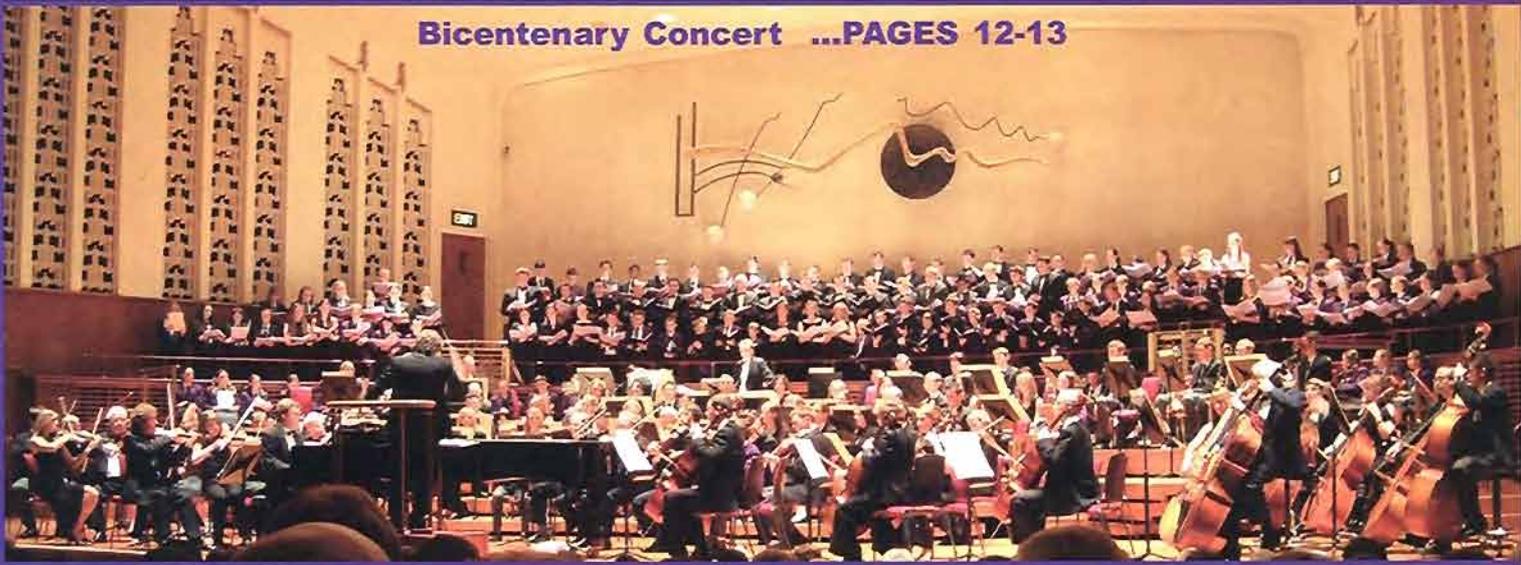




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Editorial

Welcome to the Spring 2004 edition of The Edwardian.

Many of this edition's stories are related to the enormous amount of fund-raising for a variety of charitable causes that goes on throughout the academic year, touching almost every pupil in the College. Many thousands of pounds are raised to support children who are disadvantaged near and far; Stars in Their Eyes and The Edmund Rice Run funds focused on the work of the Christian Brothers in West Africa, while the monies raised by Upper School pupils during Challenge 150 boosted building work in a small school in Kathmandu and there are countless others stories of pupils working hard for the benefit of others.

More locally, Francesca D'Arcy continues to amaze the College Community with her fund-raising for cancer research and children's charities – read how her efforts have been recognised with the prestigious Diana Award. Francesca has also been made a member of the Lord Mayor's Charity Committee. All this work embodies the College's Mission to be an integral part of local and wider communities and is a daily reminder of the College motto – *Courage through Faith*

College Celebrations, both academic and extra curricular fill our pages in this edition – read about the 150th anniversary celebrations culminating in a spectacular Gala Concert at the Philharmonic. See the Lower School Drama Production *Tales from the Jungle* unfold in pictures from rehearsal to performance. Finally, enjoy the sports and music successes and the news of Old Edwardians, an ever popular and increasing communiqué from past pupils.



When **Stefan Taylor** from Year 7 forgot his blazer, **Robert O'Donnell** from Year 12 kindly lent him his!



Mrs Diane Derby was appointed Head of Biology in January 2004. She previously taught at Sacred Heart School in Crosby and All Hallows High School, Macclesfield. She was educated at Rock Ferry Holy Convent School, Manchester Polytechnic and Liverpool School of Physiotherapy. Mrs Derby is a keen long distance runner.



Mrs Denise Nolan was appointed Finance Assistant in December 2003. She previously worked for Littlewoods Home Shopping Group for ten years as a Customer Service Advisor. Married with two children Mrs Nolan enjoys socialising, travel, reading and swimming.

Mrs Una Gordon joined the Languages Faculty in January from Cardinal Heenan High School, where she was an Advanced Skills Teacher and Head of Languages. She was educated in Birmingham and Liverpool Hope University College, and subsequently taught in the City for 23 years. Mrs Gordon has two children – both of whom are College pupils.



Mrs Patricia Skelton joined the College in September 2003 as Senior Secretary to Mrs Britton, Deputy Principal. Patricia is at present studying part-time for a BA (Hons) in European Literature/Classics at Liverpool University. She is married with one daughter aged 17. Mrs Skelton enjoys reading and the theatre.



Mrs Colleen Golding has joined us as a Learning Support Co-ordinator. She was previously employed as a Team Manager with Argos Card Services. In her spare time Mrs Golding supports Widnes Rugby League and enjoys travelling and quizzes.



Miss Louise Swift, a Learning Support Co-ordinator, coaches the Year 7 & 9 netball and Year 10, 11 and senior hockey teams. Miss Swift has gained a degree in paediatric nursing and will undertake a PGCE in Physical Education at Liverpool Hope University in September 2004. In her spare time she plays hockey for Formby Ladies 1st XI and has represented England at U21 level.

Mrs Shirley Heath joined the College in September 2003 as Senior Secretary to Mrs Nolan, Deputy Principal. She joins us from a City Centre firm of Solicitors where she had been employed for 13 years. Married with two young children, Mrs Heath is a member of a Morris Dancing Troupe and participates in competitions throughout the North West



Mrs Jacqueline Taylor has joined us as Senior Learning Support Co-ordinator. She was previously employed as a Teaching Assistant/Assistant Office Administrator at Prescott County Primary School. In her spare time Mrs Taylor enjoys travelling, cycling and the gym.



Mr Alan Kane joined the College in November as a Groundsman. He was previously employed as a pile breaker with PBS. In his spare time he enjoys playing football and snooker.



Mrs Julia Vaz Martins was appointed School Sports Coordinator and Teacher of PE in September. She has worked in many secondary establishments including St Mary's College and Merchant Taylor School for Girls' and joins us from Liverpool John Moores University where she worked as a part time lecturer and as a researcher for Liverpool City Council Sport Development Department.

In November **Mr Peter Martin** was appointed as a Maintenance Worker. Mr Martin has worked in several industries and most recently was self-employed. In his spare time he enjoys sea fishing and photography.



Mrs Gill Woods, Assistant Registrar, joined St Edward's College in September 2003. For the last eight years Mrs Woods has worked as an Executive Secretary at the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital. She is married with three children and enjoys cooking and visiting restaurants.



Mr Simon Naylor was appointed ICT Manager from March 2004. He was employed as IT Manager with Volex Ionix and has extensive knowledge of the computer industry with over 16 years experience. Mr Naylor was educated at St Edward's College and subsequently obtained an HND in Computer Studies and a MSc in Managing Information Technology.



Mrs Rose Sweeney (left) and **Mrs Patricia Burns** (right) have joined the College to work as First Aiders.



'Kids Out' Charity



Mrs G Wilkinson and Ms J Bennett present Katherine with her prize
Pictured above are Mrs Gillian Wilkinson and Ms Joan Bennet, with **Katherine Griffin** (then in Year 9) winner of the *Name A Teddy Bear* competition, organised by the College's Sodexo Catering Staff on behalf of the "Kids Out" charity. To date they have raised £120.

Disability Awareness Training



Nugent Care's Mr Derek Harold with Upper School pupils

Disability Awareness Training is provided to Upper Schools who through their charitable activities need advice about working with disabled young people and adults. Derek Harold from the Nugent Care Society provided this basic but necessary training to a number of Upper School pupils over a couple of evenings in November.

Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child is a registered charity dedicated to relieving the suffering of children abroad who are homeless, or whose lives are blighted by poverty, natural disaster, conflict or war. Pictured above are pupils from Year 8 who helped collect over 100 boxes of small gifts and toiletries to be sent to children overseas.



Landmine Appeal

Retired Deputy Head of the College, Mr Tony Edwards returned to collect a cheque on behalf of Landmine Appeal in December. The money was raised by pupils of 8 Hope after researching in their RE lessons some of the causes supported by CAFOD who work to address the problems of third world and war torn countries.

