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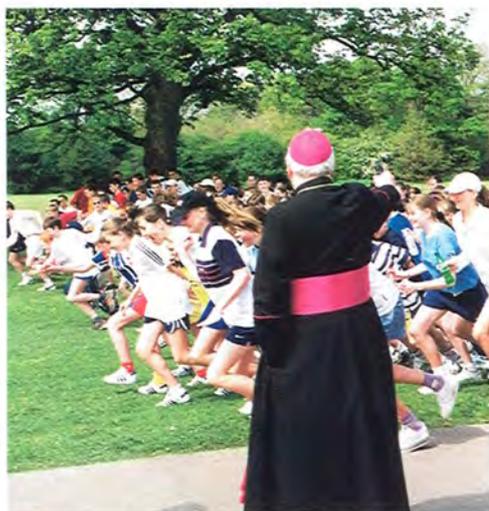


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Archbishop Fires the Gun!



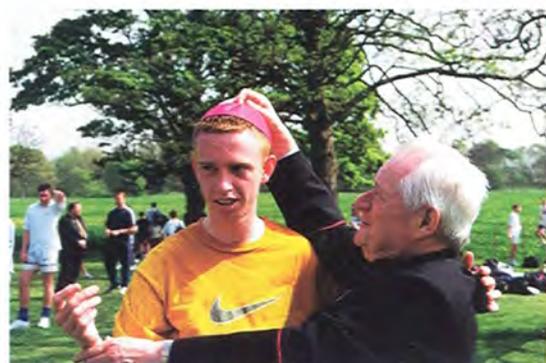
Archbishop John Ward starts the race
On your marks, Get set...

ON Friday 5 May, the College held its annual Edmund Rice fund raising run in Croxteth Park. It was no ordinary 10k Run, the monies raised go to support children being educated in West Africa.

The guest starter for the race was **Archbishop John Ward of Cardiff** who was visiting the College that day.



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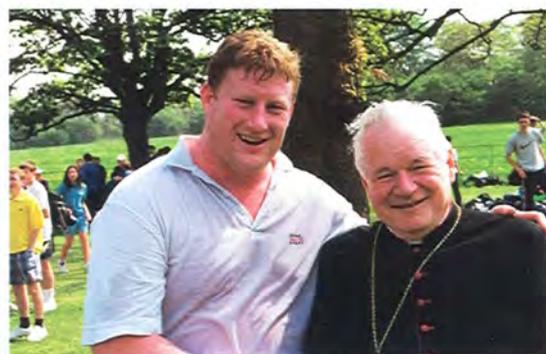


Archbishop Ward congratulates winner James Riley
Year 13, who ran the 10k in **35 mins 27 secs.**



Tough race though!!!

Nearly all of the 960 pupils and staff took part, either running or walking round a course of either 5 or 10kms in Croxteth Park. Over the past seven years the pupils have raised £30,000 for their less fortunate counterparts in the Third World.



Mr S O'Keefe with Archbishop Ward after completing the race.



Mrs A Donovan... first 10k lady over the line in
44 mins 38 secs. Well done!



Headmaster, Mr J Waszek finishes the race
... not that far behind James!

In The Spirit of Edmund Rice

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Retreat to Grasmere

IN October, a group of Year 13 pupils enjoyed three days of relaxation and reflection on retreat to Grasmere. All agreed that it was an excellent way to prepare for the demanding year ahead.

Miss C Ball



Pictured at Grasmere: Mr N Murray, Miss A Fitzgerald and Miss C Ball with Year 13 pupils



Pictured at the Fair Trade stall: Jenny Kiggins, Peter Lyon and Claire Hopkins

Traidcraft

THE Fair Trade stall was set up over two years ago, to try to promote fairness and equality for farmers in the third world. Traidcraft, and other such organisations trade between Britain and countries such as India, The Philippines and South America. These companies employ farmers, stonemasons, potters and weavers and pay them a fair price for their work and their products. These products are then imported to Britain to be sold. The workers in these countries are so happy to receive the money they deserve for the use of their skills to make such beautiful items.

Anyone who wishes to buy fair trade goods can obtain a catalogue and an order form from the Fair Trade stall during breaktime, or from Mr. Brooks.



Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes

DURING the Easter Holiday, Upper School pupils Sophie and Lydia Beckett, Michael Dowrick, Daniel Fawcett, Steven Lewis, Laura Naylor, Matthew Roche and Helen Smith joined pupils from St. Mary's College to provide support and entertainment for sick children on the annual HCPT pilgrimage to Lourdes.

The pupils worked hard and thoroughly enjoyed the pilgrimage, making many new and enriching friendships.

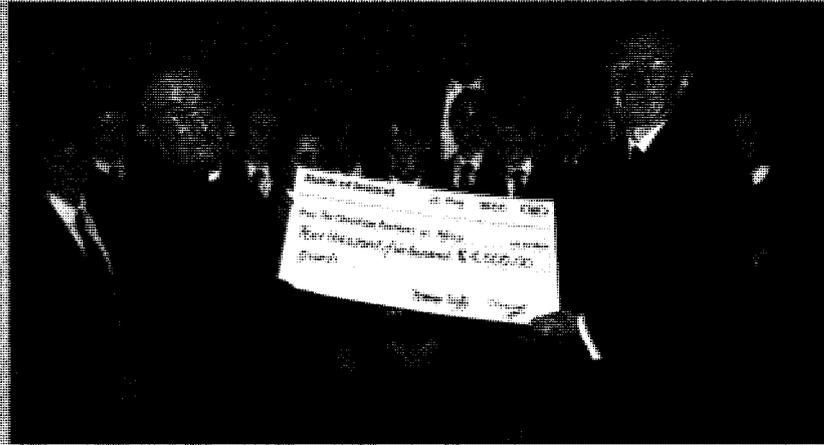
Up, Up and Away

ON Friday 14 April at 13.00, the pupils launched balloons in a race in aid of the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund. The race was started on the playing fields by members of staff, pupils and their own Spice Girls and Westlife tribute bands.



In The Spirit of Edmund Rice

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Brother Walsh, formerly a teacher at St Edward's College, being presented with a cheque for £4,500 by the Headmaster. These funds, raised by sponsorship of this year's Edmund Rice Fair held on 5 May 2002 will be used to assist the Christian Brothers in their work in schools in West Africa.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Different Drummers

"If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away."

Henry David Thoreau

If you do not want what I want, please do not try to tell me that what I want is wrong. Or if my beliefs are different from yours, at least pause before you set out to correct them. Or if my emotion seems less or more intense than yours, given the same circumstances, try not to ask me to feel other than I do.

Or if I act or fail to act, in the manner of your design for action, please let me be. I do not for the moment at least, ask you to understand me. That will only come when you are willing to give up trying to change me into a copy of you.

If you will allow me any of my own wants, or emotions or beliefs, or actions, then you open yourself to the possibility that some day these ways of mine might not seem so wrong and might finally appear as right for me. To put up with me is the first step toward understanding me.

Not that you embrace my ways as right for you, but that you are no longer irritated or disappointed with me for my seeming waywardness. And one day, perhaps, in trying to understand me, you might come to prize my differences and far from seeking to change me, might preserve and even cherish those differences.

I may be your spouse, your parent, your offspring, your friend or your colleague. But whatever our relation, this I know: You and I are fundamentally different and both of us have to march to our own drummer.

Mr N G Murray - Chaplain

In The Spirit of Edmund Rice

Edmund Associates for Disadvantaged Youths



Br John Manyeh wrote to St. Edward's College to thank us for our donation towards the above project.

"Management and Staff of Edmund Associates for Disadvantaged Youths would like to tender their sincere gratitude for giving us the opportunity to undertake a contract to prepare furniture for St. Edward's Secondary School, Kingston. The furniture came at a time when it was badly needed....."

Left: Edmund boys putting finishing touches to a contract donated by our College

Amnesty International

EVERY Friday lunchtime at 12.50 in the College library, the Amnesty International Club operates.

Amnesty International is an international charity which attempts to bring attention to those who have their human rights violated in some way. Throughout this country there are hundreds of Amnesty International groups, each one attempting to highlight atrocities that have been perpetrated. The hope is that the publicity given to the plight of these people will put pressure on Governments to take action.

Amnesty International sends monthly releases to each of the groups, informing them of the stories to focus on for that month. Members of Amnesty groups will then engage in correspondence with persons (via letter, e-mail or fax) to attempt to highlight this cause, whether that be MPs, Government, Royalty or the military in the countries in

question. Recently we have written letters of appeal to our own Government about the atrocities in East Timor and the continual restriction of human rights in China and to British and Afghan Governments about the restriction of women's rights in Afghanistan. We have recently received numerous responses.

The trademark symbol for Amnesty International is a lighted candle entwined with barbed wire. This shows that despite the deprivation and inhumanity of the causes we are dedicated to highlighting, a light of hope still shines. And yes, it is true that one letter might not make a difference, but if that one letter is part of many, then hopefully the message will get through to the people in places of power who can do something about it.

We continue to hope.

Amara Nwosu

Africa Week

THIS year saw a very participatory Africa Week with various events throughout the school including pupils studying various aspects of African life throughout their subject areas.

Animal adaptations were investigated in Biology; clockwork radios in Design & Technology; African Art, Egyptian multiplication in Mathematics, poetry and folktales in English; population, climate and food supplies in Geography, the effects of the slave trade in History and African drumming was taught in Music.

African food was available in the Dining Hall at lunchtimes and there was a World Issues Group promoting Fairtrade with tea, coffee, snacks and gifts.

