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The Maxwell Davies Festival



The origins of the festival go back many years to the time when, after the Chamber Choir and Orchestra had performed Sir Peter's "O Magnum Mysterium" for him, he agreed to write something for the school. As he is one of the world's most celebrated and busiest composers we had to wait. In the interim I began to plan a small festival which would act as an envelope, as it were, to our new work. When it eventually appeared "it" turned out to be two pieces not one: "Chat Moss" and "A Hoy Calendar". We were delighted, though also apprehensive, because we had very little time to learn the new works and because Sir Peter was flying in from Germany to attend the premières. By this time we were already rehearsing two operas and numerous concerts with some 150 pupils as well as supervising performances at the Cathedral, for we were fortunate to have the collaboration of the Cantata Choir and Cathedral Orchestra and of musicians from the Liverpool Institute of Higher Education, one of whom, Robin Hartwell, wrote a work for Francis Davies, one of our sixth formers. This led me to compose a piece for another senior musician, Benjamin Sills.

The two weeks of the festival were extremely busy, involving not only musicians but members of the Junior School, particularly Mr Paul Booth, the Art, Design and Technology departments, Drama, Sound and Lighting, notably Miss Anne Fitzgerald and Mr Charles Hitchen, Office and Catering staff and

prefects. I am more than grateful to them for their support for they helped create the most important musical event in the history of the school.

There were some outstanding performances and none were less than good. Inevitably the most exciting were the premières: 'A Hoy Calendar' by the St Edward's Consort and 'Chat Moss' by the Chamber Orchestra. Both are wonderful pieces and the latter has formed the basis of Sir Peter's new symphony which is being premiered at the Proms this summer. Both are dedicated to the school and both will take their place among a most distinguished body of work.

At the end of this concert, as well as meeting the distinguished guests, Sir Peter spoke with the performers, had his photograph taken with them and signed many autographs. He must have been very tired, but he did not show it, responding with interest to the myriad of questions thrown at him. I thought of this next morning when a small group of us got up at 5 a.m. to see him off on his journey to Scotland. He is 60 this year, yet has the energy and stamina of a much younger man. More than this, he has a formidable intellect and the capacity to adapt, seemingly instantly, to the shifting demands of his life as conductor, committee-man, speaker, artistic-director and pre-eminently composer. We can go through the whole of our lives and never meet such a person.

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Extracts from: Headmaster's Report Prize Day - Sunday 20th March 1994

Shortly after the death of his wife, Edmund Rice subscribed to a new edition of the Douai Bible. On the flyleaf of his Bible, he added a series of references and I wish to begin with one of the two from the New Testament, it is from St Luke's Gospel, Chapter 6, Verse 35.

"But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them anything without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great and you will be sons of the Most High, because He is kind to the ungrateful and wicked."

In the year of 1994, 150 years after the death of Edmund Rice, we have been celebrating his life and works through our own life and works and I recall the marvellous celebration at our Cathedral with the other Christian Brother Schools and communities. I can think of no better way of beginning my report this year than with this particular passage.

During the course of last year, the College produced a new Prospectus and I should like to read the first two paragraphs of the introduction:

"St Edward's College is a Christian community which strives to guide each of its pupils so that they may realise their potential and live their lives to the full, both during their school days and afterwards. We seek to promote an atmosphere in which all members of the community feel comfortable and free to follow their own interests, where boys and girls can appreciate the values of kindness and honesty. St Edward's is a school where high standards are required, where the academic rigour is demanding but still allows the opportunity to try different things, whether it be climbing mountains or playing a musical instrument. In partnership with parents St Edward's strives to develop independence of mind, self discipline and self respect."

Hence, I am quite clear that the essential nature of what we are trying to achieve at St Edward's is based on our Christian beliefs and values. These are values which transcend generations. They are to do with love and kindness, and honesty and decency, and care for one another. They are to do with taking responsibility for one's-self and responsibility for others and for standing up for what we believe to be right. Therefore, whatever buildings rise or fall, however the curriculum changes, whichever staff come and go: none of these matters can change the real objectives of our Christian community.

We have with us today the first lay Chairman of Governors, Colonel J Graeme Bryson, after whom the Runnymede Hall is named. I am delighted that he is able to be present and congratulate him warmly on recently being awarded a degree in Computing, some 65 years after he left St. Edwards and over 60 years since he graduated in law. Compared to when he left St Edward's in 1929, the School is certainly somewhat larger. There are 684 pupils in the Senior School and over 300 in our Junior School. The demand for places remains very strong indeed with almost 250 children applying for admission at 11.

There are two particular points I would like to make:

Firstly, the more successful the College is, so the more difficult it will be to obtain a place. Secondly, entry to the Sixth Form is by invitation and not by right. Being a good Sixth Former is far more than simply obtaining pieces of paper which indicate a particular examination performance. It is about

leadership and, in particular, leadership by example - example in their attitude to work, their self discipline, their behaviour, their dress but, most important of all, in the way in which they treat other people. A Sixth form which is strong and dynamic is absolutely crucial, both for the College, but also for those sixth formers who are given the opportunity to develop their own leadership potential.

Given that pupils coming to St Edward's have been selected primarily on their academic ability, it is not surprising that our examination results were again very good, though I repeat my caveat of last year, that I consider that a school should be judged by the manner its pupils go out into the world, the lives they lead, and the contribution they make to society, rather than in one narrow area of achievement.

The 'A' Level results were the best ever achieved by a group of pupils from St Edward's College and placed St Edward's as one of the top Catholic Schools in England and Wales, with eleven pupils gaining places at the universities of Oxford or Cambridge and an outstanding UCCA score of 23.1 which gained St Edward's recognition in the national press. At GCSE, 90% of pupils gained 5 or more subjects at Grades 'A' to 'C', slightly down on the 91% of 1992 but this compares well with the national average of 38%. The average number of 'A' to 'C' grades per pupil was 8.4, again an improvement on 1992.

These excellent results are achieved through a partnership between pupils, parents and teachers. I wish to record my considerable gratitude to the teaching staff for their professionalism, their commitment and their sheer efficiency in helping these talented young people to fulfil their potential and to help them gain their ambitions.

Our Prospectus states that St Edward's is a School where high standards are required and where the academic rigour is demanding. But our Prospectus also challenges us to try other things, whether it be climbing mountains or playing a musical instrument. I consider the extra-curricular life of the College to be absolutely crucial. In an average week at St Edward's there will be in excess of 200 extra-curricular activities taking place: these will include over 50 sports practices, 25 sports matches, 20 music rehearsals, 10 drama rehearsals and approaching 20 weekly activities in the Design Centre. And the variation open to any pupil is enormous, ranging from wild-life to netball, rugby to debating. Many of these activities take place during the lunch-time break. Parents may well be aware of schools which have moved to a continental day, or have reduced the length of this break: we have no intention whatsoever of doing this. Extra curricular activities are an important and integral part of everything that we are trying to do and it is right and proper that the majority of these activities should take place within the school day.

The quality of the achievements of our pupils is just as high in this sphere as in their academic work. Sir Peter Maxwell Davies, Britain's greatest living composer, not only composed two pieces for our musicians to première, but travelled from Germany to hear them perform. Our rugby football is nationally renowned, as is our Cathedral Choir. Similar standards are being achieved in so many areas.

But the way we do things is just as important as the end result. We place considerable

importance on kindness and good manners, and I was especially delighted to learn that the Merseyside Society of Rugby referees recently voted St Edward's, as not only having the most efficient organisation, but was also the top school for hospitality.

At the same time, it is extremely disappointing to see some pupils who fail to take advantage of the opportunities that are open to them. There are those who say that they don't like music, or sport, or whatever. I think this is an awful indictment of the individual: many of the activities we have on offer are new and exciting but an individual will never begin to appreciate just how exciting until they begin to take part in them. I would urge all parents to expect, indeed to demand, from their children that they should be involved in extra-curricular activities. But these extra curricular activities do not only develop talents, they develop the other attitudes which are important for life. These activities prepare us to be members of a community where appreciating the skills and the needs of others are so important: they help us to see that every single individual, no matter who or what they are, has a valuable part to play in our society.

During the past year, there have been two ways in particular that our faith has been transformed into action.

Firstly, by the introduction of our programme of Education for Personal Relationships. Ours is a difficult world in which to bring up young people and in this important area of personal relationships it is vital that we protect our young people from their own ignorance. I say this not in any condescending way, but if we care about our young people, it seems inappropriate to send them out into the world with good examination results and being able to play particular games or sing in tune, if, at the same time, we do not prepare them for their relationships with other people. Our EPR programme which began last September and which for this year has only encompassed the first three years, will next year be extended to cover Forms 1 - 5. We have started the practice of sending to each parent the programme for each term's EPR day in advance. This is a practice we shall continue. Secondly, we display our faith by our community service. It is extremely gratifying and a very humbling experience to see the number of ways in which our pupils want to help those whose circumstances are less fortunate than their own, and of their ingenuity in doing so.

There are two particular occasions during the last year which have touched me deepest of all. Last May we extended the annual Makeni Run to cover the children in the Junior School too. And as a result of all the efforts of these College pupils, approaching £4000 was raised. In 1994, in honour of the Founder, the Makeni Run will be renamed the Edmund Rice Run, and the funds will continue to be directed towards the West African Missions.

The second event which for me typified St Edward's pupils at their very best was the organisation of the balloon race. A couple of months ago Fr Terry Murray, the Chaplain at Alder Hey Hospital, spoke to our pupils about his aim of taking 19 sick children to Lourdes on a pilgrimage and asked for their help. Within days I had been inundated with ideas,

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they ranged from cake sales, to sponsored swims. The balloon race has raised over £1000, with hundreds of pupils involving themselves in one way or another.

But these two are just typical examples of what is going on, each and every day of the week, because every day some Sixth Formers go to Sandfield Park Special School, every Sunday Sixth Formers run a club for the mentally handicapped and I should also say, do so with the assistance of members of staff who give up their Sunday afternoons and evenings to act as minibus drivers.

Before drawing my Report to a close, I would like to mention a number of individuals. We were very sad to hear of the deaths of Br Dominic Taylor, of Helen Hogg and of Arthur Kelly. These three individuals jointly gave over 100 years of service to St Edward's. Helen Hogg was a most kindly and formidable lady and well known in the North West as a conductor and teacher. She had completed 45 years teaching at St Edward's. She will be sadly missed but her work lives on in her

pupils, so many of whom we heard earlier this afternoon. Additionally, she endowed a substantial sum of money to financially assist pupils to receive instrumental tuition whose parents would otherwise be unable to afford it. Arthur Kelly retired in 1992 having spent 22 years at the College. He will long be remembered for his kindness and professionalism.

Only a year ago Br Dominic Taylor led the staff during an Inset Day and was responsible for the submission of documentation to the Vatican which resulted in Edmund Rice being declared Venerable.

We shall miss all three sorely indeed.

We also had 5 retirements:

Brian Young came to St Edward's in the mid-1950's on teaching practice and never managed to escape. A thorough dedicated professional who gave his life to St Edward's; we shall particularly miss him on Fridays because each Friday Brian was always there to lead the Rosary.

David Dukes took early retirement from being a Deputy Head in Yorkshire a number of years ago: he was tempted out of retirement by Br

Sassi and is a highly successful teacher of Maths and, in his younger days, a formidable Cross Country coach.

Maureen Griffiths and Thelma James both left Runnymede after 7 years: they had both spent many years teaching infants at the Convent of Mercy and I know there are a good many St Edward's pupils who began their schooling there, before coming to St Edward's and who will remember them both with much affection and respect.

And, Elliott Annon, who retired this year as Bursar. He has given us a fine financial footing and I must record my deep personal gratitude to him for helping to steer me through the first year of my headmastership.

We wish all these individuals a long and happy retirement.

Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, last year I likened St Edward's to a ship sailing on a compass heading given to us by Our Lord, I wish to report that we continue with good courage to fulfil our mission to those in our care, to build on our legacy, and continue, all of us, on our journey of faith.

Duke of Edinburgh Scheme

Summer has arrived! Caravans snake down narrow country lanes, townies head for the hills and the purple tents of St. Edward's College are seen dotted about the National Parks looking like huge, overfed beetles.

This term is our

music, sport, art, climbing, electronics, life-saving, first aid, drama, working with disadvantaged groups in the community, recycling and many, many, more ways in which our young people can develop their talents and explore new areas of interest. My thanks go to the many members of staff and friends of the College who make these opportunities available. Particularly I would like to thank Mr R. Graff who has run the Canoeing Club on behalf of the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme and been a stalwart of many an expedition, always ensuring that gallons of piping hot tea are ready at the end of the day.

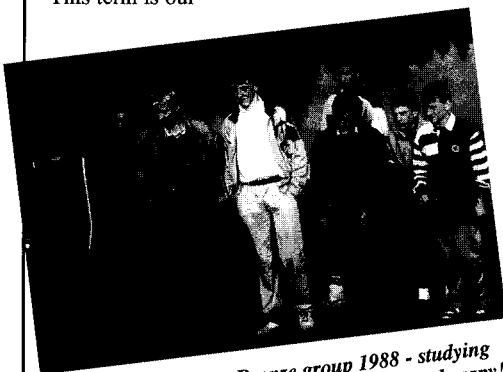
With the recent concern about safety in outdoor education I feel that parents may wish to have some information concerning this area of the scheme's policy.

All the members involved have experience of the activities they assist with and new members of staff undergo a supervised period of leadership in order to develop their abilities. On trips there is always a member of staff who has First-Aid experience and they will carry, in addition to pupil's own First-Aid kits larger, more comprehensive one.