The Landmine Appeal captured pupils' sympathies and a speight of fund raising activities ensued, resulting in a cheque for £1800 presented during an assembly by **Chiara Cottrell Boyce**, **Katherina Saul** and **Suzanne Cleary**, whose enthusiasm drove the appeal forward.

Mr Edwards accepts the cheque on behalf of the Landmine Appeal

Sunday Club

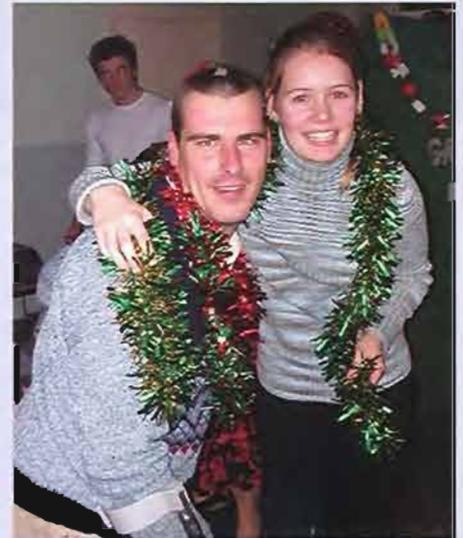


Andrew Girvan as Father Christmas

The Sunday Club has been especially busy this year with our usual Club meetings. We have also been on a theatre trip and held an extremely fun filled Christmas party. On 9 November we went to the Empire Theatre to see a Sing Along version of the *Wizard of Oz*. Everybody enjoyed singing along and joining in. The night went very smoothly thanks to the team of helpers, drivers and the theatre staff.

On 14 December, the Sunday Club had its annual Christmas party. The entrance hall to the dining room at

school was turned into a Christmas Grotto with lights, tinsel and other decorations. The helpers laid on a buffet and **Sean Mooney** (Year 12) provided a fantastic disco complete with a snow machine. After being covered in snow, we played musical statues and sang and danced to Christmas carols. It was a particularly memorable evening which ended with a visit from Santa Claus.



Amy Rudge decorates the Foyer

Ian Rotheroe (Year 13)

Soupa Time in the Kitchen for Homeless

A soup kitchen for the homeless, run by Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity Convent in Seel Street, Liverpool is the focal point for a group of Upper School pupils led by Miss Anne Fitzgerald to carry out their Service Through Faith activities by serving soup and washing up for 40 homeless people on the first Saturday of every month.

Fair Traid branches Out

Our Upper School Fair Traid group, guided by Miss McCann and enthusiastically led by **Saba Shah** (pictured right with **Lee Evans** and **Thomas Clinton**), has been spreading the word by giving talks at Appley Bridge Parish Church, and manning stalls at the Institute of Consumer Service in Prescot. Fair Traid aims to redress the balance for Third World food producers by ensuring they get a decent price for the food they grow by marketing it themselves.



Fair Traid Stall

Poet Levi Tafari visits the College

In October 2003 we invited leading Liverpool poet, Levi Tafari to the College Library to celebrate Childrens' Book Week. Levi is very well known on the poetry circuit and has been writing and performing for 20 years with other well known poets such as Brian Patten, Roger McGough and Benjamin Zephaniah. He regularly holds poetry workshops in schools and performs all around the world.



Levi entertained English classes throughout the day with performances of his particular type of rap poetry and encouraged pupils to join in, much to their amusement. He also held a question and answer session about his life and poetry in general. He later helped release balloons as part of a Lourdes fund raiser.

Levi has had 3 books of poetry published: *Dupoetry*, *Rhyme Don't Pay* and *Liverpool Experience*.



Levi Tafari recites one of his poems to Year 7

Balloons Go West in Lourdes Fund Raiser

October saw another major fundraising event for the Lourdes Pilgrimage – a Balloon Race, sponsored this year by IT-Liverpool.

A beautiful day saw 1000 pink balloons released by poet Levi Tafari. A strong westerly gust sent them off in the direction of Ireland, North Wales and Scotland. After several cards from the balloons were returned to the College, the Geography Department were called in to adjudicate. They declared the winning card, travelling the furthest distance, to have come from Fife in Northern Scotland.



Levi Tafari gets ready to release 1000 balloons watched by the sponsors IT (Think Computers - Think IT) and over 500 pupils

The Balloon Race raised over . . . £1000

GCSE Evening



Shaun Collins (Head Boy), Mr J Waszek (Principal), Mr Rick Turnock, Mr P Quinn (Vice-Chairman of Governors) and Jennifer Peters (Deputy Head Girl)

The presentation of GCSE Certificates and Records of Achievement took place in October 2003 and were distributed by Mr Rick Turnock, a Consultant Paediatric Surgeon and Executive Medical Director at Alder Hey.

A crowded College Hall was the venue and Mr Turnock spoke amusingly about his own time at school but with much admiration for pupil achievement and the standards being rewarded. A varied musical programme was performed by Year 11 and conducted by John Moseley. Thanks go to Ms Lillian Sweeney and the Sodexo catering staff who provided refreshments in the Dining Room.

The Times League Table (Sat 31 August 2003) placed the College fifth amongst the highest performing Comprehensive schools in England, results being measured by the percentage of A and A grades achieved by those schools.*

Mathematics

The **Senior Mathematics Challenge** took place in November with eight pupils achieving a Silver Certificate and 13 a Bronze Certificate.

The **Intermediate Mathematics Competition** took place in February. 80 pupils took part and six were presented with Gold Certificates, 27 Silver Certificates and 21 Bronze Certificates.

The Gold Certificate winners were:

YEAR 11

Christopher Myerscough, Scott Broadhurst, Leane Kinsella and Daniel Robinson

YEAR 10

Graeme Wilson (Best in School) and **Jack Collins**

Graeme Wilson and two pupils from Year 9, **Mark Doherty and Joshua Nielsen** have been selected to take part in the next round of the Intermediate Mathematics Competition in March.



*Graeme Wilson
Best in School in the
Intermediate Maths Challenge*

CLr Killeen visits the College



Jennifer Peters (Deputy Head Girl), CLr Killeen and Laura Pursall (Head Girl)

CLr Peter Killeen, Labour spokesperson for Education on Liverpool City Council visited the College in March. During his visit he was presented with *The Edwardian Story*, an illustrated history of the College.

King's Award for Portuguese



Michael Murphy, Richard Alvers and Marykate Rothwell are pictured above with the Principal Mr J Waszek

Congratulations to **Michael Murphy, Richard Alvers** and **Marykate Rothwell** who all received the *King's College and Gulbenkian Prize for Portuguese*. The prize is awarded by King's College, London to those pupils who have studied Portuguese for less than a year and have received an excellent grade. The £500 prize is awarded annually for three years and is divided equally between the College and the prize winners.

Francesca receives the Diana Award

In November 2003, **Francesca D'arcy**, Year 11, was presented with the **Diana Award** for her outstanding fundraising efforts, raising more than £35,000 for a wide variety of charities over the last six years. This is a national award, now in its second year, and it is a prestigious and distinguished achievement. Well done!



Francesca D'arcy receives her Award

Francesca was first inspired to start raising money for charity when in Primary School. She has dedicated herself since then to using her initiative for the benefit of others. Many of her weekends are spent organising local fairs and charitable events, the proceeds of which go to charity and she has been particularly successful in persuading large companies and organisations to lend their support to these ventures. Her success means she is fully deserving of this national recognition and we are all proud of her achievements.

Needless to say, Francesca's New Year's Resolution in 2004, is to keep up the good work and to raise even more money for worthy causes including Cancer Research and children's charities.



