

OLD EDWARDIAN APPOINTED A MINISTER OF THE CROWN



The Edwardian

The News Magazine of St Edward's College

Following Labour's victory in the General Election on 1 May, Peter Kilfoyle became the first OE (1957-1964) to be appointed a Minister of the Crown and is currently the Minister for Public Services.

Peter entered St. Edward's in 1957 from St Margaret Mary's Junior School in Pilch Lane. He was a talented, and sometimes fiery, sportsman, later captaining the Rugby 1st XV and the Athletics Team: he also played Double Bass in the School Orchestra. However, his individuality did result in at least one visit to the study of the Headmaster Brother W D Foley OBE (incidentally, the first Old Edwardian to become Headmaster of St. Edward's).

It was during his time at St. Edward's that he met his wife-to-be Bernadette, at a Folk Dance held in the College Hall.

Peter read Sociology at Durham University and trained as a teacher at Christ's College, Liverpool.



The Headmaster, Rev Br W D Foley OBE (SEC 1924-1925, Headmaster 1955-1961), P Kilfoyle MP (SEC 1957-1964) Minister for Public Services, M D Byrne LLB (SEC 1957-1964) Chairman of Governors.

The family spent some time in Australia.

Peter became a full time Labour Party Official in 1985, was elected Member of Parliament for Walton in 1991, and became a shadow Minister in 1994.

In March, Peter kindly agreed to be our Guest of Honour at the Prize Day Celebration held at the Cathedral during which the Chairman was able to record our gratitude for the assistance and support given to the College by Mr Kilfoyle in relation to the Grant Maintained Proposals.

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Staff Welcomes

Mr Michael Carr

joined the staff of St Edward's in September 1997 teaching Physics and Design Technology. He attended St Edward's from 1983-90 before studying for a B.Sc. (Hons) in Physics at the University of Liverpool.



Upon completing his degree he started teaching in adult education at North Everton Technology Centre in Liverpool. After some two and a half years teaching Electronics and Science he spent nine months in the Royal Air Force as a navigator. A brief spell working for Barclays' Bank convinced him that it was time to return to teaching.

Mr Carr spends his spare time hill walking and as an instructor in the Air Training Corps.

Miss Yvonne Windsor

joined the staff at St Edward's to teach Physics in September 1997. She graduated from Liverpool University in 1994 and then remained at the university for a short time gaining a Postgraduate Diploma in Surface Science. Following this she worked at Queen Mary and Westfield College in London within a research group that applied physics research techniques to investigate tooth decay. She returned to Liverpool to undertake her PGCE in 1996.



Miss Julia Gallagher

was another new recruit to St Edward's last September. She gained a B.Sc (Hons) in Management Studies with Chemistry at Leeds University and completed her PGCE at Manchester University.



Miss Gallagher was educated at Mount Carmel Convent School, Alderley Edge where her interest in hockey developed. She captained the school team and continued to play and enjoy hockey at university.

Miss Gallagher is currently responsible for Year 9 hockey and has a Year 13 Form.

Miss Louise Asshcroft

Having joined St Edward's as a part time music teacher in 1996, Miss Louise Ashcroft was appointed Assistant Director of Music, English teacher and Year 12 Form Tutor in September 1997.

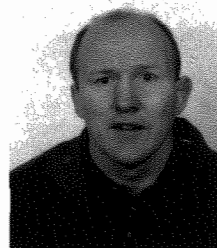


Miss Ashcroft received her formative education in the Isle of Man but left for the mainland in order to read a BA in Music, Drama and English at Liverpool Hope University College. Later she completed an MMus at Liverpool University.

In her spare time Miss Ashcroft is known to tread the boards and runs a performance career in parallel to her teaching responsibilities. 'Juxtaposition' is a phrase often heard echoing from her classes.

Mr Peter Buckton

joined St Edward's this year after spending seven years with the Rugby Football Union as a Youth Development Officer. Educated at Marist College, Hull and St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill, Mr Buckton has just retired from playing Rugby Union having represented England B and the Barbarians. He is now concentrating on coaching emerging players. At the College Mr Buckton has taken a PE and History post.



Mrs Dominica Britton

joined St. Edward's as Deputy Head in September, 1997.

Dominica and Roger Britton have been happily married since 1976.

Their daughter, Clare, a not-so-Old Edwardian and former Head Girl of the College, is currently in her second year of Dentistry at Guy's & St. Thomas's (UMDS) London. Home is definitely quieter but still somewhat strange without her!

An Honours Graduate and Postgraduate of the University of Liverpool (70'-74'), Mrs Britton has devoted the majority of her professional career in education to the young people of this city, by her appointment to a wide variety of academic, pastoral and senior management posts. She has always been as demanding of herself as she is of pupils, in the pursuit of high standards and excellence.