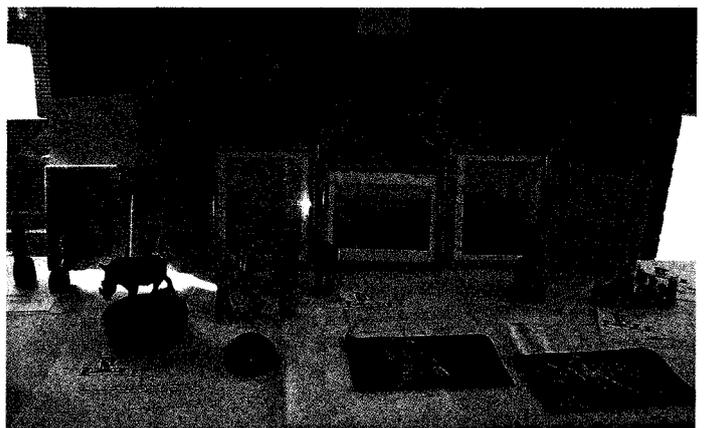
In the Library there was a display of African art and crafts and a stall selling *Divine* chocolate during the lunchtime. This chocolate is produced by small-scale cocoa farmers in Ghana and proved to be very popular with the younger children!

Fr John McFadden celebrated an African Mass in the Hall on Wednesday, accompanied by African drums and the Year 12 Drama GCSE group put on their powerful piece of documentary theatre called *Babes in Arms*.

An African Service held in the College Hall concluded the week. During the service Mr Botes spoke of memories of Africa, Miss McGlory read bidding prayers, based on African proverbs and Miss Gallagher read an African poem. At the end of the service Mr Waszek presented a cheque for over £4,000 to the Christian Brothers to further their work in Africa.

It was a week with a difference, which we hope will make a difference.

Miss A Fitzgerald



Display of African Art & Crafts in the Library

Staff Welcomes & Farewells

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Farewells



Mr John Snape, Head of Geography retires in July after 28 years at St. Edward's College. Mr Snape, a Cambridge graduate, worked in the Caribbean, Malawi and Dominica for the British Ordnance Survey before becoming a teacher. He has extensive knowledge of local geography and history and intends to pursue his interests in cycling, hill walking and his love of opera. His retirement will also allow him to improve his playing of classical guitar. We wish Mr Snape a long and happy retirement.



We also say goodbye and good luck to **Miss Claire Ball** who is joining the RE Department at St Mary's College, Crosby. Miss Ball has worked for the RE Department at St. Edward's for the last two years. She has been a keen contributor to the spiritual life of the College, organizing the Lourdes Pilgrimage and assisting with retreats. We wish her every success in her new job.



After 4 years with St. Edward's College Music Department, **Miss Louise Ashcroft** has been lured by the smell of greasepaint to embark on a professional acting career at Birmingham School of Speech and Drama. Miss Ashcroft, who has also taught English during her time at St Edward's has done much to enrich the musical dimension of drama in the College and we wish her well deserved success in her new career.



Mr Shane McGurk is heading back to the sun down under! Mr McGurk joined the staff on a temporary basis in September 1998 to teach IT, Science and PE and become a Year 7 Form Teacher. After a sabbatical year he now returns to his role as Director of Physical Education at Christ Church Grammar School, Claremont, Perth, Western Australia. Though his visit was short lived, his sunny smile will be long remembered!



In September Deputy Head, **Mr Frank Loveder** will take up his new appointment as the first lay Headmaster of Presentation College, Reading. Presentation College is an Independent Boys College of about 400 pupils, run by the Presentation Brothers, an order founded by Blessed Edmund Rice. Mr Loveder says he will always be reminded of his time at St. Edward's because there are many similarities between St Edward's and Presentation College - even down to the purple blazers!



Mr Nick Simms who temporarily joined the Biology Department and Year 12 Pastoral Team in September 1999 has been appointed Head of Biology at Newcastle Under Lyme School. We wish him every success and are grateful to Mr Simms particularly for his work as joint co-ordinator of the Gifted and Talented initiative, with Miss Louise Ashcroft.



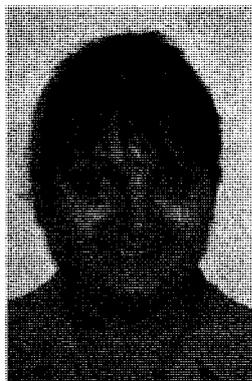
Miss Joanne Harding who joined the staff temporarily in September to teach Spanish has worked abroad for several years teaching English as a foreign language and now hopes to return to a teaching placement abroad. Hasta la vista, Joanne!

Staff Welcomes & Farewells

Welcomes



Mrs Ann Donovan was born in Liverpool. She studied Religious Studies and Classical Civilisation at Lancaster University. After completing a PGCE in Religious Studies/Games, she went on to teach in the South and in the Midlands before joining the staff at St. Edward's in September 1999. Her main sporting interests are cross country, road running and athletics.



Miss Fiona Turton joined the College in May 1999 working part-time in the Music Department until January this year when she became full-time. Originally from Yorkshire, she left school and studied for her N.N.E.B. at York College before going on to begin a nine year Army Career in the Adjutant General Corps where she has lived in various countries including Cyprus, Germany and The Falkland Islands. Fiona also toured Northern Ireland where she obtained a GOCs Commendation and two medals for her work with the Counter Intelligence Company. She left

the Army in January 1999 to make a new life with her partner Tim in Liverpool. Her interests are camping, reading, horse riding and going to the cinema.



Mrs Janice Hartnell started at St. Edward's in March 2000 as Office Supervisor. Mrs Hartnell held the position of Administration Manager for a City Centre firm of Architects for over five years. She is currently in her final year studying a Law Degree at Liverpool John Moores University. Janice has two grown up sons and is heavily involved in her local Arabic Dancing class and performs regularly for her church and local charities. Janice is also a keen swimmer, DIY fanatic and avid reader of fiction.



Cathy Purcell received her degree from Royal Holloway College, University of London and completed her PGCE at Nottingham University. She has spent time teaching in Chinese schools in Hong Kong, before travelling around South East Asia. She has also taught in London and Liverpool, joining St. Edward's College after St. Hilda's High School.



Carl Newman received his degree in History from Lancaster University and completed his PGCE at Edge Hill College University. He has spent time teaching and travelling in the United States of America. During his PGCE year he taught in schools in Wigan and St. Helens before joining St. Edward's College. He is also a member of St. Edward's Old Boys rugby union team.

Congratulations to the following staff:

Miss Gill Atkins who is getting married to Glen on the 29th July 2000 in her hometown of Southampton.

Miss Lynn Rossiter who is getting married to Chris on the 31st July 2000 in the Bahamas.

GCSE Certificate Evening

GCSE Certificate Evening took place on 23 October last year with Br C. S. Sreenan as the guest of honour. It was a proud night for more than 120 sets of parents who packed the College Hall to see sons and daughters receive their GCSE Certificates and Records of Achievement.

Br C. S. Sreenan, who began his teaching career at St. Edward's College

in 1938 and went on to Head two more Christian Brothers Schools in Plymouth and Birkenhead, spoke of how the power of prayer can aid individual determination and everyone's dedication to the cause of achieving excellence.

The musical programme, which was directed and conducted by Mr John Moseley and Miss Louise Ashcroft

Prize Giving

PROFESSOR Peter Toyne, Vice Chancellor of Liverpool John Moores University was the guest of honour at the annual Prize Giving held at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 19 March. Almost one hundred former pupils returned from universities all around the country to receive their A level certificates and many of them to receive Cup Awards for high achievement in particular subjects or aspects of College life.

Chairman of Governors, Mr Michael Byrne gave an opening address which was followed by the Headmaster's report on College progress and changes that have taken place during the last academic year. Attainment and Endeavour prizes were awarded throughout the current Years 8-12 before individual awards were made to cup winners. Most notable amongst those were Rachel Stalker and John-Paul Mercer who between them carried off nine prizes. Rachel is currently studying Law at Christ Church College, Oxford and John-Paul is studying Sciences at Pembroke College, Cambridge. The vote of thanks to Professor Toyne, was given by the Head Boy, David Dunne and was seconded by the Head Girl, Carmel Woods.

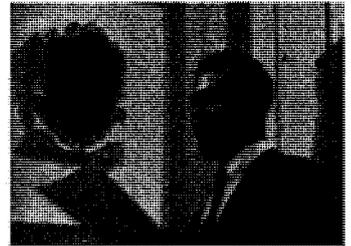
An outstanding musical programme directed and conducted by Mr John Moseley ably assisted by Miss Louise Ashcroft, was performed by the College orchestra and choir. Music included *The March of the Toreadors* from Bizet's *Carmen* and *Nessun Dorma* from *Turandot* sung by Mr David Barclay who is a teacher of singing at the College.



Rachel Stalker



John-Paul Mercer



David Barclay

Maths Competition Winners



Victoria Peters Y13

VICTORIA Peters won 1st prize in a major competition organised by Mathematical Education on Merseyside. This was a major achievement as entries were received from schools all over Lancashire and beyond. Victoria was presented with her substantial prize at the University of Liverpool. She has won a place at Churchill College, Cambridge to read Mathematics. Damian Murphy, who left school two years ago, is also reading Mathematics at the same college.

James Lewis continues to impress with his problem solving skills. In previous years he has obtained Gold certificates in the Junior Mathematical Challenge and has been 'Best In School' both times. This year, although only in Year 9, he obtained a Gold certificate in the Intermediate Mathematical Challenge which qualified him for the *European Kangaroo* in which he won a Distinction, which represented a first for the school.



James Lewis Y9

Congratulations to the following who were awarded Gold certificates:

Senior Mathematical Challenge 1999:

Paul Lannigan, William Gray and Nicholas Daley

Intermediate Mathematical Challenge 2000:

Matthew Daley, Lauren Waszek, John Daley, Gillian Carlisle, Mary Swain, Isobel Wood, Rachel Stephenson, Aidan Collins and James Lewis.

Junior Mathematical Challenge 2000:

James Agnew, Michael Rock, James Hynes, Christopher Myerscough and Jonathan Byrne.

European Kangaroo Qualifiers 2000:

James Lewis, Steven Richardson, Peter Jago and Laura Richardson.