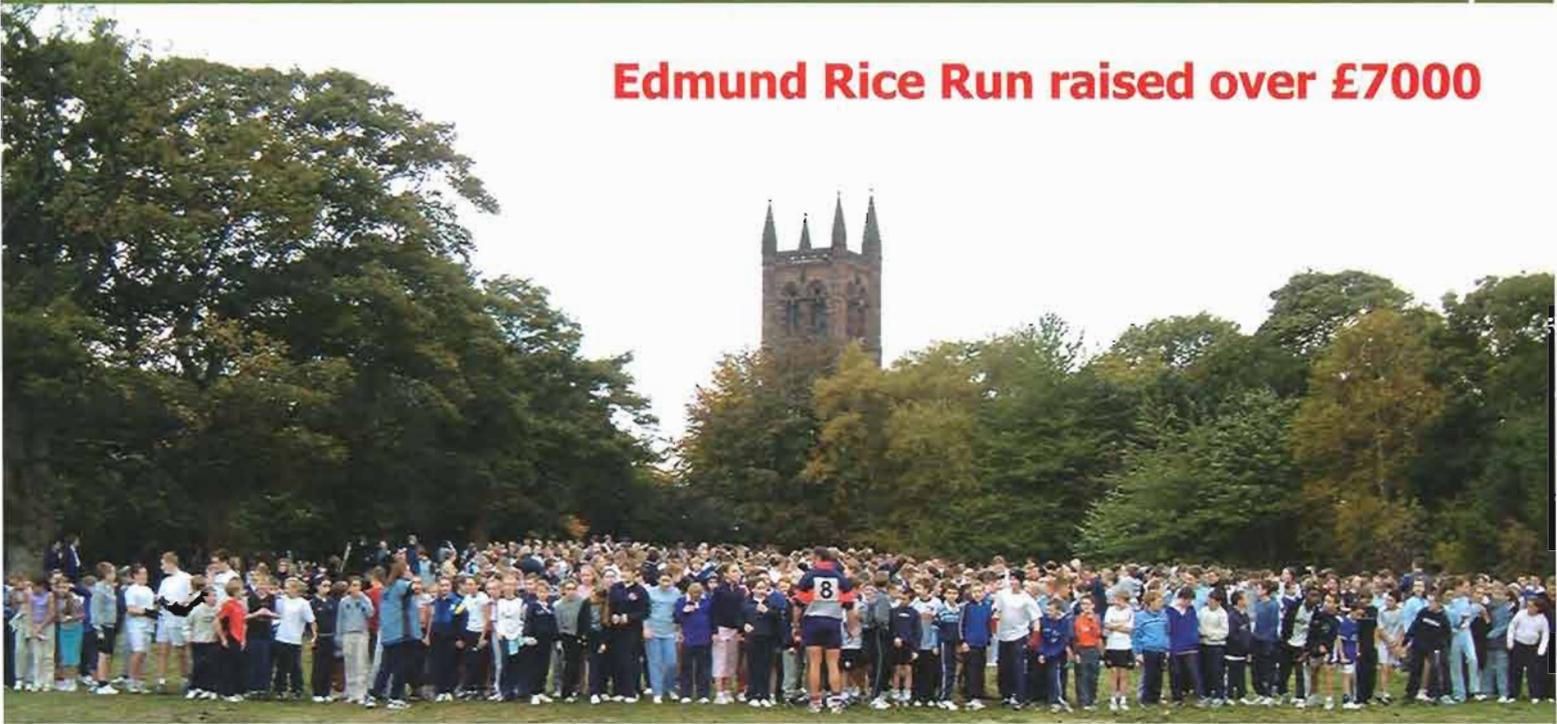
Alexander Trevaskis and Nicola McQuiggan with Mr Roger Haslam from the Arkwright Scholarship

Arkwright Scholarship

Congratulations to **Alexander Trevaskis** and **Nicola McQuiggan** who in September were both awarded the prestigious Arkwright Scholarship. Congratulations must also go to **Jonathan Byrne** who was Highly Commended.

The Arkwright Scholarship is a prestigious award for outstanding work in Design & Technology. Founded in 1990, the Arkwright Trust supports young people during their A level/Higher Education by awarding £250 a year to assist with the purchase of materials and books. Scholars carry the status of Arkwright Scholar to University. The College's Design & Technology department also receives £250 per year for two years.

Edmund Rice Run raised over £7000



The College took to Croxteth Park in October in temperatures a little lower than previously experienced but the enthusiasm was unabated. Pupils from all years were able to participate in one way or another, with many Upper School pupils helping out as marshalls, directing the field and supervising the course. Spirits were as high as ever and the total raised will help the Christian Brothers' work in Sierra Leone.

Year 7 winners





'Spaced Out'

In October, Gifted and Talented pupils were involved in a one day workshop looking at building a space station to support life on Mars. After a morning of research and learning about Mars, including a telephone conference with Professor Barstowe, an engineer for the International Space Station, the pupils from Years 7, 8 & 9 took to work building models of their space station. The day ended with each group presenting and explaining their model to everyone else.



Rude Science of the Human Body

One Saturday in October, Gifted and Talented Year 8 pupils spent the morning in school, working on some science projects... with a difference! After a short presentation about things like, how tasty dandruff is, and what the 'carrots' in vomit really are, we had a go at three experiments. The first consisted of wrapping the smallest member of our group head-to-toe in tissue paper (though not all at once), while the second was about mixing a snot-like formula from baking powder, glue and food colouring and seeing how sticky it was by mixing different variations. Then afterwards we had a go at using make-up and string to create our own cuts, scars and wounds. All in all this was a great day which everyone enjoyed and I would recommend to anyone!

John Fogarty 8D



Year 7 Trip to Blue Planet Aquarium



Year 7 spent a Saturday morning in October going to visit the Blue Planet Aquarium as part of the Excellence in Liverpool network activities. On arrival they split into groups and went around the Aquarium looking at the wide variety of different animal species. They fully enjoyed the trip and arrived back very enthusiastic.

Year 8 Trip to Colomendy



In March, Year 8 Gifted and Talented pupils enjoyed their weekend trip to Colomendy taking part in drama, creative writing and art activities.



John-Joseph Calvert as King Louie

The **Tales from the Jungle** was performed by the Lower School and took place on the 9, 10 and 11 December 2003. The cast of Year 8 and Year 9 young performers showed a high level of skill as they acted, sang and danced their way through a pacy show based on *The Jungle Book*.

Christopher Mason as *Mowgli* and **Peter Lewington** as *Baloo* stole the show; **Rosanna Buckton** was mystifying as *Kaa*, the snake; **Alison Doran** played a terrifying *Shere Khan* and **Eve Bunni** was unforgettable as *Bagheera*, the panther. **John-Joseph Calvert** starred as a rock-heavy *King Louie* and **Luke Trevaskis** as *Col. Hathi* led a group of humorous elephants played by **Megan Carney**, **Amy Caddick**, **Faith McNally**, **Siobhan Quinn** and **Daniel Baird**. The comical vultures, with their "Brummie" accents were a real crowd pleaser as were the monkeys who attended daily lunchtime dance rehearsals with the Upper School choreographers as the production dates approached.



Rachael Doran as Shere Khan



Luke Trevaskis as Colonel Hathi



Helena Appleton

Special thanks to the Baloo's Brothers band, led by Ms P Ryott who provided live music for the singing and dancing, especially **Niall Mulvoy**, the youngest member, who was an accomplished trumpet player. Many thanks go to the Year 12 and 13 AVCE Performing Arts students for all their practical help on the night and beforehand, especially **Nicola Wilce**, as producer, **Anna George** as Assistant Director and **Rachel Sefton** and **Natasha Cleary** as Choreographer.

Jing Li on set design; **Sian Howarth** and **Anna Tai-Hogan** on make-up; **Jay Jarvis** and **Miss Witter** on costume; **Adam Campbell** as stage manager; **David Talbot** and **Stephanie Wright** on lighting and **Mr Whitlow** and the Music Technology students on sound. Thanks to all those who helped to contribute to the success of this colourful production.



Anna George, Chloe Jones, Helena Appleton, Faith McNalley, Siobhan Clarke, Natalie Mintz, Rachael Booth and Nicola Wilce



