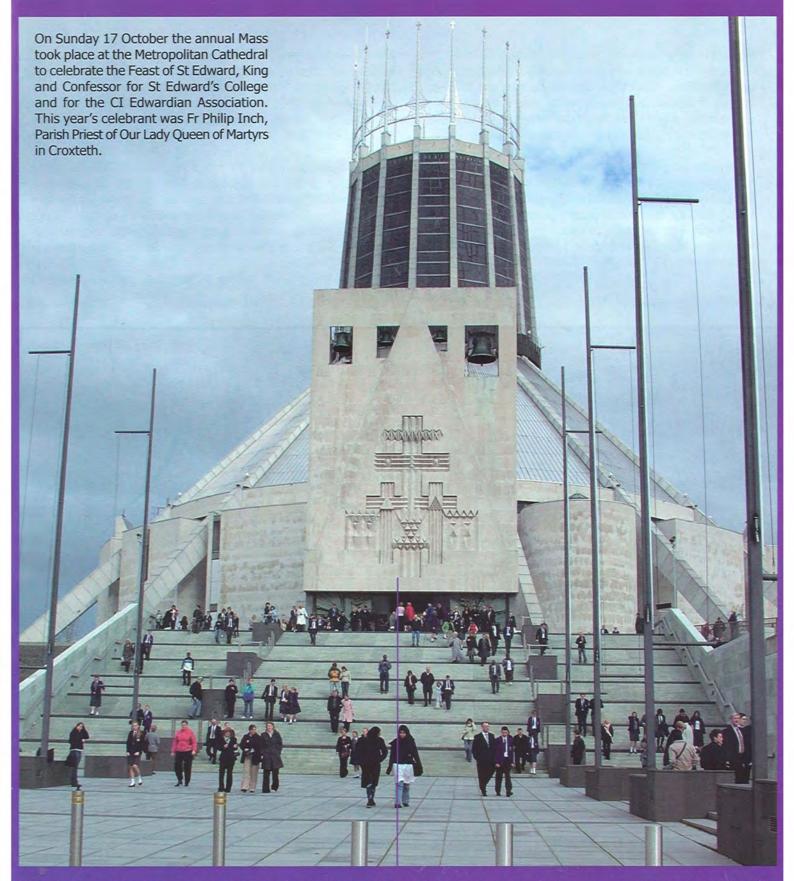


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The photograph shows the newly created main approach and central steps to the Cathedral, conceived originally by designer Sir Frederick Gibberd but never realised because of building constraints. The new approach steps are three times as wide as Gibberd envisaged and set off the Cathedral beautifully. The new Visitor Centre with Gift Shop and its *Piazza* restaurant are very popular. Since the opening of the steps, the number of visitors to the Cathedral has increased, with visitors now able to see a clear and impressive entry route.

On 29<sup>th</sup> December last year there was a magnificent attendance at St. Paul's, West Derby for the funeral of our Vice Chairman of Governors, **James Moran**, known to us all as Jim. Jim died just before Christmas aged 73. After attending the College between 1942 to 1946 Jim's chosen career was teaching and he worked throughout our local area with his career culminating in his being appointed Head Teacher at St. Margaret Mary's in Huyton. Many pupils of the College had the good fortune to spend their formative years in Jim's care and his wisdom and great sense of humour were greatly appreciated by all who came to know him.

For many years Jim was an active member of the CI Edwardian Association's eventually becoming its President. He was a very good footballer who played for Old Cathinians for many seasons. He also served upon the Dinner Committee organising the Association's annual gathering at the College. At the same time

he was very much involved at Parish level at St. Paul's and did sterling work for the SVP. Jim was also a long standing member of West Derby Golf Club. Retirement did not slow Jim down and over recent years not only was he on the governing body here at the College but he was also Chairman of Governors at St. Paul's and Vice Chairman at Runnymede.

