2 evacuees
'Evacuation' for a night most of Form 3
Chester Nursing Home Form 2, singing Harvest Songs
Hammond School Forms 2 & 3, Magic Maths Circus and Maths Trail
Grosvenor Museum Form 2, to handle Tudor artefacts

I find it hard to believe that five years have passed since I returned to Nedham House. It has been such a busy period of my life and it has gone by so very quickly but I am looking forward to my retirement and to taking life a little more

leisurely. I shall miss many things about school life, not least the children's company and working with colleagues who have given tremendous support to me and to each other throughout this time. They are a wonderful team, caring and conscientious and I know my successor, Miss Dewhurst will enjoy working with them. We, as a team, have brought about changes in the Junior School; changes in the curriculum in order to meet the demands of the present day, changes in the fabric and furnishing of the building and changes in the channels of communication between staff and parents. I know that most of you appreciate those changes and realise that whilst all this has been happening we have retained the essentially caring atmosphere of Nedham House. Each girl is valued for what she is, for what she can personally achieve and is given the opportunity to develop her own talents, whatever they may be. Tolerance and consideration for others is encouraged and rewarded. The pace of modern life quickens noticeably every year - even the children remark upon this - but we hope to send our pupils on to the secondary stage of their education equipped not only with the basic learning skills, a sense of personal responsibility and self discipline, but also the ability to communicate with and appreciate others. I am sure that Miss Dewhurst will enjoy the challenge of Nedham House and I shall look forward to reading Nedham House News '97 next summer. To all of you, staff and parents who have been such a source of strength and encouragement to me, my grateful thanks.



Gifts to Nedham House

Hannah Cantle

Costumes for drama productions.
Cheque from Form 3 leavers

Used to buy a maypole, athletics hurdles and music stands.

Chloe Woodcock

Autumn Market Gifts

from Parents' Association:-

electric keyboard, encyclopedia, 2 tape cassette/radio, music stands, sports bibs

Nedham House sports REPORT

The last year has been very busy for the teams at Nedham House. Many girls have represented the school in different sports and have gained valuable experience.

Summer Term 1995

Rounders - matches were played against Packwood, Birkenhead, Howells and Removes. The U11 team finished as runners up to Birkenhead High School in the final of the A.J.I.S. tournament held at Arnold.

Tennis - matches were played

against Howells, Packwood and Birkenhead. Swimming - an U11 and U10 team took part in the Eyam Trophy Gala at Rydal and finished 4th out of 8 schools (despite many of the other teams being mixed or boys).

Athletics - a triangular athletics match was held at Nedham House between Queen's, Cransley and Birkenhead. Queen's won U9, U10 and U11 age groups.

A team took part in the N.W. Athletics Competition at Bebington. This proved a tremendous experience as it gave the competitors a chance to run on tartan track. Emily Rudge deserves particular mention for winning the gold medal in the hurdles event.

Autumn and Spring Terms

Netball - matches were played against Abbey Gate School, Cransley, Birkenhead, Howells and Abbey Gate College.

A.J.I.S. Tournament at Stockport - 3rd in section.

Hammond Cup - Won Tournament

Hockey - matches were played against Newcastle, Cransley, Merchant Taylors, Stockport, Birkenhead and Packwood.

Arnold Centenary Tournament - 3rd National

Mini Hockey Championships (Cheshire Round) - Runners up A.J.I.S. Tournament at Kirkham - lost in semi final to Stockport 1 - 0

Swimming - a gala was held with King's V Merchant Taylors girls and boys.

In the A.J.I.S. Swimming gala the U10 team swam particularly well and reached the final in the following events:-

4 X 25m Freestyle Relay - 3rd

4 X 25m Medley Relay - 3rd

4 X 25m Individual Medley (Mary Pritchard) - 1st

25m Butterfly (Mary Pritchard) - 2nd

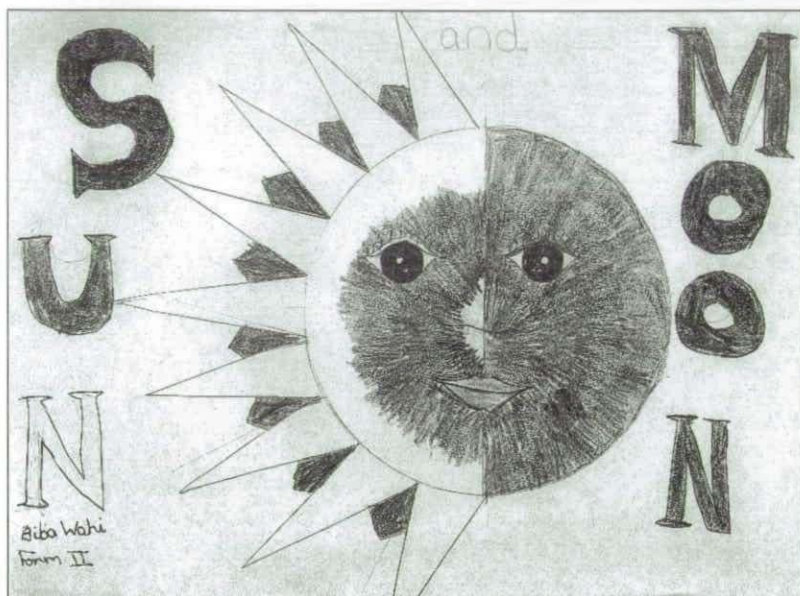
HOUSE MATCHES

Sport

Rounders
Athletics
Tennis (team)
Tennis (individual)
Netball
Cross Country (team)
Cross Country (individual)
Hockey
Swimming

Won by

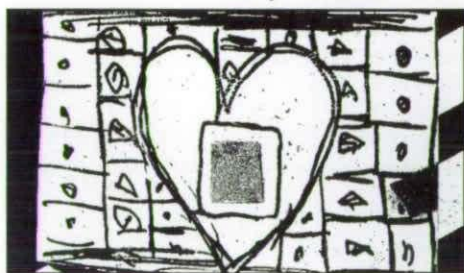
Merlin
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Victoria Gallagher
Eagle
Osprey
Claire Okell
Osprey
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Golden In Flight

Poised she stands
For all to see,
Elegant, beautiful
Always shall be free.
Like a streak of lightening
She rises from her lair,
Golden in flight in
Front of the sun.
Her brown silken feathers
Waft in the gentle breeze
Soaring high,
Her eyes as sharp as can be.
The light catches on the marvellous claws,
Sharpened on the rocks.
Camouflaged, she stands
Hiding in a tree.
Golden in flight she moves.
Like a streak, silently, steadily.
Will she always be free?

Mary Pritchard, Form 2



Cat, cat, cat.

Cat, cat, cat,
Prowling around at night.
Searching, scavenging,
For rats or for mice.
See mouse, quick,
Lie flat, ears pricked,
Ready to pounce.
Attacked, mouse trapped,
Like a criminal in prison.
Cat, cat, cat,
Sitting on my lap.
Purring loudly,
Like a lawn mower.
Sense supper coming,
Jump off my lap.
Run to the food,
Eat it delicately.
Like a king at the table.

Elspeth Fergusson, Form 1

The Swan

The little swan disappeared under a
bridge,
Gently gliding through the water.
She stopped and nipped at her
feathers,
Then looked up and saw me and
carried on swimming.
When she went under the bridge you
could see her marvellous reflection,
She climbed on to the riverbank and
shook herself all over
Like a shaggy dog,
She strolled along the riverbank and
stepped on to the bridge
Where I was standing.
She saw I had a piece of bread in my
hand,
I came closer and stretched out my
hand,
She stretched out her neck and ate off
my fingers.

Mary Ankers, Form 1

Footprints

Across the garden the footprints go,
Criss crossing across the snow.
Here a cat has wandered,
Looking for its prey,
There a dog has pounced on it
And frightened it away.
Across the white page of the garden,
The footprints wait to be read
And here we are leaving a message
In the wandering patterns we tread.

Anna Colman-Smith, Form 1

The hedgehog's dinner

I'm a hungry hedgehog,
I'm feeling like a treat.
I'll go to McSpiders,
And find something to eat.
Shall I have some caterpillars.
Or maybe even wasps?
Should I have some spider stew,
Or earwig soup that's hot?
Beetle pudding would be nice,
Topped with spider sauce,
But after all that food,
I'll find I'm too fat, of course!
I'll go into the hedgehog gym,
And there I'll get too thin.
So next week I'll go to McSpiders,
And do it all again.

Anna Anderson, Form 1

the watch

The wind was blowing east. I edged over
to a bush, making sure that I was always
down wind. The sun was setting over the
hill. Soon it would be dark. I had to catch
a glimpse of the nocturnal creature.

Suddenly, in the bracken, down in the
valley, a quick movement caught my
attention. I crept down onto my
stomach. I placed my binoculars to
my eyes, but I was too slow - the
creature had disappeared.