Pupils are only allowed to walk in areas that are felt to match their abilities and fitness. If the latter is deemed to be an obstacle to their completing the expedition section of the award then they are advised as to what action to take to remedy the situation. Similarly if the pupil's knowledge of the skills requires is not of a suitable standard they are advised on ways of improving deficient areas.

Staff-pupil ratios are kept to 1:8 (or usually better) and close monitoring occurs when groups are unaccompanied for short periods of time. A check-point system is used which ensures that, in the eventuality of mishap, staff are readily at hand. To further assist with this monitoring we have purchased a number of CB radios that allow the staff to be in communication, further improving safety margins.

Obviously there is some



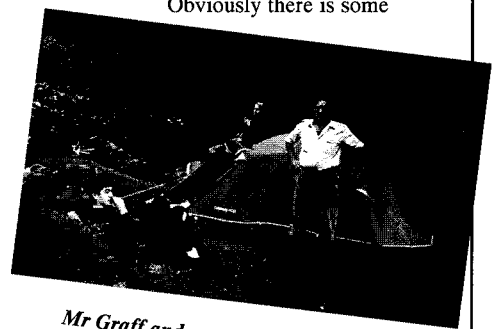
Where are they now? Bronze group 1988 - studying medicine, dentistry, sports science and physiotherapy!

busiest time as far as trips beyond the sheltered confines of the school are concerned. We have already had three practice expeditions, the Bronze in Snowdonia and the Silver and Gold in the hills of Cumbria. It is on these trips that the 'softies' from the suburbs find that there is no electricity for their SEGA's and that cattle have not been toilet trained! Yet most, quickly come to terms with the fact that there is daylight before 6.00 am and there are pleasures to be had from friendly discourse, wonderful views and simple fare.

Our Silver assessed expedition has already passed into the annals of DoE folklore and we look forward to our Bronze expedition in June and the Gold expedition in July. The latter being over fifty gruelling miles in four days.

Looking back over the year we can list such activities as orienteering at Arrowe Park, damp days trekking over Anglezarke Moor, a beautiful day in December walking on the snow-covered Carnedd range, sailing with the Merseyside Yacht Club, canoeing and still to come in July white-water rafting on the River Trweryn.

Theses activities form only part of the scheme's appeal, other aspects include;



Mr Graff and members of Gold group

element of risk in the activities that we undertake, and for some this is the challenge provided by the scheme, but we strive to minimise these by ensuring that pupils are capable of meeting that challenge and by employing a well tested safety policy.

Thanks to the generous support of the Headmaster we have been able to purchase new equipment; CB radios, three new pool canoes and some new tents. A number of our staff will also be taking part in the British Mountaineering Club's 'Mountain Leadership Course' this August to improve their skills further. If anyone has any equipment,

particularly rucksacks, boots and waterproofs that they would be willing to donate we would be most grateful as the cost of these items can be an unnecessary obstacle for some pupils.

Finally I would like to wish the members of our Gold Award group every success in their expedition, their examinations, their future careers and I hope that some of the time they have spent with us has helped to shape their characters in a positive way. The members of the group are; Jennifer Jones (Head Girl), Benjamin Rudge (Head Boy), Alexander Prayle and Anthony Leddy (DoE Secretaries), Francis Davies and Jamie McMullin.

A.J. Treherne



Members of Gold group - settling in

Earlier this year I had the opportunity of visiting the Christian Brothers' Missions in West Africa. During a stay of three months I managed to meet all our Brothers and their helpers in three countries, namely, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Côte d'Ivoire. Most of our activities are based in Sierra Leone, with our headquarters in Freetown, the capital. Here, in spite of a kind of civil war that has been going on now for a couple of years, there have been a number of new developments. Just outside Freetown, in a place called Wellington, is a camp for former 'boy soldiers'. One of the Brothers is helping the organisation called CAW (Children affected by War) and funded by UNICEF, to rehabilitate these youngsters and return them to their families. There is a similar camp near

Some "Ups and Downs" in West Africa

rescue the sewing machines and other equipment from the Edmund Rice Tailoring Institute which had been set up with the help of benefactions from here

in England. The 'displaced Brothers' are now running a school for their 'displaced pupils' from Blama in a village called New Gerihun about ten miles from Bo.

Another victim of rebel activity was a young community of

Brothers in Yengema, founded less than a year before. Here a Brother was maltreated and his vehicle, a pickup, was commandeered by the military. It is sometimes difficult to tell the difference between the soldiers and the rebels! For a while the Brothers were withdrawn to Freetown, but happily they have now returned to Yengema, in the heart of the diamond mining area, where they teach in the local parish school, and help to organise various youth activities.

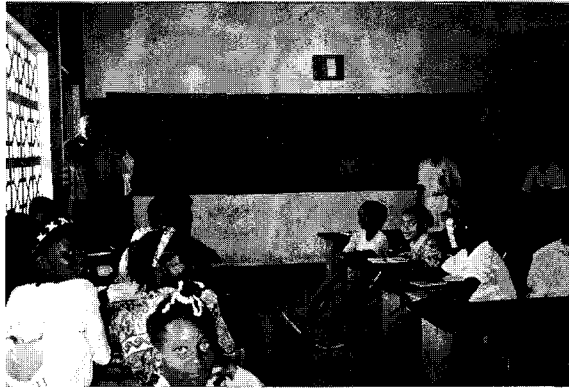
Not far from Bo is a mud-hut settlement of about sixty thousand 'displaced persons' from other parts of the country.

The difference in Sierra Leone between a refugee and a displaced person is that a refugee from another country gets financial help from the UN - displaced persons in their own country get nothing.

In Liberia, where civil war has been

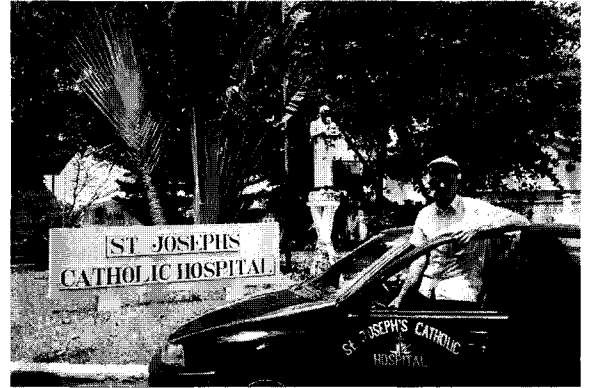
raging for over four years, we have only two Brothers - one of whom was in hospital when we visited. They are now in Gbarnga (pronounced Bonga), again helping with displaced persons, and looking after our property there. Two other Brothers from Liberia are now with the Liberian refugees in Côte d'Ivoire, outside a town called Danané, where there are about forty thousand refugees. Here there is an offshoot community of young Liberians who are helping to run a free school for some of the children of the refugees.

During my visit to Sierra Leone I was able to pass on some of the donations made by benefactors in England and Ireland. Some of these were used to help the Brothers in Blama to partially



Bo where we are also involved. In Bo itself, which is the second largest town in Sierra Leone, our Brothers are associated with the Pastoral Centre, and young men who have joined us are engaged in various pastoral activities. Nearby in New London, is the Mary Rice House where a community of Sierra Leonian Brothers look after handicapped children and also assist with the local Cheshire Home.

Blama, some fifty miles from Bo, had the misfortune to be affected by some 'rebel' activity in the neighbourhood and everyone was moved out by the military. Fortunately the Brothers were able to return after a couple of days and



restock the Edmund Rice Tailoring Institute, and for Brothers in Makeni to assist students with school fees and dues for examinations. Our Missions in West Africa are very grateful for all these contributions, and also for many gifts of books, educational materials and other equipment. However the unsettled state of these countries and the amount of red tape and bureaucracy at the ports means that it is no longer worth the hassle to try and get goods through. The best way to help now is by personal service and by financial contributions - at least we are able to get the latter through to alleviate the most pressing needs.

Br H A Grice



Year 6 Adventure Week - April 1994

Question: What do the following ingredients provide:
Good weather, relaxing company, good food, quiet evenings and time on your hands?

Answer: A holiday in Greece!

The Year 6 adventure week in Shropshire had little in common with a holiday in Greece - but then again, on second thoughts, it had good weather, reasonable food, relaxing company (if you can forget the Year 6 pupils for a minute) - and the locals were very pleasant.

This was the second year running that my colleagues and I had bitten the bullet and taken Year 6 girls and boys to Manor Adventure Outdoor Pursuits Centre near Craven Arms. It's a self-contained place - a rambling house, hostel style accommodation, in its own grounds which cater for a great variety of wildlife. The facilities are excellent - the football pitch converts readily to a golf course, thanks to rabbits - but seriously, you name the outdoor activity and Manor Adventure can cater for your needs.

Mr Sweeney and I visited the centre prior to our residential week in April and arranged a programme of activities that sent shivers down the spines of colleagues and brought smiles to the faces of Year 6. My thanks must go to my colleagues - Mr D Goulbourn and Miss E Liddy - how would I have coped without them? Thinking about it - probably very well - more sleep, more food, only having to wash-up my own dishes, a tidy room.....the list is countless!

The week seemed to come and go in a flash. Whilst it lasted, however, the children kept me in touch with reality and ensured that I received the same helping of mud, mud, mud and mud as they did. In between bouts of mud there was

food, archery, assault course and team games - all good fun. One of my personal favourites this year was canoeing on the River Teme, a beautiful setting, overlooked by the ruins of Ludlow Centre.

All activities were very well supervised by qualified instructors who, as in the previous year, showed endless patience, encouragement and humour with staff and children alike. If you were to ask 34 children what they enjoyed most about the week you would surely get 34 different answers: "air rifles, archery, the Coke machine, throwing M.O. in the river, the tuck shop, not letting M.O. out of the river, the high ropes course, the high walk, standing under a waterfall, watching Miss trying to smile on high ropes, beating Mr. G's team at football....." and so on. If you asked the staff what they found most rewarding about the week I'm sure they'd say as one that it was to see the children out of the classroom situation, sharing experiences with them watching them trying their best to overcome challenges and the absolute elation at achieving something that they thought they couldn't - all mixed in with a great deal of fun.

If I had the choice of two weeks on a Greek Island, relaxing, reading, swimming in the warm waters, sipping ice-cold drinks whilst waiting for a barbecued meal - or a week with Year 6 at Manor Adventure - I'd choose two weeks in Greece everytime - but as an educational experience with colleagues and children with whom so much time is spent - be it Advent, Lent or Trinity term, - it's tremendously worthwhile.

Runnymede Rugby Report

The season was remarkable for the keenness and high morale of the 5th year squad. Though there were no victories over opponents, each game indicated that basic skills had been learnt, developed and used well. Victories were being achieved in what we were able to do, on occasions, skilfully. All players enjoyed themselves and some have developed into 'Likely Lads' for the future. Others have yet to show their mettle. The handling game is more difficult to learn to play than many people think. These experienced veterans will appear next year in the guise of year 6. They should, given the opportunity, acquit themselves well.

What can be said of year 6! The squad was 'Like the Parson's Egg!' There were several consistent performances from some backs and some forwards throughout the season, but little team effort. Team performances had to wait until the season's end, when two victories were achieved in an excellent first AGIS Tournament held in atrocious conditions at St Anselm's. Forwards and backs scored excellent tries which illustrate what might have been achieved if more thought, effort and determination had been shown earlier in the campaign.

All in all, the season was a learning experience. All players took hard knocks; all learnt to play for each other; all became acquainted with 'sportsmanship'. All this on wet, muddy afternoons!

"Dinosaur at Large" An Opera for Children by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies

As part of the Liverpool Maxwell Davies Festival, a very well received performance of this charming work was given by the Junior School Choir, directed by Paul Booth.

The scene is a local museum where, on a boring school trip, the hero of the play, Pat

(played by Ryan Hearity), comes across a fossil of a baby brachiosaurus. All alone in the museum, Pat is startled by the dinosaur when it comes to life and asks him for his help in returning to the Cretaceous Period. (The brachiosaurus was actually played by three of

our choristers, Julian Guidera, Daniel Walker and Ben Wilson, all under one costume rather like a pantomime horse!)

With the help of Pat the brachiosaurus converts an exhibited space craft into a time-machine and the two of them whiz back through history.

However, miscalculations land them in Elizabethan England where they meet Queen Elizabeth I and Sir Walter Raleigh (played by Alexandria Cleary and Christopher Powell). Off they go again, but still

stop short, this time in Roman England. Here they meet Boudicca and a Roman general (Joanne Jackson and Patrick McAuley). Eventually they reach the Cretaceous Period and brachiosaurus is welcomed home. Pat returns to his own time and is greeted by his worried teacher (Sean Moran).

The part of the dinosaurs, Elizabethan courtiers, Roman soldiers, Boudiccian warriors and school children were performed by: Lauren Cannon, Oliver Cashman, Ryan Crimmins, Jamie Culshaw, Matthew Daley, John Erfani, Claire Feeley, James Gallagher, Janice Geeleher, Nieve Hearity, Kevin Higgott, James Higham, Gayner Hughes, Daniel Hynd, Mark Jacobson, Chantelle Joseph, Rachel Kelly, Edward Knowles, Sarah Larkin, Ben Lesly, Victoria Lim, Luke Martin, Andrew McLean, Joseph Mullin, James O'Neill, Lucy Parry, Jessica Parsons, Helen Phoenix, Natalie Quinn, Daniel Rathbone, Anne Renton, Graeme Smith, Natalie Taylor, Laura Tipping, Lauren Waszek.

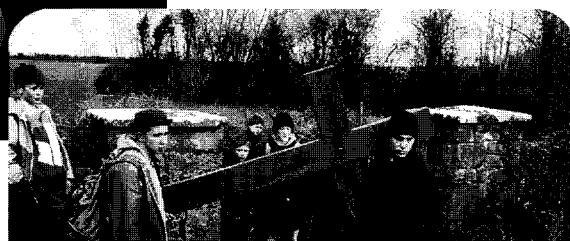
All credit must go to pupils of our Junior School for a splendid performance and some lovely singing.