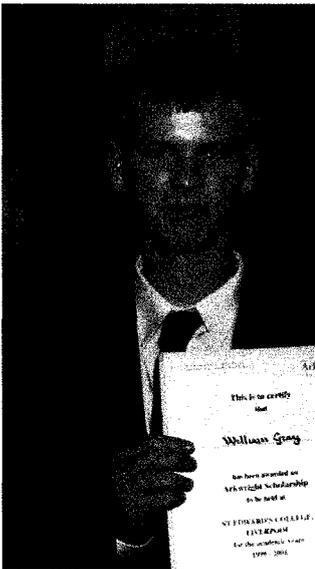
International Invitational Intermediate Mathematical Challenge Qualifiers:

Matthew Daley and Lauren Waszek.

Junior Mathematical Olympiad Qualifier:

James Agnew.

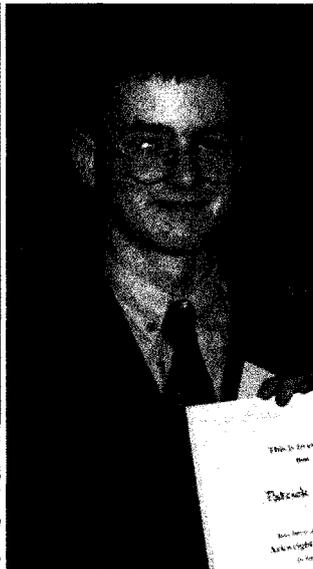
Arkwright Scholars



William Gray



Paul Lannigan



Patrick Bush

William Gray, Paul Lannigan and Patrick Bush received their Arkwright Scholarships at the Royal Aeronautical Society in October. St. Edward's can now boast seven scholars, each who have been awarded £500 to complete A level Design & Technology.

Stop Press:
Matthew Daley and
Alex Comerford in Year 11
have been awarded
scholarships for 2000.
See next issue for details

Rachel Lennon, an Arkwright Scholar, is pictured on the right during a visit to the Chemical Engineering Department when she was on a Women in Science and Engineering Course at Imperial College in July. Rachel has been offered a place at Imperial and hopes to be joining them in July.



Good Citizen Award



Oliver with his Good Citizen Award

Oliver Steer, was nominated for the Liverpool John Moores Good Citizen Award.

Following the appeal by the aid agencies working in the Balkans, for clothing and money, Oliver decided to launch an appeal at school. This was to centre round collecting money and blankets for the refugees suffering in the war in Kosovo. Oliver and his team of fellow pupils were overwhelmed at the response from the College community.

Pupils, parents and staff initially donated a total of over £3,000 in cash and over 180 bags of clothing. Whilst Oliver had already organised transport for the collection to be delivered to Kosovo, the incredibly large quantity of clothing donated posed a logistical problem. However after some persuasion, Oxfam agreed to take the clothing and to distribute it to those in need.

The money, which eventually totalled over £4,000 due to additional fundraising within the College, was handed to the Red Cross to provide medical relief to the Kosovan people.

Celebrations

Prestigious Concert

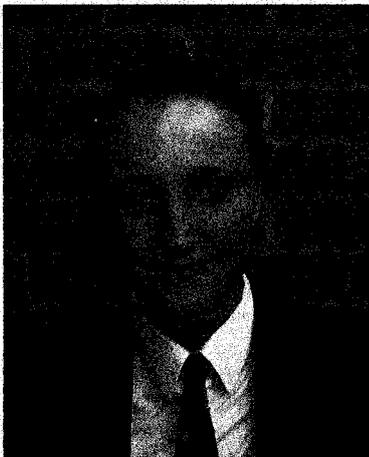
THE following pupils are taking part in a concert at the Empire Theatre in aid of the Macmillan Cancer Relief. This is a prestigious event organized by Michelle Lewis.

Edward Knowles, Katie Marshall, Sarah Owens and James Watts will be performing a six-minute drama sketch.



Lucy Parry, Philip Larkin, Jennifer Hughes, Jonathan Brignall and Lauren Cannon will be playing the Canon in D by Pachelbel.

Sports Personality of the Year

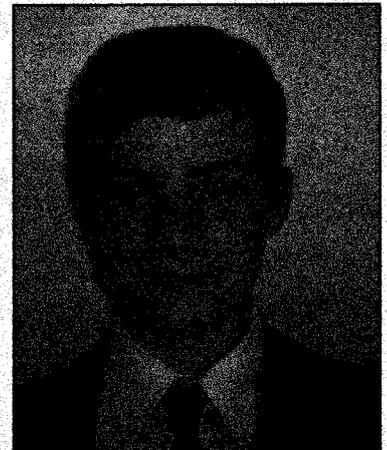


Lucy Nesbitt Year 10

Lucy Nesbitt and **Michael Rock** were both nominated for the *Secondary Schools' Personality of the Year 1998/99*, sponsored by the Liverpool Echo.

Lucy in Year 10 is the current English Schools' athletics junior discus champion for 1999.

Michael in Year 8 is the ASA national age group champion in the 100 metre butterfly and also reached the final in five events at the National Championships.



Michael Rock Year 8

Music

Choir Tour to USA - July 1999

AFTER months of fundraising we were off! Our first glimpse of the New World from flight CO21 was of the many lakes of Northern Canada. We grew more and more excited as we touched down at Newark Airport. The few steps from air conditioned airport to air conditioned bus highlighted the intense heat of an American summer afternoon.

Onwards to Newhaven, Connecticut via Statten Island Bridge as we marvelled at the landmarks of the New York skyline. On arrival at Newhaven, where we were to spend the next 2 nights, we were warmly received by our choir family hosts. The Choir of Trinity Church on the Green tour England every four years. Yale University was just across the Green and we were lucky to be shown a small part of it. At Newport, Rhode Island we were Choir in Residence at the Festival of British Cathedral Music held at St. John the Evangelist, situated on the harbour in the old Colonial Quarter. In between *Awful Awful*, (huge milkshakes), gigantic meals and rehearsals, we visited the summer mansions of the rich and famous. We also had tea at Mrs. Drexel's, the local benefactor.



The Cloisters led by James and Anthony Higham

The second week was spent in New York. We stayed in Columbia University on Broadway in Northern Manhattan. We saw so much: SS Intrepid, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Times Square, Central Park, to the dizzy heights of the Empire State Building and World Trade Centre. Some of us managed Macy's and Schwarz's Toy Shop. Our concerts included those in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, St. Ignatius Loyola with its fantastic organ, St. Agnes Cathedral on Long Island, St. Patrick's Cathedral and on our final day, Newark Basilica.

Daniel Rathbone Year 10

Year 7 Pupils perform in Turandot

ON the 29 March and 1 April 2000, twenty Year 7 pupils took part in the Welsh National Opera's production of *Turandot* at the Empire Theatre in Liverpool. Together with the cast they received a huge ovation: it will be something they and their parents will always remember. The chorus master said they were the best group of singers they had worked with on the tour.

The following pupils took part:

Christopher Benson
Andrew Blunsum
Lydia Carroll
Kieran Chambers
Peter Cribley
Joanne Crimmins
Kylie Davies

Christopher Fagan
Edward Feery
Peter Fennell
Rachel Frost
Mary Lunney
Sean McCormack
Laura Mahoney

Robert Mather
William Murphy
Christine Oakley
Rebecca Patterson
Cara Russell
Kate Sweeney

Miss L Ashcroft

The Crucible



Abigail surveys her mischief at work

"The Crucible" by Arthur Miller was the choice for this year's Senior Drama Production, which was enjoyed in matinee and evening performances at the end of March.

Based on a true story set in Salem, Massachusetts, in the 17th Century, "The Crucible" is a powerful tale of jealousy and witch hunting which leads to the death of the hero, John Proctor, played by Ryan Hearity, who stands by his principles rather than tell lies to a corrupt court.



Proctor's final interrogation by Danforth, as Rebecca comforts Elizabeth

Directed by Mr Don Crisp, assisted by Mr Charles Hitchen and Miss Helen Orrett, Year 12 pupils gave stunning performances, led by Lucy Parry as Abigail Williams, the teenage temptress wielding power through fear over a convincing Mary Warren Joanne Lewis, Mercy Lewis Clare Conway and Susanna Walcott Louise Taylor. Elizabeth Prendergast as Elizabeth Proctor, John's wife, provided a subtle and gentle counterpoint to Abigail, while Musleh Musleh skilfully portrayed Reverend Hale whose quest for the truth is frustrated by the whining self-pity of Reverend Parris Mr Don Crisp and the self-righteousness of Judge Danforth, Laura Mulcahey and Judge Hathorne Laura Naylor.

Joanna La Montagne as Rebecca Nurse and Graeme Criddle as Giles Corey added depth and credibility to the human misery of the "The Crucible" story. Other excellent performances were given by Lauren Cannon as Tituba, and Patrick Markey and Katie Anderson as Thomas and Ann Putnam.

Mr Crisp would like to add a special thanks to David Dunne and the musicians who represented the Salem congregation, and all those who helped backstage to make this production so memorable.

Mr D Crisp



Danforth, Hathorne and Parris consider Giles Corey's evidence



Mary Warren under Pressure



Ian Hall as Bob Cratchit with his family, played by Katy Fee, Laura Donoghue, David Talbot and Gary Halpin as Tiny Tim

The Amazing Transformation of Mr Ebenezer Scrooge

THE Lower School Drama Production directed by Miss A Fitzgerald and Miss L Ashcroft took place on the evenings 7-9 December 1999 and was enjoyed by all. A good choice for the Christmas season, the tale of mean Mr Scrooge and his transformation to goodness through visitations by a series of ghosts proved immensely popular and the play was a sell-out on all three nights.



Richard Alvers as Scrooge's nephew and David Yates as Scrooge



Ian Hall, Matthew Briscoe with James Dudley and Joseph Fitzpatrick



Natasha Banfield and Rachel Doran as the comical cleaning ladies with David Yates as Scrooge



Nadine Hearity, Sian Leahy and James Fitzpatrick as the washer women and the pawnbroker respectively

The choreography by Miss Atkins and the music by Miss Ashcroft particularly enhanced the production. The cast of actors, musicians and dancers gave highly entertaining performances and a fantastic wreath hovering ominously above the stage was made by the Year 12 Stage Craft group.

