



HAVE MYNDE 2005



# Cathedral Project

by A-Level art student Donna MacFadyen

Above - Donna assists visitors at the open day

Below left - Donna's depiction of the cathedral through the medium of oil pastels

Below right - 40 separate sections painted by visitors on school open day.

Sections put together to make a complete painting of the cathedral



# Foreword by the Headmistress

One of many items of interest in The Queen's School archives is a copy of the very first edition of our school magazine. Published on 24 May 1897 ("Her Majesty's birthday") with Headmistress Mrs Henry R.P. Sandford as editor, it is described on its front cover as "The Queen's School Annual", although nothing in it resembles in any way what a girl today would recognise as an annual.

Printed in black and white, with a sepia-toned line drawing of the school hall on the cover but without illustrations inside, the most striking characteristic of that first edition is the complete absence of any contribution from pupils. It is hard to conceive of anything further removed from the colourful and lively 21st century magazine we are able to enjoy today.



Front cover illustration, Sophie Russell, Year 13

However, one thing has remained unchanged in the past 108 years - the name chosen by Mrs Sandford in 1897 is still the one our magazine bears today - Have Mynde. In her foreword, Mrs Sandford explains the origins of the title and her reasons for choosing it. Carved into the floor of the Hospital of St Cross in Winchester, the words Have Mynde appealed to Mrs Sandford for their ability to say so much in so succinct a fashion. She felt that these words of Middle English would encourage each reader of her new magazine to remember and reflect. But what exactly were we to be to mindful of? Mrs Sandford, inscrutably, does not tell us; instead she urges each of us to "use our own minds" and to think out for ourselves what significance the words hold for us personally.

What more appropriate title could there be for a magazine which similarly stimulates and challenges us; which celebrates the creative thinking and achievements of the individual and presents the reflections of girls of all age levels as expressed in poetry, prose and art? As we enjoy their work, we do indeed think back over all that our girls have achieved in the last year, as well as in previous years. For those of you with longer memories of The Queen's School, our magazine may provoke other recollections too - all of us will "have mynde" in our own way.

We will be especially mindful in this edition of the contribution to the life of the school made by members of staff who will not be returning to The Queen's School in September. They leave with all our best wishes, either to a long and happy retirement or to new challenges. Tributes to all staff leavers are found on pages 10 - 13.

Finally, congratulations and thanks must go to Mr Ainsworth and this magazine's editorial committee. They have worked together for many months to produce another sparkling and stimulating Have Mynde which more than lives up to the tradition of excellence set by that very first edition of 1897. Mrs Sandford would have been proud.

*Catherine Buckley*



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## YEAR 11 GCSE RESULTS

Subject	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	Number entered	Number A*-C
English	25	36	9					70	70
English Literature	12	36	22	1				71	71
Mathematics	19	23	24	5				71	71
ICT	36	23	9	3				71	71
French	34	18	7	5	1			65	64
German	7	4	2					13	13
Spanish	6	1						7	7
Latin	2	1	5	4				12	12
Classical Civilisation	9	3						12	12
History	17	11	9	5				42	42
Geography	10	11	12	5				38	38
Music	3	5	3					11	11
Art	5	15	6	2				28	28
Physics	11	20	12	8	1			52	51
Chemistry	15	19	15	9	2			60	58
Biology	24	20	14	9	2			69	67
Religious Studies	8	5	1					14	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>699</b>
<b>% grades</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.00</b>	
No Candidates 71									

**GRADES A\* - C - 99.1%**

**A\*A - 69.5%**

**A\*A & B - 91.2%**

## YEAR 13 A-LEVEL RESULTS

Subject	A	B	C	D	E	U	Number entered	Number passed
General Studies	11	5	16	9	3		44	44
English	6	4					10	10
History	2	1		1			4	4
Geography	8	2	1	1			12	12
Economics	3	3	3				9	9
Art	13	3					16	16
Music	1	2	1				4	4
Classical Civilisation	1	3					4	4
Latin	3						3	3
French	4	2	1				7	7
German			1				1	1
Spanish	3						3	3
Mathematics	8	7	3				18	18
Further Mathematics			1				1	1
Physics	3	2	2	1			8	8
Chemistry	8	5	3				16	16
Biology	13	4	6	1	1		25	25
Home Economics		2	1	1			4	4
Religious Studies	2	1	1				4	4
Business Studies		2	4		1		7	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>% grades</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	
No Candidates 51								

**PASS - 100%**

**GRADES A and B - 68.5%**

**A to C - 90%**

## SATS RESULTS

### KS2

	Level 4	Level 5
English	100%	40%
Mathematics	100%	84%
Science	100%	92%

## LEAVERS' DESTINATIONS 2004

Emma Addinsell	<i>Fine Art Newcastle</i>	Jennifer Milburn	<i>Dentistry Newcastle</i>
Archana Anandaram	<i>Biological Sciences Leicester</i>	Catherine Milner	<i>American Studies/English Birmingham</i>
Elizabeth Archard	<i>Art Foundation</i>	Stephanie Nolf	<i>City &amp; Regional Planning Cardiff</i>
Sophia Berry	<i>Law Cambridge (Corpus Christi)</i>	Georgina Okell	<i>French-Spanish St. Andrews</i>
Laura Bestow	<i>Human Biology Birmingham</i>	Jennifer Owens	<i>Business Administration</i>
Jenny Bland	<i>Art Foundation</i>		<i>University College, Chester</i>
Sarah Bone	<i>Foundation Year in Acting</i>	Libby Preston	<i>Art Foundation</i>
	<i>Oxford School of Drama</i>	Elaine Radcliffe	<i>Art Foundation</i>
Cassandra Campbell	<i>Classical Studies &amp; Philosophy Bristol</i>	Heather Rees	<i>Architectural Studies Cardiff</i>
Ruth Carpenter	<i>Physiotherapy Northumbria</i>	Sarah Rivers	<i>Physics Warwick</i>
Alexandra Clarke	<i>Music York</i>	Claire Schiller	<i>Fashion Design Management Leeds</i>
Philippa Cook	<i>Anatomy-Physiology Leeds</i>	Laura Selley	<i>Veterinary Medicine Royal</i>
Sarah Coxon	<i>Biomedical Sciences Liverpool</i>		<i>Veterinary College, London</i>
Rosemary Croft	<i>Art Foundation</i>	Caroline Shingfield	<i>Educational Studies York</i>
Keri Davies	<i>2005 Geography Manchester</i>	Jennifer Simpson	<i>Geography Manchester</i>
Rachel Evered	<i>2005 Ecology Durham</i>	Eleanor Smith	<i>German Leeds</i>
Lucy Greaves	<i>2005 Cambridge (Newnham)</i>	Victoria Suter	<i>Medicine Cardiff</i>
	<i>Modern &amp; Medieval Languages</i>	Anna Sznerch	<i>Art Foundation</i>
Laura Harris	<i>Cambridge (Trinity) Natural Sciences</i>	Catriona Thomson	<i>Sports Engineering Bath</i>
Kate Harrison	<i>Veterinary Science Liverpool</i>	Joanna Trett	<i>Economics-Spanish Leeds</i>
Sophie Hedgecoe	<i>Employment</i>	Hilary Tweed	<i>Geography &amp; Politics Sheffield</i>
Sophie Holmes	<i>Applying 2005</i>	Elizabeth Tyson	<i>Animal Behaviour &amp; Welfare</i>
Riognach Jessup	<i>2005 Osteopathy British School</i>		<i>Central Lancashire</i>
	<i>of Osteopathy</i>	Biba Wahi	<i>Fine Art Edinburgh</i>
Charlotte Laine	<i>2005 Music Southampton</i>	Caroline Wells	<i>Dentistry Sheffield</i>
Annie Lea	<i>Sport and Exercise Science Bath</i>	Alexandra Williams	<i>Psychology Glasgow</i>
Joanna Lumb	<i>Medicine Sheffield</i>	Eirlys Williams	<i>Medicine Nottingham</i>
Kate Martin	<i>Mechanical Engineering Bristol</i>	Chloe Woodcock	<i>Psychology Leeds</i>
Fiona Middleton	<i>Economics Manchester</i>		

## LEAVERS FROM 2003 WHO REAPPLIED

Caroline Carter	<i>International Business Edinburgh</i>	Claire Okell	<i>Veterinary Science Liverpool</i>
Laura Fields	<i>English Language &amp; Literature</i>	Alex Simpson	<i>Architecture Sheffield</i>
	<i>King's College, London</i>	Elizabeth Tweddle	<i>Sports Science Liverpool John Moores</i>
Sarah Garrod	<i>Arts Combined Durham</i>	Laura Wright	<i>Medicine Brighton-Sussex</i>
Adele Groom	<i>Physics Leeds</i>		<i>Medical School</i>
Sophie Muskett	<i>Fine Art &amp; History of Art</i>		
	<i>Goldsmith's, London</i>		

# The Queen's School Association

*The club for leavers, 'old girls' and staff*

## The QSA - keeping in touch

**The past year has been a busy one for the QSA, starting with the AGM at the end of June 2004, which was a very special occasion as a celebration of the 90th years of Connie Barker and Flo Osborne followed the business meeting.**

Both were former staff at the School and continued to be loyal supporters of the QSA on retirement. Sadly Connie was unable to be with us owing to an untimely spell of ill-health, but good wishes and a celebration cake were taken to her afterwards. Over 100 members were present and many had travelled huge distances to pass on their good wishes. QSA members were also pleased that several departing staff were able to join us, giving us the opportunity to present gifts to thank them for their hard work at the School.



Chatsworth trip



The School Hall was again the venue for the annual Michaelmas Supper or Leavers' Party, when the QSA hosted the 2004 leavers before they departed to 'pastures new' - either to commence their various further studies or to enjoy their gap years. This is always a very happy evening with a great atmosphere of excitement as sixth form leavers share news of the summer and exchange future addresses.

In November the QSA enjoyed another Wine Tasting Evening jointly with the Parents' Association and in March we held the Spring Lunch. Past members and staff of the Queen's School, the Headmistress, together with friends and parents of existing pupils returned once again to Chester Racecourse. There was much chatter, laughter and reminiscence during the meal which was followed by a very interesting talk by Sarah Kelly, the Chairman of the Neuromuscular Centre in Winsford. Sarah is also a past pupil of the school and is married to the TV personality, Matthew Kelly. During the lunch, a cheque for £3,500 was presented by Margaret Yorke (Longman), Chairman of the QSA, to Catherine Buckley, towards the new Sports Pavilion Appeal, in memory of Connie Baxter who died last November.

This year the London/Oxford Branch meeting will be held at Kew Gardens. Also in May, the QSA has teamed up with the School's Development Department to organise a Coach Trip to Chatsworth, which includes a private tour of the House. In July, we are holding our AGM at Nedham House which will allow members to see the recent building additions and alterations.

While the QSA exists primarily to unite former pupils of all generations through social events and communication, we do strive to give financial support to the School whenever possible. The QSA Memorial Fund is a charitable trust which gives an exhibition to a sixth form girl (currently £1500 a year), provides prizes at the annual School Prizegiving and sponsors members and school leavers in their charitable projects. We were thrilled to receive very generous donations from our members in memory of Connie Baxter; which have been donated towards the new Sports Pavilion.

## THE QSA - REMEMBERING MISS CONNIE BAXTER

**Connie was a much loved sports teacher at the Queen's School from 1938-1974; a Governor of the School; a QSA Committee member, Secretary and the first Chairman; as well as a local JP for many years. Below is a selection of members' anecdotes of her service to the School.**

Sandra Birks (Callcott left 1957) says 'I can well remember standing under the horse chestnut trees waiting for the rain to stop while Connie and Fred Bamford, the county coach, chatted. Christine Watts (Hutchinson) and I just waited patiently a few yards away!

Connie was still very alert when I visited her, on my crutches, in the nursing home. She knew my father and asked, "Is your father still playing tennis?" He died at 87, 12 years ago!

Mary Blane (Milton 1932-44) sends her best wishes to all who may remember her. She

was very sad to hear of Connie Baxter's death and she remembers her devotion to the School as both pupil and member of staff. She also remembers Miss Willcockson, who was Head of PE. before Connie.

Mary Brown (Walling 1944-52) writes of her memories of Connie Baxter as a teacher with a crisp, no-nonsense approach but very kind and ready to join in various school activities. She will never forget her amusing portrayal of Mr. Collins in a School dramatised excerpt from 'Pride and Prejudice' - dog-collar and all!

Kate Burrows (Gray left 1970) - thanks to Miss Baxter her life was, and still is, full of sport. After leaving school she went to Bedford P.E. College. She played lacrosse for England and G.B. and captained the Cheshire hockey team for a number of years. Miss Baxter gave a thorough grounding to all the sports we played - even the non-sporty types could join in and enjoy. She was brilliant.

Alison French (Browne 1958-65) was a member of the 1st teams in hockey, lacrosse and tennis and went to the I M Marsh College of Physical Education and subsequently taught in Kent, Hampshire and Devon. She says Connie was an inspiration and support and even ran her home to Mollington occasionally after matches in the winter when she would have had to wait several hours for a bus.

Peggie Milligan (Ellis 1921-32) writes how sad she was to read of Connie's death. She was a contemporary of hers. She says Connie was a staunch supporter of the School and will be much missed.

Mary Simmons (Williams left 1941) says that Connie called her and her sisters Pat and Nansi - "the three Williams girls". Her sister Nansi started at Queen's as a pupil on the same day as Connie started as a teacher and she says Miss Baxter was immensely popular with the girls.

# The Development Department

## SUPPORTING CHARITABLE PROJECTS

**The QSA contributed towards Kate Leyland's sponsorship for a Raleigh International project in Costa Rica and Nicaragua in the summer of 2004. She writes:**

"My expedition was 10 weeks long, and comprised a week's training and induction, before three phases. Each phase lasted three weeks and was with a different group of people in a different part of the country.