Edmund Rice

Famine Walk, Ireland

*Michael McLindon
6th Form*



Five intrepid 6th formers braved a force 10 gale on the Irish Sea to share a memorable occasion with hordes of Irish school children. Along with 4 colleagues from St. Anselm's, our spectacular, though stomach churning journey, finally brought us to Dublin.

After settling in at the Christian Brothers' Marino Institute, we decided to see the "Fair City" first hand. Dublin proved to be an exciting cocktail of culture, crowds and honest fun, inhabited by welcoming and friendly people. Despite the temptations around us, we went to a student mass for

Holy Thursday. It was an occasion unparalleled by anything in England; spontaneous, sincere and full of meaning. We then proceeded further into Dublin, to discover that the city was equally brimming with life after dark.

Good Friday saw the Famine Walk and the worst of the Irish weather. We travelled to Callam, County Kilkenny, the home of Edmund Rice. After a brief introduction, we learnt that the cross to be carried on the 8 mile walk had been entrusted to us: "Well you English did cause the potato famine, so now we'll get our own back!!" However, not even the

torrential hail showers, nor the constant taunts of the Irish Manchester United fans could spoil a poignant yet enjoyable occasion.

Saturday brought a sad departure, though we all vowed to return. And this time, the Irish Sea showed a degree of mercy.

Claire Ellis, Chris Lynas, Gareth Hughes, Michael McLindon and Anthony Gregory took part in this trip which was led by Brother Harry Harrington; a friendly and accommodating companion - and a loyal chauffeur!!



St Edward's Amateur Radio Society Report

We are delighted to report good news on all aspects of our activity this term. Some very interesting developments have taken place and gratitude on behalf of all our members must surely take priority in this report.

The first piece of good news is that we are proud to announce that we now possess a new and most up to date Transceiver. For those who do not know what a transceiver is, it is a transmitter and radio receiver combined in one small, but most efficient, electronic package. Our transceiver is capable of transmitting 100 watts of radio power on any allotted radio frequencies. It will also receive signals of the weakest strength and deal with them with equal efficiency. In simple terms, we are now capable of making radio contact with any

other enthusiast in any part of the world, always assuming the wish to speak to us, of course!
A few words about our aerial system are in order, as this has presented a small problem. The aerial system we chose is a six-band vertical....it simply has the profile of a long metal pole and presents the least objectionable shape. Some aerial systems can be ecological disasters, made up of masses of copper wire stretching through gardens, neighbours' gardens, street lamps and sometimes far out to seas. Our aerial is a 'nice' aerial and could be mistaken for a slim flag pole, but our problem is locating it in a position which would give maximum power radiation and at the same time be barely noticeable. Various sites for the aerial are being investigated and by the time our next report is due we have no doubt the problem will have been solved. If anybody is thinking of putting up an aerial, please contact our Society for some advice before you do so. Any aerial must be firmly secured, be away from any power or telephone cables and planning permission must be sought before siting. This includes CB aerials.

We have conducted transmission tests with our equipment and temporary aerial system and have contacted W1NYB in Maine USA, DL5KUE in Frankfurt, 4Z4SMF in Haifa and scores of Italian

stations all vowing to visit St. Edward's.....one day perhaps? We think this is not too bad for one afternoon's series of tests. Once our station is fully operational we hope you will pay us a visit and 'have a listen'.

The most pleasant task in this report is to express our sincere thanks to everybody concerned in giving support to our radio activities and enabling us to obtain our transceiver. Particular thanks are given from all our members to our Headmaster for his interest and continuing support.

That about ends this report for this edition, but how about trying to answer these three questions. Answers on paper to *Mr. R.J. Webster, Design Centre*. First correct answer to be selected will receive a **HUGE PRIZE!**

What was the first radio signal sent across the Atlantic?

Who was the first Director General of the BBC?

What does A.M. and F.M. mean in radio terms?

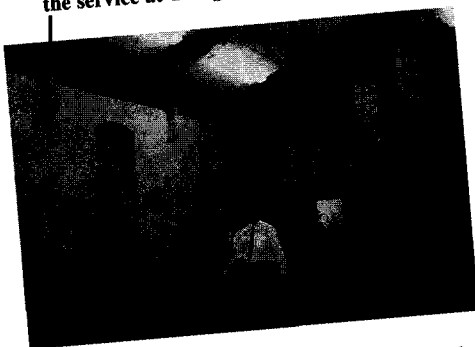
Good Luck!

R.J. Webster G4EGM

St. Edward's College Services to the Community



David King and Paul Worrall preparing for the service at Thingwall Hall



Edward Ryan and Ian Power in preparation for the service at Thingwall Hall

Here at St. Edward's we perceive Community Service as important training for life and gives our Sixth Form students an opportunity to become more aware of others who are less fortunate than themselves.

Each Monday afternoon we send Form 7 students to Thingwall Hall, Broadgreen and St Vincent's School for the Blind. As part of their Apostolic Activity, senior students organise and conduct Ecumenical Service, together with members of the Thingwall Hall community each term. The main service this year had the theme of 'The Helpful Person' and took place on 8th December. Edward Ryan led the service and was assisted by Francis Davies (Music), David King (Play) and Lee Silvano, Ian Power and Paul Worrall (singers and candle lighters). The service proved a real success and a strong sense of friendship evolved throughout the weeks of preparation. It was pleasing to note how each others' talents

were appreciated and from this our students derived much spiritual value. Many thanks to Br David Crook for his help and guidance in making this placement so successful.

At St Vincent's School for the Blind our students join in P.E. lessons, sharing the joys of sport and learning how much the children can do. Also, they can participate and encourage individual team performance.

On Tuesday mornings we send Form 6 students on several placements. They go to Sandfield Park School for pupils with learning difficulties and assist in lessons such as Maths, English and Art. Louise McCarthy recalls "Today was a special day, Andrew got his new wheelchair. It had been donated to him by the Golf Club. All the other children were excited for him and he was eager to show them how it worked. He was surprisingly good with it. Andrew is only 6 years old."

Incidentally, former students still go back after they leave St. Edward's. Four students go to St Joseph's (Nazareth House) Woolton. Here they develop friendships assisting those who are lonely. Through finding common interests, our students are attempting to bridge the age gap difference. Three students go to Margaret Beavan School, West Derby, where they help children with learning difficulties and two students go to Sandfield Park Nursing Home where again, they develop friendships with residents who are lonely.

Mark recalls Week 1: "Picked for apostolic duties. In two minds about whether to feel happy or not. Decided anything has got to be better than R.E. But I'm always worried about the unknown. Worst luck - picked for Sandfield Park Nursing Home. The thought of it, being forced to talk to old people. Not that I shun these people, just had bad experiences. Finding something to talk about to my granddad was bad enough, these are total strangers, help!"

Mark recalls Week 3: "Made more effort on our side this week. Tried to encourage Albert by trying to get him to talk freely about himself and his hobbies. As we were leaving he seemed to get energy from nowhere and started talking about how he was interested in the military. He looked sad when we left."

Many thanks to the commitment of Mr Richard Young and Mr Dai Edwards, who help with the transportation of students and ensure that placements proceed efficiently. Mr Young has built up strong links with Thingwall Hall, making this a valuable placement for our students. We hope our students will grow and develop through the give and take of relating, and it is true that people with mental handicaps are even more dependent on relationships than are others. It is true to say: "When someone knows and appreciates us, we know and appreciate ourselves."

Sixth Form students run a mentally handicapped club (MENCAP) on Sunday evenings. The club provides an opportunity for handicapped people to come to St. Edward's

and enjoy the facilities we have. This also gives our students an opportunity to overcome the difficulties that are encountered in making relationships with people with severe learning difficulties and physical handicaps. The success of the club also depends on the goodwill of the staff, who give up their Sunday evening to drive the minibuses. The following students have offered to run the MENCAP Club for the year 1994-5: John Crawford, Mhairi Ince, Jonathan Lloyd, Clare Walker, Victoria Harrison, Simon Favour and David Roscoe. They are working with the dedication and enthusiasm that is the legacy of St Edward's College Community Service.

Our pupils have raised money for several charities this year. The main ones are Macmillan Nurses and the Alder Hey Children's Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The usual charities, such as UNICEF, CAFOD and the Good Shepherd have also been supported, together with our Edmund Rice Fun Run and the Balloon Race, organised by Philip Gilbertson and Stephen Crellin, 4 Sefton, for the Alder Hey Children's Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

T.T. Critchley



Simon Hynd and Barry Ross with residents (Dorothy and Sue) of St Joseph's



Stephen Ives and Clare Walker at Margaret Beavan School

NEWS OF FORMER PUPILS

Esther McDerra graduated with BDS from University of Dundee

Michael Donafee graduated with BA (Hons) II.ii in Business Studies from the University of Sheffield

Owen Kenny graduated with LLB (Hons) II.i in Law from the University of Sheffield

Anthony Lamb graduated with MB ChB from the University of Sheffield

Natalie McNally graduated with LLB (Hons) II.ii in Law from the University of Sheffield

David Galvin, since leaving the College, gained a degree in Sport and Recreation Studies from North Staffs Poly, then spent 9 years in London where he obtained his physiotherapy

qualifications and has now set up his own private practice in Rodney Street. David also works for the British Gymnastics Association Medical Committee and the National Squad Gymnasts as physiotherapist.

Colonel Graeme Bryson, was recently awarded a B.Sc. (Open degree) by the Open University for a computer based course. Colonel Bryson, a former pupil and first lay chairman of governors, gained his first degree (law) from Liverpool University in 1932, which was followed by a most distinguished career.

Sean O'Hara, who left the College in 1976, studied dentistry at King's College, London and is now practising in Speke.

The anniversary of the D-Day landings is perhaps a suitable time to reflect on the fact that the first half of this century saw two World Wars, which wiped out a great many members of successive generations of young men. The Edwardian family provided many sons in both conflicts and many people will remember their former classmates who fell in one of the two World Wars. Older members will remember St Philip Neri's Church where a list of the names of classmates who fell in the Great War is enshrined. Many more people will remember the war memorial boards at Bishops Court, which were unfortunately badly damaged during a redecoration in the early 1980's.

The C.I. Committee recently discussed the best way to remember Old Edwardians who fell in both wars and decided to commission war memorial boards, which will be presented to the

College at this year's Old Edwardians' Dinner on 14 October. This will be followed by a dedication at a Mass for all deceased Edwardians in the school chapel on November 6th. It is hoped that the tradition of a special Mass for deceased members of the Edwardian family will be reinstated and become an annual event.

The Association also recently uncovered the Curtin plaque, which as many of you will know, was commissioned to commemorate the death of a master who fell in the first World War. This was paid for by his former classmates and colleagues and was displayed in the school at its different locations over the past seventy years. The Old Edwardian Association are pleased that the plaque has now been returned to its rightful home and a new location for it in the College is yet to be decided.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Miss McGlory,

Many thanks for sending me the Spring 1994 edition of "The Edwardian".

I was very interested in your feature "The Lord Mayor Remembers", as I believe that Mike Black was a contemporary of mine at St. Edward's. I too attended the St. Domingo Road College for four years before we moved to Sandfield Park, where I stayed for a further two years from 1938-1940. I remember the school games in the yard and the tuck shop there, and the trips on the 22 tram when we scrambled to go "on top cage" at the front and rear, to play football at Copples House Lane, Fazackerley. Did you know that our cricket pavilion was moved to a place opposite the "Copples House Hotel", where it remained for many years as a reminder to "old boys"?

I remember Brothers Curran, Mainogt and Howlen who was once assaulted by one of his pupils in class! I too was evacuated to Llanelli in September 1939 in the Upper VI Modern form and remember sharing the Llanelli Grammar School premises, and their games of rugby, which we brought back to Liverpool. I seem to recall that Br. "Snowy" McNamara came with us to Llanelli and kept a very careful eye on us to make sure we made a good impression on our school pals of the Llanelli Grammar School. I remember playing endless games of Monopoly with my pal, Gerry McLean, at his "evacuee home". I really did enjoy my all too short stay there - I stayed at the house of the local fruit shop owner, Mr Thomas, who was also a Methodist preacher. I recall my many happy hours at Pwll and Stradey Park and journeys on the trolley bus and visits to the Steel Works at Llanelli, and to the local "derby" rugby match between Llanelli and Aberavon. Happy days!

I seem to connect the name of another pupil, Francis Carey with Michael Black, but I may be wrong. I was not in Br. Howlen's class but in the next room, Br. Curran's class.

As to the war years, after a spell of fire watching on St Alophonsus' Church roof and the parish school, which unfortunately was destroyed in the Blitz, I joined the R.A.F. in December 1941 and saw service in India, Burma and Malaya and Java until 1946, when I returned to play football with Old Cathinians A.F.C., one of whose team-mates was Ken Bryson.

As to the letter from J.E. Brady in the same edition, my memory may be failing, but Jack Curtin was my French teacher 1934-1940, he taught me the difference between "corps" and "corpse"! I think it was his brother, Tim, who died in the 1914-1918 War.

With best wishes to all Old Boys,
Yours sincerely,
Ernest (W.E.) Edwards ("The Professor").

Dear Editor,

I am an 'old-boy' of St Edward's College in Liverpool. Alas, now a very old boy! My eldest son was also educated at St Edward's and we are now looking forward to the time when hopefully, a third generation can benefit from a school life with a Christian Brothers' school.

It is with sincere regret that I must confess to having wasted my time at school and, I suspect, the time of a few excellent teachers, because, at the end of the day, my academic achievements were not good. Bad company and laziness were my problems.