Miss Fitzgerald would like to add her thanks to Miss Cooper, Mrs Mackenzie and all the staff and Upper School pupils who helped backstage in preparation for a highly successful production.

Miss A Fitzgerald and Miss L Ashcroft

Year 12 Stage Crafts Group



MEMBERS of the Year 12 Stage Crafts Group designed and built a wreath for the junior drama production of Scrooge last December. The Stage Craft team meet every Friday morning and apart from responding to the needs of all the drama groups they practice the techniques and skills which make the construction of stage props and sets possible. The pupils enthusiasm and co-operation has contributed in a significant way to the tasks assigned to them, enhancing to great effect, the drama productions within the College.

Mr F Linnett



Drama

Year 12 Drama GCSE Group

THIS year's Year 12 Drama Subsidiary group devised a project which was based on stories from the Edmund Rice Family Newsletter, referring to the civil war in Sierra Leone and the plight of child soldiers.

The group of 14 pupils acted this piece as part of the Year 12 Performing Arts Festival - Showcase 2000 in March. It was also performed for an audience including Archbishop Ward of Cardiff and Year 9 and 10 pupils as part of the organising celebration of the Feast of Blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice. A powerful and moving piece of documentary theatre, the twenty minute drama was received most

favourably and will be performed again on 23 June for the opening of the Valley Theatre for Children in Childwall. Brother Francis Hall, has also invited the group to Manchester for a barbecue at "Woodeaves" (the Provincialate of the Christian Brothers).

And there they will have the opportunity to meet the Manchester group who supports Sierra Leoneans by awareness raising and fund-raising there. Well done Year 12!

Miss A Fitzgerald and Miss H Orrett

Year 10 Drama Collaboration Project

CONTINUING from last year, a group of Year 10 pupils from St. Edward's College, West Derby Comprehensive School and Holly Lodge High School have met on Monday afternoons with the Head of Drama in Education for Liverpool LEA, Mr Chris Ball. Mr Ball is a well-known practitioner and director who has published many books on the practice and value of *Theatre in Education* and is involved with many theatres and drama schools throughout the country.

The group have devised and developed a play about bullying and are currently focusing on Shakespeare in performance. This has been a very positive experience for all involved and has developed new friendships and links with other school communities.

Miss H Orrett (Project Co-ordinator)

Liverpool Festival of Music, Speech and Drama

THE City of Liverpool Festival of Music Speech and Drama was held in the Town Hall at the end of January and St. Edward's had several entrants in the Drama section with a range of performance categories such as Improvisation, Duo Acting, Shakespeare and Verse Speaking. Most notable were the performances that achieved 1st places and so received Gold Medals. They were as follows:

Edward Knowles, Katie Marshall, Sarah Owens and James Watts won 1st place and overall trophy in their category of Group Acting. Lucinda Goodwin won a Gold Medal for her Solo Improvisation. The following

pairs of pupils won Gold Medals in the Duo Acting Category: Laura Handley and Chantelle Joseph, Paul Ion and Liam Kettle, Jonathan McKillop and Tom Parkinson. An Improvised TV News performance gained a Gold Medal for Bethan Hughes and Kristopher Mochrie and a Group Improvisation by Nieve Hearity, Sarah Larkin, Shivani Metha and Ann Renton also attracted a Gold Medal. There were several Silver and Bronze Medal awards.

Congratulations to all involved.
Mrs S Parsons

Year 12 Young Enterprise Group

A Late Start.....

The Young Enterprise Group at St. Edward's didn't have too many members at first. As word spread about what the project would involve, the numbers grew. We were then faced with the problem of not having a place in the competition. Now an eager group wanted to set up a business and couldn't. Luckily one of the other schools dropped out and we started, if only a month late.

The First Product.....

We came up with the idea of a calendar for the rugby team. We took advance orders for the calendar in excess of 100. After taking the photos and designing the calendar, we contracted out the printing to another company, Corporate Culture. We were late getting the

finished product back and some orders were not delivered until New Year. This led to a lack of new orders from outside the College to break even. The calendar project left us in debt to the tune of £300.

Out with a bang.....

Low morale and a poor customer perception of the company was not healthy for us to finish on and so we decided to take some bold steps. A new brand, completely different from the old was now used for everything. Getting a youthful new logo sparked a fresh interest at school and helped to bury some of the old ghosts. Still wanting more drama we took the decision to sell off the remaining calendars for ten pence. To showcase this dramatic change of attitude a web-site was launched in March, complete with an online shop. *Mr L Botes*

Friends of St. Edward's College (FOSEC)

THERE have been a number of highly successful social events organised through the Friends of St. Edward's College. The primary objective is to provide high class social events for College parents and friends. Since the events are so successful and so well supported they raise considerable and valuable funds to improve facilities for College pupils. Sponsorship is an important element of these events and FOSEC is most grateful to the major and supporting sponsors for all events.

Sports Celebrity Dinner

THE Sports Celebrity Dinner, held in February, saw a mixed audience hear former Everton and England footballer Duncan Mackenzie and Graeme Fowler who represented Lancashire and England at Cricket. As always, Miss Lillian Sweeney and her Catering team produced a delicious meal to ensure a wonderful evening. In the process, over £6,000 was raised to support College sport and extra-curricular activity. A big thank you to the organiser Mr Peter Buckton and the major sponsors, Edwards Abrams Doherty (Solicitors).

Summer Ball

THE social highlight of the Year - The Summer Ball - held in early July was a sell-out in 1999 and 2000 (indeed it has been a sell-out every year since its inception in 1996)! The 1999 Sponsors were the Queens Square Car Park, and in 2000 the suppliers of jewellery to Eric G Milton (Jewellers) Ltd of County Road, Walton. Each event raised over £5000; in 1999 these monies were used towards the refurbishment of the College Hall; in 2000 the funds will provide overhead projectors, whiteboards, television and video facilities throughout St. Clare - a great boon for effective teaching!

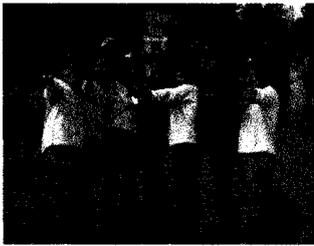
Christmas Dinner

THE Christmas Dinner Dance, sponsored by Beesley and Fildes (Builders Merchants) was another sell out within days of the tickets becoming available. This also raised over £5,000 for academic departments.

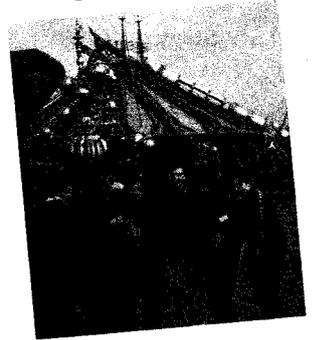
Events and Challenges

Year 12 Business Studies and Young Enterprise Group Trip to Paris

SUNDAY 30 January at 5.00am we set off for our 12 hour coach journey to Euro-Disney where we spent three days leaning about the trials and tribulations of a multinational company in the market of the new millennium. After attending a seminar on the first evening, we were free to explore the Park. Many of us went outdoor ice-skating while others chose to sample the French cuisine.



We were woken extremely early the next morning and had a filling continental breakfast which prepared us for our magical day out in Disneyland where we experienced the thrills of rides such as *Space Mountain* and *Honey I Shrank the Audience*.



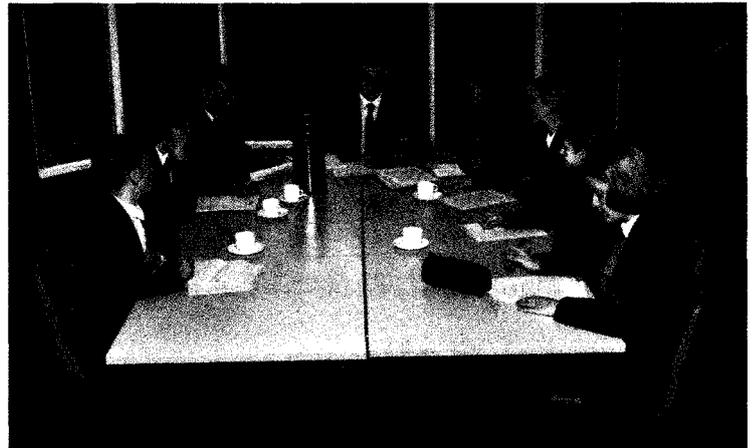
The third day arrived and after attending our final seminar, it was time to embark on our journey home. Although everyone was exhausted, the journey home was still eventful! It was thought that a Karaoke Competition would be fun but, not many of us got the chance to show off our talents with Mr O'Keeffe singing his version of *Angels*. Everyone had a brilliant time and we would like to thank Mr Botes, Miss

Gallagher, Mr O'Keeffe and Miss Newnes for our unforgettable experience.

Katie Stanborough and Chantal Minnery Year 12

College Council News... Stars In Their Eyes...

SINCE the College Council's formation last year it has struggled to establish itself in the foreground of College life. This year, we hope that we have obtained some recognition. This school year, we have worked more closely with staff and pupils to help promote the new anti-bullying campaign and the Healthy Schools Award nominations. We have also acquired a lollipop person at the crossing on North Drive and Eaton Road. Perhaps the most successful College wide enterprise to be embarked on was the highly successful "Stars In Their Eyes" competition, held over a series of heats at lunchtimes in the College Hall with the final taking place before we broke for Easter. We raised nearly £400 for charity and watched a host of talented youngsters give stunning performances amongst others as Whitney Houston *Diana Nwosu Year 10*, Tom Jones *Terence McLoughlin Year 13* and the winner Mariah Carey, a convincing *Alison Ward Year 8*, who is just waiting to be talent spotted.



College Council meeting at St. Clare

Well done to all who took part. Look out for more events organised by your College Council.