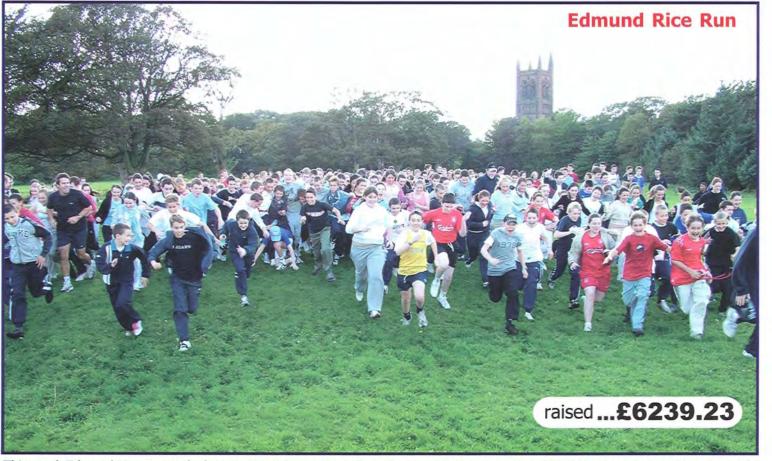
When I became Chairman last September I was delighted that Jim had agreed to take over as Vice Chairman. He faithfully supported all events at the College, be it sport, music or drama and typically in the fortnight before his death Jim had attended the Lower School production of Joseph and on the following Saturday was on the touchline supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> XV. As ever he had a smile on his face and despite his condition, as always, insisted he was fine and that there should be no fuss. Jim's experience was invaluable to us all, he was a great Edwardian with a tremendous sense of duty. We pass on our condolences to his wife, Margaret and his two sons, Paul and Ian and their families. Jim was a great example to us all and he will be very sadly missed.

#### Peter Quinn (Chairman of Governors)

This year's Edmund Rice Run took place on 8 October in Croxteth Park. Thankfully, last year's cold weather was replaced by a beautiful sunny day. The start was split into 5 divisions with Year 7 starting first at 14:15, finishing with Years 11 & 12 starting at 14:35.

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# **James Moran**

# **Arkwright Scholar**

Congratulations to **Anthony Hogan** who was awarded the prestigious Arkwright Scholarship for outstanding work in Design & Technology.

Over the next two years Anthony will receive a total of £500 to assist with the purchase of materials and books. The College's Design & Technology department also receives £500.



# **Outstanding GCSE marks**



Congratulations to **Laura Harrild** who was amongst a group of candidates who scored one of the top five marks in the French GCSE examination this summer. There were 163,527 candidates in total so this was an exceptional result. Well done Laura!

Congratulations to **Katharina Saul** (Year 10) who was amongst a group of candidates who scored one of the top five marks in the German GCSE examination this summer. There were 63,512 candidates in total so this too was an exceptional result. Well done Katharina!



## **Gulbenkian Prize for Portuguese**



Mr Walker, Joanna Bell & Mr McGrath

**Joanna Bell** received the Gulbenkian Prize for high achievement in GCSE Portuguese. She was presented the award by Mr Adrian McGrath of John Moores University, as part of the College's annual celebration of European Day of Languages. This year the focus was on the vocational use of the languages provided in the Year 12 *MFL for All* Programme.

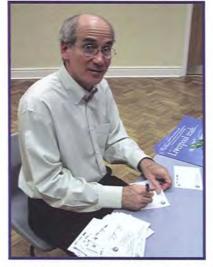
# **Mock Trial Competition**



During the Advent half term vacation, fourteen dedicated students arrived at the College to meet with Simon Mintz, a renowned Barrister of Law. The purpose was simple – to gain his guidance and inspiration to win the Regional Heat of the 2004/2005 Bar National Mock Trial Competition. For the next four weeks before and after school and during free time, these pupils analysed and reanalysed the evidence, examined and crossexamined and created a strong and water tight case.

We met for a pre-trial breakfast where the tension was high, our minds focused on the task in hand. We need not have worried for our hard work, dedication and skill paid off as we went on to win all three of our heats and ultimately the final – the first time such a combination has ever been achieved. Our talents shone as we meticulously tore holes in the opposition's arguments and witnesses, obviously with the utmost respect for court etiquette and we were congratulated for our "spectacular" performances by the judges who heard our cases, many of whom commented that we were better than some barristers they had seen in real life!

### Louis Sachar



American novelist Louis Sachar, author of the children's novel *Holes* voted this year's *Liverpool's Big Read*, visited the College on 12 October 2004. Pupils from Year 7 and 8 English classes gathered in the Lecture Theatre where they asked questions about *Holes* and Mr Sachar delighted everybody by reading one of the chapters from his new book.