Matthew Comber, Joseph Fitzpatrick & James Fitzpatrick

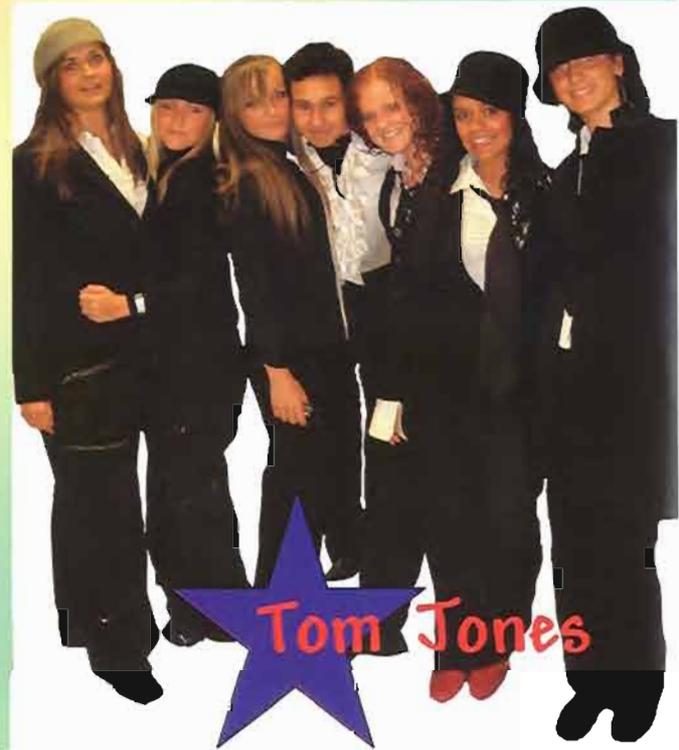
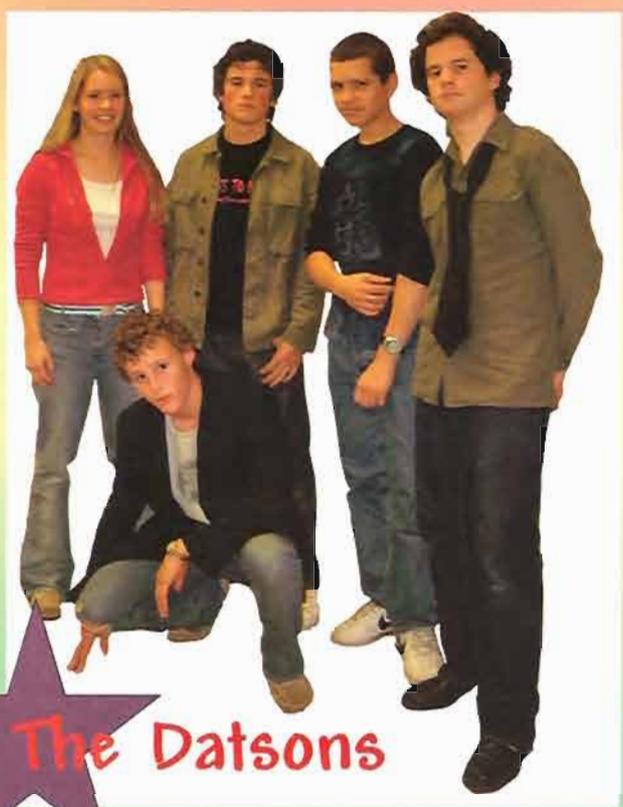
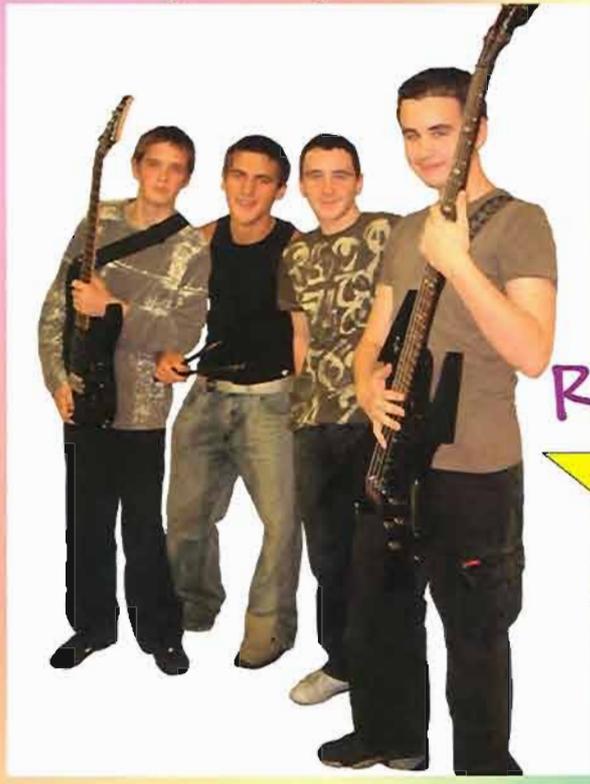


Siobhan Quinn, Henry Casserly, John-Joseph Calvert, Christopher Mason, Rekha Barry & Carl Calvert



Chiara Corneil-Boyce, Helena Appleton, Siobhan Clarke & Chloe Jones

It's becoming an annual phenomenon; 75 acts from Years 7-13 took part in heats over two weeks in September hoping to gain a place in the Grand Final of *Stars in their Eyes*. Whilst a high standard was expected from Years 12 and 13, Year 7 entered 15 exceptional acts comprising singers, dancers, musicians and even a magician; a most remarkable fête considering these pupils had only been together in the College for three weeks. By the end of the second week, two matinee and one Evening Grand Final performance later, Year 13 **Daniel Hints** was the clear winner with his rendition of *The Scientist* by Cold Play.





Beyoncé



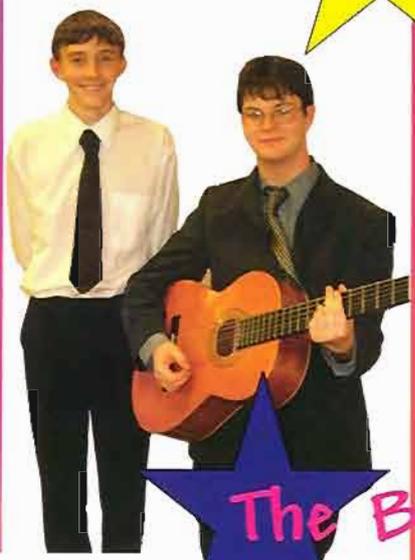
Red Hot Chilli Peppers



Christina Aguilera



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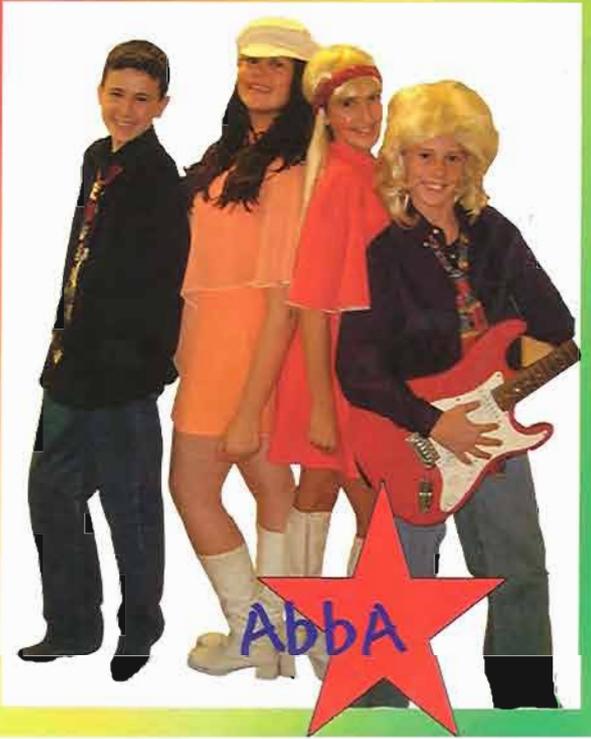


The Beatles

Stars in Their Eyes raised over £700



The Coral



Abba

2 | bicentenary concert / mass

The 2003 Jubilee started with an Open Day on Friday 10 October 2003 for Old Edwardians -over 100 turned out, some of whom were surprised to find girls among the pupils. Later that evening the *Grand Dinner* in the College Dining Hall took place attended by nearly 400 Old Edwardians with two OE Knights of the Realm, Sir Brian Pearse former head of Midland Bank and President of the C I Association and Sir Terry Leahy the Chief Executive of Tesco and now a Freeman of the City of Liverpool.

Saturday brought the *Gala Concert* at the Philharmonic Hall and I know I am not alone in recalling this as the highlight of the whole week-end. 50 years earlier I had been a violinist in the last orchestra from the College to play an evening concert at the Phil and appearing then and now was double bass player **John Duffy** who flew from Tokyo to be with us. The Guest Leader, **David Nolan**, who left the College in 1966 and has led both the London Philharmonic and the Philharmonia orchestras also flew in from Japan. He gave us a virtuoso solo performance of Paganini's *Caprice in A minor* while in different mood **Andrew Gunn**, who has played principal cello for the Royal Opera House, gave us a haunting *Elegie* by Fauré. **Stephen Wallace** who is now one of Britain's leading operatic counter-tenors currently with Glyndebourne Touring Opera sang pieces by Purcell and Handel and **Philip Duffy** composed an *Edwardian Fanfare* specially for the occasion. The College Brass Ensemble gave us a rousing version of *New York New York*, the ranks of trumpets and trombones rising in turn to their feet to play in true New Orleans style. But the moment that remained in the memory for many in the packed House was when the Cathedral Choir gave us Mendelssohn's *Hear My Prayer* with two diminutive boy sopranos melting our hearts with their beautiful cadences! The climax saw probably more performers on stage than have ever before been crammed onto it as **Damian O'Keeffe** and the massed choirs sang *Nessun Dorma* from *Turandot* and finished with Bizet's triumphant *Toreador's March From Carmen*.





On Sunday morning in a packed Cathedral, the Dean, OE Mgr Peter Cookson, celebrated Mass assisted by a number of OE priests of the diocese. In his homily he paid tribute to James Nugent and his pioneer work in Liverpool and the many Christian Brothers who over the years had carried on the good work to such great effect. It was a time for remembering and thanking God. Lunch at the College followed with many civic dignitaries as our guests. Some well-chosen words from the Chairman of Governors, HH Judge Michael Byrne, rounded off a never to be forgotten week-end.

HH Judge John Morgan(OE 48-52, Chair of Governors 87-95)



Composer visits St Edwards



Katie Fee (Year 12) with Tom Moss

Pupils were recently involved in a workshop with the local composer Tom Moss. Tom is presently writing a wind piece based upon a legend about the Liver Birds. He was very grateful to the pupils who played through the pieces for him.

Perhaps St. Edward's College can look forward to performing its premiere?