David Dowson Year 12, Chairperson

I Will Survive Group

MEMBERS of Year 12 *I will survive* group practising bandaging techniques on one another



Jennifer Gibney puts Steven Lewis' arm in a support sling



Ase Welsh straps a knee



Anna Narth practices bandaging a hand



Helen Brady applies an eye bandage to Kha Nguyen

Exchange and Visits

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Year 9 Ski Trip to Banff, Canada

THE Year 9 Ski trip to Banff, Canada was a great success. After a long journey of 23 hours, our sanity sustained only by Mr Johnson's vain attempt to become a millionaire by conquering the *Who Wants to become a Millionaire* quiz book. On arriving at Banff, we took in the delights of the hotel complex and the excellent facilities before checking into our rooms and then crashing out!

First stop the next day was the fitting of boots and skis before venturing out into the whole wonderland that was known as *Sunshine Mountain*. Days of excellent skiing coupled with the discoveries of many new talents on the piste led to an enjoyable escapade. By the time we reached Lake Louise, everyone was a competent skier. People could now only be distinguished on the slopes by their headgear. The prize for the best hat went to Mr Edwards. His hat used up to the minute technology - it actually keeps your head warm by having huge rips down the middle! Banff's town centre was the attraction of a pilgrimage by many with its fashionable shops and fast-food outlets. Overall the skiing, the accommodation, the hospitality and the behaviour of the St. Edward's pupils was excellent. It was a thoroughly enjoyable holiday had by all.



Liam Doherty, Alexander O'Hara, Shaun Collins and Peter Buckley



Watersports Trip to the Mediterranean

AFTER the success of last year's Watersports trip it was decided that another trip should be organized, this time to the coastal resort of Hyeres, about thirty miles west of St. Tropez. Pupils enjoyed an extremely wide range of activities including windsurfing, kayaking, sailing on catamarans, toppers and picos, and riding on the *banana boat*. The trip also included a day trip to a tropical-like island where the children snorkelled and swam in crystal clear water. A day trip to St. Tropez and the picturesque village of Port Grimaud was enjoyed by all and even included a visit to McDonalds. Evening activities included Beach Olympics, bowling, a pop quiz, shopping and a talent show starring stand-up comic Robert Kiggins and 8 Sefton. An excellent trip was enjoyed by all, not least because of the tremendous way in which all the pupils participated with great enthusiasm and energy in all that they did.

Miss G Atkins

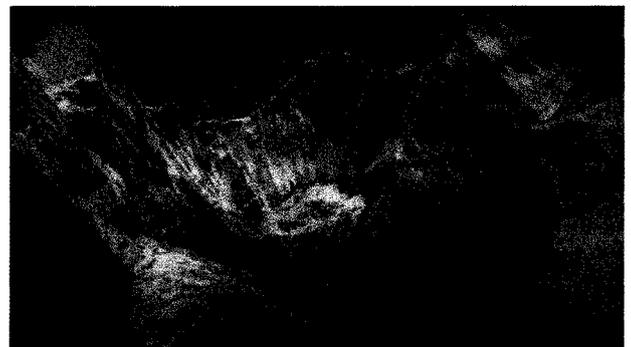
Millennium Challenge Report

ST. Edward's College has a history of running adventurous extra-curricular activities, based around the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. These have been, by and large, led initially by adults but later expeditions, for the Gold and Silver Awards, are organised and run by the Upper School pupils themselves. It was felt that expeditions outside Europe, however, required a lot

more planning and expertise than even experienced 18 year olds could offer.



Durba Square in Kathmandu

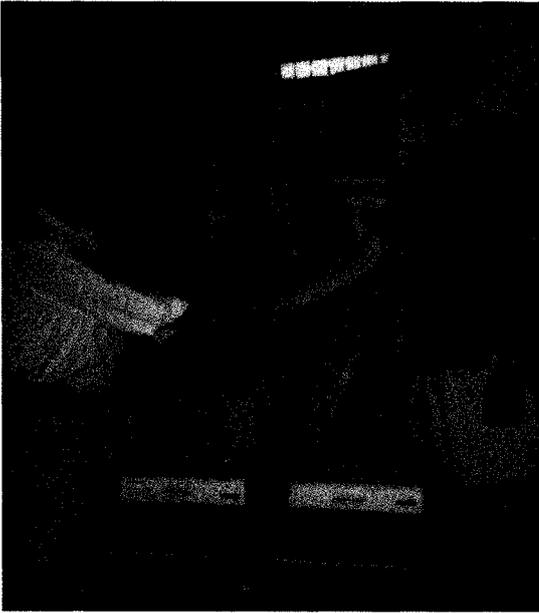


View from Kala Patthar to Everest Base Camp

We believed that a more adventurous expedition should be possible, and a trek in the Himalayas was mooted two years ago, to celebrate the Millennium. We felt that we should not merely "take" this experience as trippers, but contribute to the country from which we stand to gain so much. In order to make the most of such an experience, planning and training started two years ago. The training sessions were held in the Lake District and Snowdonia with major expeditions along Offa's Dyke and finally completing the Coast to Coast walk in Summer 99.

Exchange and Visits

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Ryan Hearity and Christine Mulligan handing over two typewriters to a school in Kathmandu

The final group of 12 pupils eventually set off for Nepal on 16th April 2000. The first day in Kathmandu was spent in visiting a number of schools. From our fund raising efforts we had managed to buy a very large box of stationery to give out to the schools and this was exceptionally well received. We also worked with the pupils, speaking English in all classes. The conditions that the children and staff work in are quite unbelievable by our standards. We returned to these schools at the end of the trek, to present them officially with the items which they had chosen to buy from our donations.

The trek itself was a wonderful experience; deep valleys, distant peaks and friendly, helpful people. The group achieved all objectives; we climbed Gokyo Ri (18,000 ft), trekked to Everest Base Camp (18,000 ft) and climbed Kala Patthar (18,500 ft).

The first day involved a flight from Kathmandu to Lukla in the mountains - literally! The airstrip, consisting of chippings, is 450 metres long and is at an angle of 300 One end is the mountain and the other is a 1000 ft drop. All members were relieved



Cadbury's cream eggs at Everest Base camp

when we landed! The sherpas, cooks and porters that made up our party were wonderful and did all they could to make it an experience of a lifetime. In return, we taught them the native language of Liverpool. This could be interesting when they take the next group out!

Our first 24 hours was easy going and then we came to our first "hill" up to Namche, and realised what a difference altitude makes. We then settled into a routine of early starts and trekking along mountain trails with new vistas opening up at every turn. At lower levels we were walking through rhododendron forests, and higher up scrub or glacial moraine. The food was plentiful, although not to everyone's tastes! I think most of the team made up for it when we got back to Namche and found a wonderful Bakery that made Pizzas and Danish and this in a mountain village at 10,000ft! We played the Sherpas at football and won 2 out of 2. The second game was near Base Camp and played in 3 inches of snow. The weather in general was good to excellent, with the exception of snow at times. Probably the finest view point was at the top of Kala Patthar where we had a panoramic view over about 50 kilometres including of course, Mount Everest. We were sorry to leave our Nepalese friends back at Lukla, but we had a party night with a special meal and songs from Nepal and England. Oh, yes, and a Haka performed by our rugby players!



White water Rafting on the Trusuli River

At the end of the trek, to 'unwind', we were fortunate to be able to go white water rafting on the Trisuli River for two days. This was very exciting; we took all equipment on the raft, and camped by the riverside, on silver sand and had a bonfire at night. This was followed by a two days in the Chitwan Jungle, where we had a lecture on elephants, were able to bathe them in a river and then to go on an elephant safari, where we came across rhinos, deer and other smaller animals. The final stretch back to our lodge was in a dugout canoe. Everyone worked together cheerfully, supporting each other as one person or another felt

'below par'. It has been a privilege to work with the Group over two years, and I commend the values of commitment, camaraderie and *joie de vivre*, which they all display.

My special thanks to Mr Glover, for invaluable help and support during the training and expedition, and Dr Wijeyesekera for her courage in taking on such a group, and keeping them in good health.

Mr F Loveder

Spanish Exchange



Year 10 with their Spanish Exchange Partners

DURING April 2000, a party of ten pupils from Years 10 and 11 went on the annual Spanish Exchange to Motril in the province of Granada. There were visits to the Alhambra and to Almunecar where photographs of the Easter Sunday procession was taken. Pupils stayed with Spanish families and the Spanish pupils will be entertained in Liverpool in September.

Pupils in the Intercambio were:

Alicia Monks, Georgina Amos, Elizabeth Leyland, Alison Cottier, Michele Wilson, Stuart Henderson, Andrew Dickinson, Daniel Rathbone, Lauren Waszek and Lee Harding.

Accompanying staff were: Mr F N Mars, Miss Murphy and Miss Harding.

Mr F N Mars



Miss J Cooper and Year 12 pupils on the day trip to Mallorca

Day Trip To Palma de Mallorca

ON Sunday 26th March a group from Year 13 who are all studying Spanish spent a day in Palma at the invitation of EasyJet who were making their inaugural flight from Liverpool. They were accompanied by Mr Mars and Miss Cooper as well as a TV crew from London Weekend Television. We might feature in the Airport series sometime in July!

F N Mars

Year 12 Personal Challenge Course - To The Manor Born!

A group of sixteen Year 12 and Year 11 pupils took part in a Personal Challenge and Leadership Course with Mr Andrew Treherne and Mrs Moureen Nolan at The Manor Adventure Centre in Shropshire in April.