My first phase was a community project based in one of the few indigenous Indian reserves left in Costa Rica. It's rare for foreigners to be allowed into the reserve, and getting there involved crossing a long, thin, wooden planked bridge over a river before an hour and a half's walk along a river-bed. We were living in the communal area of the village church and local ladies cooked for us. Our job was to start on the foundations of a medical centre for the reserve, as then there were no medical facilities for the villagers. It was tough, as we were collecting rocks and sand from the riverbed and lugging them up to the building site. Although we had to contend with constant rain for 10 days, the foundations were almost completed when we left and seeing photos of the completed building made me amazed and proud - the medical centre really will help the Tayni reserve for years to come.

During my second phase I trekked in the central western region of Costa Rica, and it was brilliant. Although physically challenging, the trek went very well, and we climbed the cumulative height of Everest over the 17 days. We were blessed with great weather, and an amazing group that had lots of fun on the way. We were constantly climbing hills; we passed through rainforest, and ascended Dragon Mountain, the peak of which is in dense cloud forest.

For the third phase, an environmental project, I was based in La Cangreja, Costa Rica's newest national park, which is dense rainforest. We were building a gravel pathway through the jungle, which will be used for educational and scientific purposes. It was very hard work, as we were living in hammocks in a clearing in the forest, collecting our water from rivers, and washing in nearby plunge pools. However, we were able to complete the pathway - much to the delight of park rangers.

I cannot recommend taking a year off enough - for me it was a thoroughly enjoyable year in which I've worked, travelled and made many great friends."



*Mrs Buckley, Miss N Briggs and Miss Skilbeck at Eaton Park Dinner*

## The Development Department

**The Development Department is relatively new at The Queen's School, and is run by Miss Jan Heys as Development Director and Mrs Victoria Letton, as Development Assistant, who is also a current parent and QSA Committee member.**

The aim of the department is to build up a database of Former Pupils, and friends of the school in order to network and organise reunions. We also raise funds for major building projects and bursaries.

We would like to thank all the QSA members who have kindly responded to the recent mailing sent out by the Development Department for their generosity and continued support of their old school.

We would like to hear from former pupils, with your news and details of your careers since you left Queen's. Please contact us on [development@queens.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:development@queens.cheshire.sch.uk)



*Anna Snerch and Hilary Tweed at Eaton Park*



*The covered courtyard at Eaton Park*



*Jan and Victoria*

# ursula keyes Library



**This school year has seen the library service develop and progress in a number of ways. You may have come in to browse and borrow books or to do your homework and find information for projects. You could quite possibly have had a class in the library - so far we've had induction sessions for Years 7 and 12, PSE classes, Chemistry research, Careers talks, reading classes and project work for English and History.**

These are great introductions to the library but we'd also like you to be aware of all the other services and activities on offer.

The aim of our service is to support you in every aspect of your school career.

Extra shelving in all four of our rooms has meant that we have had space to re-arrange and expand our stock; user guides are available to help you find your way around.



Adèle Geras signing books

We are developing all sorts of new collections including a wide range of journals and newspapers, DVDs and videos in the Modern Languages department and an online library folder on the school intranet. This folder contains links to many research tools and electronic journals. There is a document supply and inter-library loan service from the British Library which is particularly useful for 'A' level research as we can obtain any book or original document you require. The fiction collection is constantly updated and if the book you want is not available, we can order it for you.

A number of events were held in the library throughout the year; perhaps the most notable being a visit from the popular author, Adèle Geras, who spoke to an enthusiastic audience and signed copies of her books - available to buy from the book fair we held on the same day!

In November a team of Year 8 girls travelled to Warrington to take part in the regional heat of the 'Kids' Literature Quiz' which proved to be an enjoyable and challenging event.

Many of our keenest readers regularly write reviews of 'pre-publication' books provided by one of our suppliers and these are posted on the internet - a great way to read new titles before anyone else.

Duke of Edinburgh candidates at any level can complete either their skills or service parts of the award through the library.

We aim to continue our good work through next year and if you are interested in book reviewing or taking part in the 'Kids' Literature Quiz' please contact a member of the library staff. Also in the pipeline are book clubs, reading groups and a library committee where you can have your say on the service we provide.

*Gilly Mayes, Librarian*

# Positions of Responsibility



Have Mynde  
Committee

Head Girls and Deputies



Games Captains



House Captains



# Staff News – Leavers

## Q HILARY GREEN

Hilary Green joined the Modern Languages Department in September 2003. She had moved to the north west from Andover and came as a highly qualified teacher of French and Spanish.

Hilary has made a very positive impact on girls and staff in her time here. As a language teacher, she is an excellent classroom practitioner and uses very inventive and creative teaching techniques. The younger pupils, in particular, find her lessons enjoyable and are very well motivated by Hilary. All the pupils talk of their good relationships with her and of her knack of working them hard and progressing at a rapid pace, while having fun with the language at the same time. The year 7s particularly appreciated their games of chocolate bingo and the year 10s enjoyed her incorporating a love of fashion into their French lessons. All girls, but particularly the Sixth Form, have loved Hilary's rewards system of stickers proclaiming "Madame Green dit «Bravo»" and "Senora Green dice «Muy bien»".

Girls in external examination classes have also benefited from Hilary's rigorous approach to exam preparation. She prepares pupils in a very logical and thorough manner and places a lot of importance on improving pupils' confidence. She has furthermore been most generous with her time, offering girls the chance to practise at lunch times and to receive one-to-one tuition.

Hilary contributed to many extra-curricular activities during her time at Queen's, for example, by using her sporting prowess to help with Netball Club. She also most successfully led a Y9 and 10 trip to Paris at Easter 2005. We were all impressed with her incredibly organised approach to this tour in the months preceding it and with her enthusiasm and energy while in France.

The girls in years 10 and 11 who have been fortunate to have Hilary as a form tutor are unanimous in their praise of her. She makes a point of getting to know her tutors very well and enjoys very good relationships with them. Getting on the girls' wavelength and helping them through the stressful period of GCSEs has been one of the things she has enjoyed the most here.

We shall all miss Hilary a lot. She has contributed many new ideas to the Modern Languages Department and been a supportive colleague with a great sense of humour.

I am sure that we all heartily agree with one pupil who remarked, "Madame Green est fantastique!" and that we all wish her the best for the future.



## Q HILARY MORRIS

It is with great sadness that we are saying goodbye to Hilary Morris at the end of this term. Hilary is a hugely experienced and dedicated teacher. She is highly regarded by both students and colleagues, having been variously described as 'the heart of the school', 'everyone's best friend', 'a second mother' and 'an institution'. She has taught several subjects at Queen's over the years, but has specialised in Religious Studies and PSE in recent times. She has always been both cheerful and wise, and has been an enormous support to everyone she teaches and works alongside.

Hilary is married with a son, Andrew, who will be going up to university in September. Hilary is therefore taking the opportunity of some extra well-earned leisure time. We sincerely hope she enjoys it!

IM



## Q DAVID CAPSTICK

Mr David Capstick, the technician for the Physics Department, is retiring at the end of the year.

He will be a great loss to the department and, of course, to the whole school.

Mr Capstick gained a B Sc (Hons) in Physics from Manchester University and continued to gain a PGCE in Physics and Technology. His career started at BICC (Helsby, Cheshire) where he became a Senior Electrical Engineer whilst working in the Cable, Systems and Optical Fibres Department.

For ten years he taught Physics and Computer Science at Bridgewater High School.

He retired, and it was our great fortune that he decided to come to work at The Queen's School in September 1997.

His interests are wide. He is an accomplished sailor and navigator, an enthusiastic member of the Morgan Sports Car club and Chairman of Governors at Dorin Park Special School.

We wish him a happy second retirement and thank him for all his efforts which have gone well past the call of duty. Mr Capstick is a very special person.



## ODE TO MR CAPSTICK

(by Mr Cook)

**He wears a white coat  
And enjoys sailing a boat.  
He's Mr Capstick, our technician.  
He's a bundle of fun  
But his work is never done.  
He's Mr Capstick, our technician  
He retires in a while,  
But he's still got a smile.  
He's Mr Capstick, our technician  
Mr Cook sends him round the  
bend, But he's still a good friend.  
He's Mr Capstick, our technician**

JA

CC



## Q JENNY LAMPRELL

Jenny has been a Technical Assistant at Queen's since 1986. She was employed for mornings initially for audio - visual, reprographics and ICT. Her role has expanded over the years and the hours worked have increased accordingly.

Jenny has been a very supportive member of the technical team, and has become a familiar face in all departments of the school.

Jenny's friendly manner and ready smile has won her the respect and affection of all her colleagues, who will miss her greatly as she leaves us this summer and we all wish her a long and happy retirement.

TP

## Q WENDY BEYNON

Wendy Beynon has taught English at Queen's since 1991, after a previous career in laboratory research. She always taught across the whole age range and she always showed her obvious enthusiasm for her subject. As a form teacher she was committed to her pupils, many of whom have reason to be grateful to her. She leaves with all our best wishes for her future life.

RA



## Q ELISABETH JONES

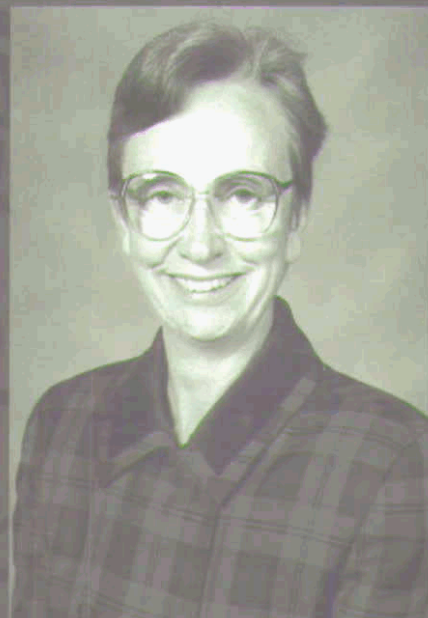
Elisabeth Jones came to The Queen's School in 1993 and joined the Classics Department as a part-time teacher, becoming Head of Department in 1997.

Her interest in drama led her to take an active part in school productions, notably as producer of the light-hearted 'Daisy Pulls It Off'. After this she strengthened her ties with the English department by incorporating English lessons into her classical timetable.

While Elisabeth was Head of Classics the school hosted a visit by 'Actors of Dionysus' who performed Euripides' Electra on the school stage. Girls sitting on the stage for assembly continued for some time afterwards to report on the remains of the pool of 'blood' that was still to be seen there!

In 2004 we celebrated with Mrs Jevons when she became Mrs Jones, and now we wish her and her husband a long and happy retirement, with plenty of opportunity to enjoy their many interests in the local area and beyond.

LG and FC.



## Q LUCY JENNINGS

Mrs. Jennings joined the Geography department only last September; but she has made a lasting impression on both staff and pupils during her time at Queen's.

She has inspired her pupils with her unbridled enthusiasm for the subject, and we have certainly been impressed by her wall displays in the Geography rooms!

Mrs. Jennings has played an active role in the extra curricular life of the school also, running an equestrian club and giving up many of her weekends to assist on Duke of Edinburgh expeditions.

We will miss her as a colleague and friend, and it is with much appreciation we bid her farewell.

DR



## Q NICOLA CULSHAW

Miss Culshaw joined the Chemistry department in 2004. In her time at Queen's Miss Culshaw has not only run an extremely successful science club but she has also been a regular on the adventure holiday. We wish her every success and happiness in her new post. She will be greatly missed.

FC



# Staff News – Leavers



## Q JANET FALCON

Janet quickly became an invaluable member of staff in 1984 when she joined the school as part-time teacher of Economics. She progressed to become Head of Economics, and in this role she introduced Business Studies to the curriculum. She was instrumental in developing the school's very successful involvement in the Young Enterprise scheme, due in no small measure to her great sense of empathy with Sixth Form girls and her sharp sense of humour.

Janet later became Head of Careers, and managed to find time to study for and achieve the Diploma in Careers Guidance. In Careers circles, she was well known for the breadth of her knowledge, and she was always able to give students detailed and up-to-date information and advice, whatever their field of enquiry. Under Janet's guidance, the Careers Convention and Higher Education programmes blossomed, and the department gained accolades for the service it offered to pupils. Her many contacts were glad to come into school to offer valuable advice to students.

Janet found time to be involved in every aspect of school life, including as a parent, as her daughter, Kate, is a former pupil. She always seemed to have boundless energy both in her work and outside, where she pursued interests such as canoeing and photography, and developed her love of gardening.

As a colleague, Janet was universally loved. She was utterly dependable, could be relied upon for her discretion, and was looked to for advice as much by staff as by students. Janet was always at the top of the list of people to be invited to any social gathering, and her colleagues hope that this is a tradition that will continue in her retirement! VC

## Q HAYLEY WESTHEAD

Hayley Westhead is leaving to continue her studies. An excellent gymnast, Hayley has brought fun and talent to the sports field. She has run clubs to enthuse the pupils and supported staff in a wide range of extra curricular activities. Her unbounded enthusiasm and cheerfulness has been exemplary and will be sadly missed. We wish her well in her future studies. FT



## Q LESLEY PUGH

Lesley Pugh has not been with us long but she has left a lasting impression on us all. Her standards in music have been consistently high, swelling the choir to over 40 members and also developing an orchestra of growing confidence and expertise. Lesley will be best remembered for her 'Runny Honey' songs in the first few weeks of the autumn term when she had the mammoth task of preparing 90 girls of unknown talent for a concert for Glenda Jackson. She achieved her goals with style and precision and has given the girls a standard to perform to for life. We wish her well in her next role. FT

## Q MARGARET MEREDITH

The Summer term ends with a sad note as Margaret Meredith retires from our school life after 27 years. Margaret is a gifted artist who has enhanced our school building with exciting pieces of art for nearly three decades. Countless pupils have worked under her watchful eye producing quality ceramics and detailed paintings. Ceramic rhinos, lions and fish still grace many mantelpieces throughout Cheshire. The lessons are immensely popular and girls find them relaxing despite the rigorous standards that are expected.