Anthony Hannah performs duet with Gareth Gates



Congratulations to **Anthony Hannah** (Year 10) who won the final of the BBC's *Saturday Show Live Gareth Gates Karaoke Competition* after a phone-in vote.

To get to the final Anthony performed *What My Heart Wants to Say* and for the final he sang Elvis Presley's classic *Suspicious Minds*. Gareth Gates presented Anthony with his prize and then performed a duet with him. This was a wonderful time for Anthony - one he will never forget!

Brass Ensemble



The Trumpet section



The Bass section

After a spectacular performance for the sesquicentenary gala concert, the brass ensemble were requested to perform at the Liverpool Empire Theatre for the *Michelle and Friends* charity concert, hosted by Big Brother winner Craig. First night nerves and stage fright aside, we all rose to the occasion and performed extremely well to a very receptive audience.

Ashvin Luximon (Year 12)

First Prize

On Thursday 30 October the Liverpool Youth Orchestra travelled to London's Barbican Theatre for the Masterprize Education Programme in conjunction with Classic FM.

Thirteen Youth Orchestras from all over the country entered this competition performing new works of modern composers from USA, France, Latvia and Germany. The panel of judges was led by Vladimir Ashkenazu.

The Liverpool Youth Orchestra won first prize and received a cheque for £2500.00. The Orchestra draws from schools all over Liverpool, many of them are from St. Edward's College.



St. Edward's College has many pupils in the Liverpool Youth Orchestra

Associated Board Music Examinations

Congratulations to the following pupils who have all achieved **Grade 5** in their Associated Board Examinations:

Kate Holian
Amy Caddick
Amy Caddick
Sarah Jeffries

Trumpet
Flute
Guitar
Flute

Sophie Patterson
Ben Mitchinson
Vincent Shanahan
Vincent Shanahan

Singing (M)
Flute
Flute (M)
Piano (M)

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral's new Director of Music



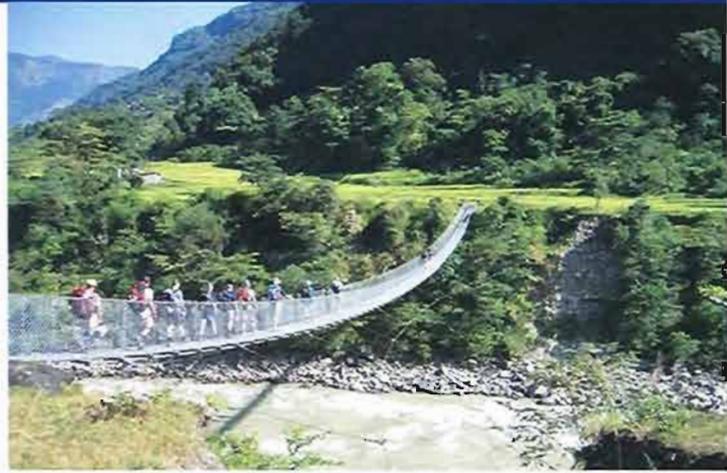
Following the departure of Mervyn Cousins, who has accepted a new post as Director of the Welsh National Eisteddfod, **Mr Keith Orrell** takes up the post of Director of Cathedral Music. Mr Orrell does not come from the usual cathedral music background; his professional career has hitherto been linked mainly to secular choirs. Born and brought up in Blackburn, his roots are in Non-Conformism, but his wife and family are Catholic, and he has been involved in the music of a number of churches, Free, Anglican and Catholic, over the years. He and his wife directed the music at Shrewsbury Cathedral.

After reading music at Liverpool University and completing a PGCE in Yorkshire, Keith Orrell taught music in schools in Cumbria and Shropshire before concentrating on choral conducting as a free-lance. He has worked with the BBC Symphony Chorus, the Royal Scottish National Chorus, the Huddersfield Choral Society among others and most recently was (for seven years) Chorus Master of the Hallé Choir.

Mr Orrell took up his post at the beginning of January 2004.

Organist Richard Lea has been Acting Director of Music since September, planning and conducting the usual weekly round of services with the help of Organ Scholars, Simon Davies and Stuart McSweeney.

Challenge 150 started two years ago as part of the 150th Celebrations. It was the College's second major expedition to Nepal and the intention was to trek the Annapurna Circuit, visit the Chitwan Jungle and raise money for a school in Kathmandu. Fifteen Year 12 pupils and four staff completed all this in October 2003.



Day One - Our first bridge near Besisahar



At Manang with a glacier and the Annapurnas



Nearing the high point with Annapurna IV in the background



"Weak Bridge" - The steel one had broken!



The monastery being built at Pisang



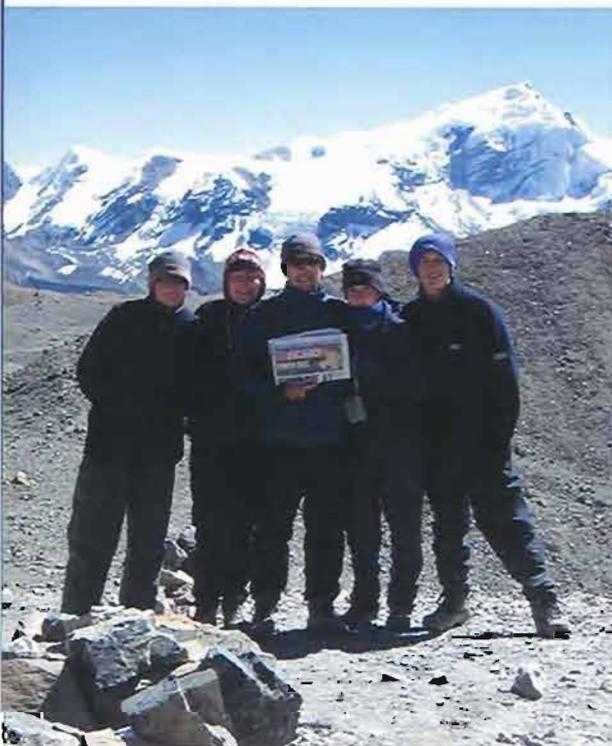
Olivia Moore, Gemma Houghton & Ms Valet



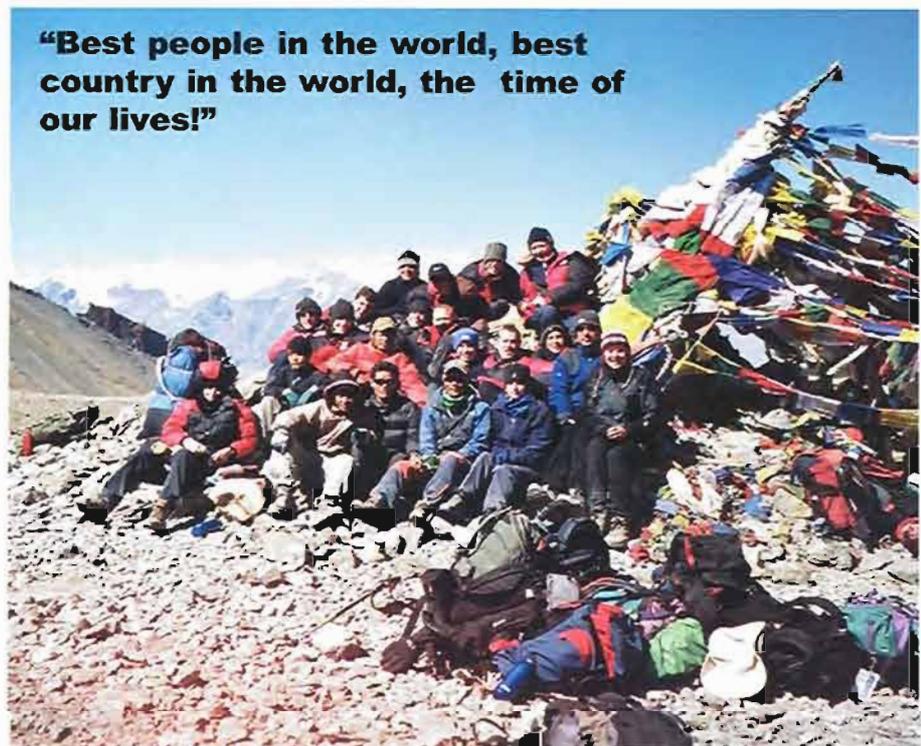
Dugout canoe in Chitwan National Park



We served the Sherpas a meal at the end of the trek



The Liverpool Echo at 5400 metres



"Best people in the world, best country in the world, the time of our lives!"