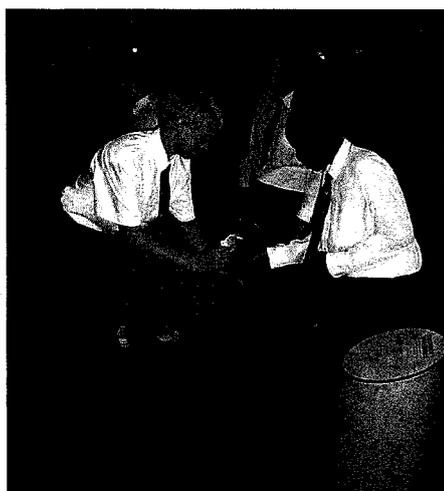
It started out wet and got wetter as we ploughed through assault courses up to our knees in mud and water, slipping off climbing walls and steaming our way down abseiling walls. Vicki Howarth Year 12 managed to negotiate the 30 foot high ropes and zip wire course backwards and blind-fold which won great admiration from all who watched from the ground. Perhaps the most abiding memory was of Oliver Cashman, Simon Tabb, Patrick and Paul Markey, who having capsized their canoes demonstrated how to run the perimeter of a lake and finish face first skidding through a mud bath, smiling all the way!

K. Nguyen Year 12



Katie Clarke, Maria Casserly Y11 and Jennifer Gibney Y12 watch Kha Nguyen abseiling

Exchange and Visits



Simon Whalley and Eric Mugerwa engrossed in experiments

Year 9 at the Science of Sport Exhibition

AFTER the SAT tests, Year 9 were taken to the Science of Sport Exhibition at the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry. They participated in a variety of hands on activities including the batak wall and wheelchair racing over 100m.

Mrs C Byrne

French Exchange Year 10

THE Exchange visit to the picturesque town of Barr in Alsace gave each of our group of 23 pupils from Years 10 to 13 a flavour of life in a French family. They were joined by 16 girls from St. Hilda's C of E High School in a French-speaking environment. Highlights of the French leg of the Exchange included a visit to the brand new European Parliament Building in Strasbourg where our pupils gave the guide a good grilling on how European money is spent. There followed a sight-seeing boat trip on the river through Strasbourg and past the Cathedral.

We were warmly received both in the Lycée and Collège Schure, where pupils attended a range of lessons including Modern Languages, Geography and even Philosophy - further proof that learning languages expands the mind. At a formal reception at the Town Hall in Barr, gifts were exchanged with Monsieur le Maire and between the schools. Prints of Liverpool Town Hall and the Pier Head were handed to the town, and CD-ROMs and books on the history of Liverpool were offered to the school. Some pupils were lucky enough to spend a day work-shadowing their correspondent's parent, an experience we hope to develop in future visits.

On a more sombre and thought-provoking note, the group visited the Struhof wartime Concentration Camp and more than a few tears were shed at the memorial to those who lost their lives and on viewing the exhibits in the museum. One very touching entry in the Book of Remembrance that day was an open letter from a daughter to the father she never met. To their credit our pupils showed dignity and respect in keeping with their surroundings and added thoughts of their own to the Book in English and in French. On a lighter note, one word of warning: should you purchase a bottle of 1999 vintage *Alsace wine from the village of Blienschwiller*, be warned! The grapes may well have been harvested and trodden by our very own pupils. A fruity bouquet, indeed! Santé! (Cheers!)

Mr I Hughes



Year 10 at Mairie de Barr



Year 9 pictured in Paris

Year 9 French Trip

THIS year's French trip took place in Paris from 21 to 26 May. The pupils had the opportunity to consolidate their French, learn about history and geography in Paris and Versailles, about science in La cité des sciences at la Villette and of course have fun in Le parc Asterix. The trip was enjoyed by staff and pupils alike.

Ms C Valet

Rugby

1st XV

After losing much of last year's squad this was always going to be a hard season. So to record 8 wins is a testimony to the character and potential of the team. A great deal of credit must go to Captain Terence McLoughlin who proved to be a most inspirational leader. Highlights must be the last minute drop goal from Simon Tabb to beat a very strong Winstanley College side and the S.E.C. version of the "Haka" to close the season! Thank you to all the squad.



Mr J Campbell

Oxford 7's

After last season's great achievements it was hard to emulate the success due to the lack of senior presence in the squad. Despite these obstacles, courage and determination were shown throughout the season. The highlight of the season was the performance against an unbeaten Winstanley College in which the 1st XV emerged the victors, the victory again typifying the great character and team spirit of the squad. The experience of this season will prove invaluable for the junior members in years to come. One point that must be highlighted is Fergus Griffies winning the try scoring competition with 22 tries in 15 games. Mark Grimes came a close 2nd with 9 tries. The Sevens season got off to a slow start, but admiral performances were made against tough opposition.

Terence Mc Loughlin Year 13



Who's Who?

2ND XV

The 2nd XV experienced a difficult season this year, mainly due to a large number of injuries, an inexperienced young squad and the loss of large numbers of players to the 1st XV. Despite these problems, they did manage to produce some fine displays of rugby, with notable victories over Liverpool College and Ormskirk Grammar School.

The final game of the season against William Hulme Grammar School was the highlight of the year; Liam Currie's last minute drop goal won the game in dramatic fashion. Despite a tough year, the team showed good spirit and with the majority of the players still at St. Edward's next year, we can look forward with anticipation to the forthcoming season.

Mr L Botes

Under 15s

Played 18 Won 12 Lost 6

A superlative effort from all members of the Under 15 squad has resulted in the 1999-2000 season being their most successful by far. A more mature and determined approach to the game, particularly the training sessions, have been the key ingredient in the team's progress. The highlights have been numerous, but away wins at King's School, Macclesfield and Merchant Taylor's School and the trouncing of St. Ambrose College, are particularly worthy of note.



The Under 15 Squad

Team spirit and a collective will have been of paramount importance, but one can single-out a few particularly praiseworthy individuals. The centre pairing of Luke Crowder and Mark Jacobson *captain* has once again been outstanding. Andrew Iro has finally realised his potential and congratulations must go to James Lynskey on his selection for Merseyside Under 15s.

The season culminated in a most successful and enjoyable tour to Holland, where the squad were accompanied by Mr Beeley, Mr Newman and two mothers to whom we owe our thanks, Mrs Beckett and Mrs Swift. Thanks must also go to all parents who have supported the squad over the past 4 years, particularly Mr Saunders.

Finally, Mr Beeley would like to thank all the boys for their efforts over the also frustrating but ultimately gratifying and enjoyable 3 years and would like to wish them well for their future rugby fixtures.

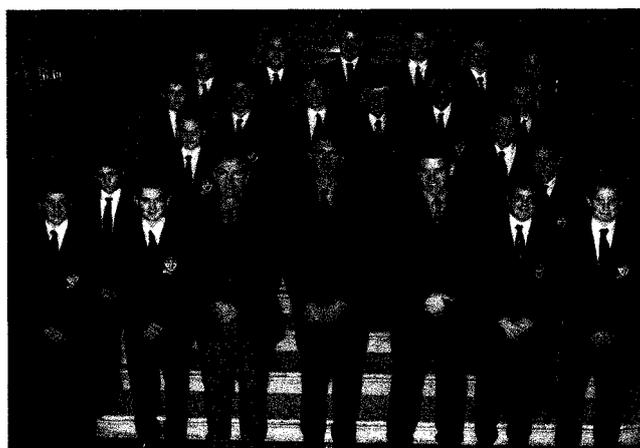
Mr S Beeley

Under 14s

The Under 14's guided by Mr Johnson and Mr Campbell have developed an effective and professional style which served them well during their short tour of Northern Ireland in November. The team is very well supported by loyal and vociferous parents, three of whom toured with the squad.

Their highpoints were the destruction of a Hutton pack, the away win at Merchant Taylor's School and Hutton School and the drawn game in the semi-final of the Lancashire Cup. They have been extremely successful on the field, losing only 4 of their 24 matches, but just as important are civilised and cultured human beings off the field. *Toujours le travail. Toujours la gloire.*

Mr J Campbell



Members of the Under 14 squad with Mr George Howarth MP, Under Secretary of State for Northern Ireland at Stormont Castle.

Under 13s

A spirited Under 13s rugby squad completed a successful season, winning half of their matches and significantly improving upon the previous season. Many of last year's results were reversed with victories being recorded against St. Mary's College, Liverpool College and William Hulme Grammar School, to name but a few. More significantly, perhaps, the team performed courageously in being narrowly defeated by King's School, Macclesfield and Wirral Grammar School.

Under the close guidance of Mr Newman, the backs developed a cutting edge with Michael Hale developing both as a player and an organiser of the back line. Up front, Sean Currie's captaincy was influential and intelligent, leading by example and closely followed by Daniel Carden, Noel Renton and Angus Davidson. The development of an overall game plan, based on quick ruck ball and exploiting the blindside started to pay dividends by the latter stages of the season - even physically dominant opponents succumbed to the tactical

awareness of Liam Kettle and Anthony Daniels. With continued commitment and enthusiasm, I am sure the Under 13s will develop into a fearsome outfit in the near future.

Mr D Mackenzie

Under 12s

The season began with a convincing victory over St. Anselm's College that set the pattern for the rest of the season. Forward power was the name of the game with convincing performances from a skilful eight led by capable and courageous captain Tristan Taylor. The backs did develop pace and penetration as the season progressed. Certainly there are the stars of the future in this back division. In defence the star was Joseph McLoughlin.

A very pleasing season. Well-done boys!

Mr S O'Keefe

Netball

This year all teams have had a good season. They have shown commitment and motivation towards training and competition.