On leaving school, I joined the Liverpool City Police and after completing my initial training I was posted to the territorial division in which St Edward's College was situated. The Chief Superintendent of the

Bursary Winners

Pictured with the Headmaster, are 12 out of the 14 bursary winners who will be joining the College in the first year in September 1994.

The photograph shows the bursary winners as following with the Headmaster:

Kevin Wilson, Headmaster, David Harris, Laura Gilmore, Kevin Peters, Danielle Kenyon, Kathryn Hogg, Katie Anderson, Vicki Maguire, Hannah Kirkham, Andrew McLean, Jonathan Fogg, Christopher McCarthy

Not present were: Christopher Powell and Daniel Walker



division was of the old school, being a hard man and strict disciplinarian. He was also a high-ranking member of the Free Masonry Hierarchy. So it was with trepidation, on my first day, that I was marched into his office for my 'welcoming talk'. Of course, he knew everything about me, but this did not prevent him from asking obvious questions about my family, hobbies and sporting interests. Predictably, he soon moved on to ask about my education. There was no point in my trying to deceive him or to attempt to exaggerate my pathetic achievements, because he already knew everything, so I spluttered out the truth, cringing and waiting for him to tell me that which I already knew - that I was an idiot. Much to my surprise he said, "I am not too bothered about your academic results. I know that you have been to the best school in Liverpool and that you have had an education second to none." This was a remarkable comment from a man of his standing in the Masonic movement to a young Catholic boy. I was not silly enough to believe that this was a compliment to me, but more a tremendous show of respect for the College and its staff.

It was only as I grew older and saw more of life and people that I fully appreciated just how good the College education was for me and later, for my son. On retiring from the police in 1990, I found myself living and working in Rome and it was not too long before I met Brother McGuire in the Prefect's Office at the Vatican. I see him three or four times a year and our conversations invariably turn to the subject of the Irish Christian Brothers. In recent months I have been trying to ascertain if a history of the order has been published as I would very much like to read it, if one exists. I would appreciate any information.

Yours sincerely,
James A. Leahy.

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Dear Friends and Sponsors,

I have been in Bandung for six months now. Time slips by here almost unnoticed, as there are no seasons as we know them. In this report I shall try to give you an idea of my life in Bandung, Indonesia's third largest city.

Indonesia is an archipelago of some 13,000 islands. Millions of people with a great diversity of culture live here in great tolerance; Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and Christian live side by side. Java is the most densely populated island. Bandung is the capital city of West Java. It is situated in a high valley, surrounded by tea plantations, 180 km south east of Jakarta. The surrounding countryside is varied and beautiful.

Bandung is a bustling commercial and educational centre. Its people are composed of the usual Indonesian mix; Sudanese, Balinese, Javanese, Chinese, Arab and European. The climate is cool and fresh. We are just coming out of the rainy season (September - February), the rainfall is predictable though, it almost always rains in the afternoon and is so heavy it's like standing under a shower!

My partner Jennifer (from Aberdeen) and I, are working as English Assistants in the College of Tourism (B.L.B.P.) in the north of Bandung. The college is divided into subject departments. I teach four classes from Room Division, two from Food and Beverage and two from Tourism Management - a total of 204 students. They range in age from 19 to 30 years old.

All education in Indonesia has to be paid for. Further education is comparatively expensive, so the majority of our students are from fairly wealthy families, by Indonesian standards. They have to pass an English exam to enter B.P.L.P. The standard of English is pretty high.

I teach an average of 5 hours per day, about 26 hours Monday - Friday. The mornings I'm not teaching are spent in the office, marking, planning lessons and answering teachers' questions. Free afternoons I spend in Wyata Guana.

Wyata Guana is a government run institute which provides a home for about 360 blind or partially sighted people, mostly between the ages of 5 and 22 years. School is provided in the mornings, but in the afternoons they are left to their own devices. I spend my time there in the playground with the younger children, talking to them, cleaning and playing games, which has increased my knowledge of board games no end! The children are neither well clothed nor well fed. We help by bringing extra food, which is cheap and plentiful, when we can, and next semester hope to organise some picnics. Matt, another volunteer reads English to some residents while Jennifer takes some of the children swimming.

I have also started teaching at an SOS village up in the hills of Bandung. SOS villages are villages of various houses for orphans and each house has parents and the children become each others brothers and sisters. Between us we run an English course three times a week.

Our evenings and other free time was, at first, taken up planning and marking work, but since we have become more skilled, or perhaps more lazy, our free time has increased! At the request of our students, we have set up a Conversation Club which meets on Fridays. Last semester we started Scottish Dancing lessons (Jennifer is from Aberdeen remember!). These have been well attended and a small group performed in the Practice Restaurant and did a display on Parents' Day.

We hope to continue next semester and perhaps take the students to the "Highland Gathering", in Jakarta, in June. Our representatives have high hopes of an Indonesian Display team at the Highland Gathering, but Jennifer and I have our reservations as the standard expected is very high and our lessons are aimed largely at enjoyment rather than perfection. We have a team lined up but whether they'll perform or not, is as of yet, undecided. However we will definitely take a group to watch if nothing else.

Our pastimes range from singing and playing guitar (which has landed us on stage a few times), to visiting friends' homes, where we have perfected the art of eating with our hands! It is very easy to make friends here. We have been taken to the cinema and to see "Wayang" puppet shows, "Ji Pangam" dance performances, which are fascinating. Cultural life is rich and varied. We have also managed to take in two

choir concerts, a Jazz concert and a French ballet, courtesy of the French Consulate! That's not to mention "Studio East", Bandung's famous night club. Sport is very important here and everyone has a sport. Every Government establishment has an exercise programme. Needless to say, we have been roped in, and every Friday morning finds us out on the netball courts, "keepfitting". We even took part in a competition last semester, our team came second! The "Hash Run" organised by ex-patriots, is a great way of seeing the countryside, whilst puzzling the local people. We have tried our hands at karate and swum in the hotel pool, although, believe it or not it has been too cold since the rainy season started in September.

B.P.L.P. has a Gamelan orchestra and I have had the chance to try out some of the traditional instruments, including the bamboo flute or "suling", I hope to join the group for some concerts next semester.

My own flute has proved an indispensable asset, an ideal form of relaxation and escape when things get tough. Keeping up with tradition I played at the Christmas concert here.

Overall, things have gone well and despite the inevitable hiccups we have had an enjoyable time, whilst we hope, improving our students English conversation and confidence. Our health is generally good and we have so far managed to survive our share of "Bandung Belly".

This term we have changed classes and moved house. We spent last semester in the "Model Room" at B.P.L.P. This is a model hotel room and not really typical Indonesian, except for the cockroaches, chik-chats (small lizards) and mosquitoes! After much searching we managed to find homes in the community; where we are able to experience and understand the Indonesian way of life better, and increase our knowledge of "Bahasa Indonesia", Indonesia's official language. Generally life here is good. The weather isn't too hot, the people are friendly and the food delicious. I'm really enjoying living in my new home and feel extremely popular, as the children run to meet me when I return from work! It is difficult to express how much I have learned since I have been here, and am looking forward to the challenges and experiences next semester will bring. Thank you for your support and help, Terima Kasih Banyak - Wasalam
Anne Burrows (former pupil 1991-1993)

Dear Editor,

Greetings from Brazil! I thought you might like to hear the story so far: I've been in Brazil for almost four months now and most things are going very well. I travelled to Brazil at the end of January and spent a week looking round Rio de Janeiro, visiting the main attractions, such as Sugar Loaf Mountain and Corcovado (the hill on which stands the huge statue of Christ the Redeemer). I found Rio very exciting and beautiful although I never felt entirely safe as it was my first time in South America and Rio's glamorous image is somewhat tarnished by the reports of poverty and violence. Luckily I didn't experience the latter while I was there, although one day I watched a television news report of a gun battle between police and drug traffickers which had taken place the night before less than a mile away from where I was staying. I had four nights in a hotel on the seafront at Ipanema (next beach along from Copacabana). The view from my bedroom window of the sun setting was stunning.

After Rio I flew up to João Pessoa (capital of Paraíba state, N.E. Brazil) on February 4th, but it took me until 1st March to find somewhere permanent to live. Being the Carnival period lots of houses and apartments were already rented out at high prices, so I spent most of February moving between guest houses and youth hostels. Eventually I met up with a couple of other students and we moved into an apartment at Cabo Branco beach. Cabo Branco, apart from being one of the nicer areas to live, also happens to be the most eastern point of the Americas. The sun rises about 5 am every day which at first was quite difficult to get used to, especially as one of the windows in my room has no curtains!

Manchester University has a type of exchange programme with the Federal University of Paraíba which is why I came over here to study. However, things have not exactly gone to plan in that regard. There have been various strikes throughout the year meaning that I've never had more than about 5 hours of lectures per week. Most of the study that I've done has been at home. With the extra time that the

University strikes afforded me I managed to get some part-time work in a local language school.

João Pessoa itself is quite a charming town full of beautiful colonial churches, monasteries and convents and although it is a poor town, the crime rate is nothing compared with, say Rio or São Paulo. The big culture shock for me was the huge gap between the rich and poor. Being regularly asked by children for money or food can be quite depressing at times. On the whole, however, the people here - rich or poor - seem to be very happy and life-loving.

Although I had a wonderful time in Spain before Christmas, I feel I definitely made the right choice spending the rest of my year abroad here. I think that I'd begun to feel quite at home in Europe in general, so coming to South America to live has been rather a shock to the system, whilst still being an experience that I've enjoyed.

I'm off travelling again soon, to North Brazil. I intend to sail up the entire length of the Amazon and explore the Rain Forests on the way. My preparation for the journey is well underway.

Very best wishes,
Julian Loftus

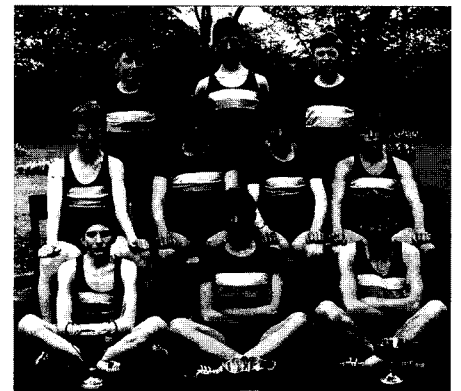
Dear Julie,

In the last issue of 'The Edwardian' Summer 1993, in the "Where are they now?" section, there was a letter from Mike Dooling naming the cross-country team of 1966-67. The only person he couldn't name was centre of the front row who was Stephen Keelan. Stephen qualified as a dentist, but unfortunately died in his late twenties from cancer leaving a wife and three children.

I have enclosed a photograph from the same period. The team won the National Sevens at Roehampton, the Welsh at Llanelli and the Merseyside Sevens at Caldy. I know the names of everybody in the photograph, but the whereabouts of only one.

For myself (on the right in the front row) I am a Chartered Accountant practising in Rodney street, Liverpool.

Yours sincerely,
Mr. J.B. Tyrer



Back Row: Lake, Tommy Arslanian, Mike Lee
Middle Row: John Malley, Denis Quayle, Mike Dooling, Colin Howlett
Front Row: Roger Harrison, Stephen Keelan, Ray Peating



Back row left to right: Danny Norton, Ian Bligh, Ian Reid, Peter Melia, Frank (Brains) Downs
Front row left to right: John (Hento) Hennigan, Dave (Spud) Colford, James Tyrer

Guadix 1994



On Thursday 24th March 1994, Mr. Mars' Travelling Army - soon to be of great fame through the Hispanic World - set off on the annual exchange to Guadix - a typical Andalucian town of about 20,000 inhabitants. As with the majority of such towns, Guadix had a lot to offer in the way of culture - ancient caves - still inhabited by natives (but fortunately, by none of us!), the beautiful cathedral and archetypal Andalucian countryside.

remain in the memory.

On the following Tuesday came a trip to Almeria. We went via the Sierra Nevada - a journey more like a roller coaster than anything else. After what seemed about 2 days later we arrived in Almeria where we spent a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and evening. Some were content to admire the impressive scenery thereabouts whilst others took advantage of the beach. It was a good day enjoyed by everyone and the slow fading of the old favourite songs form the back of the coach showed that everyone was worn out.

It was great to see all of the characters again who are somehow part of the scenery of the place - the gypsies who own the 'dodgems', Señor Modesto etc. It would take too long to name them all. Suffice to say that once again we were shown an excellent time in what has become for many of us a social and cultural capital of our world - a home from home.

Thanks again to all our Spanish friends and I hope we will show them as enjoyable a time when they come here in July.

The only dark spots were the absences of Mr. Clayton and Mr. Mars from Guadix, but Miss

Clooney and Miss Cooper provided a good stand-in.



In Guadix '94

Nick Mulroy

John McGrath

Jonathan Lloyd

Pete Moran

Dom Minghella

Luke O'Hanlon

Dan Mythen

Robert Geraghty

Liam Brady

Paul Stanley

Paul Birchall

Mike Myers

John Church

P. Moran & N. Mulroy - 6th Form



As we arrived in the town, expectations were mixed; some hoped to see old friends from previous exchanges, others 'the first timers' merely wanted to survive the initial few days. Most of us had been before and hence knew what to expect; some had not and life was not made easier for them by being thrown into the 'hustle and bustle' (?) of life in smaller surrounding towns - more like the OK Corral than Andalucia.