A zephyr started to gently blow. A
dark silhouette poked its head out of
a wet patch of bracken. Quicker than
a flash of lightning, I put my pair of
binoculars to my eyelids. This time I
was not too slow; I saw the mini-
bear. It snuffled about and then
more of the pandas came out. They
started to search through the foliage
for fresh food. I took my binoculars
from my eyes; I could see the black
and white animals quite clearly.

My legs started to ache. I looked at
my watch and realised I had been
lying on my front for thirty minutes.

To my surprise, the strange animals
started crawling up the valley. They
were moving towards the next field
and were obviously going on their
food hunt.

They started to come closer. I did a
very foolish thing, I gasped out loud.
As soon as I made that noise, the
badgers crept back down the misty
valley.

Chloe Southorn Form 2

The Setting Sun

I watch the sun setting in the distance.
A big red thumbprint on the horizon,
Like a big balloon being pulled down
By a child holding it on a piece of string.
Slowly, reluctantly, it leaves the night sky.
I don't know where it goes,
Or how it survives the long, dark evening.
The wind whips up and turns the air icy cold.
It's as if the awakening moon emerges,
And mixes a wicked potion,
That will keep the sun at rest,
Behind the distant hills,
Whilst children sleep in their beds.

Hannah Blaikie, Form 1

The Garden Sun

The garden sun comes in the morning.
Showing off his bright colours,
Playing a game of hide and seek,
Behind the trees, popping in and out.

The garden sun comes in the afternoon
This time he shows off his fire,
Shimmering points, until they come to an end.
He leaves no trace of where he's been.

The garden sun comes in the evening.
He shows off his light rays,
Dazzling on that pale blue paper,
In the sky, until he dies away.

The garden sun is now asleep.
His setting colours are a brilliant sight,
With patches of gold red and white.
He shivers himself to sleep.

But the garden sun has more to do
As he has not finished his journey,
He has a lot to do and far to go,
To wake up other people,
and he will rise tomorrow.

Emma Jenkins, Form 2

Sunshine

Squinting my eyes from the golden gas.
Unclouded fiery heat.
No shielding my eyes
from the glittering bright coin.
Scorching my skin with its fiery power.
Her orange cloak,
Is sinking down beneath the valley.
No light until tomorrow.
Eerie night creeps towards me.

Chloe Southorn, Form 2

feet

I can remember my first visit to the beach,
The scorching sand slid through my sunburnt toes,
And made me wince with exquisite pain.
How different was the time
When the glacial winter months came
And a white carpet of glistening snow lay around me,
My feet were becoming numb and frigid
With the chill of the biting air.
And if I think back a very long time,
I can just picture my first pair of school shoes.
I can also picture the assistant
Helping me put them on,
And pointing to the end of the everlasting corridor,
And commanding me to walk along it.
My feet felt so relaxed,
The shoes felt so comfortable,
It made my first day of school so exciting.
I felt fantastic.

Thinking back to all those memories
Makes me realise,
Just how much my feet have done.

Clare Newcome, Form 2

A Bright Starry Night

It's a beautiful sight on a bright starry night,
To look out of the window and see the stars
Glisten and the clouds fade away; with
The moon spreading its white shadow.
Oh, but what a fright when the thunder tears
Out its raw thoughts and its cross attitude
From Solitary Adventures

Sarah Barrow, Form 2

Autumn

Autumn comes like a dragon,
Breathing its smoke and its flame.
His head is of fruit, of apples and pears.
His neck, the scales of red, brown and gold leaves,
Conkers for eyes and sunset for flame,
He breathes from deep down inside.
His forelegs are bundles of barley and wheat.
Harvest that we will eventually eat.
His hindlegs of poverty, hunger and greed.
Remember those of every colour and creed.
His tail of glittering snow and red holly berries.

Jennifer Fergusson, Form 3

Shopping in Space

I took the bus to Venus,
For my weekly shopping spree,
I looked at the clothes in Spaceleys,
But nothing suited me.

I took the train to Saturn,
To look at the moons and rings.
The time passed so quickly that
I didn't get home 'til Spring!

Travelling in space is a dream,
As you drift and float through the air.
Majesty and splendour surround you,
The sights are beyond compare.

Victoria Gallagher, Form 3

Solitary Planet

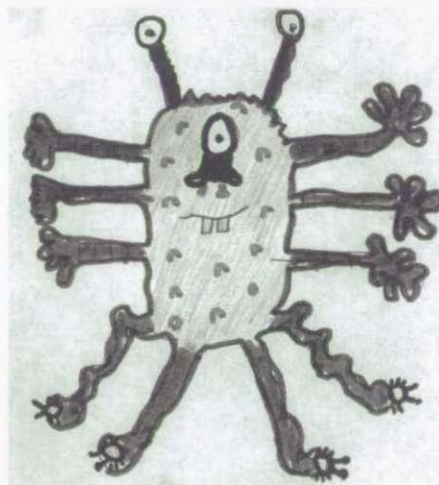
The solitary planet stands all alone,
Who lurks behind the shadows,
Its unknown.
Nobody dares to follow where others have led,
Despite what others who travel have said.
A misty cloudy atmosphere surrounds a dark, lifeless
sphere,
We wonder if an unknown source of life is ever near.
The crytic, sunless, murky place,
Is all alone in outer space!

Jenny Lister, Form 3

The Moon

The moon is like a lighthouse shining bright,
Casting shadows in the misty night.
A wondrous ivory coloured ball,
The most magnificent jewel of all.
Behind a floating cloud it slides,
Until the dawn arrives.

Danielle Washbrook, Form 3



My Monster!

I often meet a monster
While sleeping through the night,
He jumps out from under my bed
And gives me a terrible fright!

He's fat and green and warty,
With a slimy dripping nose.
But worst of all, if you'll dare to look,
He has beetles on his toes!

I really hate the monster,
He jumps and pulls my hair.
I scream and kick my legs about,
But he just couldn't care.

My friend thinks I imagine him,
But I know that he's real.
I even have the proof. You see,
He chewed my cuddly seal!

Alice Hulbert, Form 2

the riverside scene

The cool refreshing breeze
Wafted gently
over the rippling water.
Daffodils, tulips, roses, bluebells,
And many other
sweet smelling flowers
Shivered in the long, spiky grass.
A bluebird flew overhead,
With a moss covered twig
In its pointed, yellow beak.
A kingfisher skilfully,
After an agile, silver fish.
Unfortunately it missed,
So its quicksilver prey hid
In the tangled reeds,
Lost, from sight.
Abigail Gleek Form 1

Flying to the moon

Looking out of my window,
I imagine flying up, high into the sky,
Soaring through the stars.
The Earth gradually vanishing.
You're getting nearer,
Coming so close to that glowing light bulb.
Feeling your heart leap as you land.
Hardly being able to talk for your excitement.
You're wearing your suit and helmet.
Millions of questions
rushing through your head:
What will it be like? Will I get lost?
Oh, I wish I was flying to the moon.

Rebecca Huxley, Form 3

Hungry

I am a woolly, sleepy sort of beast,
Bamboo shoots, tiny, green and fresh,
are my only feast,
Where is the bamboo going?
It's all disappeared, I am hungry,
worried and very frightened.
I'm dressed in black and white, ready for dinner,
But nothing's on the table and I'm getting thinner.
I have sad, innocent eyes which gaze into yours,
And big, hairy paws, and hands called paws.
I'm not hunted for anything like my friend the tiger,
I just can't find any food, dying rapidly.
STARVING, STARVING, STARVING
I'm a

Anna Williams, Form 3

You....

You steal me from my parents,
When I am just an egg.
You take me in your vessel,
And wait for me to hatch.
You sell me to an owner,
As if I am just a pet.
You drill holes in my shell,
I have no means of escape.
You feed me cat and dog food,
No leaves or vegetation.
I've seen your parents, grandparents,
You will one day succeed in your ultimate goal,
You will wipe out the tortoise for future
generations to come.

Samantha Kokati, Form 3

out and about

A ROMAN VOYAGE

On a cold Wednesday in November, the Lower Fifth Latinists went to visit the Deva Roman Experience.

We entered the building with many different thoughts and ideas of what we might encounter (and what we might be letting ourselves in for). The Experience is situated right on an old Roman building, but despite its name, it did not only inform us about Romans. We stepped aboard an old Roman gallery and a "voice from the past" greeted us. He told us of the many voyages he'd been on and where he'd been (at this point some of us thought it would be funny to make the rest feel seasick). Then we wandered around a reconstruction of a city street. We saw, among others, a baker's shop and even a soldier's quarters and even smelt the original smells! We visited a swimming pool (the water was a bit dirty, but it has been there for over one thousand five hundred and twenty years!). We also saw a granary. We were then spoke to by a soldier on guard, on the walls. There was then a quick slide show before we were taken to the archaeological area. We were shown a Roman/Tudor cellar (and Eleanor experienced the delights of the Tudor toilet system!). There were many artifacts found including lots of clay pipes and bits of wall structure had been excavated. The Roman wall looked very sturdy. We had a fun two lessons out (we enjoyed the visit to the newsagents too!) and we would like to thank Ms. Noble for taking us and organising the trip and Mrs Beynon for accompanying us.