Margaret is a dedicated folk fan and has shared her grand passion for a Canadian band, 'Tanglefoot', in a concert arranged for the girls at Lower School. She intends to pursue this hobby in her free time and to expand her creative work at home.

'Mrs M', will be missed by us all, not only for her quick wit but also for her creative talents. On many occasions she would save the day with her ability to sew, draw or create. We wish her well in her retirement and look forward to seeing the products of her labours. FT



## Q FIONA BLYTHING

Fiona Blything originally joined The Queen's School as a part time member of the Art Department in 1983. After 5 years she left to start a family, but her qualities had clearly been recognised and Fiona returned to the school as Head of Art in 1995.

A very talented artist and an inspirational teacher, Fiona will be remembered for her very imaginative and versatile approach to Art. She had the skill to bring out the best in every pupil and inspired many girls to develop their education in art further at university. The girls' work was always very much in evidence around school, displaying the talents that were being developed in the Art Department.

In addition to her teaching, Fiona organised many trips to the Liverpool Tate Gallery and also two memorable visits for the sixth form to Amsterdam and to the beautiful city of Barcelona. More recently, Fiona became actively involved in designing costumes and sets for the school plays, notably A Midsummer Night's Dream and Alice in Wonderland. The GCSE art students helped out and the results were magnificent - a real tribute to Fiona's flair and skill.

We will all miss Fiona's expertise, enthusiasm and kindness and wish her well for the future. PS



## Q CHRIS PILSBURY

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Chris Pilsbury this summer after sixteen years of Music teaching in the Senior School. Chris came to The Queen's School in 1989 having previously been Head of Music and Boarding at Pennthorpe School, Horsham, West Sussex. In returning to his home town of Chester he quickly re-established his musical links in the city where he had attended the Cathedral Choir School. He learned the organ firstly at the cathedral and later at The Royal Manchester College of Music.

A first-class A-level teacher and choir-master; 'Mr P' is remembered fondly by all the girls that have benefited from his tuition. His extensive musical knowledge and ability to communicate his love for the subject have been influential in the lives of the many girls who have chosen to pursue their study of the subject further; either at university or conservatoire. Many girls will be grateful to Chris for his kindness and guidance as a form tutor.

In his first year at this school, Chris was musical director for *Pirates of Penzance*, a joint production with The King's School which was directed by their previous Headteacher, Roger Wickson. There were annual G and S productions to follow with Chris at the helm for *The Mikado*, *Iolanthe*, *Patience* and *Ruddigore*. Chris's major extra-curricular contribution to the school has been his work with the wonderful Chamber Choir. He has directed this ensemble with skill and expertise since his first year at Queen's, shaping its musical development and building an impressive repertoire of challenging works. The four-part choir has performed regularly at Chester and St. Asaph Cathedrals for both public choral evensong services and school celebrations. The effect that has been achieved in singing responses whilst processing through the nave has been magical and there can be few schools that can boast of such a fine choir. Chris's rehearsals with the choir have been a joy to observe – humorous, witty banter ricochets around the room at lightening speed but as the opening notes are sounded the mood changes to intense concentration. Girls have simply loved being a member of this choir



and it has been an important part of their life at The Queen's School. Chris has encouraged as many as twenty girls to proceed into the Chester Cathedral Girls' Choir and about a dozen girls have gained choral scholarships at university as a result of their Chamber Choir membership and Chris's guidance. He will continue to teach the flute and piano privately and he will now be able to commit more time to practise for organ recitals.

Chris is a man of many interests and he intends to use his early retirement to pursue them to the full. Some of you will know Chris as an historian. He has always been interested in bumps in fields! He has an MA in Landscape Archaeology, his main study being the continuity and change in Abbey Square following the dissolution of St. Werburgh's Abbey. Other non-musical passions include walking in the mountains in Scotland, Wales, the Lake District and the Dolomites and sailing.

In the three years that I have been at The Queen's School Chris has been a good colleague and a loyal friend. I am sure that his other colleagues, past and present, and all his pupils would want to join me in wishing him and his wife, Cath, a long, healthy and happy retirement in Cornwall – where I'm certain he will keep an eye on the results for Chester City Football Club whilst indulging in some research on Cornish real ales!

JJ

## Q ANN WATKINS

Ann Watkins joined the Queen's School in April 1999. Since then she has become an important and highly respected member of the Geography Department.

Ann has been a loyal and supportive colleague who has always been willing to step in when more demands have been made of her time; I am especially grateful to her for having taken over my classes whilst I was on maternity leave.

Initially Ann taught lower down the school but more recently, we have been fortunate enough to have her expertise at A level. Ann is highly regarded by her colleagues and especially by the girls, who have a deep fondness for her.

Having always considered herself a technophobe, Ann, ever willing to rise to a challenge, decided it was about time she embraced the world of ICT and 2005 saw her surpass even her own expectations.

Ann's passion for travel has long been apparent and she has now decided to 'hang up her chalk' in order to discover first hand some of the wonderful places we teach about.

It is with much appreciation we bid Ann, not "au revoir", but in Ann's own words Goodbye for now. Bon Voyage!

DR



## Q MARK WOODWARD

Dr Woodward joined the Chemistry department in 2004. A keen debater he quickly set about helping with the junior debating club. We wish him every success in his new post as Head of Chemistry at St Felix Schools.

FC

# New Staff

## Mrs Larder - Head of Drama

### **What is your favourite CD?**

Travis- singles - an excellent album

### **What is your favourite book?**

I love reading so I keep changing my favourite choice of book. Recent favourites have included: 'Gathering Tight' by Jennifer Donnelly and 'Birdsong' by Sebastian Faulks

### **What is your favourite film?**

Cold Mountain

### **What is your favourite hobby?**

I love going to the theatre and cinema and curling up with a good book

### **Who was your idol as a child?**

Audrey Hepburn

### **What did you want to be when you were little?**

A famous actress

### **What would you be doing if you weren't a teacher?**

Hopefully working in the theatre in some capacity

### **What attracted you to Queen's?**

Its excellent reputation and the opportunity to set up a new department

### **What was your first impression of Queen's?**

Very friendly and welcoming

### **What do you hope to gain from working here?**

I currently teach drama to years 7-9. We've working on a variety of different topics, learning skills and exploring themes and ideas.



## Miss Mayes - Librarian

### **What is your favourite CD?**

I'm a bit fickle when it comes to music but Snow Patrol is what I'm playing most at the minute. A classical favourite is any recording of Faure's Requiem but I think my all time favourite is Roxy Music 'Street Life.'

### **What is your favourite book?**

Two I've really enjoyed recently are 'The Time Traveller's Wife' and 'Enduring Love.' However, nothing beats 'Brideshead Revisited' read in front of the fire on a wet day.

### **What is your favourite film?**

I love Woody Allen's 'Manhattan', as much for the visuals as the film itself.

### **What is your favourite hobby?**

I really enjoy running and getting outdoors.

### **Who was your idol as a child?**

It has to be Enid Blyton.

### **What did you want to be when you were little?**

I always wanted to be an author and still worry friends and family by threatening to write about them...

### **What would you be doing if you weren't a teacher?**

I'd like to have been a speech and language therapist. My careers advisor did, however, point out that it might be necessary to let other people get a word in edgeways!

### **What attracted you to Queen's?**

The atmosphere, the buildings and as it's quite similar to the school I attended, the familiarity.

### **What was your first impression of Queen's?**

Really friendly, fun and with a great staff/pupil relationship. An absolute pleasure to work in.

### **What do you hope to gain from working here?**

An enjoyable day at work, great job satisfaction and good quality of working life. And of course, lots of material for the book I'm writing...



## Miss Littler - PE Teacher

### **What is your favourite CD?**

The Bee Gees, but I use Abba Gold for dance and gymnastics lessons!

### **What is your favourite book?**

Light reading, often about village life, by authors like Rebecca Shaw and Kathleen Rowntree.

### **What is your favourite film?**

Favourite films are the James Bond movies.

### **What is your favourite hobby?**

I like outdoor hobbies, gardening, walking and skiing. I also like the challenge of crosswords and pub quizzes.

### **Who was your idol as a child?**

My idol was Val Robinson, an England hockey player/ captain, (I was only 12.)

### **What did you want to be when you were little?**

When I was seven and at gym club one day, I told my mum I wanted to teach sport!

### **What would you be doing if you weren't a teacher?**

If I wasn't here teaching P.E., I would like to do ski instructing or guiding in Colorado.

### **What attracted you to Queen's?**

I wanted to work at Queen's as I was aware of its reputation in sport. My previous school teams and Queen's often met in Cheshire Tournaments and Finals!

### **What was your first impression of Queen's?**

The school is really friendly; the staff and girls have made me feel welcome.

### **What do you hope to gain from working here?**

I hope to teach all the girls the necessary skills in P.E. to enjoy and feel confident in a variety of sports. My teams know I am competitive and want them to achieve the success they deserve because of their commitment.

## Mrs Edwards Head of Economics and Business Studies

### **What is your favourite CD?**

David Bowie's Hunky Dory, which probably ages me!

### **What is your favourite book?**

I really enjoyed Blackberry Wine by Joanna Harris, who recreates the most wonderful tastes and aromas of food, but I always come back to a selection of poems by Dylan Thomas, which I studied for A-level and have almost worn out.

### **What is your favourite film?**

Bambi, a Disney classic. It was the first film I ever saw on the big screen and I enjoyed watching it again years later with my own children.

### **What is your favourite hobby?**

Watercolour painting, but despite years of practise I'm still as far from my first exhibition as when I started.

### **Who was your idol as a child?**

Anyone from the cast of Blue Peter - I was an addict!

### **What did you want to be when you were little?**

I wanted to be a Blue Peter presenter, preparing the tortoises for hibernation and making models from card and sticky-back plastic.

### **What would you be doing if you weren't a teacher?**

I would like to be living somewhere warm and sunny, not too far from a ski slope.

### **What attracted you to Queen's?**

Has to be the reputation of the school and the opportunity to run the department.

### **What was your first impression of Queen's?**

A very friendly and welcoming school, with a most civilised atmosphere.

### **What do you hope to gain from working here?**

To have taught a future Chancellor of the Exchequer or captain of industry.



# Sports 2004

## Tennis Report - Summer

**The school tennis teams have excelled this year. Many titles have been won by the girls this season and an exceptional standard of play has been seen in all age groups.**



The Year 7 players were very enthusiastic, enabling a friendly match to be played against Moreton Hall. The Year 7 team also beat Bishops, Neston and Bishop Heber to qualify for the Cheshire doubles final, where they beat The Grange, but were unfortunate to lose against Stockport and Wilmslow, placing them as the third best doubles team in Cheshire.

Congratulations must go to Cheryl Laverick, Sophie Clough, Katherine Baker and Lucy Cope.

The under 13 players have played many matches this year and entered a team into the Nestle team tennis competition. The team played well and drew against Christleton but faced tough opposition from Neston, who won the second round. As the season progressed, the teams came together, coming third in the Chester and District tennis tournament, and played matches against Bishop Heber, Moreton Hall, Abbeygate and The Grange.

Congratulations to Emily Teare, Charlotte Meara, Jen Light, Helen Kelly, Emma Salisbury, Kate Bestow, Sophie Wilkinson and Sarah Underhill.

Well played to the Year 9 team: Sally Meekins, Hattie Cottrell, Katie Johnson, Nicola Pether, Jenna Stein and Hannah Baker, who have defeated many teams this season, including Moreton Hall, The Grange and Wilmslow, enabling them to become runners-up in the Cheshire doubles competition.

The Year 10 teams have also played well this term, beating Tytherington and Wilmslow in the Nestle competition, but they unfortunately were knocked out by Lymm.

Hannah Sissons, Laura Spaven, Nicki-Jayne Russell and Megan Dhital progressed to win the Chester and District championship, beating 7 other schools from Chester.

Notably the greatest achievement of the year has been in the Aberdare Cup. We beat The Grange and Bolton School to make it to the Regional Final where we were drawn against Shrewsbury and won by 5 matches to 1. This qualified us to go through to the National Finals at Queenswood School, Hertfordshire.

A loss against Bideford College in the first round of the finals knocked us out of the main draw. We were then placed in the plate competition and played a tough match against Cheltenham College who we drew with 3-3 but lost on game countback by 3 games. Congratulations to Emma Swe, Sarah Ayton, Lucy Swe and Hannah Sissons.

I would finally like to thank everybody involved in the tennis teams this year. The standard of play has been very high and enthusiasm at practises and during matches has been fantastic. Thanks must go to Miss Huck and Mrs O'Donnell for taking us to Queenswood, and to Mrs Moore for picking us up from Hertfordshire, and for giving up their time to the tennis squads this season.

*Emma Swe, Year 13 Tennis Captain*



## Lacrosse Report

**We have had a relatively successful year of lacrosse, especially considering the severe lack of players in the upper end of the school. Each squad has had its ups and downs but we have all enjoyed this season's lacrosse.**

The various squads have played tournaments, "friendly" matches and the senior squad have even played a match against Queen's former pupils. The Year 7's have had their first taste of lacrosse this season and have shown themselves to have some great promise for the future, having their first victory against Withington in a tournament. The Year 8 squad have also shown potential with their impressive win over Birkenhead High School, 6-0.

Both the Year 9 and Year 10 squads have had lots of success throughout the year, including their victories over Withington and Moreton Hall, two strong sides. The Year 10 squad was runner up in the North Schools' Tournament and the Year 9 squad was a semi finalist in their North Tournament.

The senior squad really pulled together this year, with the help from some members of the under 15 and under 14 squads, and this culminated in their coming 5th out of 17 on their day at the National Lacrosse Championships at Berkhamsted. All the squads have Helen Mounsey and Ruth Evans to thank for their success throughout this season. I would also like to thank Mrs Moore and everyone who helped make this lacrosse season run so well.