After a settling down period of a few days, we were all accustomed to most of the quirks of Andalucian life - from the eating times (much later than here) to the accent, while others were still coming to terms with the bathing of all food in olive oil. The week ended on a high note with a meeting of all the families at the local country club - Acyda (a day well enjoyed in previous years). We sampled the local delicacy (?) of chicken and chips (olive oil strikes again!), followed by the annual clash on the football field between English and Spanish sides. The Spaniards were screamed on to a crashing 6-4 defeat, while the others - less active - relaxed in the heat of the Spanish sun. This was a day that will long



Change of Date

Ladies' Day Luncheon

on

Friday 25th November

at

The Goodison Supporters' Club

Tickets at £14

The speaker this year will be Mrs Christina Lyons, Professor of Law.

Last year the Luncheon raised £2,050 and tickets for next year's Luncheon will be issued on a first come first served basis

Any ladies wishing to be added to the Ladies' Luncheon mailing list - please leave name, address and telephone number at the College.



bar and then moved on to the 'Callejón. Everyone was merry. One member of the group was unable to enjoy these pleasantries, as for a large part of his stay, he was living in a remote country house in the mountains with only cold, dripping water.



We arrived in Spain, finding what we had hoped to find - a bright sun and clear blue skies. Most of the group (made up of 10 St Edward's boys and 9 Upton Convent girls) met their partners at Malaga but a few, like myself had to endure another two hours and an arduous coach journey before they met their compañeros in Motril.

Liverpool - Motril Intercambio '94

On the last full day, Glen Anderson (Form 6) staked his claim for fame on local Spanish television. The tape is over here in England if anyone wishes to see it.

The last night saw many sad farewells, but these friendships will be renewed when the Spaniards come to

Liverpool in July.

The first night was spent getting to know the family and their Andalucian accent. Most nights the group got together in the 'Lebrillo'

The first excursion was to the Alpujarras in which there was a group of mountain villages. While we were there one particular fitness fanatic ran to the top of a mountain where a loss of footing would mean a very long drop down. In between visits to the beach, we went to a sugar refinery, the only one in Europe at Salobreña - and the smell there was far from sweet!

Gregory Hunt (6/3)



Diary Dates

September

- Mon 5 INSET day for staff
- Tues 6 ADVENT TERM begins ; Senior School Forms 1 & 6 only school ends 12 noon
- Wed 7 Term begins for Senior School & Junior School - full day
Reception class begins (half class am/ half class pm)

October

- Wed 12 Open Evening
- Thur 13 The beginning of Edwardian Week
- Fri 14 Old Edwardian's Open Afternoon and Annual Dinner
- Sun 16 St Edward's Day Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral 11.00 am
- Tues 18 Edwardian Week - Concert
- Thur 20 Edwardian Celebrity Dinner

Sat 22 Half term holiday commences

Mon 31 St Edward's Day Holiday

November

- Tues 1 All Saints' Day
- Wed 2 Term resumes
- Sun 6 C.I. Edwardian Mass for deceased former pupils - School Chapel
- Sat 12 Trust Fund Annual Dinner - Gladstone Hotel
- Fri 25 Ladies Luncheon - Everton Supporters Club

December

- Fri 2 INSET day for staff (no school)
- Fri 16 Term ends 12 noon

January 1995

- Mon 9 LENT TERM begins

Trust Fund Annual Ball

Dear Friends of St. Edward's,

The Trust Fund will be holding its Annual Ball on Saturday 12th November. The event is again at the Gladstone Hotel and dancing will be provided this year by a 7 piece band 'Celebration'. This is a new group to us, but they come highly recommended.

Once again we will welcome assistance with raffle prizes, advertising or sponsorships of any kind. We are again looking for your support and would welcome early bookings and anticipate around 280 guests.

There will be a wine reception at 7.30 pm for Dinner at 8.00 pm. Dress is formal and the event will close at 1.30 am. Please make a note in your diary, book your table and join us for our usual splendid evening.
See you Saturday 12th November!

Trust Fund Annual Ball

at

The Gladstone Hotel
(formerly The Crest)

Saturday 12th November 1994

Dancing to
"Celebration" 7 piece

Wine Reception 7.30 pm Dress Formal

Dinner 8.00 pm Carriages 1.30 am

Tickets £25

Trust Fund Deed of Covenant

I promise to pay St. Edward's College Trust Fund during my lifetime such a sum as after deduction of income tax at the basic amount to:

£2 per month*
£5 per month*

£10 per month*
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ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE TRUST FUND

The Trust was formed in 1981 with an initial target of £1million. At this time difficulties were foreseen with the funding of places in the school because of the change from Direct Grant to independent status. The interest from the Trust Fund was to be used to assist the College should the need arise, by providing Scholarships and Bursaries for children who previously would have been awarded places by their local authority but because of the change would be unable to attend for financial reasons.

Since the establishment of the Trust Fund, efforts to raise funds by covenants, donations and other means have continued. This has not been easy with the prevalent conditions of employment and the general state of the nation. However, despite these problems the Fund has continued to grow steadily and now stands at about £700,000.

The Trust has been able to offer support to families of pupils of the school when they have found themselves in financial difficulties, brought about by family illness or bereavement. This support which has been vital to affected families has been equivalent to £11,450 this year. The Fund has also made available £30,000 for the provision of extra facilities for the College. Although this allocation to the College and the awards to families may seem generous, when set in the context of the annual College budget of OVER £3,000,000, they take on a somewhat different perspective.

This year the Headmaster has proposed that for a week starting on St. Edward's Day, Thursday, October 13, the College will sponsor a week of fund raising for the Trust to be called the *Edwardian Week*. This will involve many sections of the College community, including a 'Sponsored Walk', a music concert on Tuesday, 18 October, a Celebrity Dinner on Thursday, 20 October and a Parents' Association function on Saturday, 15 October. All this is addition to

the usual *Open Afternoon* for former students, and the *Old Edwardians' Dinner* on Friday, 14 October and the annual Mass for the College at the Cathedral at 11.00am on Sunday 16 October.

The Governors of the College have recently agreed an extensive building plan for the future needs of the College and this exciting and vital development will cost over £2 million. A major item is the building of a new hall to replace the present assembly hall which for many years has been quite inadequate for a full Senior School assembly and to extend the dining facilities which also cannot cater for the increasing numbers. Also planned are an astroturf all weather pitch, swimming pool refurbishment and the provision of new changing rooms and new science laboratories. With the establishment of the new Nursery in January, 1994, the College roll now stands at 1,000 pupils. Whilst the developments will need major financing, they are necessary if St Edward's is to remain at the leading edge of education in Liverpool. With the help of all sections of our College community, past and present, we trust that the Trust Fund will be able to play an important supporting role.

Donations of any amount (though larger ones will be specially welcome!) to the fund are invited, especially from former pupils who have had the benefit of being educated at St Edward's. If donations are covenanted, tax can be recouped by the Fund and make your gifts even more worthwhile at no extra expense to you. You will find a Covenant Form printed in this issue of *The Edwardian* and we hope and trust that many of you will take the opportunity immediately of starting a Covenant. Making a bequest is another way of helping the College. Please give the matter your consideration at once: the worst thing would be to do nothing.

Brian McDonald
Chairman, Trust Fund Association

MacMillan Nurses' Coffee Morning

A national Coffee Morning fund raising day with all proceeds going towards the Macmillan Nurses' appeal, will be held on 30th September 11.30 am - 2.30 pm at Mrs Stella Goodwin's house, 4 Heathwood, South Drive, Sandfield Park. Entrance will be £2 and all are most welcome to come along. Last year the event raised £300 for the appeal.

Cathedral Choristers

Voice trials for choristers for the Metropolitan Cathedral Choir were completed last term. 23 boys from 14 schools entered for the trials and 6 boys have been awarded places in the Choir. They are as follows:

(home districts listed in brackets)

Ashley Guidera (Crosby)
Anthony Higham (Fazakerley)
Richard Jeffery (Aigburth)
David King (West Derby)
Andrew Roberts (Woolton)
Gareth Taylor (Gateacre)

Four of the boys have a brother who is already a chorister at the Cathedral (one of them being an identical twin).

The six new choristers will commence their duties next September (1994). Besides joining the choir, they will receive their education at the Cathedral Choir School, St Edward's College (where two of the candidates are already pupils). At the Choir School, alongside their normal education, the new choristers will be given a sound musical education. As well as the musical tuition received in choir practice, every chorister learns to play at least one musical instrument and has individual singing.

At the moment there are 19 choristers, and a further 7 currently in training as 'probationers'. They come from a wide area, including Bootle, Crosby, Eccleston, Leigh, Rainhill, Roby, Waterloo and Widnes. The boys have choir practice each morning before school begins and they sing at 5 services each week.

Philip Duffy
Master of the Music Metropolitan Cathedral.



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MUSIC OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

7th July 1994 7.30 pm

Ley Hall

An exciting evening of folk, Flamenco, Medieval, Renaissance and modern music

Performed by:

Patricia Howley	Soprano	Early Music Group
Francis Davies	Flute	Chamber Choir
Benjamin Sils	Trumpet	and Orchestra

Entry by programme on the door £1.50 (concessions 80p) including wine.

All Welcome!

Old Boys' Rugby Report

The Old Boys Rugby 1st XV had a difficult season. They started the year well but went off song over Winter. A reasonably strong performance towards the end of the season saw them finish in the bottom quarter of the North West 1 League. However 6th form rugby players should note that this still leaves the Old Boys Rugby Club three leagues higher than our main rivals in West Derby, namely Sefton Rugby Club. We are always ready to welcome potential new players and so if you want to continue your rugby playing career after your A level year, come along to one of our training sessions on the school grounds every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 6.30 pm.

Now the Summer is upon us the golf section of the rugby club is in the middle of its annual program of competitions and any interested golf players can contact the Secretary of the society, Paul Kelly, at Bishops Court.

Looking forward to next season the first league game for the rugby club is on September 17th whilst the first game of the season for the 1st XV will be the preliminary round of the Lancashire Trophy Competition against Heaton Moor on the 4th September at home - all support welcome!

M.R.G. Seddon

Old Edwardian's Dinner and Presentation of War Memorials

Friday 14th October 1994

7.00 pm for 7.30 pm
at
St Edward's College

*Anyone who wishes
to be put on the mailing list
for the Dinner
please contact Mark Seddon
on 051-489 7932*

MINIBUSES: THE ROAD AHEAD IS CLEAR!



Mr McCarthy and Mr Wilkinson before their 3 hour minibus assessment.

The widely publicised coach and minibus accidents in recent months have highlighted concern over school minibus safety, notably the deaths on the M40 and A59.

This is not a new issue. Over many years there has developed a tension between the policy suggestions of the European Commission, the ideas of British politicians and civil servants and the day to day realities of educational and charitable bodies.

Put simply can groups afford an up to date minibus with seat belts and tachograph and have access to a professionally trained and independently assessed driver? Finance is a constraint on the all embracing concern over safety.

Minibuses have become an essential element in school life. This is especially the case in independent schools where extra-curricular activities exist in abundance and teaching staff show enthusiasm for their special interests be it chess, badminton, or the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. They are willing to give their time "after four" and at weekends. Minibuses provide considerable convenience and flexibility in use, particularly if there are two, as at St Edward's. Coaches provided by outside firms would not, for many purposes in the College, give the necessary convenience and flexibility. To use coaches for all requirements would be prohibitively costly. Many activities would quite simply cease in many schools and Colleges if there was not ready access to minibuses.

The issue which has been addressed at the College is how to make existing minibus provisions as safe as possible, bearing in mind that legislative changes may indeed change the context over the next few years.

Two headings might be appropriate: "vehicle safety" and secondly, "driver safety". The College has two vehicles a Leyland-Daf 16 seater K reg and a Ford 15 seater H reg. The latter is on contract hire and so its servicing is the responsibility of the hire firm. The Leyland-Daf is maintained by the local main dealer, NW Trucks, at intervals more frequent than suggested by the manufacturer. This reflects the fact that there are many different drivers of the minibus and a great deal of use occurs in urban and suburban areas.

A time each week is allocated for checking the minibuses in terms of oil, water, lights, tyres and for cleaning. In addition, it is the responsibility of each driver, legally, to make similar checks prior to use. The minibuses have full AA cover. Thus the vehicles are kept in a safe and roadworthy condition. Both buses are filled with seat-belts. Pupils are instructed to wear seat belts as fitted. They can be a life saver.

In the last 12 months the three accidents involving the minibuses have highlighted the need to focus on "driver safety". None of the three involved other vehicles or injury to occupants. Two happened entering the College

gates as a result of misjudgement by the driver. The other was a collision with a bollard in confined manoeuvring - again, driver misjudgement.

This is not to say that drivers are uninhibited and lacking in concern for safety. The simple fact is that so many car drivers are not capable of driving a minibus with full control and confidence. A good car tends to compensate for driver error - a minibus (or any larger vehicle) tends to exaggerate driver error. A minibus is a larger vehicle, with different handling characteristics, different driving position and different responsibilities. It is still possible for any teacher with a licence acceptable to insurers to drive a minibus in this country. A coach or large bus requires a Passenger Carrying Vehicle Licence, a lorry a Heavy Goods Vehicle Licence. These licences follow on a successful course of training and independent testing.

Parents are right to expect the best from St. Edward's, not just the legal minimum. The Headmaster has sponsored a driver training scheme for all minibus drivers. This is an on going process but at the moment embodies a three hour session of training and assessment with written information providing guidance on driving technique, on Saturday mornings.

One staff member was trained successfully as a fully qualified P.C.V. driver and with the Institute of Advanced Motorists. He is responsible for the minibuses and driver training. Given that the College minibuses are used for over twenty different activities by in excess of thirty drivers, driver training is a must. There is no real code of practice for Minibus Institutional users, or indeed drivers, so much of what the College is doing is innovative, but similar to the best practice in other independent schools.