## Music in the Fountain



Rosie Knowles, Helen Box, Anthony Hannah, Siobhan Kayes, Tanya Ramsey, Simone Barry, Abby Mavers, Georgie Joseph, Clementine Gandie & Stephanie Cray

Congratulations to the above 10 pupils who were chosen to open *The Fountain* in Williamson Square on the 29 November. To mark the occasion, Roger McGough wrote a special poem to be recited by the pupils whilst the fountain cascaded. The pupils spent a day in a sound studio in Aintree recording their voices. It was an exhausting but very enjoyable experience for all involved.

## Lower School Drama

This year's Lower School Drama Production was *Joseph & his Amazing Technicoloured Dreamcoat* and was a colourful, energetic and enthusiastic show. Audiences were treated to three nights of vibrant singing, dancing and acting accompanied by a lively band. The cast of Lower School pupils worked hard attending rehearsals three times a week for nearly three months.





# Mark climbs the Welsh Mountains

**Mark Wilcox** (Year 10) was one of 19 members of an expedition that set out to complete all 14 Welsh 3000ft mountains in one day. After completing 6 peaks, seven walkers dropped out through exhaustion. Mark and the rest of the group continued and reached the seventh peak after covering a distance of 14 miles. It was just after the seventh peak that unfortunately the expedition had to be abandoned due to severe weather conditions. Mark, the youngest member of the group, raised a total of £250 for charity. Congratulations Mark.



## **Biathle World Championship 2004**



On the 4 September 2004, **Neil Bullock** (Year 13) took part in the Biathle World Championships for Great Britain, which were held in Marktoberdorf, Germany. Biathle is a continuous Run-Swim-Run event similar to Triathlon. The leading participating Countries this year were Britain, Germany and South Africa, Italy and Holland. Neil had to run 1500m then swim 200m and then run a further 1500m in muddy conditions. He finished 7<sup>th</sup> with a time of 13 minutes 21 seconds, only 20 seconds behind the winner.



Congratulations to the following pupils who have been selected to represent the County in Hockey:

- U13 L Crowder, G Nolan, E Taylor, E Furlong & S Baird
- U14 O Taylor, S Grice, K Cooper, H Cashman, L Leahy, K Bitcliffe & M Tyrer
- U15 S Robinson, S Evans & J Harrington
- U16 L Barrett, R Fennell, K Collins, E Greaves, E Jones, E McCarthy & R Barry
- U17 L Carroll, J Shearer, N Mulvoy, M Lunney, A Taylor & C Barrett
- U18 C McManus

## **Robert makes his senior debut for Waterloo**



Congratulations to **Robert O'Donnell** (Year 13) who played his first full debut for Waterloo Rugby Club on the 15 January 2005. Waterloo beat Rosslyn Park by 52pts to 17pts.

#### On the 17 January the Daily Post reported:

"The most striking feature of the forward struggle, was the contribution of Rob O'Donnell, a huge prop who is barely 19, and making his senior debut after several brief appearances at substitute. Still a pupil at St. Edward's, he looks a splendid prospect, and, at 6ft 4ins, fairly towers over the formidable Les Bone and could have a bright future, though not necessarily at prop". Well done Robert!

### **Boxing Success**



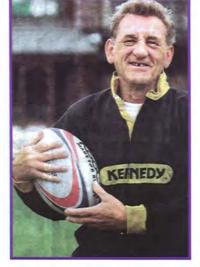
Adam McElhinney in

his first full season of boxing for the Rotunda ABC won the North West Counties title and reached the National Final of the Novice Cadet Championships. The final was held at the National Boxing Centre at Crystal Palace. Since

this time, Adam has been selected to box in Bahrain during the mid term break for a North West representative team. Adam boxes at 69kgs.

The Intermediate Boys and Senior Girls have reached the National Schools' Swimming Relays finals in February. This places them in the top twelve teams in the Country.

## 50 years in the scrum



**Jimmy McInerney (OE54-61)** has been playing competitive rugby for 50 years and has never missed a season. It is believed he holds the record for playing the most amateur games.

Jimmy, now 61, has turned up for thousands of games, missing only a handful through injury. He hopes to continue for at least the next two seasons.