V. Packham, LV

INTER SCHOOL QUIZ

On Saturday the 11th of May, five girls set off for The Grange School to take part in an inter-school quiz. In the first round, they faced some difficult opposition and unfortunately missed qualifying for the semi-finals by just one point. However, they had a thoroughly enjoyable morning and thanks must go to Mrs Hoyle for organising the team and for being there to cheer them on.

Stephanie Wetherell, LIV



BORDEAUX EXCHANGE

Girls from UIV, LV and LVI once again took the opportunity to improve their French by participating in this exchange. After receiving their exchange partners in their homes during the Easter holidays, they spent the first part of the summer in France. Their experiences were varied, some travelling as far as the Mediterranean or the Pyrenees with their host families. Some were homesick and others did not want to return to England at the end of their stay! Here are the memories of some girls from the Lower V. When we touched down in France the contrast was obvious as jeans and a jumper were not quite suitable for the wall of heat which hit us as we walked across the concourse. It was here that we said our tearful farewells to our English friends as we prepared ourselves for sixteen days of being French. This did not last long as we soon met up again, when we found that learning to ride a motorbike is easier when your teacher can actually speak English. Most of the holiday was spent with our French families. Some of us canoed

seventeen miles around the Arcachon Basin; other climbed up the highest sand dunes in Europe, not realising that there were steps a metre to our left; most of us sunbathed on the beach and instead of comparing suntans, to our dismay we ended up comparing sunburn. We all visited Bordeaux on more than one occasion, visiting the monuments but more importantly the shops and cinema. Some went camping to different areas and had many encounters with French mosquitoes. Towards the end of the holiday we met up again and spent a day at Aquacity. After having an enjoyable time we did not realise that we would see each other again quite so soon, but the French girls had prepared a surprise farewell party for us. On the journey home everyone was in high spirits, discussing their experiences. However, our families had failed to explain the extent of the British heatwave and we were surprised to find that it was almost as hot as in France!

Clare Prydden and Elizabeth Hooley



Theatre Trip To See "Tartuffe"

Au mois d'octobre, toutes les élèves qui étudient le français en première sont allées voir une pièce de théâtre, au "Royal Exchange Theatre" Manchester. Elle a été jouée par un groupe d'acteurs y compris Roger Lloyd-Pack. "Tartuffe" est l'histoire d'un homme qui, motivé par l'avidité, essaie de s'installer dans une famille riche. Il devient ami avec le père de famille, pendant qu'il tente de séduire sa femme. Après une période de confusion comique et ridicule, la trahison de Tartuffe est finalement découverte. Il est arrêté et jeté en prison. C'était une pièce intéressante et éducative. Elle nous a permis de comprendre le style de Molière. Nous nous sommes bien amusées, et nous voudrions remercier les professeurs qui nous ont accompagnées.

Jenny Higgins

nedham house italian SKI HOLIDAY

We all met, 32 of us, and Mr. & Mrs Tottey, Laura, Matthew, Mrs James and Miss Huck, at Nedham House on Sunday, 18th February at 3.30 in the morning. We set off on the coach for Manchester Airport, where Jo Weedall and Mrs Brady met us, eventually taking off at 7.00 am. The flight, with Britannia Airways, lasted 2 hours and the coach transfer to Pinzolo in the Dolomite Mountains was also 2 hours. We saw lots of fruit trees in the valley, but we were soon climbing around hair-pin bends high up into the mountains. The scenery was spectacular and we had a fresh fall of snow the first night.

The village was quite pretty and interesting with a tree lined main street, a beautifully painted church in the centre and an octagonal fountain. Many of the houses were built of wood. It looked quite a rich village. The shops sold lots of wood craft souvenirs and the currency was in Lire; 2,500 Lire was worth about £1.

We stayed in the Hotel Canada, near the centre of the village, and only ten minutes walk from the Tele Cabine. We shared rooms, each with 3 or 4 beds in them and each room had its own bathroom. We had all our meals in the big dining room and we were allowed to buy drinks from the bar.

Many of us didn't like the food in the hotel. In the morning we had bread rolls with butter and jam, at lunchtime we had soup, meat, fruit and rolls and in the evening we had pasta, meat, ice-cream and rolls. Soft drinks cost 2,000 Lira from the bar. One day we had a picnic lunch on the mountain at the bottom of the ski run. We played on the toboggan slope. You could choose cheese or ham rolls, and have an orange too.

Bruno and Raoul were our ski instructors. We had four hours of lessons every day with them. The lessons consisted of many bumps, blue, red and black runs. Bruno and Raoul were Argentinians and they spoke good Italian but hardly any English. They picked out only the important words in our language. Most of the time in our lessons we went to the top of the

mountain and skied to the bottom taking different paths each day. We were allowed to shop in the village between ski lessons.

There were a few extra exciting happenings. Elise was lost for a short time after falling off a button lift and the Mountain Police 'rescued' her. There was also a fire practice in the hotel and we had to go outside in the freezing cold for 10 minutes. One day there a strange man in the hotel who was asked to leave because they thought he wanted to steal things. Mary and Laura Tottey also got 'lost' for a short time but were found safe and sound after an hour or so. Poor Mrs James hurt her knee and we hope she will soon be back at school with us.

In the evenings, before dinner, we had the bank when we got our spending money for the next day, and after dinner had different activities each evening. One night it was bingo - there were fantastic hats as prizes - on other nights there were silly games, a treasure hunt around the village and a quiz. One evening we walked to a pizzeria for delicious pizzas instead of eating at the hotel. The last evening was the presentation of badges, certificates and grades followed by a disco.

We had to do all our packing before dinner on the last evening as we were up early the next day to come home. The twisting coach journey made three people sick! The plane journey was very turbulent but we enjoyed it and the captain wished Jo a happy birthday over the loud speakers.

Thank you to Mrs Tottey and all the staff for taking us and for putting up with us! It was wonderful and most of us would like to go again.

Samantha Kakati, Farrah Bakr, Sophie Woodward, Anna Williams, Becky Huxley, Elise Hague, Supritha Rao, Claire Okell, Neha Kaushik, Sarah Garrod, Jenny Lister, Jo Weedall, Emma Harris, Jennie Fergusson, Alex Roberts, Danni Washbrook, Debbie McAdam, Anna Stanley of Form 3.



"La Leçon"

On Wednesday, 13th March, a group of Lower Sixth French students went to see a production of "La Leçon", a comedy by Eugene Ionesco, at Kingsway High School in Chester. The production was staged by The European Theatre Company, a French company which specialises in performing to students whose mother tongue is not French.

Although in French, we found the dialogue relatively easy to understand (if not slightly repetitive in places!), and where we failed to comprehend, copies of the script came in handy. It was an extremely lively and entertaining performance, well acted by actors who were enthusiastic and sympathetic to their audience.

Thanks must go to Mrs Chorley and the French staff for making the trip possible.

It was enjoyed by all!

Louisa Jones, LVI J



The Fulda Exchange

Last July saw the visit of our German exchange partners from Fulda. Despite getting off to a bad start with a delayed flight, because of a thunderstorm, the visit went well and the ten days were enjoyed by everyone. The German girls were able to experience a few days in The Queen's School and commented on how different it was from a day in the Marienschule in Fulda.

The third year girls took their partners on a trip to Chester Zoo which they all enjoyed. Mrs Prince kindly organised a trip to Alton Towers which went down very well with everyone. The German girls also had a sightseeing trip around Chester, although they seemed more interested in the shops than the Cathedral! All our parents were very supportive and organised trips to a variety of places including Blackpool, Liverpool, Llandudno and London. The exchange was a great success and enabled us to make a lot of new friendships amongst our English classmates as well as our exchange partners.