It has become clear that, perhaps unexpectedly, those needing improvement most are middle-aged. It is many years since they were trained as drivers and have accumulated a whole range of bad habits. Yet experience gives them the belief that they are good, safe drivers. In fact, to date, the best driver on assessment was female and in her twenties. So much for male chauvinism!

I trust this article has been informative for parents and that they appreciate the considered and serious approach the College is taking with minibus travel for its pupils.

John Campbell - i/c Minibuses

Cross Country Report

The cross country club has enjoyed a reasonably successful season, with some outstanding individual performances backed up by very good team performances. It is not possible to mention everybody who took part in the club's activities, but there were many unsung heroes who played a full part by training and running enthusiastically throughout the season.



Our girls' teams have faced fierce competition locally from schools such as Broughton Hall and St Hilda's, respective winners of the Junior and Intermediated age groups in the T.S.B. Cup, a national competition. Nevertheless, the Under 12's achieved a very creditable 8th position in the Merseyside League, in which 20 schools took part. Helen Clint was the individual winner at the Liverpool Harriers Cup meeting at Wavetree and she also finished in the first ten in all three League races and was chosen to represent Merseyside against Dublin. Janine Newnes, Emma Wilcox, Christine Graham, Jenny Peers, Hayley Morris and Elizabeth Cashman provided good support.

The Under 13's had to compete against third year girls in the Merseyside League, but, running in their own age group in the League Championships (a separate event) at Crosby, they produced a splendid performance to finish 3rd and collect St Edward's first team medals for girls' cross country. Lucy Blackhurst again had a fine season and was also selected to represent Merseyside against Dublin. She was well supported by Vikki Newnes, Kelly Giblin, Nicola O'Donoghue and Lindsay Carroll.

The Under 12 boys' team enjoyed a successful first season, achieving a good third place in the Merseyside League, 4th in the Liverpool Harriers Cup meeting and winning all but one of their 'friendly' fixtures. Michael Bate enjoyed an excellent season, winning the first League race and finishing in the first five in the other League fixtures and 8th in the Northern Schools Championships over the hills of Lyme Park. He was also chosen for Merseyside against Dublin. Good support came from Daniel Melia, Alan Walsh, Jon Price, John Slavin and Andrew McLindon.



The Under 13's were affected by numerous injuries throughout the season, so that they were rarely at full strength. Nevertheless, they finished a respectable 4th in the Merseyside League and also won all but one of their 'friendly' fixtures. Michael Dudley recovered from injury to finish a very creditable 29th in the Northern Schools' Championships. He and Francis Brooks were our first two counters in most races, with Neil Renton, Michael Hogg and James Prendergast usually our next runners home.

The Under 14's enjoyed a fair degree of success. They won the Christian Brothers' Schools Championships at Crosby, finished a fine 2nd in the Merseyside League and acquitted themselves well in other fixtures. Simon Fraser won the final two League races at Wavetree and Wirral G.S. and was chosen to represent Merseyside in the English Schools Championships - held this year in Sefton Park - where he ran very well to finish as Merseyside's third counter. Peter Walsh also had a fine season - he was 5th in the Wavetree League race and was a reserve for Merseyside at Sefton Park - and there was fine support from Matthew Gilmore, Ian O'Brien, Michael Ellis and Colin Price. The 'B' team again did well as a team, as well as supporting the 'A' team. Chris Stockton and James Warburton were 'A' team counters on occasion and credit must also go to Chris Ventre, Jamie Tedford and Andrew Williams, who trained and competed regularly in all weathers.

The fourth years ran most of their races with the fifth years, but the T.S.B. Cup and two local cup meetings saw a combined third and fourth year team competing in Under 15 events. They ran very well to win the first round of the T.S.B. Cup at a wet Royden park. In the Regional Final at Rochdale - also held in cold, wet conditions - our team finished a creditable 5th. The Under 16 team also enjoyed a good season, achieving 2nd place in the Merseyside League. Peter Silcock had an outstanding season - he finished 2nd in two of the League races and 3rd in another. He ran with distinction for Merseyside in the English Schools Championships, also finishing as a third counter for the team. Robert Pope also had an excellent season - he finished 9th, 5th and 2nd in the first three League races - and only injury robbed him of a place in the Merseyside team at Sefton Park. Our fourth year runners provided them with consistent support throughout the season, with some fine performances from Neil Blackhurst, Lee Rowlands, Stephen Parkinson, Ben Leather and Stephen Cranny. Credit must also be given to Lee and Stephen Farrington for their consistent effort in training.

The Seniors suffered from only having a small squad and injury meant that they were not often at full strength. James O'Shaughnessy proved their most successful runner, and there were some good performances also from Alex Prayle, Billy Edwards and Barry Pierce.

I would particularly like to express my thanks to the team coaches - Miss Clooney, Mr Stephenson, Mr Wilkinson, Mr Haines and Mr McCarthy - for all their hard work and support throughout the season.

Last, but not least, a big thank you to so many parents for their enthusiastic support, both moral and material, for their sons and daughters throughout the season.

J.F. Miles

Chess Report

This year all our teams had a disappointing start to the season. The Under 15 team, captained by Stephen Farrington, performed best, only losing one match. This situation improved greatly after Christmas with the Under 13 and open teams not losing a single match. Despite this dramatic recovery the Senior team only finished runners up in the league and were knocked out of "The Times" Knockout Competition at an early stage.

Although we did not win any trophies this year, we did see the emergence of a few talented individuals. There was a formidable twosome, in the shape of the Farrington twins, who convincingly won most of their games. Stephen Farrington also reached the semi finals of the Individual School Knockout Championship - an excellent achievement. Michael Dudley, the Under 13 captain, also showed tremendous talent, only losing one game all season.

This year the Senior team was potentially one of the strongest teams ever. However, with every member having other school commitments it was difficult to arrange times when all the team could play. For this reason we played on numerous occasions with a noticeably weakened side. However, we did have some moderate success when, for the first time ever, a team entered the Liverpool Lighting Chess Tournament. The team consisting of Nicholas Gee, Kevin Wall, John Billal and myself, although extremely inexperienced, played with enthusiasm and finished high up in a field of twenty-three teams. This success was mainly due to the varying and unusual tactics from Nicholas Gee and Kevin Wall.

Enthusiasm for the game this year has been the greatest I have seen at St Edward's - at 6th form and junior level - with many people asking to be taught this grand game. This popularity is mainly due to the recent televisation of "The Times" World Championship between Nigel Short and Gary Kasparov.

As this is my last year as Chess Captain, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Bamber for the sacrifices he has made and for the enthusiasm and commitment he has shown towards all pupils throughout the seven years I have played chess for St Edward's. I would like to wish everybody who plays chess for St Edward's in the future, the best of luck in maintaining the high standard of chess played here.

Jamie A. McMullin - Form 7



Netball Reports 1993-1994

Under 14 Netball Team: Liverpool City Champions
Back Row: Julie Hynan, Kim Ware, Judith Turner, Lorraine Frost
Front Row: Leanne Lloyd, Denise Short (capt),
Leanne Olsen (not present: Claire Conroy)

Under 14's

This year the Under 14's have continued to play a good standard of netball. Generally they have trained hard and have been rewarded with some very good results. The team remained unbeaten throughout the season and beat some strong opposition. Notable victories included a 10-6 win at Merchant Taylors' and an excellent 11-5 victory over Upton Hall Convent, a competent side who reached the National Schools Finals last season.

This season the Under 14's retained their City Championship trophy and reached the County Schools Finals there they finished fourth, missing out on second place on goal difference only.

Well done to all players for another successful season, and congratulations to Denise Short who has represented the St Helens' district team and to Leanne Lloyd, Lorraine Frost and Judith Turner who were selected for the Liverpool Schools' Team.

My thanks to Miss Cooper for her assistance this year.

Under 13's

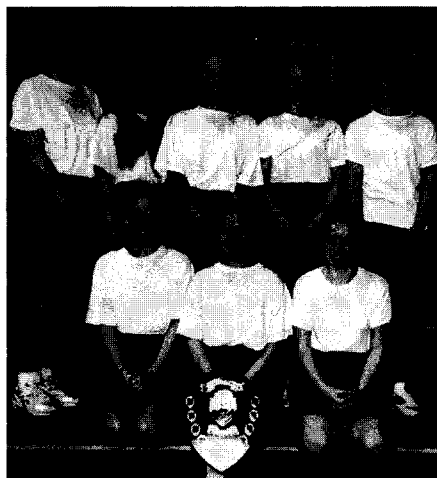
This season the Under 13's have shown a great team spirit and enthusiasm for training. Their dedication

Under 14's

The Under 14's have had a relatively lean season this year, losing to Merchant Taylor's, West Kirny Grammar and St Julie's, all teams which they have beaten in the previous seasons. These losses were not due to lack of talent, as all members of the squad have undoubted ability as hockey players, but were a result of lack of commitment to training by some members of the team. If the Under 14's are to achieve their full potential as Under 15's then this problem must be rectified in September.



Under 13 Hockey Team: Liverpool City Champions
Back Row: Nicola O'Donoghue, Jackie Tilley, Vikki Newnes, Emma Hinnigan
Front Row: Lucy Blackhurst, Mandy Bryan (capt),
Lindsay Carroll, Nina Farquharson



Under 13 Netball Team: Liverpool City Champions
Back Row: Michelle Frost, Emma Hinnigan, Eve Leather, Nina Farquharson, Mandy Bryan
Front Row: Nicola O'Donoghue, Lindsay Carrol (capt), Vikki Newnes

and willingness to learn has led to them showing vast improvement both technically and tactically. They have continued to play netball to a good standard and their results indicate that they have the potential to do well in county competitions next season.

Suffering only two defeats all year, the Under 13's have beaten strong teams such as Merchant Taylors', West Kirby Grammar and Upton Hall, and in fact also beat Archbishop Blanch Under 14's who were runners up to St Edward's Under 14's in the Liverpool City Tournament. The season was completed with a victory in their own City Championships.

Hockey Reports 1993-1994

Having said this, however, most players did train hard and with dedication, and some good results were achieved; strong teams such as Broughton Hall were beaten and the team finished as runners-up in the Liverpool City Tournament.

Under 13's

The enthusiasm and enjoyment for hockey which the Under 13's showed last year has continued this season. They have trained hard and shown great improvement as players. It was also pleasing to see several new players begin training and play in the team.

The squad's commitment to training and to each other gave rise to an excellent team spirit which helped them to a second successive unbeaten season. In fact, with the exception of a 1-1 draw at Merchant Taylors' in the first match of the year, every game was won; an excellent record by anyone's standards. The season was completed by a well deserved victory in the Liverpool City Tournament.

My thanks to and congratulations to all squad members for an excellent year. *L. Hutchinson*

Under 12's

The Under 12's have trained hard this season. They have been dedicated to the game and have improved both as individual hockey players and as a team.



Under 12 Netball Team: Liverpool City Champions
Back row: Louise Bromley, Rachel Eades, Jenny O'Brien, Emma Wilcox (capt), Rachael Kiely, Julie Makin
Front Row: Elizabeth Cashman, Janine Newnes, Rachel Lennon, Sarah McKay

My thanks and congratulations to all players for an enjoyable and successful season. Thanks also to Miss Greig for her help this year.

Under 12's

After defeat in the first match of the season, the Under 12's had an extremely good year. They trained with enthusiasm and proved themselves to be a competent team. There was great competition for places and the number of good players made selection difficult.

The team's commitment to training paid off as they then remained unbeaten until the last game of the season when they were beaten by an excellent Merchant Taylors' side. The Under 12's achieved some very good results which included wins over West Kirby Grammar, Liverpool College and St Mary's, and their season culminated in a victory in the Liverpool City Championship; three out of three for St Edward's College netball.

Congratulations and thanks to all Under 12 players for a good year, and to Miss Edwards for her help.

L. Hutchinson

Although there are only a handful of Under 12 fixtures for the A team and less for the B team, the teams enthusiasm has not wavered. They have been unbeaten this season without a goal scored against them and with a cumulative total of over 60 goals! A very impressive total for freshers to the game. The highlight of the season was winning the Liverpool City Tournament.

My congratulations to all the team and also my thanks to all their efforts and commitment this season. Well Done!
V. Qurrey



Under 12 Hockey Team: Liverpool City Champions
Back Row: Jenny O'Brien, Rachel Eades, Joanne Doddridge, Julie Makin, Danielle Chan
Front Row: Rachel Beckwith, Janine Newnes, Rachael Kiely (capt), Sarah McKay (Not present: Emma Wilcox)

Sporting Representative Honours and Achievements

Autumn/Winter 1993-1994

Hockey

U12 City Champions
U13 City Champions
U14 Runners-up

Netball

U12 City Champions
U13 City Champions
U14 City Champions

TSB Cup

U15 reached Regional Final where they came 5th

Liverpool Harriers Cup Races

U12's 4th

Individual Performances

U12 Michael Bate won first Merseyside League Race finished 2nd in Liverpool Harriers Cup Races finished 8th in Northern Schools Championships
U14 Simon Fraser won third and fourth Merseyside League Races finished 2nd, 3rd, 2nd in three final Merseyside League Races
U16 Peter Silcock finished 2nd, 3rd, 2nd in three final Merseyside League Races

Individual Performance

U12 Helen Clint was individual winner in Liverpool Harriers Cup Race finished 2nd in second League Race

Basketball

U19 City Finalists

Rugby

U19 Last 16 of National Daily Mail Cup
U16 Semi-finalists of Liverpool St Helens Floodlit Cup
U19 Winners Birkenhead Schools' Tournament (7's) (8th time in 16 years)
U16 Stonyhurst 7's Finalists
U14 Wirral 7's Semi-finalists
Lancs U16 D. Tunna P. Stanley

Cross Country - Boys

Merseyside League

U12 3rd
U13 4th
U14 2nd
U16 2nd

Wirral AC Cup Races

U13 4th
U15 4th

Christian Brothers Championships

U14 1st

Cross Country - Girls

Merseyside League

U12 8th
U14 18th

Merseyside League Championships

U12 10th
U13 3rd

Liverpool Harriers Cup Races

U12 7th
U14 7th

Representative Honours

Representing:

Merseyside V Dublin (October)
Helen Clint, Lucy Blackhurst, Michael Bate, Simon Fraser, Neil Blackhurst, Robert Pope, Peter Silcock

Liverpool in Merseyside School Championships (February)
Helen Clint, Lucy Blackhurst, Simon Fraser, Peter Walsh, Matthew Gilmore, Ian O'Brien, Ben Leather, Robert Pope, Peter Silcock

Merseyside in English School Championships at Sefton Park (March)
U14 Boys Simon Fraser (finished 64th, 3rd counter for Merseyside)
U16 Boys Peter Silcock (finished 74th, 3rd counter for Merseyside)

Interclass Competition Results

	3rd Year	2nd Year	1st Year
Cross Country	3D	2D	1D
Hockey	3M	2M	1S
Badminton	3M	2H	
Football	3D		
Korfball			1H
Swimming		2M	1S
Rugby			1M
Girls Basketball		2M	
Boys Basketball		2D	

Basketball Report

Our worst season overall for the last five years! This can be put down to lack of team practice not individual effort. There is an increasingly difficulty due to the breadth of extra-curricular activities we offer to get one team together consistently for one team practice per week. It is difficult in a team game such as basketball to produce the necessary drills and team plans to beat opposing teams who have regular practice.