## **Old Edwardian's Dinner 2004**



Mr Peter Quinn (Chairman of Governors), Sir Brian Pearse (President of the CI Edwardian Association), Mr Frank Roderick (Lord Mayor of Liverpool) and the Hon Peter Kilfoyle MP

Mr & Mrs Graeme Riley, one of the first married couple of OEs to attend the Annual Dinner



Philip Jones, Alison Cottier, James O'Neill, Kevin Jennings, Christopher Gough, Stella Hayden, Elizabeth Leyland, Gillian Kelly and Katherine Achilles

In October 2004 eight former pupils (Leavers 2003) were presented with their Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award at St. James' Palace. Recipients and their guests enjoyed an afternoon in the presence of several celebrities. The celebrities presented the recipients with their Award and then everyone was free to mingle and enjoy afternoon tea.

Congratulations to **Amy Ellis** whose response to Module 7 on her A2 Geography paper in June 2003 was regarded by AQA as outstanding. This accounted for 20% of the A level. AQA have written to the College to seek Amy's permission to publish her response on their webside and on CD.

Amy has contacted us through the College website to inform us she has been awarded a Centenary Scholarship at Manchester University. Well done Amy!

*Congratulations to the following:* **J Lewis** who graduated from University College London with a 2:1 in Law (Hons)

**Rachael Eades** (OE93-00) who graduated from Liverpool University with a First in English

Congratulations to **Ian Rotheroe** who was awarded the *Nugent Care Society's Young Carer of the Year Award* for his work with the Sunday Club last year.



### **Colonel Graeme Bryson honoured**



Monsignor Peter Cookson presents an etching of the Cathedral on behalf of the Choir Association to Colonel Bryson

Last term there was a special presentation to **Col Graeme Bryson** during Evening Prayer in the Metropolitan Cathedral in recognition of his lifelong support of the Cathedral and the Choir.

Col Bryson's involvement in the life of the Cathedral goes back eighty years to his early schooldays singing in the Choir in Pugin's Lady Chapel in Everton, including the purchase of the Workhouse site for the Archdiocese, the laying of the foundation stone of the Lutyen's Cathedral in 1933 right up to present. He was instrumental in appointment of St Edward's College as the Choir school and has endowed a scholarship for a Cathedral chorister.

If you have not yet logged on to the St. Edward's website, and made contact via the Guest Book, then please log in at www.st-edwards.liverpool.sch.uk/general/guestbook.html

#### The following are the latest entries on the site: Eddie Ryan (OE87-94)

Eddie reports: 'I just stumbled across the website, and cannot believe how much the old place has changed'

#### Tony Dunn (OE68-73)

remembers being in 4 Kappa and his trips to Lourdes and Spain with Br McNamara

#### Dave Towson (OE52-58)

has just remembered Tony Toal owes him half a crown!

#### Gerry O'Neill (OE37-41)

is desperately trying to contact Derek Healy, Brian Burke and Pat Stanton.

Neil Johnson (OE83-90) would love to hear from anyone who knew him.

#### John Le Roi (OE48-55)

John reports: 'We knew a bit about girls: mainly they danced backwards and went to Holly Lodge"

#### James Ross (OE85-96)

James is a present living in California and working as a Postdoctoral Researcher in Biomedical Engineering at the University of California.



## Where are they now?

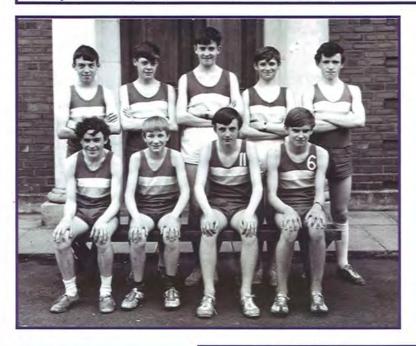


### Class of 1980

A reunion for the class of 1980 has been organised for the 20th may 2005, if you are interested in attending please e-mail Brendan Reilly or Greg Ormesher:

brenreilly@btinternet.com greg@rooms4u.co.uk

If you have any news or old photographs you would like to see printed in the Edwardian, please email/send them to Mrs Anne Crimmins. All photographs will be returned the next day.





#### **Obituries:**

We were sorry to hear of the death of **Mr Philip Thompson** in November 2004. A member of staff from 1974-88, Mr Thompson taught Economics and French and was in charge of the rugby team.

We were also sorry to hear of the death of **Father Tom Naughton** in January 2005. Father Naughton was Chaplain at the College from 1966 - 1982.

Mrs Flora O'Shea, mother of Mrs Margaret Harris, the College Finance Officer died January 2005. To the family we offer our condolences and the assurance of our prayers.