While there is never a problem being fully occupied in her leisure time, she feels that definite plans for the garden, for travel and for many other creative projects can sometimes seem like proposals for an 'after life'. The aim is to remain young enough at heart to enjoy them when the time comes!



Brother Mark Devitt



is a welcome new addition to the Governing Body of St. Edward's College. He has just been appointed a foundation Governor.

He first joined the teaching staff of the College in 1942 and returned in 1981 after various other teaching appointments.

In September 1997, Louis Botes

joined the College from South Africa as Assistant Registrar and Sports Complex Manager.

He was at Empagani High School 1987 and graduated from the University of Pretoria in 1991 (B.Comm. Financial Management). He was a professional cricketer from 1992-97.



COLLEGE ARCHIVES

If there are a couple of Old Edwardians who would be prepared to help set up the College archives in a new archive room, will he/she please contact the Registrar, Mr T Duffy on 0151 281 1999. This work could be done at anytime to suit and would not involve an undue amount of man hours.

Events & Challenges

"PEAK PRACTICE" STAR, GARY SETS BALLOONS AND HEARTS SOARING!

Celebrity guest, Gary Mavers, star of television's "Peak Practice" helped set free nearly 2000 balloons on Tuesday 31 March to raise money for the HCPT Easter pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Gary, who was taking a break from a busy schedule, was quickly surrounded by autograph hunting pupils as he helped organisers Miss Vivienne Curry and Mrs Sue Pullin to set the balloons free.

Philip Gilbertson, last year's Deputy Head Boy, who took part in the 1996 pilgrimage also returned from studies at Oxford's Christchurch College to help.

The balloons were sold at a pound each and then individually tagged



Headmaster, Mr John Waszek greets celebrity guest, Gary Mavers who helped release the balloons for the HCPT Lourdes balloon race.

Celebrity guest, Gary Mavers of "Peak Practice" with organisers of the HCPT Lourdes Balloon race, Miss Vivienne Curry, Mrs Sue Pullin, Y13 pupils and former pupil Philip Gilbertson.



Celebrity guest, Gary Mavers of "Peak Practice" helps release the balloons for the HCPT Lourdes Balloon Race.

with the buyers' name and addresses. The balloon that reaches the furthest distance will win a cash prize.

Mrs Moureen Nolan

WINTER WONDERLAND - YEAR 11 SNOWDONIA RETREAT

It was a cold January afternoon when we set off from the school car park in two mini buses and Mr Brooks's car loaded with food for the weekend, but the weather didn't dampen our spirits. The Year 11 retreat to Snowdonia was a reflective, spiritually developing and memorable time for the 23 pupils and 3 teachers involved.

On Friday we arrived at the youth hostel just in time for dinner. All the cooking, cleaning and washing up was

done with enthusiasm by pupils on a rota.

Saturday was dominated by a long but enjoyable walk to Bedd Gellert where we witnessed breathtaking scenery along the way and filled our lungs with fresh, country air. Away from it all we strolled by the tranquil mountains listening to the trickle of streams and reflecting on the uniqueness of our surroundings. Through this magnificent experience we began truly to appreciate the wonders created by God.

We gathered as a group of an evening and on Sunday morning for thought provoking discussion and some meditation. Through these meetings we discovered more about ourselves and our relationships with those around us. When Sunday came nobody was eager to go home.

Many thanks to Mr Brooks, Miss McGlory and Mr Murray for making the experience a truly memorable one.

Vicky Peters (Y11)

Events & Challenges

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

This year we have been involved in many letter campaigns involving prisoners of conscience and political prisoners of repressive regimes in countries such as Turkey, Guatemala, Venezuela, China and Indonesia.

Year 13 pupils, notably Lorraine Frost, Katie Cottier and Michelle Flynn have been at the core of a campaign writing letters that bring very little response. We try to take heart from the fact that if we achieve one measure of justice with one individual, then it has all been worthwhile.

Presently it is the 50th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights which Amnesty International regards as the world's best kept secret. Our Amnesty group has endeavoured to publicise injustice and pressurise for justice but now we need new members to take over the responsibility from those in Year 13 who are preparing for A levels.

We meet every Friday at 12.50pm in the Library IT area. If you are in Year 10, 11, or 12, please come and involve yourself. Every little effort helps.

Mr G. Gordon.

£1000 RAISED by YEAR 7 FOR NCH Action For Children

On Monday 10 November 1997, Mrs Margaret Siwokn from the charity, NCH Action For Children came to speak to Year 7. The following week Year 7 pupils, Form Teachers and Head of Year Miss Edwards, took part in a sponsored aerobics. This was led by Miss Fell and enjoyed by all. The total raised was a staggering £1006.08. Many thanks and congratulations to all those who took part.