*Laurie Charlesworth, 13A, Lacrosse Captain*





## Rounders

We have enjoyed great friendly fixtures and each year group had wonderful house matches.

In the Chester & District Competitions Year 8 team reached the semi-finals and Year 9 team were runners-up.

## Skiing

The Queen's School team were 1st in the North West round - qualifying them for the English Schools' final at Swadlincote in October.

Here they finished in 6th position to qualify them for the British Finals in November where the team finished 7th. What a great season! Anyone who would like to know more about the Ski Team should see the P. E. staff.

Abi Okell & Lucy Campbell-Woodward, Yr 11

## Cross-Country

Twenty girls competed at the District meeting held at Christleton last October and from this ten were selected to represent Chester and District at the Cheshire Championships.

These were held in February at Reaseheath College, Nantwich. Everyone acquitted themselves really well and Emily Teare from Year 9 was selected for the Cheshire Junior team.

Louise Stride, IIG

## Colours

### ■ SENIOR LACROSSE

Laurie Charlesworth	Rachel Bernie
Emily Williams	Jo Reid
Elizabeth Garry	Annie Sayers
Alice Mason	Emily Mason
Abi Davies	Sara Kagan
Isabella Richards	

### ■ JUNIOR LACROSSE

Lottie Clulow	Emily Fozard
Ellie Sayers	Vicky Wignall
Clair Davies	Sally Meekins
Kate Johnson	Helen Skupski
Sian Butt	Sarah Butt
Hattie Cottrell	Hannah Baker
Claire Wyn-Jones	Natasha Bartlett

### ■ SENIOR HOCKEY

Sara Kagan	Emily Williams
Rachel Bernie	Laurie Charlesworth
Emma Swe	Laura Spencer
Alice Mason	Emily Mason
Elizabeth Garrod	Elle Bettaney

### ■ JUNIOR HOCKEY

Sally Meekins	Jemima Cope
Nicola Pether	Clair Davies
Kate Johnson	Emily Fozard
Vicky Wignall	Rachel Anderson
Sian Butt	Stephanie Pipe
Ellie Sayers	Hattie Cottrell
Katie Minshall	

### ■ SENIOR TENNIS

Emma Swe	Sarah Ayton
Lucy Swe	

### ■ JUNIOR TENNIS

Hannah Sissons	Laura Spaven
Nicki-Jayne Russell	Megan Dhital

### ■ ATHLETICS

Abigail Okell	Sophie Ledsham
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## Honours 2004/5

### ■ COUNTY LACROSSE:

Laurie Charlesworth - U19	
Rachel Bernie	Nicola Arthur
Emily Fozard	Eleanor Sayers

### ■ NORTH LACROSSE:

Laurie Charlesworth
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### ■ COUNTY HOCKEY:

Sally Meekins - U15	Jemima Cope
Nicola Pether	Clair Davies
Kate Bernie - U14	Helen King
Sarah Underhill	Helen Kelly
Charlotte Meara	Emily Teare
Sophie Billingham	Sophie Clough

### ■ NORTH HOCKEY:

Catherine Forshaw - U18	
Sally Meekins - U16	Jemima Cope

### ■ COUNTY NETBALL:

Kate Johnson - Under 15
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### ■ ENGLISH SCHOOLS' SKI TEAM:

Abigail Okell
Lucy Campbell-Woodward

## SPORTS CLUBS 2004 - 2005

### Netball - Lunchtime

Fixtures played & local tournaments entered

### Swimming - After school

Queen's won the annual fixture against Rydal Penrhos

### Badminton - Lunchtime

### Gymnastics - Lunchtime

### Football - Lunchtime

### Running - Lunchtime

### Trampolining

A team from Queen's entered the National Age Group competition. See Mrs Moore for more details.



# Sports 2004

## ATHLETICS • Summer 2004

Girls enjoyed improving their scores in athletics lessons and lunchtimes and this meant we had some excellent athletes competing for the school at the various competitions - The Track and Field Cup, the Chester and District Championships and the two Cheshire Championship days. Congratulations to all the girls who competed in 2004.



The overall Chester Schools' Championship results were as follows:

Year 7	-	Winners
Year 8	-	Runners-up
Year 9	-	Winners
Year 10	-	3rd

This is an excellent achievement as 12 schools were competing in each age group. Individual results were as follows:

- Year 7** Rebekah Pemberton - 1st in 100 metres, 1st in relay  
 Laura Whiteside - 1st in discus  
 Sophie Marshall - 1st in javelin  
 Emily Gibbons - 3rd in 100 metres, 1st in relay  
 Emma Walker - 3rd in long jump  
 Sophie Clough - 3rd in shot, 1st in relay  
 Cheryl Laverick - 1st in relay
- Year 8** Emily Teare - 1st in 800 metres, 1st in discus, 2nd in relay.  
 Stephanie Blackwell  
 1st in hurdles, 2nd in long jump, 2nd in relay.  
 Sophie Billingham  
 1st in high jump, 2nd in 100 metres, 2nd in relay  
 Helen Kelly - 2nd in relay
- Year 9** Emma Shore  
 1st in hurdles, 2nd in high jump & 1st in relay  
 Jemima Cope  
 1st in long jump, 2nd in 200 metres & 1st in relay  
 Emily Fozard - 1st in 1500 metres.  
 Kate Johnson - 1st in discus  
 Laura Thompson - 2nd in javelin  
 Nicola Pether - 2nd in 800 metres  
 Stephanie Pipe - 2nd in hurdles  
 Lottie Clulow - 2nd in shot & 1st in relay  
 Megan Preston - 3rd in 800 metres  
 Katie Minshall - 1st in relay
- Year 10** Abi Okell - 1st in long jump & 3rd in relay  
 Philippa Johnstone - 3rd in 1500 metres  
 Oluseun Famoriyo - 3rd in shot  
 Sarah Archard - 3rd in high jump  
 Sophie Ledsham - 3rd in relay  
 Lauren Rivers - 3rd in relay  
 Sian Griffiths - 3rd in relay



At the Cheshire Championships 18 girls were selected to represent Chester & District:

- Elle Bettaney - 1st in Senior javelin  
 Catriona Boyd - 2nd in Inter 300 metres hurdles  
 Amanda Scott - 3rd in Inter 80 metres hurdles  
 Stephanie Blackwell - 2nd in Junior 75 metres hurdles  
 Laura Thompson - 2nd in Junior javelin  
 Laura Whiteside - 2nd in Minor discus



## Hockey Report

**The hockey teams have once again proved themselves to be a group of extremely talented girls, gaining success in numerous tournaments and matches this season.**

The 1st team started off to a rocky beginning, leaving Miss Littler wondering what she had let herself in for. But after a couple of 'warm-up' matches and our motto of 'FIGHT', we showed everyone what we were made of. Like many Queen's girls we had eyes for gold and it became a battle for medals as well as status. After being crowned Chester & District Indoor champions and Cheshire outdoor qualifiers for the Final, we proved we really are royalty.

The Under 16's had a fantastic season, demonstrating the talent that joins the 1st team next year. They were placed 1st in the County Round of the National Schools, and went on to be placed 5th in the North West round in Blackpool. They were also crowned Chester and District Outdoor, Cheshire Outdoor and Cheshire Indoor Champions.

The Under 15's had a great season, winning nearly all their matches. They played in the Chester and District Indoor Tournament and won convincingly with 23 goals for and none against.

The Under 14's also had a superb season, following in the footsteps of the older teams. They won the County round of the National Schools, and went on to be placed 1st (but 3rd on goal difference) in the North West round. They were also Chester and District Outdoor, Cheshire Outdoor and Cheshire Indoor Champions.

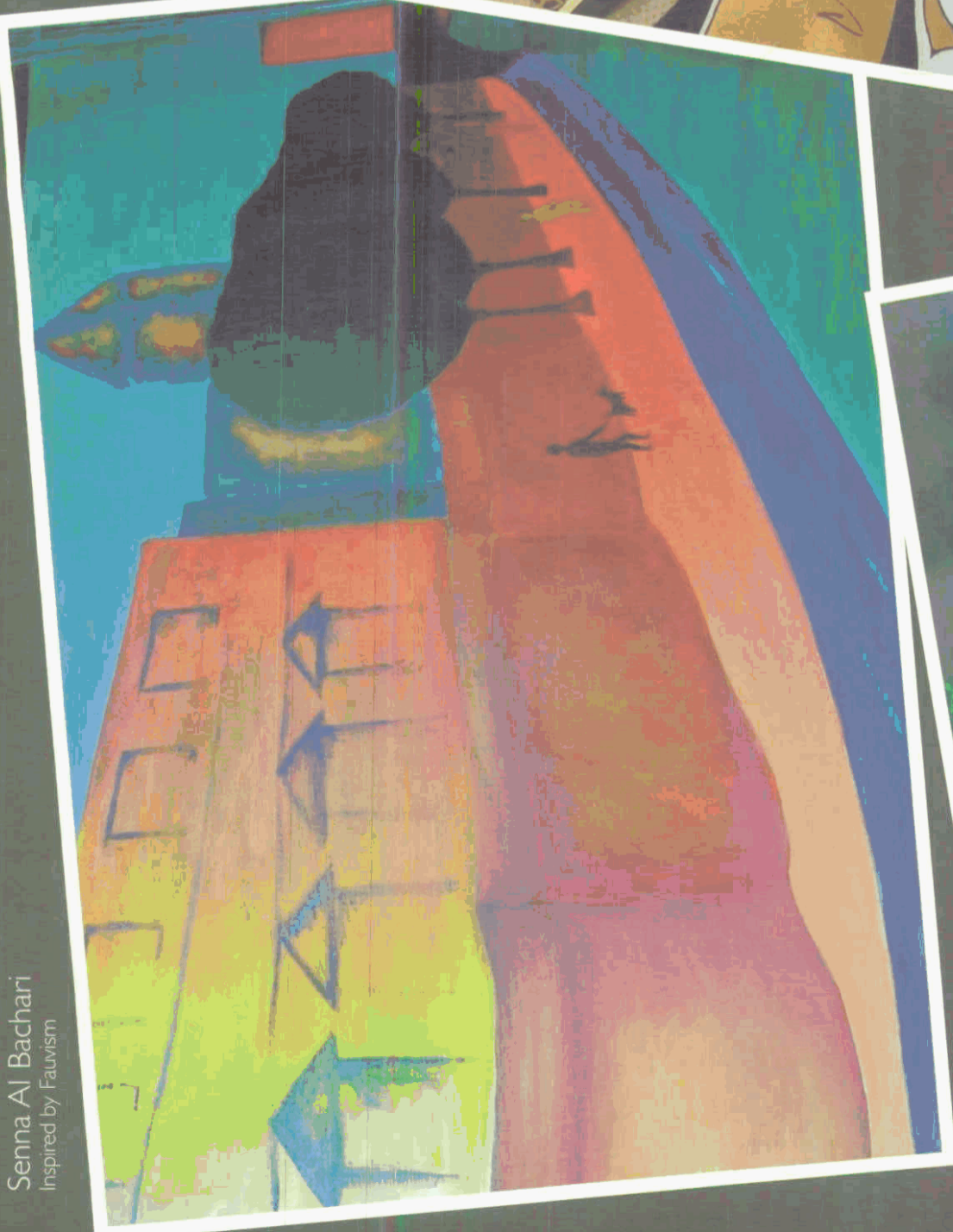
The Under 13's are developing their game well, and they competed in the Packwood Open Tournament, placing 3rd and began their medal hunt. The highlight to the season for the team was being placed runners-up in the Cheshire Mini Hockey Tournament and so being invited to take part in the North of England Championships in Hull. The team was very pleased to have got so far in this National Competition, finishing in 5th position in the North of England.

The Under 12's have made great progress and shown considerable enthusiasm. They have played competitive matches and recently placed 4th in the competitive King's Invitation Tournament.

Thanks must go to Miss Littler and Mrs Moore, for their constant support and encouragement, and Haggis for her coaching sessions. We wouldn't have had such a great season without you all! So finally, I would like to say thank you to my team for a great season - you were awesome, guys! Good luck to Catherine as Hockey Captain next year.