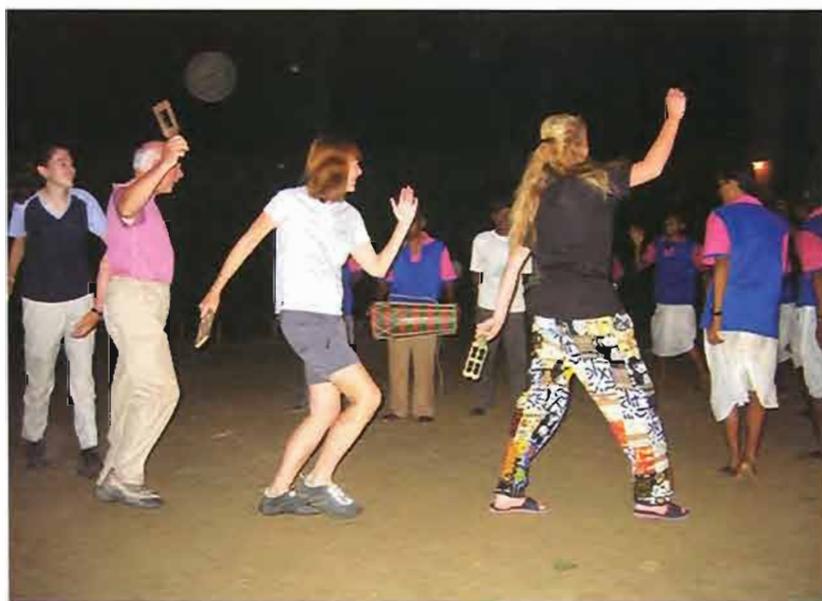
At the top of Thorung La Pass



Lalit Bikash School in Kathmandu. We raised £2000 for their building work.



Ms Valet and James Whiteley were meant to wash the elephants not the other way around



Showing off our traditional dancing skills with the local Tharus

Why take up Challenge 150?

"I've met lovely, interesting people and have amazing memories of the country to take home with me"

"Within the group I forged friendships. The trip has been a great education for me"

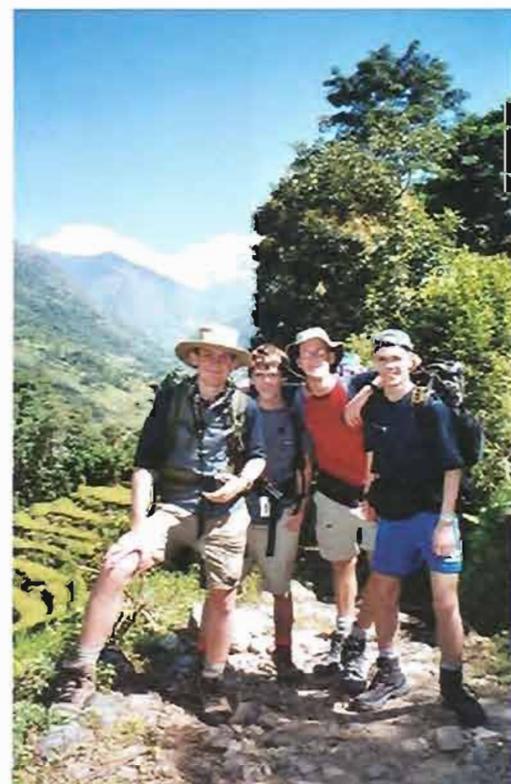
"Despite the poverty that exists, I realise what riches the Nepalese have in many other ways"

"It was difficult, but it was worth it for the privilege of being in this fantastic country and meeting many fantastic people"

"The trip was the most challenging and fascinating that I and many others will ever go on"



Group photo in Chetwan National Park



On the trail

Rugby

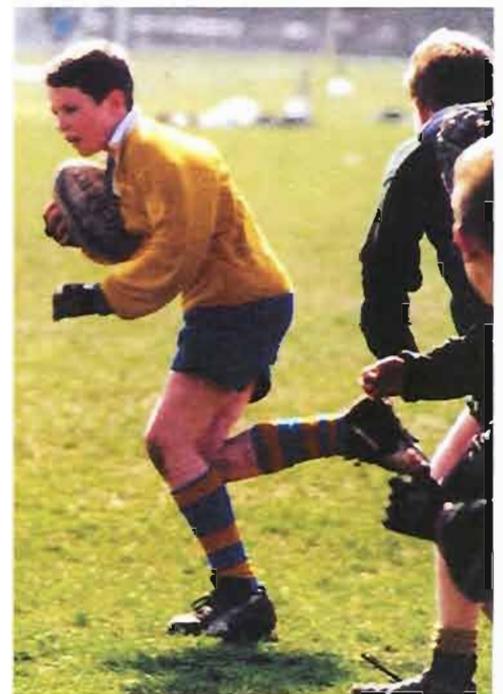


The 1st XV pictured with Mr Beeley & Mr Newman after winning against Cowley High School in December

All teams have had an excellent season so far, winning more games than they have lost and beating some very traditionally strong components. In addition, at U12, 13 and 14 there have been a significant number of B team matches - more boys are playing rugby in the College than have done for many years. Highlights have included a clean sweep of victories against Manchester Grammar School and impressive performances against Merchant Taylor's School, Wirral Grammar and Arnold School in which St Edward's won as many games as they lost. The First XV and U15s had impressive runs in the Daily Mail

Cup before losing to Lancaster Royal Grammar School and Audenshaw High School respectively.

The U14s had an unbeaten run of 14 games at the beginning of the season whilst the U12s and U13s have both won about three quarters of games so far. The U14s and U15s teams are currently fundraising for a tour to New Zealand in Summer 2005.



Thomas Banks (Year 8) scores a try against Arnold School



Year 10 gather before their match



Mr Mackenzie gives Year 8 a team talk before the match



Badminton

David Kenny is the official number one U15 badminton player in Liverpool for both boys' singles and doubles. After clinching a 21-12 win over an opponent he had never beaten before to become champion, David also became one of only three Merseyside boys to gain selection for the Lancashire U17 squad. While this season has brought much success, there was also disappointment when David travelled to Germany for a tournament at Brockel. There he fought his way through to the quarter final in both doubles and singles but was forced to pull out through injury. David practises three nights a week and once a month with Lancashire.

Cricket



The Under 12 team with their trophies

The Under 12 team won the final of the Liverpool Schools' Cricket Cup. It was an exciting match with St Edward's winning the match in the penultimate over with Tommy Banks hitting a big six.



Stephen Hale and Matthew Hints with the Liverpool Cricket Team

Stephen Hale and Matthew Hints were selected to play for Liverpool Cricket Club under 15's in the National Knockout Finals. Out of the original 1603 entrants, Liverpool Cricket Club qualified as one of four finalists. The side started out in the event by winning the Merseyside Youth Championship, beating Sefton Park in the final, and then beating Bramhall in the Lancashire semi-final and Longridge in the final. Victory over Cheshire champions, Cheadle, saw them qualify for the North of England finals, in which they were successful against Yorkshire champions Waff.

5k Road Race



Noel Renton, third from left, with the rest of the team

Congratulations to **Noel Renton** (Year 12) and his three colleagues who came first in a 5k road race through Liverpool City centre.

Noel reports:

It's a great day and really worthwhile as it is helping others, with all proceedings going to charity. It doesn't matter where you finish as it's the taking part that counts. This was our first year running in the Cup and down to good luck our team finished 1st!

Congratulation to **John Fogarty** (Year 8) who won the Junior Men's category in Archery at the Lancashire Championships. This was John's first competition and a remarkable achievement.

Canoeing at the Albert Dock



As part of a Year 10 PE enrichment programme, pupils took part in a series of sessions at the Albert Dock last term.

Netball

The season so far for all teams has been good. All squads have tallied up a lot of victories already this season. The netball league in the City has meant fixtures virtually every week, which is an excellent experience for the girls. All Years are proceeding well and hopefully will all reach the league final tournament which is of a very good standard as netball is now very strong in the City.



Year 9 (U14) Netball Team

The U15s have had an exceptional season and remain unbeaten, which is an excellent result. Erin McCarthy the U15 captain has been inspirational and certainly led from the front.



Year 10 (U15) Netball Team

The U15s and U14s are looking forward to a weekend tour to the Isle of Man in March where they will be playing against King William College, (a very good sports school) and another local school.

Hockey

The season has started well with some excellent results for all teams. The U12s are progressing well in the hockey league including a great win at Queens Chester where the A team won 1-0 and the B team won 4-0.

The U13s are having an excellent season and remain unbeaten. The best result was their 1-0 win over Arnold School, Blackpool. They demonstrated a great level of skill.

Congratulations to the U13 A team, 8-a-side for being convincing league winners this year.



The U16 squad reached the North West Tournament Final

Congratulations to the U14 team who were also league champions. The U15s achieved 3rd place in the Merseyside tournament.

The 1st and 2nd XI teams seasons have started well with good wins. Laura Pursall has led from the front and shown excellent leadership qualities.

The highlight of the season so far must go to the U16 squad who reached the North West final, after winning the Merseyside tournament. Their final was run as a round robin tournament. The girls reached the semi finals, losing out in a penalty flick shoot out after a very hard and gruelling match against Arnold School, Blackpool which ended 0-0. They finished a creditable 3rd in the North West. Well done!