Miss Rebecca Edwards

LOURDES

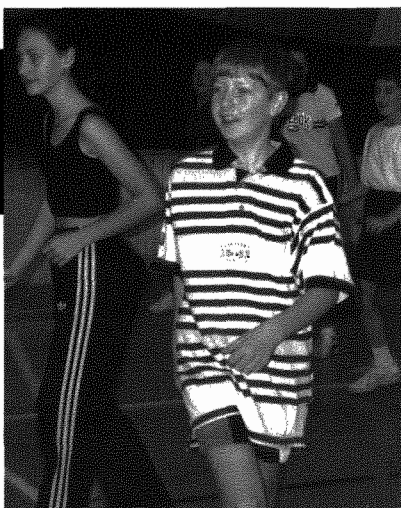
PILGRIMAGE £400 BETTER OFF THANKS TO QUIZ NIGHT

On Friday 6 February a very successful quiz was held in the Dining Hall with 31 teams taking part to raise a much needed £426.06. This will help enable our young people to take part in the HCPT Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

The raffle was near enough a clean sweep by the Aldcrofts although Miss Cooper was delighted by her chocolate hamper. James Wallace was the delighted surprise winner of the £53.00 pound in the bucket prize.

A worthwhile and enjoyable evening was had by all. Many thanks to all the Y12 and Y13 pupils who helped and thanks to Andy and Margaret Gilbertson for running the show.

Miss Vivienne Qurrey &
Mrs Susan Pullin



A VOTE FOR POLITICS!

This September a Politics Department sprang into being at St. Edward's. Spurred on by the enthusiasm with which the pupils ran the Mock General Election, after which the winner, Sarah Campbell (Labour) and her fellow candidates were interviewed on Radio Merseyside, teaching staff Gerry Gordon, Rachel Fox and Dominic Mackenzie sought to deliver two examination courses for Years 12 and 13.

Miss Fox and Mr Gordon took on the A level while Mr Mackenzie agreed to deliver the GCSE. Reactions from the four founder pupils have so far been very positive-

"It gives us an insight into the way the country is run" (Michael Hogg)

"It's very different from anything we've ever done before" (Brian Noon)

The course focuses very much on Politics in action. The Sixth Formers have already been to a conference at Manchester University and heard David Alton, Stephen Dorrell and Martin Bell speak in a series of lectures run by John Moores University. Already the current Year 11 are showing interest in the subject and we expect a significant increase in our numbers next year.

Miss Rachel Fox

STEPHEN SMELLS THE GREASE- PAINT!

At a recent Drama Festival held at St. George's Hall on the 18 March 1998-03-26, Stephen Caine our Bugsy Malone came first in Speech and Drama winning the Windrush Cup, competing against 12 - 15 year olds, obtaining honours as well.

Set piece	Oxen - Thomas Hardy
Own choice	Whoppers - Wendy Cope
Sonnets	Silver - Walter de la Mare

Events & Challenges

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme continues to flourish at St Edward's. There are currently over 60 pupils working towards three levels of Award. These pupils have undertaken activities such as music, art, drama, life-saving and rock-climbing as part of the Skill, Service and Physical Recreation sections of the Award.

On the expedition side, last July saw a party of Year 12 pupils complete their Silver expedition around Ullswater in the Lake District. The Bronze group undertook their final expedition in the Ogwen Valley, North Wales in extremely damp and breezy conditions in late October. However the gold practice camp in December on Anglezarke Moor was blessed with calm, clear weather. We hope for similar good fortune during this year's Gold final expedition to Dumfries & Galloway in July!

Those who completed Awards last year were presented with their certificates at a presentation evening held at Liverpool Town Hall last November.

Mr Michael Carr



PUBLIC SPEAKING

The College continues to enjoy considerable success in the field of Public speaking and Debating. At the time of writing, the Year 10/11 team has again reached the Merseyside Branch final of the English Speaking Union Schools Competition.

We have won the Merseyside Cup for the last 3 years, and the team bidding for a fourth successive victory, on 12 February, consists of Alex Smith, David Dunne and Richard Irvine. In two of the three previous years,

the College team has gone on, after the Merseyside Cup, to win the North West Regional final, and represent the region in the National final in London. We wish the current team well, as they seek to emulate this success.

The 6th Form Debating team, in the persons of Public Speaking Captain Emma Bennett, and Rachel Stalker, have also reached the area final of the Observer Mace Schools Debating Competition. The victors in this round - out of 6 teams - will go on to

the Northern final, and again we wish the team every success.

The strength of our public speaking comes from a regular programme of internal debates, involving pupils of all ages, held every Tuesday lunchtime in the Chapel. More supporters - and potential participants - are always welcome.

Mr Donald Crisp

FUNCTIONS & CELEBRATIONS

PRIZE GIVING AT THE CATHEDRAL

This year's Prize Giving, held at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday March 15 had as its guest of honour, Old Edwardian and Minister for Public Services, Mr Peter Kilfoyle who presented the Awards and Prizes to pupils from Year 7 through to Year 13.