All age groups performed exceptionally well in the City Championships:

U12 - Finalists

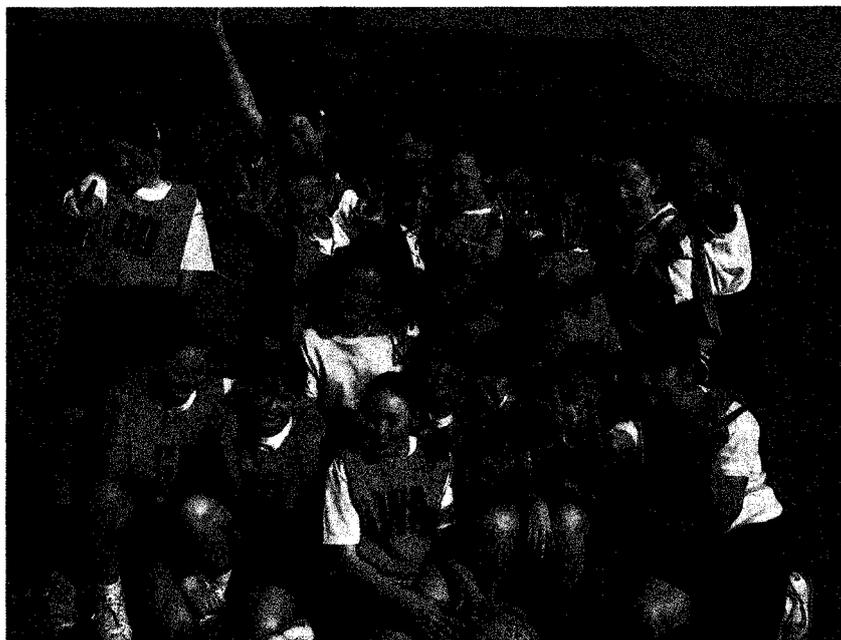
U13 - Champions

U14 - Champions

U15 - Champions

The U16 reached the North West Regional Final for the National Tournament, which was an excellent achievement. They came 6th which was highly commendable.

Miss G Atkins



The Under 12 Netball Team at the City Championships

Hockey

Representative Honours

Selection for National Development Centres -
Leigh Carroll and Gayner Hughes

Merseyside U18 Captain -
Kerry Ware

Merseyside U16 -
Gayner Hughes

Merseyside U14 -
Laura Pursall, Rachael Fennell and Antonia Roberts



Left to right: Antonia Roberts, Laura Pursall and Rachael Fennell

1st XI

This season has seen what has been arguably the best 1st XI at St. Edward's to date. Throughout the season the 1st XI have trained hard and played consistently good hockey. Results have been excellent - very convincing wins against Merchant Taylor's School and Arnold School are indicative of the progress which has been made. The late equaliser against Queen's School, Chester at the end of a hard fought match further demonstrated the grit and determination with which this team has played.

For the first time, they reached the North West Regional finals of the National British Aerospace Cup. On an extremely wet Saturday in Blackpool, the team finished fourth, but perhaps more importantly, gained valuable experience of a high standard of hockey which we should be striving to match next season. With such a young squad, most of who are involved in club hockey, there is no reason why we cannot achieve greater success in this competition next season. Success was also gained at the Cheadle Hulme 7's in what transpired to be the final action of the season; the team played some excellent hockey, despite it being on grass, to win their group comfortably. After reaching the semi-finals they were beaten only on penalty strokes, and finished 3rd.

My thanks go to all those players who have been involved in the 1st XI for their dedication in what has been an enjoyable and productive season. Particular thanks must go to those girls who are leaving, for the contribution they have made to St. Edward's hockey throughout their seven years here. We will miss you next season, and wish you well in your future hockey careers!

2nd XI

Once again 2nd XI fixture have been limited, as many schools find it difficult to field two senior sides. Despite this, players have continued to train regularly and subsequently have achieved a degree of success in their matches. As is the case with the 1st XI, the 2nd XI are a relatively young side, and I look forward to seeing their interest continue next season. My thanks go to Miss Wilson for all her time and efforts this year.

Miss L Hutchinson

Under 15s

The U15s are an able side who have played well once again this season. They are an improving squad with the potential to do well as seniors, though if they are to do so, I would like to see more of them joining hockey clubs outside school at the beginning of next season. The U15s achieved some excellent results this season, and once again won the City Championship, though finished 2nd in the County Championship. My thanks to all the players and to Miss Atkins for their hard work this season.

Under 14s

The U14 hockey team have the potential to be an excellent team. This season they have generally played very good hockey, and occasionally have been outstanding. The season has seen players improve their own individual skills, but perhaps more importantly, become more aware of their role as a member of a team. This has led to a successful season, which culminated in what has become the usual win in the city championships. There is a great deal of talent in this team, and I hope that next season sees the girls as keen to succeed as this season. My thanks to all the girls, and also to Miss Murphy for her hard work and enthusiasm throughout the year.

Under 13s

A mixture of 8 a-side and 11 a-side makes this an awkward year for hockey teams. Many of the city events are played as 8s whereas Saturday matches are often in 11s. Generally speaking the U13s have coped well with the demands of this situation, and have played some good hockey throughout the season. There is a great deal of potential in this team, though there is still plenty of hard work to do before this is fully realised. The fact that the B-team won the Liverpool league is an excellent indicator of this; there are some with the talent who haven't yet grasped the work ethic that comes with being a member of a team. If this is rectified next season, it augurs well for a promising U14 side. My thanks to all those girls involved and to Mrs Byrne for their time and efforts this season.

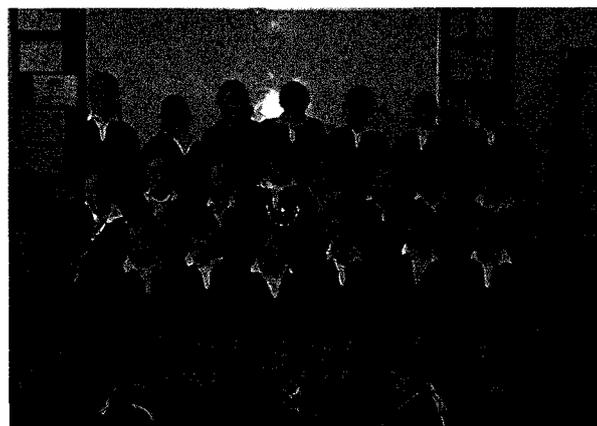
Under 12s

The Under 12 squad have had a superb year. Enthusiasm and dedication never faltered throughout the season and the squad has shown great improvement throughout the year.

The A-team have once again 'done the double'. They won the Liverpool Schools' Hockey League (consisting of 12 teams from around the region) and the Liverpool Schools' Hockey Tournament (winning all their matches).

Congratulations to all players involved throughout the season, and special thanks to Miss Newnes.

Mrs S Pullin and Miss J Gallagher



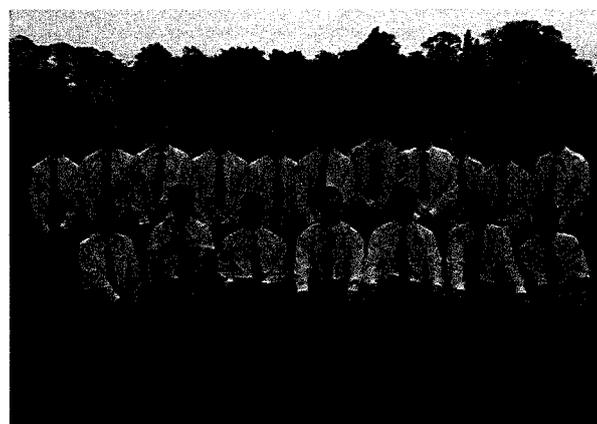
The Under 12 Squad

Cricket

Senior Cricket at St. Edward's is flourishing this year with more talented players than ever before. Pre-season training began in March with the assistance of the highly experienced batting coach, Paul Bryson of Lancashire County Cricket Club. All sessions were very well attended and improvement began to show as early as April when, in the first fixture St. Edward's scored an emphatic victory over fourth time returning tourists, Sullivan School from Belfast. On a very difficult batting track, the home side scored 103 off 30 overs with Simon Tabb top, scoring 27 and Paul Melia next on 17. The visitors however, were dismissed for 47 with Fergus Griffies taking 5 wickets for 17 and Paul Melia taking 3 wickets for 6.

We are looking forward to a fixture against Scotch College from Melbourne, Australia. This fixture will be a good practice game for our tour to Barbados this year in July. Netball and Hockey teams will also be participating in this tour.

Mrs C Byrne



Members of the 1st XI Squad



Mr L Botes and Mr D Johnson with the Under 15 team

Under 15s

The 15s Cricket Team enjoyed a mostly successful 1999 season, winning 10 of their 17 matches. Several players emerged as fine cricketers throughout the season due to great commitment and considerable natural talent. Paul Melia developed as an outstanding fielder, Rajat Jain emerged as a most useful lower order batsman and Matthew O'Hara and Philip Brown consistently batted well. Anthony and Matthew emerged as two very strong cricketers with Anthony regularly scoring above 30 and Matthew regularly taking several wickets each match and taking 8 for 8 in one game. Oliver Taylor captained the side with great tenacity and skill. Well done to all the team on a good season, due largely to their commitment and dedication.

Mr D Johnson

Tennis Under 13s Girls'

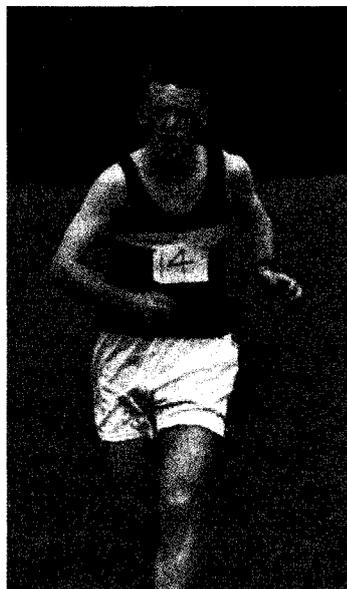
After qualifying in the local HSBC British Schools Tennis Team Competition, previously Midland Bank, the U13 girls were invited to the Regional Finals at Birchwood Leisure and Tennis Centre, Warrington on Thursday 11 November. Their opponents were Queen's School, Chester and it turned out to be a very close match with our girls losing by only 1 game. Congratulations to all for their hard work in getting to the Regional Finals as this is the first time we have got that far.