Rachel Cocker & Elizabeth Elliott, LV

Lower Vth Geography Fieldwork

On Tuesday 7th May, 45 girls armed with "wellies and anoraks" set off on their GCSE Geography fieldtrip. As soon as they had boarded the bus, the driver laid down a few rules, one of which was "no tapes". Undeterred, the girls amused themselves for the most part of the journey by singing their own songs, namely "The wheels on the bus go round and round". On reaching their destination, the River Clwyd in Wales, they all trooped off the bus and invaded the countryside. There were five tasks to be done on each of the four sites: a river cross section, speed measurements, a pollution study, pebble samples, and a study of biological life in the river. The last task was none too pleasant; the little beasties in the white identification tray kept trying to jump out! At the last site - where the river runs through a public park - the girls spotted a nearby rugby pitch. Suddenly, the water-proof trousers had been switched to itchy-bitsy shorts. By that time, most girls were tired of trying to keep dry, so they waded in and let the water go over their wellies. They soon regretted this, however, when the biological study was carried out and hundreds of evil little creatures with pincers(?) were discovered to be lurking in the murky depths. On the whole, however, the first day of the trip was good - but most didn't realise that you also get marked for your behaviour on the day, as well as the written work. Oops! On the second day, Wednesday May 8th, a study of Chester was to be carried out. The geography teachers had previously warned the girls that there were to be no "thighs or midriffs" showing. The girls' plan was to get all the work over with in the morning, and then go shopping for the rest of the day - while their mates were in double maths. This,



however, proved impossible, as there was so much work to be done. There were three tasks this time; a street transect, a study of shopping quality and a pedestrian count. The shopkeepers peered out curiously from behind their counters at the hordes of girls going past with clipboards and cameras shouting out things like D3J and X5I. The pedestrian count was by far the hardest of the tasks. At exactly 11am and 1.30pm the girls had to be at set places all over Chester to count the number of people going towards and away from the cross for five minutes. The clever teachers had kindly chosen a Race Day for the trip, and so millions - well, hundreds of people were passing. It was not made any easier by lots of young men cheerfully calling out "59, 103, 28, 77..." to aid them in their counting. We're sure they meant well! On the whole, we had a very enjoyable time and gained lots of valuable knowledge (ie. we finally knew what the streets of Chester were actually called!). We also learned not to sit on dodgy banks of rivers that look as if they are about to collapse (Annabel?). We decided on Wednesday evening that it had been good; better than school, anyway. So thanks to all the teachers who put up with us.

Fay Robinson and Lucie Stanley, LV

FRENCH *adventure* HOLIDAY

It was a bright Sunday morning. The sky was blue and the birds were singing, but then it happened. Thirty Lower Fourths, their suitcases and tearful parents, converged on City Walls Road. This was the beginning of the Summer Adventure Holiday.

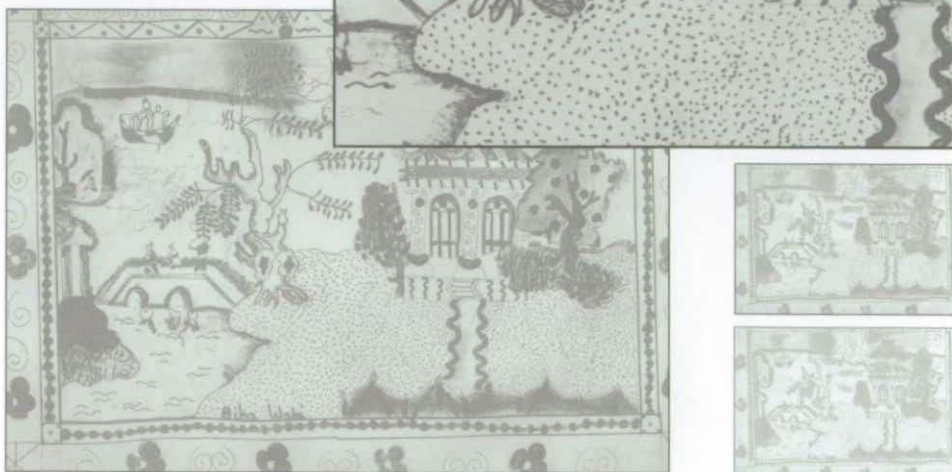
The amount of luggage we had taken for just one week was quite astounding. Mrs Sheedy had told us that if we could carry it, we could bring it. However, I and a few others enlisted the help of some good-looking PGL instructors to carry us and our luggage to the campsite, while the teachers and the rest of the group struggled up the hill dragging suitcases, sleeping bags and teddy bears behind them!

No sooner had we unpacked than we were down on the beach for wet and wild activities. We also got a taste of the French language. Have you ever tried explaining that Penny wasn't actually drowning in knee deep water, she was only pretending to be Pamela Anderson, in French?

Each day was jammed full of activities. Rock climbing and abseiling were pretty scary, but with an instructor who was the spitting image of Harrison Ford waiting for us, we all (including Mrs Stinson) managed to reach the top. Other favourite activities included windsurfing (other wise known as "getting rescued by the French patrol boat"), whitewater rafting (watching Mrs Sheedy getting swept downstream and not diving in to save her) and ghyll walking (be warned, don't sit on the bench which Amanda accidentally fell off and broke, much to the delight of her so-called friends!). Everyone really enjoyed the holiday and by the end of the week we were tired, sunburnt and wanting to come back next year.

Amanda Gemmill & Penny Dixon, UIV

Drawing by Biba Wahi



"I've just done a rather stupid thing..."

I've just done a rather stupid thing. Picture this: I left home and instead of heading down the motorway to the first available University, I moved a few thousand miles to a foreign country, where I knew no one, and couldn't speak a word of the language. I travelled out with eleven people who I'd only known ten days. One of them was going to be my flat/room-mate for the next five months. I was going to be a teacher, with ten days of training. The question has to be asked: "What HAD I done?" The answer: made the best decision of my life!!!!

I arrived in Hungary with very few preconceptions. I knew it was one of the first Central European countries (they deny inclusion in Eastern Europe) to break from Russia. I'd learned about the 1956 Revolution and Joseph II in History, but other than old clichés about gyulas (goulash) and the Blue Danube, I was prepared for anything.

This was a good thing, as it happened, because while Hungary, or more specifically Budapest, is not the backward, peasant-filled society British people seem to think, it is NOT suburban Chester, nor in that city was I your average 18 year old. Where else could I sample the delights of Hungarian school dinners? (Cabbage, gristle and... unrecognisable things - my favourite!) Be thrown off a train in the middle of who knows where? Witness snow so deep that it covers cars? Meet the infamous Bratislava flasher? Be the target of numerous vengeful pupils in energetic snowfight lessons? Stand freezing to death at 6am for the number 13 tram? See some of the most beautiful buildings, paintings, scenery, cities, I've seen in my life? Experience and participate fully in a totally different culture?

I taught twelve different classes of fifteen to eighteen year olds, each once a week, at a secondary school in the tenth district of Budapest. I was treated as any other teacher and could teach anything I liked. This consisted of grammar, games, spelling, pronunciation, slang, and...TESTS! Lessons started at (brace yourselves) 7.30am and

ended at 3pm. Oh yes, and did I mention that I couldn't speak the language? Consider that yourselves, but suffice it to say that teaching is not an easy job. I can't believe how much preparation, marking, and energy has to go into it. You can't turn up for work in the wrong frame of mind: if you then try to teach, your students won't cooperate. If there's any experience destined to create ultimate respect for teachers, this is it. This wasn't the cosy atmosphere of The Queen's School: it was a mixed state school, in a relatively underprivileged area; most students were bored with learning and hyperactive in lessons. Some of their names, I confess, I never learned, (well, there were about 120 of them) but at a rough guess, shouting "Gabor", "Zoltan" or "Zsuzsa" normally got a reaction.

My other job was at a Catholic junior school. Twice a week I taught ten year old beginners. With the aid of my trusty English Hungarian dictionary, and lots of hand-waving, we communicated an amazing amount, and within weeks they sang "Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes" like natives. Other activities included "Guess Who?" and Bingo tournaments, but the highlight - basketball in English! In the name of educating my four little boys (previously five but Viktor was expelled for pulling faces at a Priest,) I sacrificed all self-esteem, and nearly permanently disabled myself so that they could learn to shout "Left!" , "Right!" and "I'm here!" Well I'm nothing if not inventive.

It would take years to tell every experience of my six months away. I've visited Vienna, Prague, Bratislava and much of Hungary. I've met many people: Hungarian, British, and of other nationalities. The gap year is often frowned upon or devalued, but provided you do something worthwhile, it can be the most rewarding experience. You're eighteen years old. You've just left school, and for the first time in your life all your options are your own. You need time to stop and be able to evaluate all those options, and travelling is a good way to do it. Right away from everything, you learn a lot about yourself, and about your capabilities.

If your frightened by the thought of confronting your faults and problems, don't do it. I'm not the most confident of people, I admit it, and this experience has been great for me. Well, how many people do you know who can boast a knowledge of Hungarian?! Akarok Magyarul beszélni, de itt, Chesterben, es nem lehet, mert senki mas nem tud Magyarul. What's that? You don't understand? Well you'd just better go out to Hungary, and learn it for yourself. Seize this opportunity, before you're too busy struggling to pay back your student loans, or working full-time, or married with children. Don't miss out on this chance, in case it's never offered to you again.

On a lighter note, have you ever considered the way England is perceived by foreigners?