The Under 14 Hockey team won the Liverpool League

NEWS

Captain **Andrew TANG** (OE 95-97) paid us a visit in October 2003. He is now based at Wilton, Salisbury and is in the Army Medical Support service. Awarded two medals, Andrew joined SEC from De La Salle College. Whilst at University studying Biochemistry he joined the Territorial Army and then signed up.

Nick NELSON (OE 42-48) a figure well known to rugby players, took up my request for news of OEs and sent us a resumé. He plays golf 3 or 4 times a week and is currently President of SEC Old Boys' Rugby Union Football Club and a member of the Catholic Institute Edwardian Association Council. A regular supporter of school rugby teams as well as the Year 9 hockey team and soon to support Year 7 hockey too. On Sundays he supports Widnes RUFC for the Youth Section teams; Nick is also Membership Secretary for RAF Cranwell 59th entry. He says that he spends the rest of his time (!) with his wife Gwyneth whom he married 50 years ago !

Gordon STOTT (OE 83-90) is now a Research Scientist working in Tuebingen in Germany. After graduating from Edinburgh University and gaining a PhD from Cambridge, he joined Biotech in Germany. In 2004 Gordon is moving to the parent company in San Francisco. His mother, Mrs Stott is the Secretary to the Cathedral Music Department.

John FARRELL (OE 73-80) is currently living and working as a Systems Manager for McQuarrie Bank in Sydney. He is married to Kate and has four sons, Nicholas, 16, Mathew, 14, Richard, 12, and Gregory, 11. John's office overlooks the Sydney Harbour Bridge and he is to apply for permanent residency. He is looking forward to the Reunion of the Class of 80 in 2005 and hopes to get over for it.

Derek DAY (OE 64-72) has been in touch from London. Derek is working as a Social Worker in Mental Health.

During December we had a visit from **Mr Michael BARTLETT** and his daughter and son-in-law. His great grandfather, Alderman William Bartlett had lived in St Clare, which Michael Bartlett had never seen. He and his relatives were much impressed with the quality of the house and took the opportunity to video many of the rooms. Mr Bartlett has promised us some photographs of parties and other events from the time when his family were residing in St Clare. We look forward to receiving them.

Nicholas MULROY's (OE 88-95) name appeared on a CD review of music performed by the King's Consort. This is the first disc in a series of music by Monteverdi. Nick, a former Head Chorister, sings in the Choir of Westminster Cathedral and is following post-graduate studies at the Royal Academy.

Claire HANDLEY (OE 94-00) is working as Personal Assistant to the Senior Investment Director in BWD Rensburg, a stockbroking firm in Liverpool. She is working towards her Investment Management exams.

Mark LOMAX (OE 86-93) paid a visit in December. Having qualified and worked as a doctor, he has set up his own company based in London to supply hospital type care to patients in their own homes.

Essex Court Chambers National Mooting Competition



Simon Douglas

In a final at the Royal Courts of Justice, **Simon Douglas** (OE 94-01) and **David Birrell** (OE 94-01) fought off competition from last year's winners from the University of Southampton. The competition was judged by the Rt Hon Sir Anthony Evans, Professor Christopher Greenwood CMG QC and Michael Collins QC. In a moot, two pairs of 'advocates' argue a fictitious legal appeal case in front of a



David Birrell

'judge'. In order to win, the advocates do not necessarily have to win the legal case, but must make the best presentation of their legal arguments. Simon and David spoke for the appellant and the Southampton team for the respondent. They tackled a fictional but plausible case to determine the rightful owner of a painting allegedly confiscated and sold in the aftermath of the invasion and occupation of Iraq. They received a silver Mace and a prize of £1,000 each. The University also received a donation of £1,000. The cash prizes were donated by Essex Court Chambers where all four finalists will be offered a mini-pupillage.

Student of the Year



Danielle pictured with her parents

Congratulations to **Danielle Chan** (OE 93-00) who received the award of *Student of the Year* from representatives of law firm Lees Lloyd Whiteley. Danielle, who suffers from a painful form of rheumatoid arthritis, has won recognition for her efforts.

Dr **Michael BYRNE** (OE 54-64) also a former Head Chorister and Leader of the Orchestra, has taken up a post as a Gastro-Enterologist in Vancouver. A keen skier. Michael appears to have chosen a good region to pursue his sport.

Paul DUFFY (OE 88-95) has taken up a post with Microsoft in Seattle.

Dr Martin BIRCHALL (OE 72-79) has been appointed to the Chair of Larynology at Liverpool University.



The Chamber Choir 1996-97

Mike MANNION (OE 72-79) is Dean of the School of Computing and Maths at Glasgow Caledonian University. He is a contemporary of Julian McMullen with whom he played rugby at school.

Geoff McMULLEN (OE 53-60) graduated from Liverpool University in 1963 and joined NCR in computing. He has lived in London for most of his working life, apart from spells in Madrid and the Hague. Geoff was General Manager of Information Systems for Shell, and Chairman and Chief Executive of UKERNA, which runs JANET the UK educational internet and is now Secretary of the Council of European Professional Informatics Societies and a Director of the European Computer Driving Licence Foundation. Geoff and his wife have four children and live in London.

Mark QUAYLE (OE 90-96) a professional footballer, now playing for Scarborough, scored the winning goal in a third round replay against Southend United in January. This goal ensured a home tie with Chelsea worth about £400,000.

Jane ROGERS (OE 85-87) continues to play the baroque viola professionally and met Terry Duffy in Manchester's Bridgewater Hall where she was playing in concert with the renowned King's Consort.

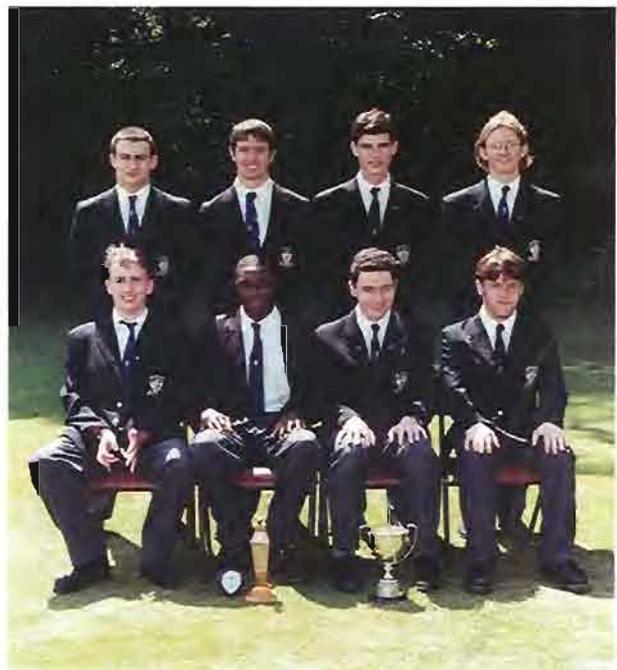
Following the publication of *The Edwardian Story* which has been selling very well, Mr Fabian Clancy got in touch to request a copy of the photograph of the 1913 production of Julius Caesar which appeared in the book. His father **Thomas Sarsfield CLANCY** (OC 1910) was in the cast.

Martin CLARKE (OE 78-83) has been appointed Restoration Manager for the North West and Manager of the South Docks. He is responsible for the new £15m canal scheme for Liverpool's Pier Head. He has been working for British Waterways and worked on projects including the restoration of the Anderton Boat Lift and the Ribble Link Canal.

John MCQUILLIAN (OE 67-74) has welcomed the Government scheme to nurture the biotech and pharmaceutical industries. John is head of Merseybio, set up by Liverpool University and his prime task is to persuade investors to finance the commercial value of scientific breakthrough.

Counter-tenor **Jonathan KENNY** (OE 71-80) is singing with English Touring Opera and brothers **Stephen** (OE 82-89) & **Michael WALLACE** (OE 86-93) with Glyndbourne Touring Opera, the former as a soloist and the latter as a bass member of the chorus. Stephen (who sang for us at the Gala Concert) is fast becoming an international counter-tenor soloist.

David McMAHON (OE 80-91) wrote to ask for confirmation of his A level results. David has recently moved to New Zealand after teaching in primary schools for the past five years.



Swimming Team 1994-95 (Mr G Ion back row on the right)

If you have any photographs/ News of Old Edwardians, we would love to hear from you. Please send to the College for the attention of Mr Terry Duffy. We promise to return any photographs.

Miss Ana BOTANA, who teaches Spanish at the College married **John McGRATH** (OE 88-95) in December in Spain. They met when working on the same MA course for Applied Language Studies at Leeds University. We offer them congratulations and especially on what is perhaps a first in our history with a member of the teaching staff marrying an OE.

Matthew BUCKELS (OE 81-87) got in touch via our website from Perth, Australia where he is working as a Sustainable Development Practitioner. Matthew says that moving from an English all boys' school to a mixed Aussie school was quite an experience. His brothers **Mark** and **Jonathon** as well as his father **Chris** and other relatives were also OEs. Matt would like to get in touch with Mark English, John Gavin and Matthew Evans.