Sara Kagan, 13A, Hockey Captain

Senna Al Bachari  
Inspired by Fauvism



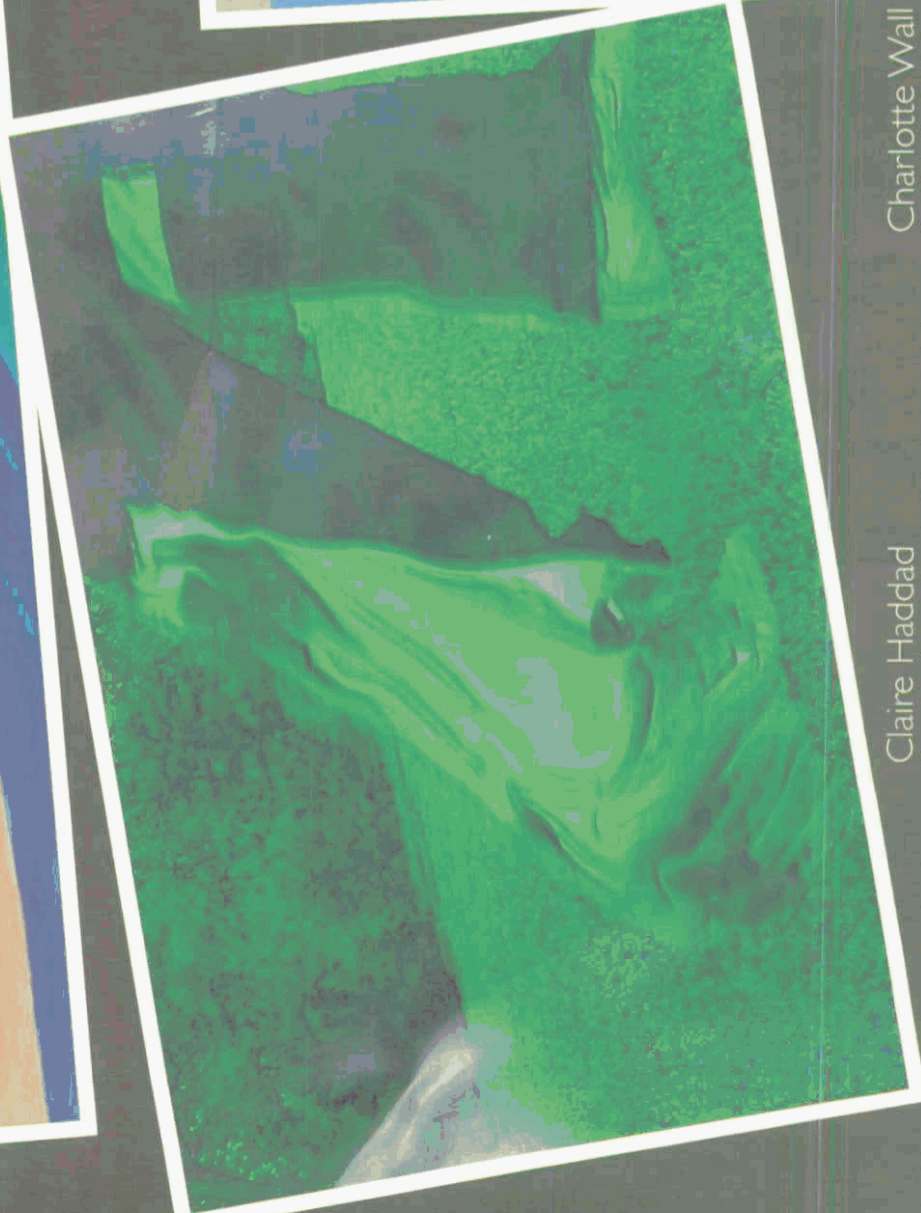
Grace Melsher  
The theme of 'Identity'



Charlotte Wall  
Hong Kong  
Cityscape on 3  
panelled screen



Claire Haddad  
Photographic work - a study of movement



Charlotte Wall  
Study in Surrealism



GCSF artwork



Harriet Evans



Amy Harris

## Year 9 - Chinese New Year project using computer art



Kate Bestow (Joint Winner of the Inter-House Art Competition)



Lianne Foxall

## Year 7 - Portraits and Texture



## Year 7 - Portraits and Picasso



# Young Enterprise

**At the start of the year no one was quite prepared for the work involved in running a successful company. Because of this our company 'Something' took a while to decide on our image including our logo, products, name and directors. However, once we had decided on these things we were soon on our way, thanks to careful directing from our Managing Director.**

Before we knew it Christmas was upon us which brought with it the Christmas craft fair at the Guild Hall in Chester. Unfortunately, we were slightly unprepared for this event and were unlucky to come away with no awards.

The next and last craft fair that we went to was at Warrington; this was much more successful as we won the third best trade stall award. The night before this event we had organised a very successful disco with a King's School company.

In addition to craft fairs we also attended many presentation evenings and held stalls at all of the school functions that we could.

Throughout our time as a company we won the Best Business Plan Award and the Management and Personnel Award. Thank you to all of our shareholders and those of you who have supported us throughout the year by buying our products.

We would also like to thank Mrs Edwards for her guidance and time; we couldn't have done it alone!

*Alex Magee, Managing Director*



## *Duke of Edinburgh Report*

**During this year, many of Year 10 have succeeded in completing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. For this we had to do 3 months of service, skills and physical recreation. From these three activities we had to carry one on for a further 3 months.**

With the help of Dave Overmire and Roy Ritchie, we were able to carry out the Expedition section which we enjoyed, especially the boil in the bags, blisters and carrying rucksacks the size of us! With a mention from Radio 1 and Dee FM and comments from passers by telling us, next time to buy bikes, we made it back to the campsite in the dark and wet, only to find that our toilet was a plastic tray in a rotten shed, not what we girls of 'The Queen's School' are used to! After being traumatised by washing our hands in a communal bucket, we enjoyed a lovely meal, and had a 'great night's sleep' on fallen apples and branches.

We woke the next morning bright and early for another day's walking. We left feeling a little better from our lovely night's sleep. We had a brilliant time, even though most of us had about five blisters by the end! We would like to thank Mrs Moore and Dr Threadgold, for bringing us boxes of sweets and crisps! We all

look forward to completing our Silver Award in the summer of 2005, and we wish the Year 9s who are starting their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh, good luck!

*Sophie Griffiths, 10M*

*PS An incredible 44 Bronze certificates, 18 Silver and 10 Gold have been awarded between December 2003 and April 2005.*



# Creative Writing

## Green Against Green

Emerald is the colour of a tropical rainforest,  
Creepers trailing over fallen trees,  
The bright enamelled skin of a poisonous snake,  
Slithering through the undergrowth.  
Green against green.

Leaf green is the colour of an English woodland,  
Velvety moss on ancient tree trunks,  
Dew glistening on the softly uncurling  
buds of bracken.  
Green against green.

Grey-green is the colour of a Greek olive grove,  
The gnarled branches and silvery leaves,  
Hiding the deafening chorus of cicadas.  
Green against green.

Turquoise is the colour of the ocean depths,  
Of the seaweed swaying gracefully in the current,  
Jewelled fish darting through the brilliant beds of  
coral.  
Green against green.

*Zoë Lambrakis, 8R*

## Silver Spirits

The stars, they shine upon me,  
The stars all call my name,  
Someday I'll take my place there,  
And carry on the game.

When my heart stops beating,  
When my body's dead  
My soul will rise up to them,  
I'll call their name instead.

Spirits of the night time,  
Spirits of the sky  
Watching every minute-  
From the corner of their eye.

Caring for a loved one,  
Caring for a friend  
Always they'll be up there-  
Right until the end.

Silver spirits, come and guide me  
Silver spirits, help me through  
For if you shine upon me,  
then I will come to you.

*Emily Wayne, Year 7C*

## A Band Aid Blessing

Sharp sun pierces skin  
Like pine needles on a tree

Picture, brown mud baked planes  
Worn huts, inside suffering  
No food, no water  
Longing for aid

Unsteady ground, blaring  
Wakes all. Curious saddened faces,  
Peering inquisitively.  
Silence reigns. Further emergence,  
Natives eager, wide eyed, muttering.  
Strange men proceed  
with containers, sacks  
Doubt turns to belief.  
Impatient hands grab all.  
Smiles break, joyous voices.  
Calling.

And dusk descends.  
Cheers of laughter, elation.  
Dreams now reality  
Christmas spirit pervades.  
Old and young gather, spectators  
of this Blessing.

*Becky Pemberton, 8R*

## My Friendship Potion

Take the colours of the rainbow  
And splash them into one  
Add some sun rays to make her glow  
The potion's just begun

Next take a vast barrel full of grace  
And a tractor load of fun  
That will help her, when we're in disgrace  
When the day is nearly done

A pinch of common sense would be  
Appreciated most by me  
As it's not always easy to see  
How we should really be

Stir in a 24/7 hotline  
Add an interest we both enjoy  
Then add a memory of hers and mine  
That we'll never be able to destroy

Add modesty and a loving heart  
And place a twinkle in her eye  
Give her a phone when we're apart  
And keep us in touch until we die

*Becky Pemberton, 8R*

# Senior School

## Letter: Clem's Holiday

Dear Dummy and Maddy,

It's really grate here on Irth! (I think that's how you spell it). I'm staying in this place called an "hotell". It's like wun of those Tyrans back at home. I really miss Neptune. But I get to travel round in these large peeeces of metal that look like beetles. These Human Beans call them c-a-r-s. There are also these big duuble metal things I travel in. It drops you off at different places. It's so cool! Let me tell you about my Hotell room. There's this large thing made of wood, that they put soft stuff on. I sleep on that. Then theres this taybel and on the taybel there's this shiny thing and it gives me my refleshan. And then theres this playce in my room, where I have a bath and guess what! The bath is made of white stuff! (theres wun of thouse refleshan thingys again) Lastly there's these sweet smelling shapes that I use when I wash.

Outside, there's all this green stuff, with green sticks and pretty colours. There's alsow "insects" everywhere and I play with them, espesshali tha butterflys. The ski is bloo! At night this shiny white shape pops out, and lots of other goldan things (I think their calld staars).

I luv all tha shops, espesshali the acsesory shop. You find mayk-up and julry. There so buteefull! There's stuff you "apply" on your nayls and your eys and cheeks and lips. And in julry, you tye peeeces if jules around your neck and arm and hand and finger and hare. I've bort loads!

Anyway, I'd bettar go now

Wish u wer heer,

Lots of luv,

Clem x

P.S. I go for "English classes". Mrs Watson says I'm a gud spellar.

P.P.S. I wach moving pictures in a bloc (its calld teevee).

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# Creative Writing

## Pure White

Drifting and swirling and floating around  
Streaming through water not making a sound  
Purest white in the light of dawn

Rhythmic beating of muscular wings  
Silver dripping as if from Kings  
Purest white in the light of dawn

Steady ascent to the zenith of flight  
The perfect image of power and might  
Purest white in the light of dawn

Spying the evil of shot and black powder  
It begins to call out, louder and louder  
Purest white in the light of dawn

The gun resounds with the sound of death  
Twisting and falling breathing its last breath  
Thumps to the ground with sheer disrespect  
Swan

Stained to scarlet on this unhappy morn

*Sophie Ridley, 8La*

## An Endless Battle

The battle of the sea and shore rages  
The waves thrash against the land  
Slowly reshaping and changing landscapes  
The white foam engulfs the sand.

Rain pours down and lightening crackles in the storm

The skies are dark and full of clouds  
The scene could send chills down your spine  
In the background the thunder rumbles loud.

Even though the battle is far from over  
The storm clouds slowly say goodbye  
The waves reluctantly calm down  
The sun appears once more in the sky.

The sea becomes friendly once again  
It turns into a bright and sunny day  
Who would have known that truce would be declared  
Between the land and sea in such an unexpected way?

The day goes by uneventfully  
Soon it is time for the sun to say goodbye  
As it gradually disappears beyond the horizon  
All the colours of the rainbow flood the sky.  
  
The scene fills spectators with awe  
Such a beautiful sight is rarely seen  
Enjoy the serenity before the truce is over  
And the battle begins once more between the land and the sea...

*Kriti Upadhyay, 11B*

## Zulee's Christmas

Zulee's heart soared like a bird. She held in her hands an old shoebox, but to her it held nothing but the promise of treasure. Zulee opened the box and gasped with delight. Never before had she been sent a Christmas box from England, or any other place in the whole world. This day had been longed for for months.

The first thing she saw was a small sized pink bunny with a blue ribbon around its neck. She reached out with both hands and picked it up. Zulee felt its soft fur and stroked it, whilst holding it close to her chest in a tight and loving hug. Was it really hers? Soon after Zulee turned around to her mother and gestured for her to hold the first teddy she had been given in her life. "Keep it safe," she whispered. Her mother cradled it like a newborn baby.

Zulee turned to see what else was in her amazing box. One by one Zulee placed her presents out on the barren ground of Africa and gazed happily at each and every one. Here was a beautiful bag, inside which had a flannel, some soap and a strange substance in a tube and a thin stick with bristles on the end. Her mother explained to her that these were to clean her teeth. Zulee shrieked with delight. Eager to see how this new exciting thing worked, she left the rest of the present and squeezed some of the substance from the tube on to the bristle brush. Her eyes widened in surprise as the cool minty taste came out into her mouth as she scrubbed at her teeth. Deciding to use this substance once a day was a hard decision as the taste was so delicious!

Turning back to concentrate on this wondrous box once more, her eyes fell on top of something which made them trickle with joy. She had found some small brown leather sandals which were hidden beneath some books. They fitted perfectly and even had a small strap of Velcro to insure her tiny feet didn't slip out. Zulee was so happy she stood up and danced all the way around the village. To see a dainty four year old dance like that was a joy to watch. So proud, so blessed and so, so happy.

As Zulee showed off her new shoes she suddenly remembered her bunny rabbit and ran back to check it was ok. Feeling quite tired after all that dancing, she gazed back at her emptier Christmas box and uncovered something that she would treasure more than anything she had received yet. That special thing was a card. A card, that had travelled all the way from England just for her. It was from a girl called Olivia sending her love and good wishes. On the front there was a snowman with snowflakes drifting all around lazily. A tree stood behind him, which was decorated with big bright colourful balls. How strange and magical it looked. Zulee would love to have held a glistening snow-flake in her hand. How different the scenery was around her than around the snowman. It made her want to laugh. Gazing across the deserted plains of African scrubland with the odd tree scattered around and a few wild animals roaming, she could not believe such a wonderful place even existed.

With the huge orange sun setting in the background of the hilltop, this was the best Christmas Zulee had and even would. Meanwhile the other young girl called Olivia would never know the rapture that her simple box of cast-offs would create...

*Olivia Evans, 7T*

## Gone Forever

*(In the style of Denise Levertov)*

- 1) Did they think their motions left no traces?
- 2) Did the atmosphere of tranquillity fade?
- 3) Had those destroying one culture, given a disadvantage to their culture?
- 4) Had each individual community been destroyed?
- 5) Did the life of the environment cease to flow, leaving no nourishment?
- 6) Were their actions irreversible?