Here's just a few choice comments by some Budapest students (Who have never visited the UK):-

"My girlfriend told me, when she was in London, she saw the rain and it was nicer than Hungarian rain. I don't think it's the truth"

"British people think that we live in small villages and if we want to travel, we ride a horse."

"The streets are very clean...you can't see rubbish...You can only see green parks with squirrels, little lakes with frogs and fish. There is a calm atmosphere. You feel peace inside yourself when you are enjoying the beauty of England. I would like to travel to England to see all these things with my own eyes. I hope that my biggest dream will come true sometime."

"the weather usually is foggy, wet and cool, like slime." Good luck, whatever you choose to do!

Sally Bowden, (Leaver 1995)

The Queen's School Association

The Committee for 1995-6

Officers:

Chairman Jennifer Entwisle (Ray) 1950-54
Honorary Secretary Susan Seys Llewellyn (Comyn) 1955-62
Honorary Treasurer Hilarie McNae (Adams) 1949-63

Marian Barrow (Brown)	1951-65	Margaret Ireland (Kelly)	1952-65
Shani Bernie (Maple)	1969-70	Marjorie Miln (Hack)	1949-63
Mary Burgess (Ham)	1958-63	Veronica Patrick (Davies)	1965-78
Angela Burton (Partington)	1951-61	Joan Roberts (Brookes)	1934-43
Sheena Cumiskey (Elliott)	1970-80	Ann Short (Brotherhood)	1954-61
Marian Evans (Hughes)	1955-62	Sarah Swallow (Wain)	1967-74
Judith Fernandes (Durrant)	1951-56	Kirsty Whiteley (Elliott)	1966-73
Lesley Hardy (Cooke)	1964-77	Carole Wilkinson (Holme)	1967-74
Shirley Hayes	1947-54	Mary Wood (retired in February)	1935-46
Margaret Hassall (Owen)	1943-48		

The Annual General Meeting 1995

The Annual General Meeting on 1st July 1995 was held at the Senior School. We were especially pleased to welcome Miss Farra, Miss Walters, Mrs Sheedy, Miss Morgan, Miss Edwards and Miss Baxter, and some 1965 leavers who were holding their reunion.

Members stood for a minute in silence in memory of those who had died during the year. Special mention was made of Sybil Trubshaw, whose detailed obituary appeared in last year's magazine, and Phyllis Bliss. (An appreciation of her life appears later.)

The minutes of the 1994 AGM had been circulated and were taken as read. They were duly signed.

The Treasurer reported that this was the first year that accounts had run on a calendar basis. She gave a resume of the QSA Trust document and explained its wide choice of options. The committee had discussed the idea of imposing a condition on applicants for the Bursary, namely that it should be awarded to the relative of an old girl. It was decided that this would be too restrictive but, all things being equal, preference would be given to a member of an old girl's family. The Bursary which had lain dormant for the past two years had now been awarded. At present the sum is £750 for two years. It is hoped that when next awarded in 1997 it can be raised to £1000 per annum. Turnover during 1994 was £5000, mostly relating directly to the membership, the Michaelmas Supper, the Coffee Morning and presentations. Next year, because the bursary has been awarded, our Charitable

Donation will rise from £145 to over £1000. The March Coffee Morning showed a profit of £115. The raffle at the AGM raised £61, which cancelled out the small loss that was made on the luncheon. At the Michaelmas Supper in September leavers are treated to a complimentary meal, the catering being done by the committee. The loss on this event last year was £70. However many of them took out Life Membership which contributed to the £2050 that was received in Subscriptions. 'Sugar Mice' appeared as an entry in the accounts; this referred to the treats that had been distributed amongst the children at Nedham House following the dedication of the memorial to Miss Maggs.

The Secretary reported that the response to the Newsletter had been overwhelming. The total membership looked to be heading towards 1200; 27 new Life Members came

from the sixth form leavers, a new record. Work on storing addresses on disk was proceeding thanks to Shirley Hayes. Special thanks were sent to those who gave so generously to the Memorial Fund and to those who wrote articles for *Have Mynde*.

In September the **Michaelmas Supper** had attracted 72 diners and included some established members as well as new leavers. Our second event, the Coffee Morning at Nedham House, was enjoyed by 45 enthusiastic ladies in the cosy atmosphere of Nedham House. Mrs Brady was thanked for allowing us to use Nedham House, and Mr Charters for his help on the day.

80 Members had attended the **1994 AGM** including Miss MacLean but this year she was not well enough to travel following a fall in the spring. She sent her best wishes to

all present.

At Nedham House in November staff and pupils joined committee members and friends of Miss Maggs in the Brown Memorial Rose Garden to unveil a sundial in honour of its former headmistress. In Miss MacLean's absence Marian Barrow made a short speech and Neddies planted some bulbs around the sundial and were rewarded with a sugar mouse. Guests were given tea and shown a display set up to mark the occasion.

In July 1994 we were invited to **nominate** a suitable candidate as a governor following the retirement of two members of the Governing body. Hilarie McNae was nominated but not elected. We were then told that the Charity Commissioners had been asked to consider the appointment of two extra governors, one as a second Parents Association

representative and one as the first QSA representative. On May 22nd we heard that the Charity Commissioners had agreed in principle and it was decided that Hilarie's name should be re-submitted. As a representative governor, as opposed to a delegate, she will not be able to report back but simply represent us.

In the run-up to the **Centenary** it was decided to agree the outline plan for the celebrations before the new Secretary took office and a Centenary Sub-committee was elected to see it through. Because the nave floor will be under repair in 1997 two Commemoration Services will be held in the South Transept. The first of these will include the senior girls and the Queen's School Association, and the second will be for the junior forms and Nedham House. So, with Miss Skilbeck's kind permission, the programme is as follows:-
May 2nd

Commemoration in the Cathedral at 2 pm
Tea at School after the service (by kind invitation of Miss Skilbeck)
Gilbert & Sullivan evening at Kings
Reception at 6.30 for 7 pm. (with the kind permission of Mr Wickson)

Saturday
Lunch 12 for 1 pm.

May 3rd
Farewell at 4 pm with tea and biscuits

The Centenary AGM will be on Saturday June 29th, followed by tea. School celebrates the Centenary of Have Mynde in 1997 and we hope to contribute to this special edition.

Before beginning her **President's report** Miss Skilbeck thanked Ann and proposed adoption of her report. During the 1994-95 academic year we were one of the top schools in the country. At GCSE the pass rate was 100%, and at A level it was 99.2%, with 68% gaining As and Bs. All candidates gained their university places, 6 of them going to Oxbridge. Throughout the year many departments in the school had organised excursions and attended conferences. French

and German exchanges had taken place. The English department entered a team in the Observer debating competition where they narrowly missed victory. A Home Economics team reached the regional finals of the Young Consumer of the Year. Musicians had performed at Evensong in the Cathedral, the Christmas Concert, the Spring Concert and the joint King's and Queen's production of Ruddigore, and for the first time had taken part in the Nottingham Schools Festival. The standard was high in the Anna Markland competition which attracted a large entry. In sport fifteen players, had represented Cheshire during the year, 8 in lacrosse teams and 7 in hockey. Amongst the swimming team wins the most notable was that against Rydall, the boys school! Aside from the time-tabled activities a team had entered the Dragon Race on the Dee, an event won by Queen's last year.

There was a large entry for the National Mathematics Challenge and all who competed gained gold, silver or bronze certificates. The annual visit to Living Waters was a great success. There was an Open Day in November and a VI Form reception in March. Some of the new applicants took advantage of the Careers evening. The department now boasts a new C.D. ROM which gives access to wider advice. An old girl, Ann Clwyd MP, was the speaker at Prize Giving and other members of the Association had contributed to the programme of Sixth Form lectures. V E Day had been celebrated by staff and girls who wore 1940 style clothes and ate a wartime lunch. Nedham House shared the wartime experiences of parents and old girls.

The Parents' Association had run a variety of events culminating in a Summer Ball which was excellent. Governors and parents have had some joint meetings and worked together in several areas: marketing, discussion on the accommodation committee and, just coming into being, an Appeal Committee. It was decided to go for a massive

appeal for funds for sixth form accommodation, a science lab. and an all weather pitch. In addition it is hoped to raise funds for Bursary money. It is hoped that the Appeal will be supported by all members of The Queen's School family including the QSA. Miss Skilbeck announced Miss Baxter's retirement from the governing body but was happy that she would remain as their consultant on aspects of school life. Carol Ferris, another old girl, Queen's School mother and staff member for 25 years, was retiring. Doreen Judge, another long serving member of staff and a Queen's School mother, was also retiring. As news of degree successes come in we realise that the excellent tradition of the School continues. We have much to thank previous generations for and we hope to serve them well and Honour Wisdom.