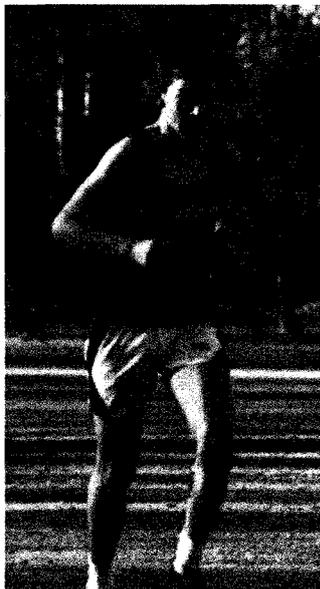
Lucy Shotter, Erin O'Neill, Laura Pursall and Nicola Young

Sport

Cross Country



Daniel Blair running the second leg for the Senior Team in the Marple Hall Relay meeting. The team finished 7th.



John Daley was our first counter in the Merseyside league race at Calderstones Park. He took part in every fixture during the season.



A determined run by **Matthew Leahy** in the friendly fixture at Cowley earned him 3rd place.



Swimming

The Junior Freestyle and Medley Relay Squad pictured at the 2000 English Secondary Schools Championships finals held at Crystal Palace. The squad became the College's most successful team when they finished 4th and 5th in the Medley and Freestyle Relays respectively.

The girls' swimming squad has had an excellent year. Their commitment and motivation towards training and competition has been rewarded. They have been unbeaten all season which is the first time our school has achieved a clean slate! They beat our main rivals, Merchant Taylor's by a clear margin home and away which was highly commendable.

Miss G Atkins

The squad are pictured from left to right: Gary Beggs, Daniel Thompson, Andrew Williams, Michael Rock and Lee Evans.

Robert Geraghty, an OE studying in Bristol was awarded a 2:1 in Spanish and Politics with a distinction in oral Spanish last year. He also received the Manuel Azaña Prize for outstanding performance in Spanish History Studies. Robert will be taking a year out to travel around the world before coming back to start work for Andersen Consulting in London in May.

The College wishes to acknowledge a very generous donation from **Mr William Blair Harte** (OE 1935-40). A founder member and 1st treasurer of CI Edwardian Association visited the College on 13 October last year.

George Carroll (OE 1945-51) has now retired from the Ministry of Defence where he was Assistant Director of Pensions. George wonders where his contemporaries in 1st XV are - such as Jake Hargreaves, Nick Ryan, Joe Colford, Bob Hughes etc....

Ernest Edwards aged 76, (OE 1934-1940) was a teenager when he left St. Edward's College for the south Wales coast. He now resides at Stourbridge, West Midlands. Sixty one years after the start of WW11, an Old Edwardian recalls his evacuation to Llanelli.

On 2 September 1939, Llanelli was preparing to receive 2,300 child refugees from the Stanley and Allerton areas of Liverpool, including Ernest Edwards. Six dispersal centres dealt with the evacuees, who were supplied with a meal, a hot drink and 48 hours of rations. For Mr Edwards, who stayed with the Thomas family in Llanelli, who kept a greengrocers shop in the main square, Llanelli memories include trolley buses, Felinofel Brewery and Stradey Park.

"We were sorry to leave there, and as you may know, we returned to face the blitzes on Liverpool soon afterwards," said Ernest.

Dominic Moran (OE 1981-88) is now lecturing in Spanish at Queen Mary College in Westfield, after leaving Emmanuel College, Cambridge University.

Damian Loftus (OE 1977-85) Head of Physics Department at Upton Hall High School, married Elaine Moss in July 1999.

Julian Loftus (OE 1984-91) is currently working in Spain for the Customs & Excise Department of Civil Service.

Marcus Wall (OE 1973-80) has moved from Peugeot Cars to become International Exhibition Manager for Jaguar.

Paul Roberts (OE 1969-76) is working for Ferrari Motor Cars.

Kieran Loftus (OE 1979-86) Deputy Head of a Catholic Primary School in Bath.

Michael Wallace (OE 1986-93) is touring with the Glyndbourne Opera Chorus.

Congratulations to **Francesca Thornberry** (OE 1992-94) who gained a First Class Honours Degree in Geography and Social Anthropology at the University of Edinburgh.

Congratulations to **Bill Hosey** (OE 1935-40) who married Mrs Winifred Park on 8 January this year at the Cathedral. Winifred is the mother of three former choristers, William, Richard and Justin.

Congratulations to **Lawrence Montagu** (OE 1968-75) who was awarded an OBE and **Colin Dooley** (OE 1968-75), Squadron Leader in the Royal Air Force, awarded the MBE.

Jamie McCann (OE 1988-95), **Lynda Major** (OE 1994-96) and **Steven McKenna** (1971-83) gained BSc in Mathematics at Liverpool University.

William Chambers (OE 1994-97) gained a BSc in Environmental Sciences at Salford University.

Nicholas Astor (OE 1986-93) and **Francis Jarvis** (OE 1986-93) both gained MA at the University of Glasgow.

Sarah Desmond (OE 1992-94) is presently studying at Bristol Old Vic Theatre School. She has appeared in several Musicals and Plays at the Bridge Theatre, Theatre Royal, Redgrave Theatre, Edinburgh Festival etc. Her roles have included *Polly Browne* in *The Boyfriend*, *Lady Chiltern* in *An Ideal Husband* and *Helena* in *Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Stephen Shuttleworth (OE 1977-88) obtained his Ph.D in asymmetric syntheses from the University of Liverpool in 1994. After spending over two years at Chiroscience Ltd in the UK, and then a brief spell at Glycocode Inc., Toronto, Canada, he joined BPI, an international company headquartered in Laval, Quebec that specializes in therapeutics, vaccines and diagnostics. Stephen is married with two children.

Councillor J Devaney - Lord Mayor of Liverpool 1999-2000

The College Community was delighted that the City's First Citizen of the New Millennium was Old Edwardian Joe Devaney. Joe was a College pupil from 1960 to 1967 and in 1972 became a VSO volunteer, working in West Africa. Joe became a College parent in 1997 and Governor in 1999; with the unstinting support of his wife Eileen, they formed a remarkably successful team representing the warmth of the people of Liverpool. Joe and Eileen were Chief Guests at the Mass for St. Edward's College in October 1999, and also the Old Edwardian's Dinner. College pupils were pleased to support the Lord Mayor's Charity Fund supporting *Streetchild Africa* and *The Weston Spirit*, also the *Merseyside Holiday Project* and *Channel* both of which help alleviate poverty at its roots in Liverpool.

But perhaps the best (true) story of Joe's Edwardian heart is from his days as a sixth former.

In those days one of the highlights of the rugby season was the fixture against Millfield School. Wishing to support the 1st XV in their match away in Somerset, Joe decided late one Friday evening to hitch-hike to the match; apparently, it seemed like a good idea until Keele Services at about four 'o'clock in the morning. He arrived at Millfield just as the game was kicking off - and managed to get a lift home on the team coach!!

French Tuition

Former pupil **Lee Humphries** is offering French tuition up to A level from August onwards. If you would like to contact Lee, then please telephone him on: 0151 263 1374.

The College wishes to thank Old Edwardians who have provided financial support of College pupils. A raffle and auction at the Old Edwardians' Dinner in October 1999 raised over £1500 which purchased two new Concept 2 Rowing Machines which are now keeping pupils busy and fit in the Sports Complex.

In June 2000, at a 25th Reunion Dinner for the Leavers of 1975, a raffle raised over £500, which has been used to buy books for the new and refurbished College Library.

Former pupil **Michelle Witter** returned to College this year to visit the Art Department.

She brought her Art Foundation work with her to show the Year 12 and 13 pupils studying A level Art & Design.

Michelle has successfully completed her Foundation Course at John Moores University and is now doing a BA Hons in Design at Hope University College.



Michelle Witter showing her work to Year 13

Obituaries

We received the sad news in July of the death of **Mrs Lesley Duffy**, wife of Gerry Duffy who taught Physics at St. Edward's in the 1970s. Two days after a normal hysterectomy operation, Mrs Duffy collapsed and died.

Mrs Jones wrote to inform us of the death of her husband **Christopher Jones** (OE 1943-47) on 17 March 1999. Mr Jones was a retired Police Officer and worked with a solicitor's office.

Joseph Rossiter (OE 1930-35) died aged 81

Joseph Le Roi (OE 1919-23) died in 1998 aged 91. His son Michael (OE 1953-59), now living in Darlington, has sent his father's collection of OE Dinner Menu Cards which have gone into the archives.

Charles Rice MBE (OE 1917-22) died last year aged 94. He enjoyed a 76 year association with Liverpool Harriers and was a distinguished advocate of the sport at local and national level. He was a life vice-president of the Amateur Athletic Association and was awarded the MBE in 1994.

Jack McEnery - the first lay teacher when the Catholic Institute became St. Edward's College in St. Domingo Road died on 13 November 1999 aged 102.

Mrs Clancy wrote to inform us of the sad death of her husband **Robert M Clancy** (OE 1931-34) who died earlier this year aged 77. Col. Bryson represented the College at his funeral.

Condolences go to the family of **Desmond Maher** (OE 1941-45) who died December 1999. Mr Maher was father of three Old Edwardians, Michael (1963-74), Dermot (1966-77) and Christopher (1972-83)

Lawrence Donegan (OE 1939-44) passed away suddenly on February 3 at Hichingbrook hospital in St. Ives aged 78. 'Larry' as he was known to his friends, began a career as an analytical chemist with Distillers Company in Speke before moving south to join the Civil Service as a senior chemist travelling for many years abroad. Our condolences go to Pat his wife, Judy, Donna and Laura, his three daughters.

St. Edward's Old Boys RUGBY CLUB

50th Anniversary Dinner and Dance

16th September 2000

The Gladstone Hotel
Lord Nelson Street
Liverpool

7.00 for 8.00 pm

Tickets **£30.00**

Close **2.00am**

*Please contact Nick Nelson on 0151 526 5063 for tickets
Hotel accommodation can be arranged on request*

Via the E-Mail we have heard from over 50 Old Edwardian's. If you would like to see this list and see what everyone is up to then come along to the **OLD EDWARDIAN'S DINNER on FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER 2000.**

If you would like to drop us a line and tell us where you are and what you are doing now, then send us an E-Mail to:

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