# Senior School

## Ballad of Ellen MacArthur

I know a lady called Ellen MacArthur  
You could never know anyone who sails faster  
Her task was to conquer the wind of the world  
And now today her story's unfurled  
The clock never stops

She prepared for a while for her race against time  
She was glad to be going – a sailor in her prime  
And off she set at a remarkable pace  
With only the bare necessities in her case  
The clock never stops

There were perfect conditions, the weather was fine  
The wind was blowing, it seemed just divine  
Then all of a sudden the weather had turned  
The waves were thrashing, the water was churned  
The clock never stops

There were leaks in the water system and a creaking from below  
And sleep deprived Ellen was at an all time low  
The generator was broken and it really looked bad  
But amazingly she repaired it and everyone was glad  
The clock never stops

Troubles follow Ellen as she is knocked on her head  
The satellite pictures show a bad cut – all sore and red  
With the wind speed dropping and the doldrums ahead  
Poor Ellen was lonely and wanted her bed  
The clock never stops

But the weather then changes and gave her what she needs  
It shakes the whole boat as she reached frightening speeds  
The finishing line looming and Ellen's on track  
Two hundred miles left for Ellen to tack  
The clock never stops

She's done it; she's travelled the length of the map  
She's delighted and celebrates, wildly waving her cap  
Ellen MacArthur – a remarkable sailor  
Whose strength and courage never once failed her  
The clock never stops

And if any of you ever did the same  
Then just like Ellen, you could be a dame.  
Time stands still.

Melissa Bates, 8La

- 1) Any motion has its consequences.  
Man left these for those they chose to cripple.  
With their motions being in the minority wasn't enough. They saw no end, only opportunities.
- 2) An undisturbed environment evolves its ways. Destruction meant this was lost.  
Tranquillity faded to fear.
- 3) The beauties of Mother Nature lie in the heart of the environment.  
Man cannot enjoy these beauties, if he destroys their habitat.
- 4) The amphibians hunted the safety in water; those who could climb in height were most vulnerable. Mammals did not roam with the same until at the centre.  
Then nothing is safe.
- 5) The communities survived off each other. A breakage in the chain meant the results were oblivious.
- 6) My child, only time can tell, but how long is time?

Nicola Pether, 10M

## Three Little Pigs

Shoulder to shoulder  
Nose to tail  
The house was too small  
Mother started to wail.

"Real estate is the answer  
Build your own pad  
We can come for dinner  
Me and your dad."

Property developers all three  
Enthusiasm flowing  
Straw, sticks or bricks  
Ideas ever growing

Weeks go by  
Three small houses take shape  
A visitor comes knocking  
All shrouded in a cape

Mr Wolf came a-calling  
His gastric juices flowing  
Knock knock he bangs on the door  
His hunger ever growing

"Go away you don't fool me  
I've met your kind before  
A home so flimsily made  
I'll blow away the straw."

Two large huffs and one big puff  
The wolf was ready for dinner  
But to his dismay, the pig had gone  
For he was an Olympic winner.

The wolf was in a temper  
He began to stamp his feet  
His stomach was a-grumblin'  
For the taste of piggy meat.

"I know where he has gone  
At his brother's he will be  
Two pigs are better than one  
To fill my empty tummy."

"Let me in little piggies!"  
The wolf banged on the door  
But he did not know how clever they were  
For they had escaped from under the floor.

The pigs they ran as fast as they could  
To their brother's dwelling  
They banged and cried outside the door  
He said "What's all the yelling?"

"Bricks and mortar not straw and sticks  
This house was built to last  
Stoke the fire, boil the stock  
Come on we'll have to work fast."

Scratching his head in disbelief  
This house was stranger than he thought  
For the wolf he leaped upon the roof  
Fell down the chimney and was caught.

The front door was wide open  
The shocked wolf spied  
All three pigs were laughing  
His burnt pride to hide.

Charlie Miller, 8R

# Music

## Three Part Harmony Concert

**Queen's girls continued their reputation as dedicated charity supporters when many took part in the 'Three Part Harmony' concert at The Gateway Theatre in November, in conjunction with The Hammond School, to raise money for the Neuromuscular Centre.**

We were delighted to welcome Mrs Sarah Kelly, a former Queen's pupil and the director of the charity. It was a great success and saw many exciting performances, including the ever-popular Queen's School Jazz Band, and was made all the more worthwhile knowing that we were helping a very worthy cause.

Queen's has a history of extremely talented pupils, and when Sophie Rosa joined us in September, we knew that we had a new resident star! Sophie is an outstanding violinist who has performed from a very young age – at merely eight years old she played a solo concert for HRH Princess Margaret. Since then her glittering repertoire has only

improved – highlights include a solo with the Chetham's orchestra, countless quartet performances, playing for HRH Prince Charles, and reaching the National Strings Semi Final of the BBC Young Musician of the Year in 2003. Her music has taken her far and wide – Sophie was invited to perform at the Northern Lights Festival in Norway in 2003, and she has spent a lot of time learning and performing in Canada. In between studying for her AS levels here at Queen's this year, Sophie has also managed to achieve the prestigious Geoffrey Shaw Scholarship, and has performed to an audience of 900, amongst many other things! We were extremely proud to have her perform at our 'Three Part Harmony' Concert in November; and we wish her the best of luck for the BBC Young Musician of the Year competition later in the year. Sophie is hoping for a career as a soloist, and we are sure that we will continue to hear much more of her in the future!

*Charlotte Penrhyn-Jones, 12A*



## CABARET

**Cabaret is fast becoming a greatly anticipated annual event at The Queen's School.**

March 15th and 16th saw this year's fantastic displays of music, dance and drama, organised by Mrs Jones and Mrs Larder. There was a huge variety of numbers, with Year 7 drama, a "Sound of Music" medley from Year 11, and outstanding performances from the winners of this year's Anna Markland festival, including the overall winner Ceri-Lyn Humphreys – to name but a few. The audience enjoyed a delicious meal and no one could deny that both evenings passed with great success!



*Lucy James, 12E*

# Christmas Concert



We at The Queen's School always take the traditional Christmas Concert and add our own creative edge, and December 2004 was no exception.

Highlights included the ever-popular Jazz Band performing 'Love Shack', spectacular soloists, and the Junior Choir's rendition of "The Second Star to the Right" complete with waving glow sticks! It was a perfect and festive end to a busy term and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended and took part.

## Joseph

As this copy of *Have Mynde* goes to print, a cast of talented girls from Years 7 to 10 is feverishly rehearsing for the summer production of the musical "Joseph".

Following the success of the 99% female production of "Guys and Dolls" last year, Queen's girls have proved that they relish the challenge of bringing "Joseph" and his eleven brothers to the stage. This time our versatile girls are taking all the roles from the patriarchal Jacob to the multimillionaire Potiphar, the hip-swivelling Pharaoh to the scene-stealing camel.

The production will be staged on July 5th, 6th and 7th and we hope that the audience will have as much fun watching and listening as we have had rehearsing.



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*Charlotte Meara*
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*Angharad Lyddon*  
*Ceri-lyn Humphreys*
- **THE JUNIOR VOCAL TROPHY**  
*Rebecca Spaven*
- **THE JAMES SURFLEET OPEN ENSEMBLE TROPHY**  
*Angharad Lyddon*  
*Ceri-lyn Humphreys*
- **THE PIANO DUET TROPHY**  
*Amy Underhill*  
*Stephanie Pipe*
- **THE ANNA MARKLAND CUP**  
*Ceri-lyn Humphreys*

# Trips

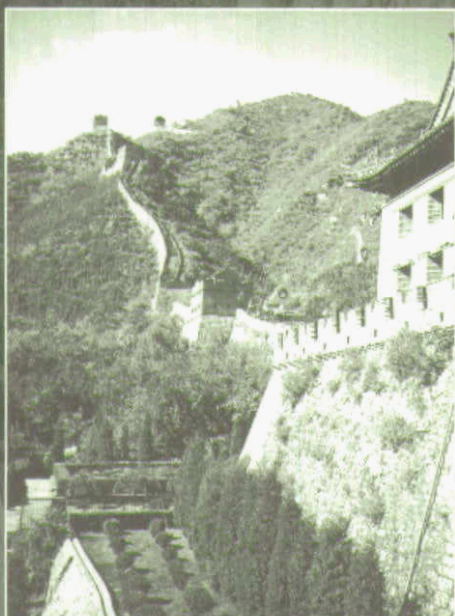
## CHINA AND TIBET

This summer, twenty-six intrepid girls from Years 11, 12 and 13 will be travelling halfway around the world to experience the ancient lands of China and Tibet. The girls will be accompanied by two teachers and three guides from Wilderness Expertise, a company who specialise in organising expeditions to exotic and remote locations.

Once in China, the girls will split into two teams and each team will follow an itinerary drawn up by the girls themselves. Plans include sleeping overnight on the Great Wall of China, a visit to a panda reserve, seeing the famous Terracotta Warriors, a tour of the Potala Palace in Lhasa and, of course, shopping in Beijing. In addition to all this, both groups are to undertake a trek lasting several days, with one group aiming to bathe in hot springs at NamTso Lake in the Himalayas. Perhaps most importantly, both groups are also booked to visit a village school or orphanage, and spend several days making a difference to the lives of Chinese and Tibetan communities. The girls will be involved in teaching English to the children, refurbishing buildings and playing with children who are in desperate need of some attention.

As if all this is not enough, the teams will be organising almost everything themselves once in China. They will take turns to lead their group, find accommodation, arrange transport, buy food at the market (in Chinese!), sort out transport, and look after the group finances. All of the girls have already taken part in activities to prepare for the trip, from fundraising to hiking and wild camping in Snowdonia. Everyone knows that the expedition will be extremely challenging, but it will undoubtedly also be the experience of a lifetime.

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## Year 12 - French Exchange 2005

After a long day of travelling, we were all anxious about meeting our exchange partners again. We all thought that the first night would be okay because we could just say "je suis fatigué" and avoid large amounts of conversation. However, as we already knew our partners from three weeks before when they came to England, we realised we had to talk but it really wasn't as bad as we all made out.

We constantly met up with everyone over the weekend, much to everyone's delight; going for pizza and to various French pubs (which happened to be Irish or called 'The Red Lion') but this just cheered us up even more.

Spirits were high until Monday morning when we all realised how early 8am really was. We spent the day at the lycée going to lessons and speaking French. Although it was quite obvious we were English (as we were talking very loudly and drawing hop-sotch squares on the ground), I think all of us improved on our French and enjoyed ourselves at the same time.

During the exchange, we visited many places in and around Avignon. We had guided tours of Palais Des Papes and Le Pont d'Avignon. We also spent a day hiking in Aubagne, on which was probably the hottest day since we were there. Although we were all very tired and sunburnt, it was a good day.

Unlike us when our partners came over, the French had actually organised two parties for us. We all had high expectations and although they were a little different to the parties we were used to, we all had fun and we could understand the music.

There was, of course, as on every French exchange, romance. Couples were everywhere, English people and French people, and as a reward for being in love, most of the couples won awards in the famous 'Paper Plate Awards'.

On the final day, we said goodbye to Avignon and our partners and all the great friends we had made whilst we were there. On behalf of everyone who took part in the exchange I'd like to say thank you to Mr and Mrs Shannon for organising the trip and putting up with us all. We all had an amazing time and I know that certain people are already planning their return in summer!

Laura Evans I 2A



## Year 12 - Christmas Shopping in New

Christmas shopping in New York...chance of a life time and 35 lucky Year 12's got to experience such an amazing trip. We arrived in the Big Apple and were immediately set free on the New York City streets. For most of us, this was quite daunting as we just looked up and saw tall buildings and looked straight ahead and saw a sea of yellow cabs.

Of course, Mrs Maddocks made it quite clear that this wasn't just going to be a shopping holiday and that we would actually have to do some sightseeing, but none of us complained; we were in New York after all! We visited many of the sights you hear about; The Empire State Building, Central Park, Ground Zero, and we went on a boat trip around Manhattan to see the Statue of Liberty. Some people went to watch an operatic concert while others experienced the glittering lights of Broadway as they took in an enjoyable performance of 'The Phantom



## Llangollen Weekend

The end of the Easter term was celebrated by sixty girls going to the youth hostel at Llangollen for our popular annual Christian Union weekend away. Full of anticipation, our hopes were fulfilled as we filled the hostel. As usual we enjoyed plenty of singing, dancing and not too serious games as well as listening to our guest speaker Vic Ritchie. Several old girls made a welcome return; Jane Bellamy (last year's speaker) came to help Vic and renew friendships made last year; Amy Furbur continued her quest to break the record for the most attendances at the weekend and Liz Evans travelled up from Oxfordshire after work on Saturday to lead the campfire songs as only she can. In addition, Emma Hayes, Fiona Burley and Jess Gosney (and Dr Hill!) continued the happy tradition of coming on the weekend, despite having left Queen's. For the first time in twenty years, there was a hint of rain during the wide game; no matter, nothing could prevent it from being voted one of the best and most imaginative ever. The entertainment on Saturday evening culminated in Izzy Richards' 'birthday' being celebrated with two friends (and twelve hands...) and the final meeting on Sunday morning again showed the imagination and talent of girls as the theme was interpreted in dance, drama, music, art and, for the first time ever, food!

The success of the weekend reflects the immense effort put in by the CU. Tammy King, Donna Macfadyen, Brina Marks, Joanna Reid, Annie Sayers and Zara Tait, have been wonderfully faithful and our prayers and best wishes go with them as they leave us (hopefully to return!). Thanks also go to Briony Crew and Nicola Churchman who are, I am sure, relieved that there are keen younger members wanting to join the CU. As one tired young lady said, 'It really is the best weekend of the year'.

I J Armstrong

The abysmal downpour as we left Chester by coach on the Friday afternoon did not dampen our spirits and we quickly settled in at the Youth Hostel. We enjoyed the food the food and games all weekend and were introduced to our speakers, Vic and Jane, and the topic we were to think about "Having a relationship with God".

After a good night's sleep (not!) we choose our activity workshops. We learnt new music, produced posters, prepared food and worked out drama and dance routines, before spending the afternoon trying to avoid the threat of snow, and enjoying the wide game thoroughly.

Saturday evening was a very entertaining one with the Year 13 hilarious sketches and Mr Armstrong as a punctuation machine! Liz, a former head girl, was also there to teach everyone campfire songs. However, Sunday morning was greeted with much less enthusiasm; final workshops and games were followed by showing each other what we had produced over the weekend, before Vic talked to us for the last time.

After lunch we wended our weary way home really feeling that we had learnt more about our relationship with God.