Jenny Entwisle then conducted the **elections**. The AGM had been held on the first Saturday in July for some time. In order to avoid a clash with Wimbledon Finals and Henley Royal Regatta it was proposed that it should be moved to the last Saturday in June. This had the unanimous recommendation of the committee, and it was passed after a show of hands in favour.

As Ann had explained, the committee as a whole recommended Hilarie McNae as our representative governor. The resolution was carried unanimously. Ann is to inform Mr Dutton, Clerk to the Governors, who will duly inform the Charity Commissioners. Upper VI and V form leavers were elected en bloc. Ann Short resigned as Secretary and Susan Seys Llewellyn (Comyn) was elected to replace her. Four new members were elected to the committee: Angela Burton (Partington), Sheena Cumiskey (Elliott), Carole Wilkinson (Holme) and the welcome return of Margaret Hassall (Owen) a former chairman.

Following this, Jenny reported on the **Oxford/London Branch** and the progress of

Nicola Palin's picture. Muriel Hall-Rooney (Price), a former head girl, had hosted the lunch on June 24th. The setting was delightful and she had done the catering herself. Rosamond Day was guest of honour. Jenny had thanked Muriel for her generous hospitality and asked for the thanks of the meeting to be minuted and added our appreciation to Susan Benson who did all the paperwork for the Oxford and London lunches. A second lunch was planned for September 23rd at St. Hugh's College, Oxford. A painting in memory of Gladys Phillips will hang in the Library. Nicola Palin is an old girl, a distinguished artist and a children's book illustrator. She is very talented and very busy, but Jenny assured us that her work is well worth waiting for.

Ann gave a report on the **AROPS conference at Eastbourne**. QSA had no representatives this year but a copy of the report had been received and contained much of relevance about the organisation of Old Pupils Societies. Computerisation of association records, the establishment of a rent-free office, the appointment of an archivist for School from within the ranks of the association (School now has that with the appointment of Carol Ferris) and, if numbers warrant it, the appointment of a recorder for births, marriages and deaths. An appeal was made for anyone with actuarial experience to help compile a report about levels at which Life Subscriptions should be set. We hope to send delegates to conferences and learn from the experiences of other societies.

Members had suggested ideas for **Centenary memorabilia** and the committee would decide the number of items and prices. 50 members have indicated interest in the stick pin. At £45 this will be the most expensive item. A golfing umbrella was shown. Apart from the Centenary these could be sold at all our own events, and on other occasions in School. It would be an advertisement

for the School. Members indicated with a show of hands that the majority were in favour of the idea. Miss Skilbeck thanked Ann for her reports. She gave our best wishes to Veronica Davies on her forthcoming marriage and to three committee members celebrating their silver wedding anniversaries. She then asked a member of the sixth form to begin the presentations. After sixteen very happy years at Sandford House **Mrs Doreen Judge retired.** Olivia Searle presented her with a Stuart Crystal bowl on behalf of the Association. She had pleasurable memories of her year in Mrs Judge's class, accompanied by her doll Zoe, and realised what a good introduction she had had to school life. Mrs Judge thanked Olivia and remarked that this year her very first pupils were due to graduate and, apart from Miss Farra, the first person she had met at School was **Carol Ferris who was also retiring.** Lynne Warrington had travelled from Surrey to present Mrs Ferris with a music voucher and sherry glasses and, jointly

with the staff, a music centre. Lynne had been inspired by Carol's enthusiasm for her subject and consequently had made her own career as a classicist. She paid tribute to Carol's work as Charities Officer and her very caring attitude towards all her pupils. Mrs Ferris said that her connection with School covers fifty years, as a pupil, a parent, and latterly as a member of staff for twenty five years. She had many memories: of Miss Trubshaw, her remove form teacher; of the F.F.I. Form required at the beginning of the School Year; of the rush to bag a desk at the start of term; and the little stairs up to Miss MacLean's room and the turret. As a member of staff she had been made very welcome by her former teachers, now colleagues, including Connie Baxter and Elinor Edwards. She was appointed by Miss MacLean and had worked with Miss Farra and Miss Skilbeck as well as Miss Edwards, Miss Walters and Mrs Sheedy. She was sorry that Miss Pope was unable to be at the meeting. Reference to a line in the

hymn formerly sung at the end of the School Year, about "one family unbroken", summed up Carol's feelings about The Queen's School: the pride and fondness she has for it, and the importance and influence of it in her life.

Following the presentation to Mrs Ferris, Miss Skilbeck called on Marjorie Miln to present Ann Short with a gift from the Association. She commented on Ann's determination to make the Association more user-friendly and to increase the membership. She had achieved this: many people had received cards and flowers to mark special occasions, and messages of sympathy. Now, through the new format Newsletter, we are also better informed about what is going on. As Secretary of the Association, Ann had been "equalled by few, surpassed by none", a mis-quote by Marjorie of a memorial plaque in the Cathedral. She was presented with a token and it was hoped that she would now "enjoy herself".

Ann thanked Marjorie for the compliments and the music token, and said that during her term of office she had received help from so many; she gave particular thanks to the officers and committee. She remembered the delight of being in touch with so many lovely people; she felt that she had been at the hub of a wheel. She was indebted to Miss Skilbeck and the vice-presidents of the Association for their support and expertise, and to all those who had shown commitment to the QSA. She stressed that we must keep working to increase the active membership and she looked forward to seeing members and friends in 1997.

Echoing Sarah Swallow's vote of thanks, Miss Skilbeck thanked the committee for all they do behind the scenes to make events possible.

The meeting closed and members went for lunch.

news in BRIEF

Following the normal pattern of events the year began with the Michaelmas Supper in September which was again popular with leavers who exchange news and addresses before beginning their further education courses. The Coffee Morning in March attracts a band of loyal supporters and this year we were delighted to see Miss Eaton who had travelled from Derbyshire.

Also in March there was another event of note. I sent a card to our Chairman who had declared privately that she did not want a fuss for her birthday. She had two parties and a trip to the council offices to collect her travel card! Belated congratulations, Jenny.

This is a very busy time for the

committee as you can imagine. To date 135 members have indicated that they hope to come to the Centenary Lunch and another 10 are probables. I am convinced that more will join us once the news reaches non-members that they too will be welcome. The idea of a membership directory is very popular and will be organised following the Centenary celebrations.

The next Newsletter due out in January 1997 will in fact appear in October 1996. This will give members ample opportunity to respond to the requests it will contain, but more selfishly, it will give the Secretary time to plan final details for the weekend in May and to co-ordinate material and articles that we hope you will

contribute for our own QSA Have Mynde which we plan to publish to commemorate our Centenary in May 1997. Also by October catering arrangements and the cost of tickets for the Centenary Lunch will be known.

I should like to thank all members who have written to me with information, and criticism, all of which is most welcome and I look forward to seeing some of you at the AGM this year but many, many more of you during the Centenary weekend in May 1997.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Alison Lawson 1st Class degree in Metallurgy & Science of Materials at St Catherine's College, Oxford. Awarded Institute of Materials Prize for Best Overall Performance. Starting a DPhil in Biomaterials at St Catherine's. Awarded a Wellcome Trust Prize Studentship and Graduate Scholarship at St Catherine's.

Catherine Lawson Distinctions in 1st year language examinations. Heath Harrison travelling Scholarship (University award) to travel in France, summer 1995.

Alison Roberts (Jones 1958-67) still works at the Grosvenor Museum and the Heritage Centre. She keeps in touch with Paula Betteridge who works at Aston University.

Susie Ireland (1977-91) is now doing postgraduate study in the department of French at Calgary University.

Victoria Swift (1976-89) has been working for Alan Bleasdale; she was production assistant on the recent Channel 4 series 'Jake's Progress'.

Jo Marsh (Shipley 1958-68) married Tom Wymer in June 1992. She left the BBC in 1990 on being appointed Director of Human Resources of The Consumer Association. She has been an adviser to the TUC and is a trustee of a charity running helplines following TV and Radio broadcasts.

Pat Gibson (Edwards 1937-42) is looking forward to meeting some contemporaries at the Centenary. She was widowed in 1993 and has two surviving sons. Michael the elder is a senior scientific officer in the Met. Office, and Patrick is working for Sandes a Christian Organisation based at Pirbright Army Camp. She wonders if there are any other old girls living in Telford.

Gill Rebelo (Morgan 1955-62) writes from Nairobi where she has lived since 1971. She is married to a barrister and has 3 children. She would love to see any old girl who might be passing through (Address from the Secretary).

Dorothy Roberts (Beck 1918-26) writes from Surrey and wonders if any of her contemporaries will be joining her at our Centenary celebrations.

Patricia Mitchell (Brown 1947-54) is pictured in the National Trust's 1996 brochure with her husband in the coracles that they made. "You're never too old to learn new tricks".