Again the Under 19 team were the most successful team reaching the final of the City Cup, only to be beaten yet again by Bluecoat School - 53 - 83 points. Throughout the season the players produced good quality basketball and improved collectively in their offensive and defensive plays. Kevin Wall, John Church and Jamie McMullen had excellent seasons improving continually. Adam Harrison, Andrew O'Brien, Adam Grant, John Vancheri, David Roscoe, Paul Curtis, Spencer Williamson, Nicholas Gee and Danny Riley all played well and were important contributors to the team's success.

I hope these players continue to play the game when they leave school.

The Under 15's did not have the best of seasons for reasons already stated, being knocked out in the first round of the cup.

The Under 14's have displayed a good approach to the limited number of games they have had. Attendance at their training sessions per week was good and Mr Treherne was pleased with the development of Peter Walsh and Simon Worsley.

The Under 13 year group have had an excellent attitude to training all season, although it was difficult to get all the team together for a regular practice and consequently the development of our team play was restricted. However, there is no doubting the keenness of this age group to play the game. Attendance at morning (8.00 am) training sessions was excellent, I think the record was 24.

The boys went out in the first round of the cup to the eventual semi finalists, due more to the height of the opposition rather than our own teams skill level. The boys have showed, especially in the second half of the last game against St Margaret's that they can play a fast, accurate passing game. I hope they can continue to develop this aspect of their game.

The girls have had only three competitive games but did place 3rd out of 6 in an invitation tournament at Archbishop Beck School. I think they have brought their considerable netball passing skills and competitive attitude into their basketball and have

helped to enhance the general quality of basketball in their year.

Without naming names, I wish to congratulate all the second year players for their enthusiasm throughout the season. Don't lose it! *S.R.Morgan*

Boys' Swimming Report

We have had a very successful season with only one match lost. The only disappointment was the cancellation of the Liverpool Schools Championships, in which I felt the teams could have done very well. This event is usually the season's high point.

The Under 12's lost only one match to Bluecoat who have an exceptionally strong squad. Attendance at training by squad members must be improved if we too are to fulfil our undoubted potential. Philip Thompson, Michael Roberts and Terence McLoughlin were our strongest swimmers, but Paul Sweeney must be congratulated for his excellent attitude throughout the season.

Dennis Reid and Francis Brooks possess the best attitude for our second year swimmers who won six of their ten matches. The squad has strength in depth, but the quality is affected by the commitment of many of the swimmers to do well. This can be and should be improved.

The Under 14's are our strongest team. They have quality swimmers in Kevin Davies, William Hesketh and Philip Evans with good back up from Michael Ellis, Shaun Evans and Mark Leary. They have the potential to do very well in the English Schools Championships this summer and preserve their unbeaten record.

The Under 15's are the team of the season in terms of their attitude. They lost only one match during the season by one relay. Attendance at training was excellent and they are a pleasing group to work with. Ben Ambrose was the outstanding summer in the group with excellent support from Michael Fitzsimon, Michael Passey, Carl Mba and Laurence Bannon.

The Senior Team improved last year and there is a strong depth to the squad. Chima Ojukwu, Paul Maxwell and John Lee were the strongest swimmers in the squad, but a good attitude was shown by Graham Ion, Alan Doddridge and David Lambert, the future secretary for their work this year.

S.R. Morgan J. Gresty

Girls' Swimming Championships - 1994

The Liverpool Schools' Girls Swimming Championships provide an opportunity for individual skill to show forth. Last year, participating for the first time, St Edward's College finished 5th out of 9. This year the College moved up to 4th and again we were not competing at all levels.

The girls' swimming season had been a little disappointing in that weaknesses, particularly in freestyle in Years 1 and 2, had prevented many galas being won outright. Year 1 always did well and won most of their matches but illness or injury often robbed Years 2 and 3 of victory and cost winning the gala overall. At all times individuals tried hard. In Year 1 Rachel Beckwith, Sara Burns, Helen Clint and Nicola Girvan made exceptional progress well supported by Danielle Peddie and Vicky Woods. Year 2 relied more on team effort but individual progress was made by Eve Leather and Janie McCarthy.

Year 3 remained very strong in depth with Claire Beckwith, Julie Hynan, Kirstie McNeece and Susan Johnson putting in some great swims well supported by Katie Cottier, Nicola Davies, Laura Dickinson, Sandra Duncan, Lucy Fitzsimons and Marion Riley. After this year's heats for the Liverpool Schools' Girls' Swimming Championship, St Edward's College found was represented in 24 finals, including all relays (even the open relays which are for swimmers aged 11-18). Last year we were represented in 17 finals, Susan Johnson won the Third Year Freestyle and First Year Medley teams were also victorious. Second places were achieved by Helen Clint (Year 1 Backstroke and Butterfly), Eve Leather (Year 2 Backstroke) and Third Year Medley Team. Third places were won by Sara Burns (Year 1 Breaststroke), Julie Hynan (Year 3 Backstroke), Second Year Freestyle Team and First Year Freestyle Team.

Well done to all who contributed over the year - we can look forward confidently to next season!

M. Brooks

Under 13's Rugby Tour to the Emerald Isle

As part of the Edmund Rice celebrations the Under 13 rugby team were taking part in a tournament in Ireland. We met up on 15th April at 9.00 to set off for the Emerald Isle. The team split up into two groups and were safely seat belted into two minibuses. The journey to Anglesey took three hours and when we arrived at Holyhead we didn't have to wait too long for the ferry. After a three and a half hour crossing we landed just outside Dublin and soon we were on our way to Cork.



Breakfast on the ferry

The journey to Cork was longer than we had anticipated but we were soon tucked up for the remains of the night in our Forte Travelodge rooms. However, our sleep seemed short lived as we were up and out at 8.00 am ready to play in the rugby tournament at 11.00 am.

Seven teams, including St Edward's, took part in the tournament. We won our first game against Limerick 38-0 and we won the second game against Cork 54-5 - an easy win, with Ian Cheveau, Craig Griffies and Neil Stanley ripping the heart out of Cork's defence. The last game in our group proved a lot more difficult though team spirit shone through and we came back with two tries in the dying seconds of the game to narrow the score to a 15 points to 20 defeat at the hands of Presentation College, Bray. The semi finals beckoned - and we struggled on - one man down (through injury). Although defeat followed we did not lose heart and we were pleased with the performance of the team against Presentation College in the semis.

After the tournament we were taken for meal by our hosts, led by Headmaster, Br Rupert, to "downtown" Cork, which we thoroughly enjoyed. Then it was off to the Old School House, a small hotel near Dublin and a well earned rest. The journey to the hotel was of great interest and along the way we saw many famous castles and ruins, but surprisingly seeing no leprechauns or banshees.



Shaking hands after the match against Bray

The Under 13's did not have a successful year if only the playing record of four wins and one draw in fourteen matches is considered, but the season can be evaluated positively by analysing the improvement made in skills and the bright outlook this bodes for future seasons.

In the first match we scored an early try at Manchester G.S. but failed to capitalise on our advantage. This seemed to set our confidence back somewhat, and with tough fixtures against K.E.S., Lytham and Birkenhead School to follow it took us quite a while before we registered our first victory at home 36-0 against St Bede's. Just before half term in October we again took a 12-0 lead against St Joseph's, Stoke, thanks to two good tries by Neil Stanley, only to lose 12-15. At this stage of the season it was becoming more and more difficult to get a settled team each week because injuries were being accumulated. A good number of players were training regularly, but training must in future be more strenuous - as an insurance policy against picking up these niggling injuries. As the matches passed it was evident that we were a competent team which could put up a good display only to be



Sun and isotar in Cork

The following morning as we prepared to leave the day before's events were beginning to take their toll and we felt tired and sleepy. The journey to the ferry was calm and enjoyable and a good hearty breakfast was waiting for us when we boarded. Time flew and we were soon driving through Sandfield Park, tired but keen to tell our tales of victory and defeat and the distinctive way we celebrated the memory of Edmund Rice, Founder of the Christian Brothers, to our families.

We would like to thank Mr Campbell, Mr Pennington and Mr Carter for making this trip possible. I hope this will be the first of many for us. Peut-être la France at la victoire!!



Mike Ellard

The team were: M. Simpson, J. Cassidy, J. Garvey, B. Blundell, J. Haslam, S. Carter (capt), M. Goodwin, M. Scott, T. Heaven, I. Cheveau, C. Griffies, N. Stanley, A. Robinson, P. Dean, M. Sanchez, J. Harris.

Stuart Carter - Under 13's Captain

Wherever we travel to rugby tournaments or tours it seems inevitable that we meet Old Boys of St Edward's or certainly people who have connections with the College.

So it was on our visit to Cork. On the touchline at Presentation College was Mike Ellard who left St. Edward's in 1964 when Brother Coffey was Headmaster. He gave us vocal support and chatted happily about his time in Liverpool and was eager for news of our present era under Mr. Waszek. Mike spent his career in the armed forces including two years in Germany where he coached rugby with success including taking Ricklingen RFC to the German national cup in 1989. Now retired to his native Cork he spends much of his spare time in rugby coaching. Mike makes sure he attends Ireland's matches in the Championship each year. He sends his

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beaten by one star player of the opposition. I am sure that as the seasons pass the teamwork will develop to identify dangerous opposing players and to ensure that their talent is not prominent against St Edward's.

In the second term we again played some good, competitive rugby in losing to St Ambrose and Wirral G.S. and gained a draw against King's School, Macclesfield. In none of these matches where we outgunned or outclassed and the handling and passing was improving rapidly. The main weakness was apparent when we were around the opponents' 22 metre area. We either failed to exert pressure for very long and force errors or were ineffective in penetrating defences. This aspect of play must be worked at constantly with those forwards who drive towards the goal line doing so with greater determination and ensuring that the ball is then made available for second phase movements.

The seven-a-side squad travelled to Birkenhead

Edmund Rice: Remembered in Cork (and the rest of Ireland)

As part of the commemorative events recalling the life and legacy of that great Irishman, Edmund Rice, Br. Rupert, Headmaster of Presentation College, Cork, organised a rugby tournament for Under 13's.

Schools and Colleges from around Ireland arrived in Cork. St Edward's was the representative from England. To briefly explain: the Presentation Order like the Christian Brothers look to Edmund Rice as their founder and continuing inspiration.

Showing much courage and fortitude the Under 13's coached by Mr A. Pennington and supported by Mr J. Campbell and Mr P. Carter (Viriliter Age) crossed Wales to Holyhead, the Irish Sea to Dun Laoghaire and Ireland to Cork in the two College minibuses. Stuart Carter, the captain, gives a detailed report of the visit but I would like to highlight certain other aspects.

For me there were three particular "spiritual" moments in Ireland.

To avoid a traffic jam on the main road down to Cork we turned south on country roads. Without design or intent after an hour or so we saw signs for Callan, the birth place of Edmund Rice and sure enough our group passed by the birth place of our *raison d'être* in the misty Irish twilight.

The second moment was the last group game of the Under 13's playing a side from Bray, near Dublin. Despite their lack of physique the St. Edward's boys showed total commitment. I have seen it at 1st XV level after the pupils have been six, seven or more years at the College but never so marked at such a young age group. Character, unselfishness and teamwork were there in abundance. I was privileged to be present.

Thirdly in the Saturday evening journey back across Dublin with clear skies and a setting sun as we passed through Mitchellstown and adjacent to the Galtee Mountains - the gentle green of Ireland's heart - I thought of Andrew Robinson who had been injured in the Bray game and cried throughout the semi final, not because of his injury but because he could not be on the field with his College team mates.

This focused for me a sense of achievement and of purpose of seeing young lads growing up together, of being part of that process. I was a school master at a Christian Brother College. It meant something - it meant an awful lot!

J.G. Campbell

best wishes to all who were at the College in the early 60's. If anyone would like to contact him, telephone me at school and I will make the link.

To our great delight on the ferry, outwards and return, our restaurant steward was Mr. McArdle, father of Brian, recently a pupil at the College - an excellent cross-country runner. Needless to say, we were all very well looked after on our "mini-cruise" on the Irish Sea!