In October, all year 7 girls went on a trip to Llangollen. This was a chance for us to make new friends, try out activities and have fun! Our activities included egg-rockets, abseiling and different team work puzzles. There were also the bright lights, fantastic music and misty smoke machine atmosphere of a disco on our first night. Most girls got dolled-up with their heels on and danced the night away!

Day two included tissue paper and paper plate costumes for models and more outside team building games before heading back to school on Sunday afternoon. We all really enjoyed ourselves and hope to do something similar again soon! We also think the teachers had a great time too!!

Frankie Boden & Daisy Preece, 7C

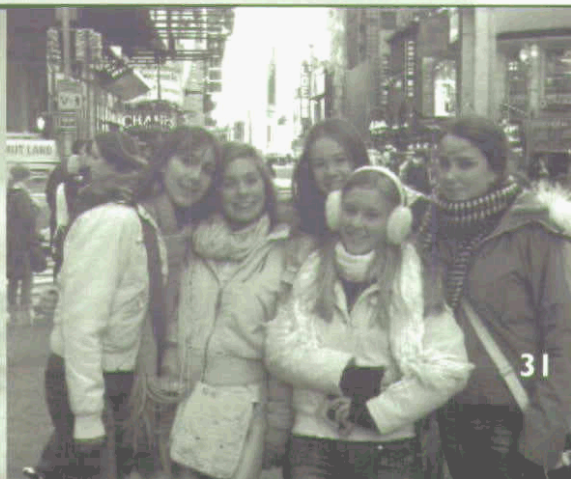
## York 2004

of the Opera'. Both were fantastic and it felt completely different seeing them in New York rather than anywhere else.

So, what was the highlight of the trip? Of course, the shopping. Having spent days in Bloomingdales, Macey's, and other famous stores, we were all very tired but it was worth it.

Thank you so much to Mrs Maddocks, Mr Gough, Mrs Chafer and Mrs Steventon for organising such an incredible trip; we may have been a pain sometimes but I'm sure you had just as much fun as we did! Hope the girls who are going next year enjoy themselves too; it's very hard not to when you're in New York!

Laura Evans 12A



# Busy Bees



We buzzed away  
at the beginning of the year  
with a visit from Frank Hilder,  
a bee keeper.  
He kept us fascinated with his  
knowledge of bees and honey.

The 'hole' school endured a stay  
in the notorious 'Fill a cavity'  
hotel when a theatre group  
performed a healthy eating play  
at the beginning of Science  
week.



Class 2 put the fires out for the  
Cheshire Fire Brigade when they  
visited the Fire Station.  
The Romans reappeared for Class  
3 in Chester and took them back  
in time on a city walk.  
Class 1 slid and slipped with the  
reptiles at Chester Zoo and  
narrowly avoided feeding time!

Glenda Jackson opened our new  
facilities with a buzz  
and a bang.

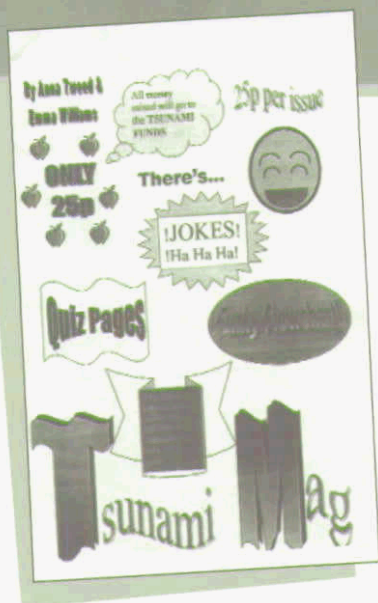
The girls sang a  
selection of Honey Songs  
with sweet voices and  
smiles.



Class 5 recited their  
Commemorative Poem to a delighted audience. We also performed  
at The Gateway Theatre and shared our nectar with a large  
audience. At Christmas we dazzled and danced as we performed  
'The Bell that Cried' and the younger pupils performed their  
Nativity with the aplomb of professionals.

We prepare for the spectacular 'Midsummer Night's  
Dream' this summer.

# Lower School



Charities Generosity unbounded!  
The girls have supported a great  
deal of good causes this year  
including Barnardos, the Tsunami  
disaster and Comic Relief.  
We jumped rope for our hearts.  
We sent Buddies to the G8 Summit  
to make poverty history.  
Thank you all!



The Cathedral  
echoed with the  
sound of our music  
at the Easter  
Daffodil Service



Class 6 were evacuated  
to Stockport but  
survived the spam and  
sugar sandwiches.

Henry VIII visited class 5 and  
discussed his wives' failings  
and faults to a very  
unsympathetic audience.  
Class 5 and 6 were  
enraptured on a  
midsummer night through a  
dream workshop.

# Busy Bees

## Old and New

(Class 5 Poem)

### 1. The Old Days

See tiny girls sit munching crisps in the hall  
Teddy Bears' Picnic heralds the new term.  
Friends from the past, left for new starts, happy  
Playtime memories keeping friendships alive.  
We stuffed with mud the barked holes of ancient  
Trees, fingers later caked with muddy fun.

Only one tap in the gloomy art room,  
No place to store things and tiny windows.  
Guess what present Miss Dewhurst gave to us:  
Bright-coloured toilet seats replacing the brown!  
Gloomy and dark the cellar was, where ghosts  
Hid from stamping herds of parading girls.

### 2. Building Work

A noisy neighbourhood piercing our ears  
Thunderous drilling interrupts maths tests.  
Builders' gruff voices singing to the radio,  
Working throughout the boiling summer days.  
Footprints on the floor, teachers groan again  
Mud splattered outside the thick brown mortar.  
Sadness of an old building torn apart;  
Fresh concrete replacing ancient bricks.  
The gate was closed when I came out from lunch  
Then a giant lorry rumbled past the door.  
Builders sunbathed on the roof, sandwiches  
Eaten in the early morning sunlight.

### 3. New Buildings

A place of no seats where you won't get wet  
While you're coming through the door; the Loggia.  
Go to Mrs Hoare's office, roomy now  
And you won't see her sheets wandering off!  
Come along to the Art Room, you will see  
Colourful pictures by cheerful artists.  
In the Library bright light shines on the books  
Meanwhile Class 5 are having their thumbs scanned.  
A sparkling cloakroom filled with everyone's things  
For lessons: rows of shiny new pegs.  
Come to the computer room you will see  
Screens in rows with an overhead projector.

### 4. Teachers Old and New

Our romantic music teacher, head reeling  
With recorders, ran away to Scotland.  
See Miss Dewhurst walk in funky high heeled shoes  
Her dangly ear rings dancing in the breeze.  
Geography was quiet and calm with Miss Paice,  
Who listened to sweet music at lunchtime.  
On Thursday, tuneful voices sweetly drift  
Clearly from Mrs Pugh's music lesson.  
Our friendly form teacher Mrs Ainsworth makes  
Our lessons full of fun and laughter.  
Our cool head teacher breathes life into history.  
Her blonde spiky hair is really groovy.

24<sup>th</sup> December 1940

Dear Diary,

Today it is Christmas Eve. I have been getting prepared! We first laid out the stockings in anticipation of Father Christmas's arrival. James, Lily and I went outside into the garden to pick holly and mistletoe for the table. At 5:00pm Daddy came home and we all settled down in front of the fire at 6:30pm. There were shouts outside, Daddy went out to see what was happening. He returned five minutes later, shouting for us to get into the shelter, the aeroplanes could be heard approaching. I grabbed this diary and Brownny (my bear) and ran out into the garden; as I ran out I heard shouts and could see flames on the horizon. I ran as hard and as fast as I could, to the shelter. I opened the door to let Mummy, Leo, James and Lily in, then I went in, followed by Daddy. We sat there for five hours, praying. Mummy was crying and Lily was so frightened she was under the covers shrieking. We kept on hearing shouting and explosions and crackling fire, then very close to hand there was a tremendous force that rattled the door on its hinges and made the ground shudder. Our house must have been BOMBED! (Thank goodness I brought Brownny out with me!) Then it struck midnight over the demolished city and Christmas Day dawned, I started crying when I heard the bells! Then the hours dragged by, Christmas RUINED!!

Rachel Thompson Class 6



# Lower School



Victoria Davies,  
Class 6



Bethan Pade,  
Reception

## The Haiku

A candyfloss cloud,  
Sailing across the sky line,  
Gentle and fluffy.

By Mishia Leggett

## The Tanka

The fragile petals,  
Of the ruby red rose bud,  
Tiny fairy wings,  
Fluttering around the  
world,  
Free from harm and full of  
love.

By Mishia Leggett and Ellie  
Mellor

12, Mount Street  
Jarrow  
1<sup>st</sup> October 1936

Dear Cousin Thomas,

I have lots of news!  
Daddy is going to go on a march to London called the Jarrow Crusade.  
Lots of people are going on it to ask the Prime Minister for help.  
This is because life is dreadful, we're starving and our shoe soles are  
worn down; there are too many holes in our clothes and they are  
beyond repair.

I have to go to a place where they sell free food for children but I hate  
the Irish stew because it is thin and there are bits floating on the top.  
We really wish Dad could be employed because this is the cause of all  
this. They are going to sing and wave banners and they are going to try  
and stand out as much as possible.

The diseases are spreading fast; Mum is worried that we're going to  
catch one soon. The diseases that are around are things like, Diphtheria,  
Tuberculosis and Pneumonia.

I do hope the march helps because life is truly unbearable! I'm scared  
Daddy will get lost between all the people; there are 5000 of them,  
but Mummy says he will be fine. Daddy said that everything will be  
much better when he is back and that we won't have to starve  
anymore.

I didn't mention that our dog has died, we simply couldn't afford to  
look after him.

It must be a lot easier in New Zealand.

Lots of love,

Your best cousin

Julia xxx

Julia Byrom

7 Figg Lane  
Topple Road  
Birmingham

1<sup>st</sup> October 1936

Dear Daddy

We are missing you terribly. We miss you telling our bedtime stories as  
well as our special daddy hug. Mummy cries every night hoping you will  
be all right. We try to cheer her up but it doesn't work.

Our food is disgusting. We just caught the tram back home from the  
children's centre where they give us free food. It is even worse than the  
food at home.

Mummy said that the means test men were coming so we took our  
book to Mr and Mrs Clues. One of them is yours. Millie was crying  
because she didn't trust Mr and Mrs Clues.

Our clothes are patchy and holey. They are horrible. Mummy is trying  
to knit some clothes but we don't have any wool. Mrs Sober gave us  
some wool to use. Mummy is trying to make you a scarf. We will send  
it to you when we have more money.

Mummy tried to get a job but she is a woman. She can't get one. Poor  
Bethan has got the terrible flu as well as us have splinters. I hope she  
gets better soon. We will do. Apart from all the bad news, everything is  
fine.

Actually there is some amazing news. Baby Sam has learnt to say Mama.  
Pappa, Jarrow, Teddy and cold! We are all very proud!