Mary Roosevelt (Winskill 1949-57) still enjoys her work at the University of California, Irvine. She is engaged in improving teacher training and drives a bright purple Ford Mustang!

Mary Blane (Milton 1932-44) had a reunion with a group of former students who trained with her at Southlands College 50 years ago. She wishes to be remembered to any QS pupil who remembers her.

Heather Royle (Crossley 1963-70) moved from Blackburn to Aylesbury where her husband is Walton Team rector. She is teaching French and German at Aylesbury High School along with Mary McDonald whose mother taught French at Queen's, and lives close to another former pupil Angela McPherson.

Mary Brown (Walling 1945-51) teaches part-time in the School of Special Education and Disability Studies, Flinders University, Adelaide, flying regularly to Canada to see her children. She is happy to be the oldest woman in a specially selected highpowered choir participating in Adelaide's 1996 International Arts Festival.

Patricia Rankin (1969-75) writes from America saying that she will spend next year working in Washington for the National Science Foundation.

Judy Jones (Davies 1957-64) tells us about her daughters. Sarah is a chartered surveyor, married and living in London. Claire, also in London, is working as Production Manager with a TV company making commercials mostly.

Jane Mildwater (Crammond 1969-76) is a part-time maths lecturer at Lancaster and Morecambe College of Further Education.

Rosalie Stockton (1948-55) is enjoying a busy retirement after many years involved in Special Education, sharing her life with Fergy a retired architect.

Ann Smart (Hughes 1944-52) retired as Senior Fellow and Tutor in Law at St Hugh's College, Oxford, after 21 years. She is now a Fellow Emeritus at the college and works part-time as Law Faculty Delegate to the Bodleian Law Library as well as doing some work for the Law Commission. But three small grandsons save her from too much serious activity, she says. Her mother Nancy (Williams), formerly a staunch supporter of QSA events before moving to Woodstock, sends her greetings.

Catherine Jones (Lace 1962-75) is having a novel published by Piatkus in October, provisionally entitled 'Army Wives'. She is organising a reunion of 1975 leavers for 1997 and so far has contacted about 42 contemporaries. If you would like information tel. 01844 213947.

Judith Fearnall (Hamilton 1943-50) is planning to be at the Centenary Celebrations together with several old friends. Her daughter Jane (1984-91)

was in the winning crew that won Club Eights at Womens' Henley in 1994. She is training as a Chartered Accountant in London.

Kate Morrison (Entwisle 1968- 81) was appointed Consultant Radiologist by the Kent and Canterbury Trust in March.

Ann Gregson (Myres 1947-54) had two successful exhibitions in 1995. One, 'Artists in the Family,' featured pictures by her great aunt, her father, her daughter and herself.

Marie-Elaine Houghton (Sacher 1973-80) hopes to set up a small garden design business having recently completed a course. She also writes on a freelance basis on economic issues.

Alison Chamberlain (MacKenzie 1957-67) walked into the staff-room of the middle school where she teaches and came face to face with Liz Garratt (Stewart) who was in her form in Nedham House and the senior school!

Vivienne Faull (1963-73) is Vice Provost and Canon Pastor of Coventry Cathedral. She is married to Dr. Michael Duddridge who works at Queen's Medical Centre Nottingham.

Margaret Milligan (Ellis 1921-33) and her husband had lunch with Diana Blackwell (Stennett) whilst on holiday in Cornwall. Margaret is very proud of her grandson in New Zealand; he has been awarded a first class honours degree in Civil Engineering.

Colette Rimmer (83-1990) is now working for South Yorkshire Police based at Rotherham.

Veronica Patrick (Davies 1965-78) is working in marketing and administration at a large local Further Education College. Congratulations to Veronica on her wedding last July.

Margaret Little (Humphries 1932-36) is coming to the Centenary along with her sister Diana and Margaret Brown and Nan Place.

Judith Webster (Barnacle 1955-62) is teaching at Hadley Wood School, Barnett, and also studying for an MSc at Birkbeck.

Yvonne Windsor (1983-90) is working as a researcher within a Biophysics group at the London Hospital Medical School.

Susan Addison (Hall 1972-77) is in touch with a group of school friends who she hopes will accompany her to the Centenary. She is a solicitor with Clifford Chance in London.

Pat Grenfell (Russell 1933-44) Congratulations! Pat is currently 1995 British Champion (age 65-70) in

Orienteering and a silver medallist in the World Veterans Orienteering Championship (65-70) held in St. Petersburg in 1995. She retired from gynaecology two years ago and is now doing a History of Art and Architecture course at Bristol University. Both her daughters are in General Practice and she has three grandchildren.

Phyllis Woodward (1922-30) was a form mate of the late Rosamond Day. She keeps busy as chairman of the local Townswomen's Guild and also runs a drama group.

Caryn Hall (Smith 1980-87) writes to say that although her further education was delayed she got there in the end and is still going! She finally gained her degree, a 2:1 in Environmental Health, in June, and is working for a local authority whilst studying for an M.Sc.

Valerie Berry (Labrum 1953-60) has retired after thirty years working in the NHS as a clinical psychologist. She is taking a catering course at Llandrillo College. She has two stepchildren and a grandchild.

Kirsty Whiteley (Elliott 1966-73) writes that her sister, Sheena Cumiskey (Elliott 1970-80), was appointed as Chief Executive of Halton Hospital in Runcorn, Cheshire, in December 1995.

Margaret Ward (Bourne 1942-48) reports that her daughter Virginia (1978-88) is training to be a primary school teacher at Moray House, Edinburgh. She hopes they will both be at the Centenary along with Margaret's mother Muriel Gould (Harris 1918-22).

Joy Watkin (Nuttall 1937-48) has made contact with the Association and is determined to be at the Centenary celebrations. "There is much catching up to do", she writes. Having trained as a florist on leaving Queen's, she decided to train as a teacher once her three boys were at school. After qualifying she studied for a year at Cambridge University and obtained a B.Ed(Hons). She and her husband are now retired and living in Wiltshire.

Diana Irlen (Partington 1952-65) is enjoying life back in the UK after many years abroad. All three sons finish university this year. She is teaching a reception class in a church school in Colchester and recently met up with Judith Allinson (Reid).

Lynne Warrington (1978-85) has been teaching Classics in Brighton and Cheam for the past six years. In September she takes up a post as senior classics teacher at King's School, Macclesfield. She is to be a bridesmaid when Catherine Healey (1978-85) marries Malcolm Goodier at All Saints Church, Hoole, in October 1996. Catherine can be contacted on 0171-538-1780

Elizabeth Potts (Pulman 1969-76) is now living in the Peak District and would welcome anyone visiting the area (01433 630283). She has 3 children and works part-time in the pharmaceutical industry.

Ann Briers (Davies 1946-53) and her husband published a book last July entitled 'A Taste of the Good Life'. She continues to act, a recent appearance was in The Sculptress for BBC TV, and hopes to complete her Open University BA Honours degree this year. With

the birth of a second grandchild due to her elder daughter and the wedding last November of her younger daughter life seems pretty hectic.

Charlotte West-Oram (1960-66) combines radio and voice-over work with some teaching.

Diana Cotes (Clubbe 1947-59) is in charge of fund-raising for her local hospice. They have recently completed a year of trading in their charity shop.

Anna Dawson (1981-88) is a solicitor in London working in the Private Client Department of Biddle & Co.

Susan Howells Richards (1965-74) lives in Switzerland and is wondering what to do professionally as she contemplates a quieter life with her youngest son starting school.

Karenn Coombes (1963-70) got engaged in December 1995 to Ian Galer another ergonomist. Last April she was awarded the Paul Branton Meritorious Service Award from the Ergonomics Society in recognition of her work in the promotion of ergonomics.

Pauline Baker (Williams 1944-50) writes from the 'Wiltshire Sticks' of her work as a Bowen Therapist. In March she travelled to the USA to meet up with other therapists and also family and friends, whilst her husband and son travelled to India lecturing to 800 Natureopaths!

connie baxter writes

Members would have been very sad to read in the 1995 Have Mynde of the death of Phyllis Bliss at the age of 95.

Three of us, Miss Farra, Miss Elinor Edwards and I travelled to Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1989 to see an exhibition of her work. Miss Farra wrote an account of our visit in the 1990 Have Mynde.

In acknowledging my letter of condolence, Prudence Bliss, one of her daughters wrote of her mother;

"She was tremendously attached to the school, and to Chester. Latterly I think it was her favourite subject of conversation. She became blind three years ago so these memories became especially important and were more vivid than reality!"

One of the happiest events in recent years was your visit to see her with Miss Farra and Miss Edwards; you brought her a beautiful cream begonia. Such kindness cheered her so much on her ninetieth birthday that I think it contributed to her living another five years!...

It was lovely to hear from someone who knew of my mother in happier days and to be reassured that she had not been forgotten in her beloved city".