School and then to Woodhouse Grove but failed in both instances to progress from the group stage. In each tournament we played badly against inferior sides and only managed to play well in one match. However, in the Christian Brothers' tournament we started well by beating St Anselm's 32-0 and St Aidan's 28-0. In the semi-final we turned the tables on St Joseph's, Stoke to come from behind to win 17-12 and all was set up for the struggle to beat a formidable St Ambrose seven. With a tremendous display of superb handling and running rugby we created two good tries to lead 10-0 at half time. There then followed a period of tenacious tackling under great pressure, when we managed to hold out until, towards the end of the game, the stronger opposition scored a try by the posts which was easily converted. Two breaks were snuffed out by crunch tackles but we eventually conceded a try to a scrum-half darting from a scrum towards the corner flag. We lost 10-12, gave St Ambrose a real fright and finished the season with a memorable performance....or so we thought. A trip to Cork followed.....but that's another story.....

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This season had three distinct phases. The first up until Christmas was outstanding. Pre-season training, enthusiasm and teamwork in this period led to seven wins out of eight. We quickly developed an edge to our game, fitness levels were high and we were able to raise our game. Alertness and the ability to take half chances became frequent and the team deserves every praise for their dedication to improving their positional play and for their commitment in working for each other. Most matches were always going to be close and we believed we would always come through and we always did. There was a special quality to our work. These matches will be remembered for a long time to come.

The bad weather and poor pitch conditions led to the cancellation of many games and regular practice was impossible. There were only eight practice sessions between mid-November and mid-January. The achievements of before were unsustainable. The edge was lost. We performed well below par against De la Salle and were narrowly defeated. We struck back against St Ambrose with a good win. This was vital to our continuity. The narrow Wirral defeat emphasised that rugby is not all about the result. Our players conduct was exemplary. They should feel proud of that day, but the events meant the spirit had gone out of the side. Five injuries meant out 13 man side the next week against Merchant Taylors were thrashed. The feeling that the game should be played in the correct way lingered into the Macclesfield game and we were badly defeated.

The final phase of the season saw a return to focus. In the Sevens competitions we reached two semi finals and a final. We beat many strong sides on the way. We lost, in extra time, to Merchant Taylors' at Rydal and we threw away a lead against Macclesfield at Wirral. These two games underlined that there was little between the teams, that two weeks earlier had been so different. The players responded magnificently.

A defeat in the final of the Christian Brothers competition against a strong St Mary's side, rounded off a season, in which real endeavour was shown by

all squad members to seek improvement and in which they rarely failed to fulfil their potential.

In Simon Worsley, the side had a captain who led by example. His defensive play with the boot at Lancaster was the best I have ever seen. James McQuade's vision of the game and counter attacking was excellent. He won many scrums against the head and proved a key pack member. Blackwell, is another player who can raise his game and continued greatly in terms of points scoring. The most improved player of the season was Anthony Wright, whose attitude was a credit, and in McGeough, Wong, Bailey, Kumar, Kelly, Melia, McGillicuddy, Dwyer, Hesketh and P Davies, the team had its committed approach to training.

Thanks should be given to a loyal group of parents who supported their sons and the rest of the team, this year. I should also like to acknowledge the work of Mr Hughes and Mr Campbell who created the opportunity for seven squad members to represent Merseyside later on in the season.

R. Young

Under 14 Rugby

Played 13 Won 8 Lost 5
Points for 342 Against 277

Wins		Defeats	
Manchester G.S.	38-22	Birkenhead	14-47
Lytham	50-32	De la Salle	15-18
Cowley	43-0	Wirral	12-15
St Bede's	66-0	Merchant Taylors'	53-7
Lancaster	17-7	Macclesfield	58-0
St Anselm's	29-12		
Calday	22-8		
St Ambrose	43-5		

Record before Christmas Won 7 Lost 1
Record after Christmas Won 1 Lost 4

Sevens	
Rydal	Semi Finalists
Wirral	Semi Finalists
Christian Brothers	Finalists

Under 12 Rugby Report 1993-1994

Record: Played 14 Won 3 Lost 11

Although the record was somewhat disappointing there were many positive aspects to the season. Commitment and punctuality in training was first rate; all players were willing to listen and to learn; behaviour to, from and at matches was commendable, and the side showed discipline on the field at all times.

Inconsistency throughout the season meant that the side would score fifty points one week and then let in fifty the next. Poor tackling and a real lack of desire to win was the problem. In future the team must be prepared to take on to the field a wish to succeed, and not just a wish to take part.

In Simon Riley and Michael Roberts the team was blessed with an extremely pacy centre pairing and the half back pairing of Fergus Griffies and the terrier like Mark Tipping showed great understanding. Week in, week out the forwards provided the backs with more than their fair share of possession. Unable to match oppositions for height and strength, they rucked superbly and scrummaged in a way which enabled Andrew Power to win three-quarter of scrums.

The rampaging runs of Terence McLoughlin and Peter Sunderland were a joy to watch, but occurred all too infrequently. Matthew Talbot, Richard Worral, Nicholas Daly and Philip Larkin all worked as a tight unit and deserved far more success than they achieved.

Everything came right in the game at St Anselm's College. It was the finest display of junior rugby I have witnessed. The 36-29 victory was hugely deserved.

Special mentions must go to Gerard Finnigan who propped magnificently throughout the season, and to Simon Stockton who tackled with the heart of a lion. On many occasions, players twice his size were brought crashing down to earth, saving certain tries.

J. McMullen



Action from Under 12 game at Arnold School, Blackpool.

There were many notable performances particularly against K.E.S. Lytham, Wirral Grammar School and Arnold School. The excellent win against Arnold School ended the season with on a high note both for players and coaching staff. Although the squad as a whole should be given credit for the overall performance a number of players deserve a special mention for their dedication, enthusiasm and application. Anthony Evans, Paul Stanley, Robert Leong and Dominic Carter for their back play and Jonathan Power, Graham Ion, Colin Campbell and captain Adam Grant for sterling forward play.

Special mention again should be made to Graham Ion for his improvement throughout the season and Simon Leong who was chosen as substitute on many occasions but always showed spirit and enthusiasm each Saturday morning.

Under 15 Rugby Report

The Under 15's season was ultimately a fairly disappointing one with the potential of many talented players being prevented from flourishing by various factors. Constant injuries and recurrences of injuries meant that the back-line almost never trained together and the forwards too suffered through injury, illness and other commitments, and of course, there was the three month lay-off due to the weather!

The team lost very few games, 5 in all, but lost many crucial fixtures due to a lack of fitness and technique. In any tight match, we always had to rely on personal flair rather than team unity. The forwards tended to produce patchy and scrappy possession, not enabling the backs to run effectively.

Despite this, there were several good performances and some players grew as the season wore on. In the forwards, Cloherty, Passey and Mellon always worked extremely hard and tackled with vigour, whilst Fitzsimon in the second row was often most destructive in the loose. Ambrose is a strong front-of-the-line jumper and Santangeli caused havoc in both the scrums and in the loose. With J.P. Favour out of action, Hewitt transferred to prop with success and was very solid until he too was injured.

Nevertheless, speed to the break-down was a problem and all of the pack will need to work on this in the future, to produce more consistent, tidy ball. In the backs, all looked tremendous initially. The angles of running and the flat pass worked like a dream with several stunning tries. Stephenson, at full back had dazzling skills coming forward and a side-step and swerve that had the trees moving the wrong way. Quayle looked pacy and confident, at stand-off, but will probably benefit from a move to 1st centre to give greater freedom to his talents. At centre, Morris and Mba - if fit - are genuinely powerful tacklers and runners although it is better to make a successful tackle than an aborted assassination attempt! Control

and lining are the essence of good centre play, particularly in defence. In attack, they have the pace, strength and heart to beat anybody. On the wings, Granby, Jones and Jennings could all run with power and purpose, with Jennings being a huge asset in several positions. Granby, too, proved that he can play a more commanding role at stand-off, if he can keep his head.

Tackling proved a problem for the backs, with timing and alignment in defence causing the difficulty for some of the over-zealous. Indeed, Cashman, Morris and Jennings, all proved that size is not a hindrance to good defence, with all three being extremely solid throughout the season. Sisson, Sweetin, Feeley, Humphries, S. Jones and Bictash all deserve praise for their valuable contributions with several playing regularly. To all, my thanks.

In the 7's competitions, it was the same old story. With injuries weakening the side, we still managed to perform quite well in the Ampleforth games, saving our worst performance for the group decider. Nevertheless, with a squad at the Christian Brothers' Tournament, there really was only one side in it, a competition that was won with comfort, with the team, or some of it, at last being able to show something of its true potential.

S. Clayton

2nd XV Report 1993-1994

Played 15 Won 10 Lost 3 Drawn 2

This has been a most successful season for many years with 5th form boys forming the nucleus of the team. There was a steady improvement throughout the season which reflects the right attitude to training and excellent application in matches.

1st XV Rugby 1993-1994

The success of the 1st XV indicates the tremendous support of key players like Ben Rudge, Daniel Kenyon, Matthew Halsall and Francis Davies. However it does not do justice to key team members such as Austin Cooper, John McLachlan and James Hunter. Rugby is, by definition, a team game. For Daniel Kenyon to regularly receive ball in space requires work by, for example, the hooker in a scrum, the second row in the setting up of a ruck by the blind side winger.

The teamwork and self-belief of the seniors was excellent for much of the season. It was marred by the heavy defeat by Hymer's College, Hull in the last 16 match of the National Daily Mail Cup. The momentum was difficult to pick up - despite some

patches of good rugby. The pitches situation was the worst in living memory. Momentum became impossible to maintain. Cancellations became routine and half expected.

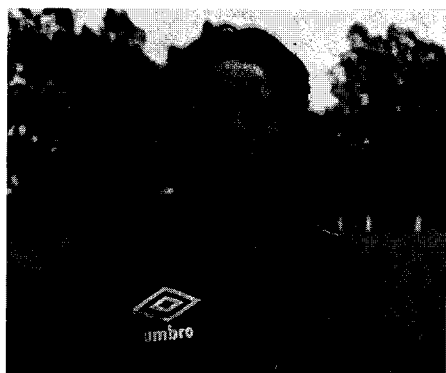
The game after Christmas which gave most pleasure was the St Ambrose game (happily witnessed by Br. Sassi, our Provincial). A fairly



Can you name the team, the location, the coach - £10 Prize if you can!



Ben Rudge, 1st XV captain, in pensive mood



David Tunna



Trevor Critchley and Paul Carter coaches of this year's 2nd XV

dry, wide pitch produced some excellent running rugby and support play and a well deserved if narrow victory. I can't remember the last time St

Ambrose beat us at senior level.

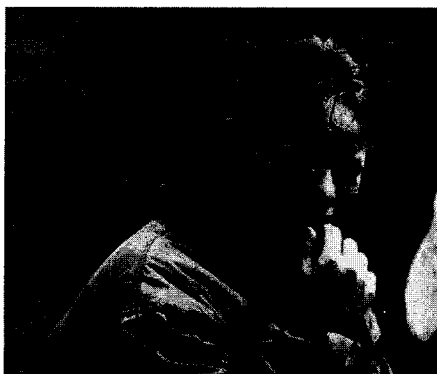
The month of March, the month of 7's tournament brought much pleasure also. For the third year in succession we reached the final of the Birkenhead tournament and decisively put Lancaster R.G.S. to the sword. In the quarter finals

we had beaten a much fancied Stonyhurst side. This particular tournament is essentially for the North West region - from Fleetwood (Rossall School) to Macclesfield (King's School) to Colwyn Bay (Rydal). It is a point worthy stress - at St Edward's we must measure ourselves against the best in our region and the best in the country. We must remain a centre of excellence in sport. To measure ourselves against local city comprehensives is mere folly - it is not comparing like with like. We must challenge with the best of the independent schools in the North of England.

At the Oxford 7's the seniors reached the last eight defeating, for example, Downside and Woodhouse Grove, Leeds. The Under 16's reached the semi-final in the Oxford competition having beaten Millfield, that sporting Somerset academy of national repute, in the first round. In other competitions at Stonyhurst and Merchant Taylors' it was the Under 16's 7 from Stonyhurst that had blocked their progress.

I would like to thank both the Seniors and the Under 16's for the many happy memories and hope they will always see rugby as life and a passport to the good life.

J. Campbell



Paul Stanley



Kenny gets a few ideas from another top coach



Who is the one on the right?

1st XV Rugby Analysis

Points for 372

Points against 241

Manchester G.S.	45-10
K.E.S. Lytham	21-8
Birkenhead School	49-9
Cowley School	17-15
St Bede's College	17-6
Rydal	26-13
Lancaster	14-24
Rossall	10-8 Daily Mail Cup
St Anselm's College	33-0
Caldy Grang	31-3
Kirkham G.S.	pitches unplayable
St Mary's College	pitches unplayable
Hutton G.S.	14-10
Liverpool College	pitches unplayable
Q.E.G.S. Penrith	29-3 Daily Mail Cup
Hymers College	
Hull	0-37 Daily Mail Cup
St Ambrose College	27-19
Wirral G.S.	17-6
Merchant Taylors'	5-44
King's School	
Macclesfield	7-12
Arnold School	10-14
Mount St Mary's	pitches unplayable

Tries

D. Riley	0	J. McLoughlin	0
A. Cooper	0	P. Worrall	0
K. Wall	1	M. Halsall	6
I. Power	1	D. Tunna	2
D. Lambert	1	M. Dahill	2
J. McCann	3	B. Rudge	18
F. Davies	6	D. Reynolds	1
J. Hunter	7	D. Kenyon	10
D. McKay	1		

(both shown here on tour in France) represented Lancashire Under 16's this season. Well done!