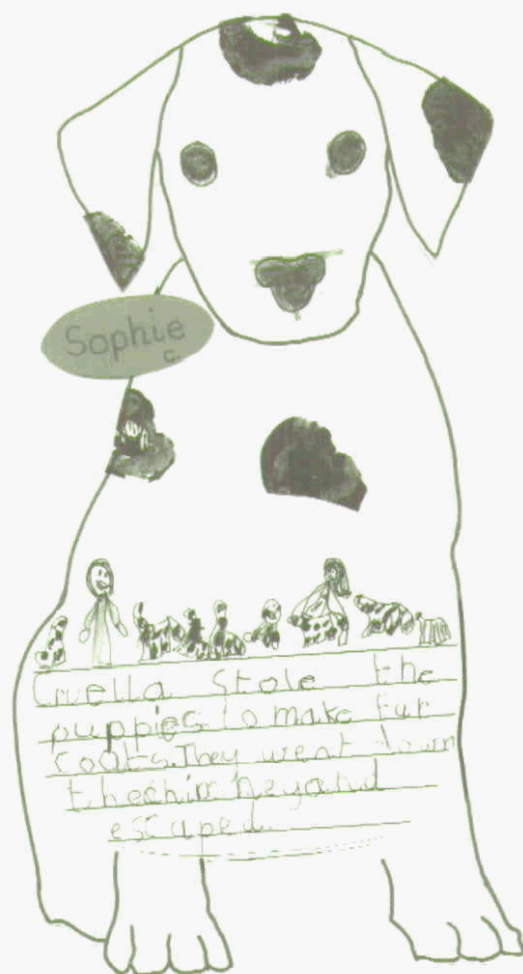
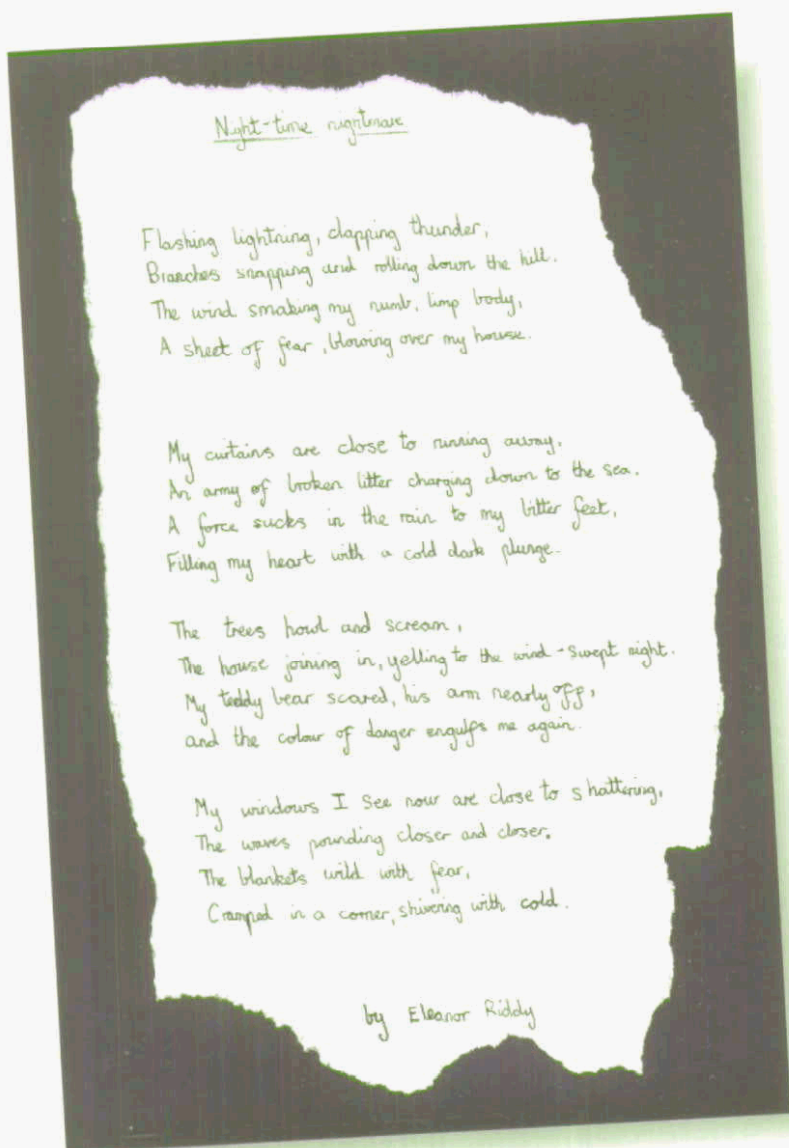
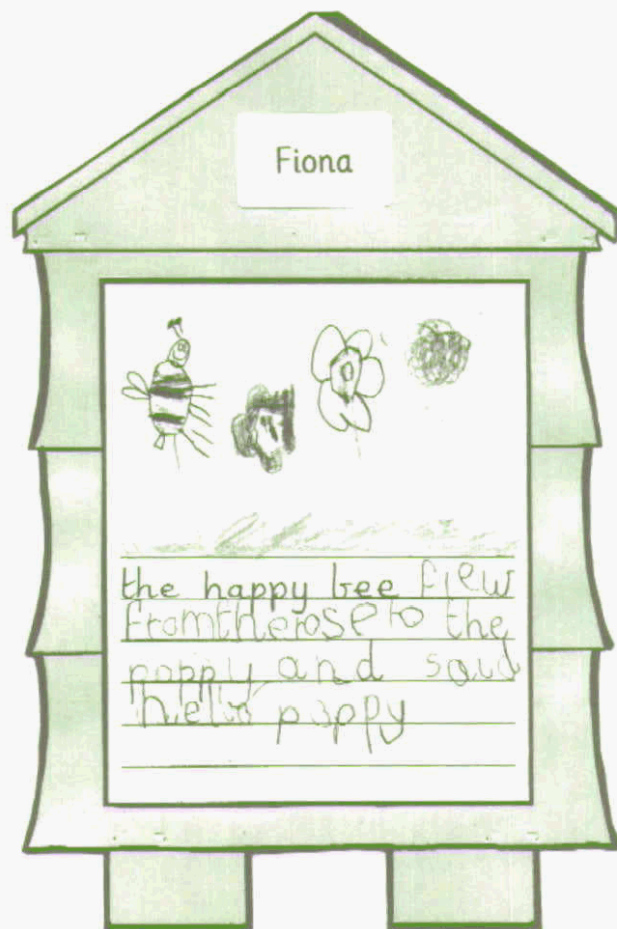
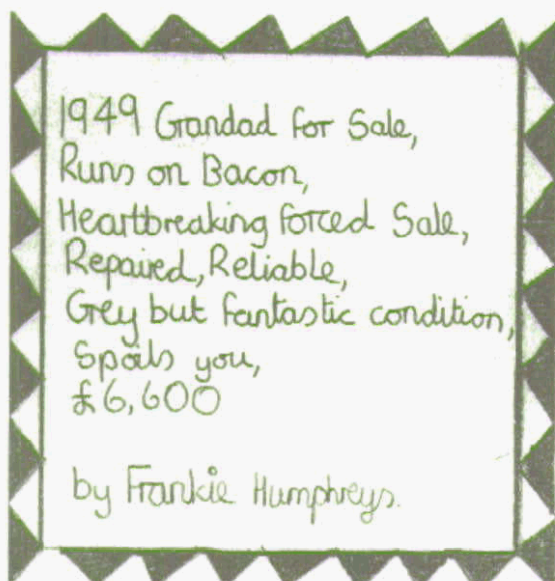
It is nearly Millie's birthday. Mummy and I are knitting her a bear.

I hope you are all right. I hope you receive this letter. Best wishes

Mummy, Millie, Bethan, Sam, Christine, Tom and James

(Alicia Logan - Class 6)

# Busy Bees



# Lower School

29<sup>th</sup> September

My turtle swam away three whole weeks ago now. Now I miss him. He was my only friend and someone I could tell all my secrets to. He took Billy's place is only for two days. Life is so boring without him. I just hope he is doing well. I didn't think that I'll ever miss doing the farm work. With no more cows to milk the whole of Bryher is starving.

How I wish for Billy's return. With him gone, the house is dull and full of misery. The storm has ruined Bryher so father says we have to leave. I agree with Granny May, we should stay.

It seems that everyday our house is getting colder and colder. There are more storms yet to come so no one is leaving Bryher until they pass. I desperately want to row in the gig but father won't hear of it. Maybe someday but not now.

By Elham Moghimi



Lorna Cowdell, Reception

## Cinquain

Snowdrops,  
The sign of spring,  
Tiny flowers hanging,  
So delicate in the springtime,  
Just bliss.

by Jennifer Robinson

12 Kingstreet  
Rosebud Cottage  
London  
10<sup>th</sup> October 1936

Dear Ethel,

I hope you are well, I am writing to wish you a spiffing Hallowes evening. The children, Joseph and I are enjoying it immensely, but, sister of mine this is not what I wish to inform you.

Yesterday the most extraordinary thing came about, over fifty men stayed in my house. This is because the Jarrow Crusade came marching past dying for rest, food and drink. They wore smelly rags and worn down soggy, dirty, ugly sandals. Their hair was greasy and limp their faces scared and shy.

I was talking to a fine young man named Fred. He had seven children two with Diphtheria, poor souls, another two with Tuberculosis one with pneumonia and two with Typhus. The nuns here are in quarantine best to keep the children off school. Anyway Fred lost his job and now an unemployed man, marching to save his children's lives. He has tried the Means test and they took away his trophy he won as a child. Gosh I do hope they survive, and win I'll support them with all of my heart. I hope you will to sister.

Maybe come down and stay and see the five thousand men on the jolly Crusade.

Pats of Love and wishes

India Clarke



## Sandford House News



### BEEKEEPER COMES TO VISIT OUR SCHOOL

We went to the hall and we saw a video about bees and hives and we learned all about beekeeping. We saw honey on the table. There was a pot of honey with a bubble in it.



Reporter: Louise

# Busy Bees



Pink



Pink looks like a soft flower  
Pink sounds like boots  
splashing in a puddle  
Pink feels like a silky top  
Pink smells like a sweet  
marshmallow  
Pink tastes like a strawberry  
ice cream  
I love pink.

by

Georgina Johnson

## Somewhere in our school today...

A huddle of engrossed Reception children carefully line up the brightly painted wooden animals going into the ark.

A group of skilled class 1 artists are creating a gluey collage for the colourful wall.

The poets of Class 2 are diving into their water bird poems their hooks escaping wherever the wind takes it.

A group of excited Class 3 librarians are reading avidly in the new crispy white library.

In Class 4, a gathering of excited artists are working together to make as much mess as possible in the spotlessly clean art room.

In Class 5, a crowd of talented singers are practising tunelessly for a school song competition.

In the hall, Class 6 gymnasts skilfully tumble over, and an amused laugh escapes from the watching audience.

Group work from Class 5

## 101 Dalmatians



Once upon a time there lived two dalmatians called Pongo and Missus. They had fifteen puppies when Cruella de Vil came to tea. She wanted the puppies because she wanted their skins. Cruella de Vil got Jasper and Horace to steal the puppies. They took the puppies to Hell Hall but Pongo and Missus went to rescue the puppies. They got into a van. They got themselves covered in spots. When they got home their owners did not recognise the puppies. And they all lived happily ever after.

Re-told by Georgina Elliott

For you, see

Hundreds of poppies bright and red to fill the garden with colour.

Hundreds of rainbows bright and colourful to fill the sky with life.

Hundreds of chocolates wrapped in a heart shaped box with a bow on the top.

Hundreds of diamonds locked in a golden treasure chest.

Hundreds of birds singing sweetly and in the bright blue sky.

But only one Mummy  
my whole life through.

Georgina Hodson, U3

# Lower School

## The Charge of the Snail Brigade

Half a millimetre, half a millimetre  
Half a millimetre onward  
Into hedgehog valley  
Slithered the six hundred

Forward the snail brigade  
"Ravage their cleas" he said  
"Capture the leaves" he said  
Onward they lumbered

Spines to the right of them  
Spines to the left of them  
Spines in front of them  
Prickles unnumbered

Crash through their spiky flanks  
Shatter their buggy ranks  
Capture the leaves, thanks  
To the snail brigade  
Noble six hundred

By Sophie Hull and Sophie Challinor

## Heidi's Poem

The King and Queen of Dreamland.

The King and Queen of Dreamland.  
lived in a castle by the sea,

They flew across their kingdom on the  
back of a bumble bee.

They had a Prince called Charlie  
who rode a three wheeled bike,  
Who journeyed to the seaside  
To meet his best friend Mike.

They built a castle out of sand  
upon the beach so bright,  
And lit three lanterns upon the top  
to keep at bay the night,

At Halloween at twelve o'clock  
the bumble bee flew down,  
He'd brought the King and Queens with him  
to see the seaside town.

They sat upon the tower wall  
and together had a party,  
And all agreed that Prince Charlie  
really was a smartie!

Heidi Williams

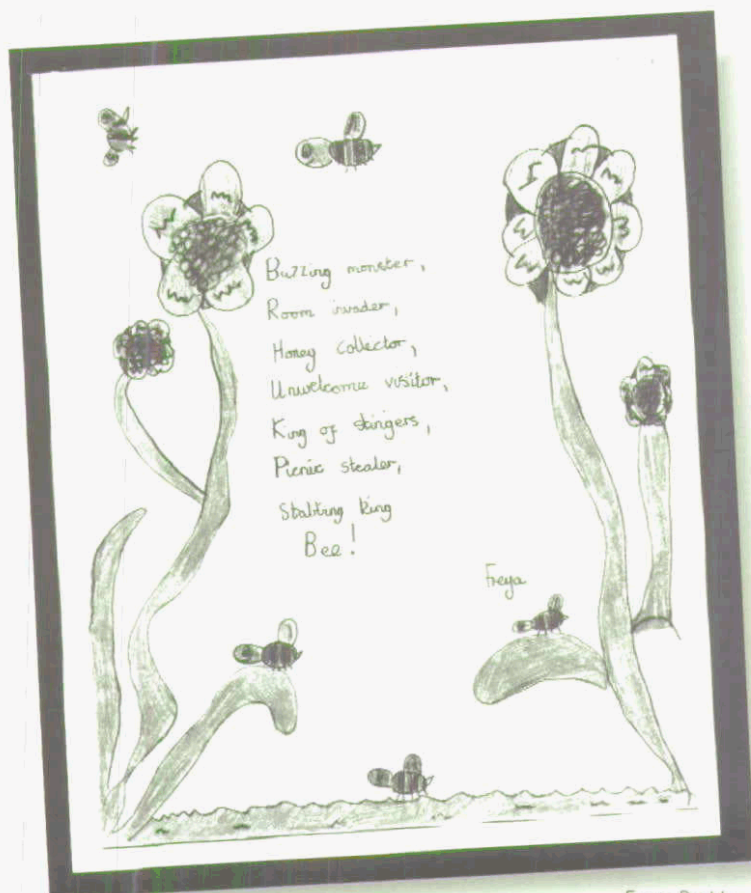
## Charge of the Bunny Brigade

Half a hop half a hop  
Half a hop onward  
Into the fox den  
Bounced the one hundred

Forward the Bunny Brigade  
Ravage their whiskers he said  
Capture the carrot he said  
Onward they bounded

Paws to the left of them  
Paws to the right of them  
Paws to the front of them  
tails outnumbered

Bang through the foxes flanks  
Battered their chicken ranks  
Captured the reggies Thanks  
To the Bunny Brigade  
Gratant one hundred  
By Hannah Schofield



Freya Rodda



The firemen slide down  
the pole to get to  
an emergency quickly.

by Orlaith Monk 39



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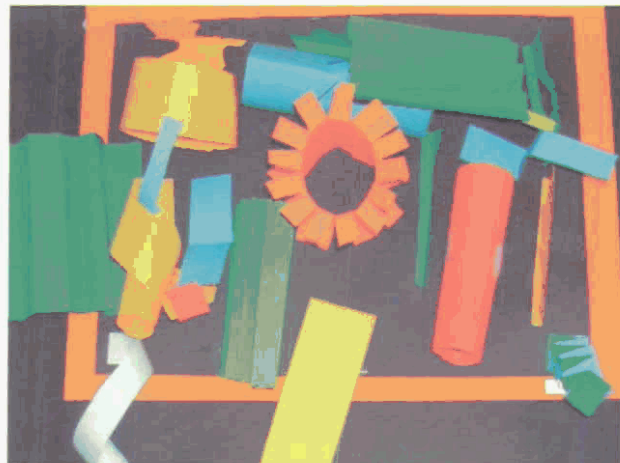


Rachel Menkin, Class 6

## Lower School artwork



Alexandra Angus, Class 2



Lydia McLoughlin, Class 2



Ella Parry, Class 3; Lauren Hutcheon, Class 3; Zoe Soutter, Class 3



Kate McMahon, Year 10  
Self Portrait charcoal drawing exploring light and dark

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