Another website message came from **Tim HOLDEN** (OE 75-80), living in Widnes, who says he would be pleased to hear from his contemporaries.

A more recent OE, **Louise TAYLOR** (OE 97-01) now studying Business Studies at JMU wrote to say how she was grateful to her former teachers, mentioning Mrs Nolan and Miss Orrett in particular. Louise says she would prefer to discuss the metaphysical poetry of John Donne in preference to her business course!

Congratulations to Dr **Peter GREGORY** (OE 89-96) and his wife Helen on the birth of a daughter, Lucy Margaret on 26 January 2004. We offer them our congratulations.



Congratulations to **James Watts** (OE 96-03) who was chosen to play Lee Presley in ITV's *The Dream Team*. James plays a cocky scouser, who has been in and out of criminal institutions since a very early age.

GRADUATIONS

Congratulations to the following Old Edwardians who graduated from their Universities:

Natalie Linane (II:I)	Law	<i>Liverpool U</i>
Sandra Duncan (PASSH)	Medicine	<i>Liverpool U</i>
Danielle Chan (II:I)	Law	<i>Liverpool U</i>
Andrew Hogan (II:I)	Geography	<i>Liverpool U</i>
Geraldine Wingle (II:I)	Geography	<i>Liverpool U</i>
Michael Hogg BA (Hons)	Politics	<i>Hull U</i>
Lisa Liu (II:I)	Biology	<i>London Imperial U</i>
Andrew Brown (II:I)	Chemistry	<i>UCL</i>
Nicola Jones LLB (Hons)	Law	<i>Coventry U</i>



Thank you to **Patrick J BRENNAN** (45-52) for the above photograph. Patrick remembers some of the names:

Matt Brown, Paddy Brennan, McLoughlin, Ferrigno, Jerry Evans, Crran, Jimmy Jensen, Slater, Leo Connor and second row up, 4th along was **Kenny Cain** who tragically died a year later.

OBITUARIES

The son of **James LUDDEN** (OE 30-38) advised us of his father's death in January 2004. James played soccer and cricket for the school and was a headmaster for almost 30 years in Tunbridge Wells. He was also a former Mayor of the town.

We were sorry to hear also in January the news of the death of Mr Anthony **McGLINCHEY**, father of **Anthony** (OE 80-91) and sisters **Kirsten** (OE 86-88) and **Claire** (OE 91-93) and brother-in-law of **Sir Brian Pearse** (OE 45-50). We send to the McGlinchey family our condolences and the assurance of our prayers.

The St. Edward's community at large was shocked by the news of the death of **Fr Peter NICHOLSON**, Parish Priest of St. Paul's, West Derby. Fr Nicholson, ordained in 1967, was found dead in bed on the morning of 2 February by Fr Sean Kirwin.

In the last issue we reported the death of Tom (OE 48-60) and heard of the death of his younger brother **Brian WOLFENDEN** (OE 48-59) in February 2004. Brian had been unwell for a long period. To his wife Therese and seven children we offer our sincere condolences.

Mr Harry OWENS, father of **Mrs Jacqueline Kenyon**, the College Receptionist and grandfather of **Daniel** (OE 87-94) died in August 2003. To the family we offer our condolences and the assurance of our prayers.

Brother Devitt Retires



Mr Terry Duffy with Br Devitt

Br Patrick Devitt was born in Tipperary and educated at Cashel Elementary and Secondary Schools and then at the Christian Brothers' Novitiate in Ledsham from 1937-39. He gained the first part of his Arts Degree from National University of Ireland in 1942. In September of that year he took up a post at St. Edward's teaching Latin, French, Maths and History and was also a Form Master. On leaving the College in 1942 he completed his degree. Br Devitt then was posted to Rome to teach in a CB school – the Instituto Marcantonio Colonna. In 1966 he moved to St Boniface's College in Plymouth for two years and then to Sunderland – St Aidan's Comprehensive School. 1974 saw yet another move to St. Joseph's College, Blackpool.

In 1981 Br Devitt returned to St. Edward's to teach Maths and Latin and he also took charge of the Bookshop and for a time the Uniform Room. As many pupils will know, the Bookshop was also the place where much quiet pastoral counselling went on. As well as running an efficient service, Br Devitt always had an ear for pupils with problems and innumerable times quietly sorted out difficulties and helped pupils to get back on the straight and narrow. In 1997 the Brothers left St Clare, so Br Devitt moved to the community house in Crosby and travelled daily by bus to Sandfield Park. In 2002 pupils and staff sprung an 80th birthday surprise, bringing him into the Dining Hall to blow out the candles on a birthday cake specially decorated with the school badge and a pile of books.

In October 2003, Br Devitt decided to call it a day. He is much missed by all members of the College. He has an elder brother and younger sister who live in Ireland whom he visits regularly, so the pupils and Staff presented him with a set of luggage and a cheque (which Br Devitt asked to be paid to the Cancer Fund at Clatterbridge Hospital). We wish him every joy in retirement and hope he will visit us from time to time.

Retirements



Mr Waszek presents **Mrs Joan D'Aff** with a bouquet of flowers. Joan has been with the Housekeeping staff for eight years. We wish her well in her retirement.



We also say farewell to **Mrs Patricia Murray** who has worked at the College since September 1996 as Lab Technician and in the Library. She will be missed by both staff and pupils.

Celebrations

Congratulations to Sandra & Kevin **Beckett** on the birth of their daughter Madeleine Anna

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Congratulations to Louis & Charlotte **Botes** on the birth of Sebastian Jacques



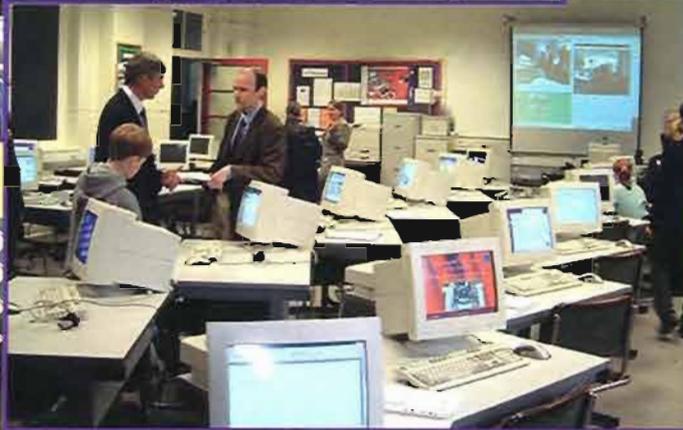
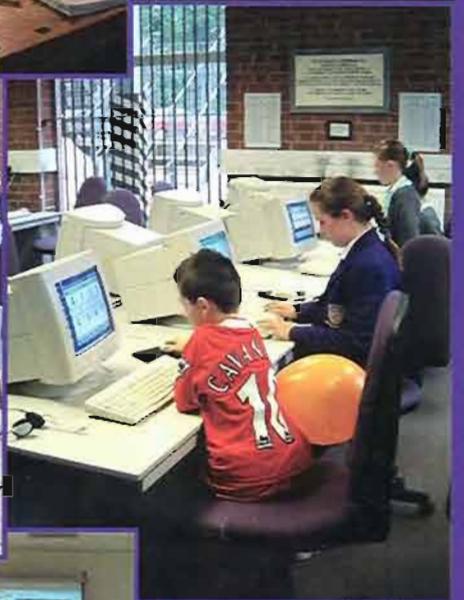
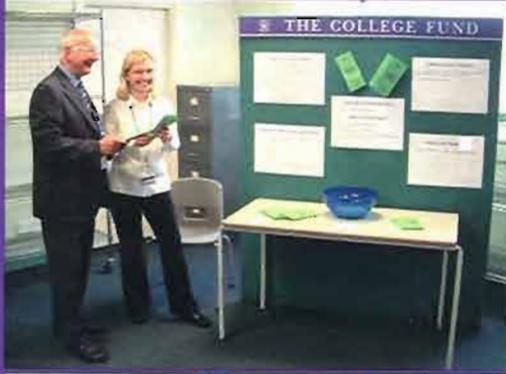
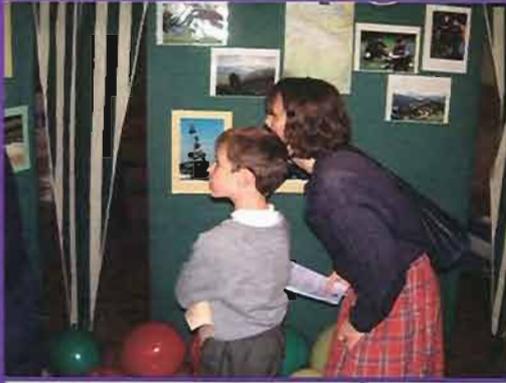
Sebastian Jacques Botes



Congratulations to **Mr Tommy Curran** (College Chef) who gained a bronze medal in the decorated novelty cake section at Sodexo's North West Sakon Culinaire held in Manchester in September 2003.



Mr Curran's winning cake



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