Marriages

Davies, Sarah (left 1988)
to Benjamin Holder in Chester Cathedral
on Sept. 23rd 1995

Walton, Rachel (1975-85)
to Peter Lee at Christ Church Rossett
on April 22nd 1995

Marsh, Jo (Shipley 1958-1968)
to Tom Wymer in June 1992

Davies, Veronica (1965-78)
to Allan Patrick on July 29th 1995

Francis, Emma (1975-85)
to Hems de Winter on June 1st 1991

Barker, Christina (1954-65 nee Barbour)
to Tom Bartlem on September 29th 1995.

Whalley, Lisa (1980-87)
to Richard Life in Las Vegas, USA
on 14th March 1996.

Births

BROWN To Elizabeth
(Lunn 1963-76)
a son Michael David
on November 10th 1995.

O'SHEA To Marianne
(Phillips 1963-76)
a daughter Caitlin
in January 1996.

ADDISON To Susan
(Hall 1972-77)
a son on December 26th 1994.

PHILLIPS To Barbara
(Monkhouse 1964-71)
a son, William Henry Giles
on June 12th 1995,
a brother for Catherine.

DE WINTER To Emma
(Francis 1975-85)
a daughter, Sophie,
on November 20th 1992,
and a second daughter,
Louisa,
on October 17th 1994.

HEATH To Ruth
(Hassall 1963-77)
a son, Charles Henry,
on October 29th 1995

ROBERTS To Angie
(Pickering 1982-89)
a daughter, Mabli Jêr,
on April 4th 1996.

CLAIRE BARTLETT (1973-1995)

After leaving in the summer of 1991 with 5 'A' Levels, Claire attended the West Cheshire College of Art in Blacon and completed an Art Foundation course gaining a 'Commendation'. In 1992 Claire went on to UMIST to read International Management and French and it was in the third year of her course that she went to CERAM in the south of France near Antibes. CERAM is a 'Grande Ecole' specialising in management studies and Claire was the only Manchester student at the school. Claire was fascinated by the south of France in general and living in the old town of Antibes in particular. Whether it was walking along coastal paths, visiting art museums or just going out to class in the morning under a blue winter sky with the sight of yachts in the blue waters of the harbour and white snow on the Alps behind, this was what life was about. In her view there was no better place to go to University in the whole world. And it all left time for an energetic social life or a quiet coffee at 'Le Vieil Antibes' by the fountain in the corner of the Place Nationale. Whilst she was aware before she went to France that many famous artists had lived and worked in Provence, she never ceased to be surprised by the number of museums and galleries she could visit. Where else could you have a studio looking over the Roman walls of a mediterranean harbour, above a cafe where Picasso and Graham Greene had in their own times also watched the world go by? This was her paradise.



It was during this year that we discovered that Claire had the skin cancer, malignant melanoma, and despite three operations in France and treatment at one of the foremost skin cancer hospitals, the Centre Antoine Lacassagne in Nice she died from a brain tumour on July 17th. Catherine Thornton-Firkin had been to stay with Claire a month before and had found her to be in cheerful spirits though suffering from the effects of the chemotherapy. On her last day before being rushed to hospital, Claire and I had visited the Matisse Chapel in Vence and the Raoul Dufy Museum in Nice, ticking off another two items on her 'Things to Do' list. She really believed she would fight off the illness and always hoped to be going back to France in future years to finish off the list.

Deaths

CLARKE Gillian (Barlow 1938-45)
on Sept. 23rd 1995 after a
short illness.

CLARKE Lydia Mary
on December 19th 1995, piano
teacher at School 1953-73.

LUCAS Carol (Derbyshire 1950-57)
in March 1996.

DONE Erica (Lewis 1925-29) in
January 1990.
With apologies for this late
entry.

GOOD Betty (Arnold 1928-34)
on February 18th 1996.

HEASMAN Rosalie,
on March 27th 1996, piano
teacher at School 1955-89

HIGGINS Ann (Jones 1972-79)
on August 13th 1995.

MOTT Nicole (Brouet 1946-51)
on October 30th 1995
at Kings College Hospital.

NORTHWAY Elspeth (Stalker 1934-42)
on May 21st 1995.

SHEPHERD Pat (Lidbury 1945-54)
on May 23 1995
after a long illness.

SQUIBB Evelyn (Higgins 1920-25)
former committee member and
Chairman of London Branch.
She died in Dorset in June
1992 aged 84.

STORRAR Anne
(James nee Brittain 1942-48)
aged 64 on October 2nd 1995

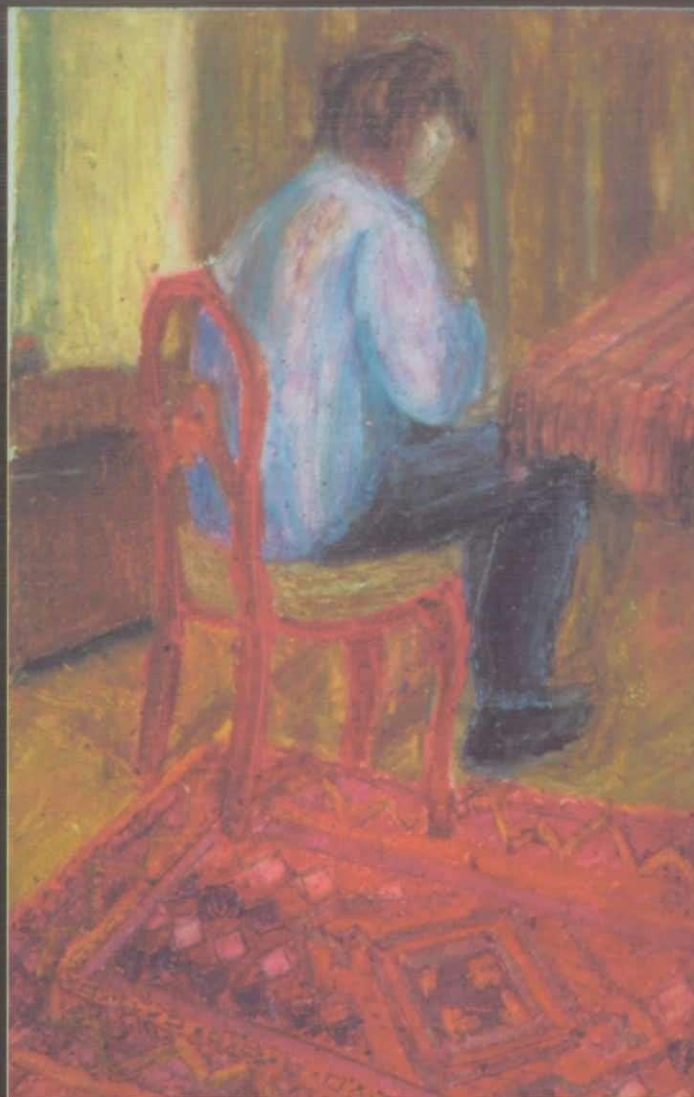
Obituary

ROSAMOND DAY (Clark 1910-1995)

Although her school life, 1919-1928, was not particularly outstanding writes her sister, Rosamond's loyalty to its aims and her conscientious attitude to work gained her universal respect. Her secretarial career took her through posts with the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and eventually to the British Council where she stayed until her retirement. She worked in Shanghai as Administrative Officer from 1947 until 1950, after the Communist take-over. In 1960 she was posted to Rio de Janeiro for two years and was twice recalled to Brazil during times of emergency. In 1972 she received the MBE and retired in 1975 but she never lost her interest in the Far East, the British Council, and her old school.

PHYLLIS BLISS 1899-1995

Phyllis Bliss (Dodd) was a pupil at The Queen's School from 1904-1917 and went on to become an artist of great distinction. While at School she won a Royal Drawing Society prize and made up her mind to become a painter. After studying at Liverpool College of Art she won a 'Royal Exhibition' Scholarship to the Royal College of Art where her fellow students included Henry Moore, Barbara Hepworth and Douglas Percy Bliss whom she married in 1928. Her wedding took place in Chester Cathedral and the ceremony was performed by Canon Baxter. Phyllis exhibited regularly at The Royal Academy, The Royal Scottish Academy and The Royal Glasgow Institute of Fine Arts. She painted official portraits for Cambridge colleges, for Grays Inn, for the International Labour Organisation in Geneva and for the Peace Palace in The Hague. Her portrait of Miss Katherine Day, painted in 1930, reveals the sitter's strength of character and must be considered one of the School's greatest treasures. The portrait is reproduced below, together with a snapshot which shows Phyllis chatting with Miss Day while working on the portrait. Miss Day, a former pupil, was a member of the Queen's School staff from 1898-1929 and was Secretary of The Queen's School Association for many years.



Rachel

by Elizabeth Barrow LVIB

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