Many former pupils who had returned from Universities around the country returned to collect A Level certificates



**Peter Kilfoyle MP - Guest of Honour
Cathedral Prize Giving '98**

and cups awarded for outstanding achievement in particular fields.

The ceremony began with a welcome and opening address by Mr Michael

Byrne, Chairman of governors, which led to a musical interlude and the Headmaster's Report. The presentation of awards by Mr Kilfoyle quickly followed.

In his address, Mr Kilfoyle made many personal reflections about his own days at St Edward's, recalling that he was always conscious that the College provided a special education that taught him to believe the best was

within everybody's reach. He said that he would have liked to have granted all pupils a day's holiday from school for attending Prize Giving on a Sunday but that he understood this had already been arranged by the headmaster.

He described himself as a typical politician - he wanted to give it but couldn't because of events beyond his control!

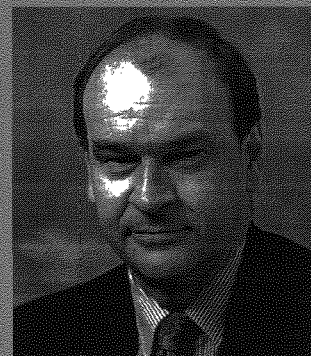
The musical programme this year was based on the work of British composers and was superbly directed by Mr John Moseley and Miss Louise Ashcroft.

The selection included extracts from Andrew Lloyd-Webber's Jesus Christ Superstar as well as more traditional pieces such as John Peel and The Ash

Grove. The ceremony concluded with refreshments and photographs in the Crypt.

Mrs Moureen Nolan

GCSE CERTIFICATE EVENING



Mr Frank Cogley, Director of Education in Liverpool, was this year's guest of honour at the GCSE Certificate Evening which took place in the College Hall on October 23, 1997.

The current Y12 pupils who were receiving their certificates packed the College Hall with their proud families. The Headmaster in his address to the audience said that this year's GCSE results were a tribute to the hard work, not just of the pupils but to the staff and the parents for their commitment and support.

The musical programme, conducted by Mr John Moseley, included solo performances by Y12 pupils, Christine Hill, Brian Noon and Rachel Stalkerand and a trio of tenors, Alistair Pinnington, Stephen Jeffrey and Joseph Godfrey. The vote of thanks to Mr Cogley was given by Head Boy, Anthony Wright and seconded by Sandra Duncan, Head Girl. The ceremony concluded with refreshments in the Dining Hall.

M. Nolan

TRUST FUND WINTER BALL

The Trust fund Winter Ball took place for the second year in the splendid setting of the town Hall. Although the number of friends attending was slightly down on last year the evening was a great success. In particular the meal provided by the caterers was extremely good. Mr Brian McDonald has been involved with the organisation of this event for 14 years and has decided that it is time that someone else took on the task. Sincere thanks are due to Brian (the Chairman of the Trust Fund) for his sterling efforts over the years. Like all successful events, much work and planning is needed behind the scenes.

Mr Terence Duffy

FUNCTIONS & CELEBRATIONS

59 Years on - the Christian Brothers leave West Derby

September 1997 was the month in which the Christian Brothers who had first arrived in Sandfield park in 138 left the college campus, after being in residence for almost 50 years.

Whilst it is some years since the Brothers taught in the school, a number of retired members of the Congregation continued to live in St Clare's amongst them Brs Brennan, Devitt, Grice and McGovern, all of whom had previously worked in the school.

The economics of running a house as large as St Clare's for a community of five or six forced the Congregation to move the Brothers elsewhere.

However Br Devitt is still very much part of the College as he

continues to run the Bookshop, travelling up each day from St. Anne's in Overbury Street where he (and Brs Grice & McGovern now live.

Much work is needed before St Clare's can be used by pupils. Plans are well advanced for the necessary refurbishment with September 1998 targeted as the date for moving in.

The departure of the Brothers from Sandfield Park was marked with a mass of celebration in the College Hall on 23 September celebrated by mgr Cookson and attended by a good number of Brothers who had taught at the school, together with many guests. College staff and pupils took part in the celebration.

Mr Terence Duffy

Summer Ball

The Summer Ball was a notable social event in the calendar, being held on the evening of Saturday 3 July 1997.

As usual it was a complete sell out and the patrons turned out in stylish and exotic evening wear. The weather allowed drinks to be taken outside before everyone entered an unrecognisable Dining Hall, decorated most beautifully with drapes of voile and net. 250 people attended and the raffle and other fund raising efforts provided money which was put partially towards the provisions of

curtains in the corridor leading to the Dining Hall and the purchase of more crockery for school functions.

Improvements to the facilities in the College will also be made for the benefit of our pupils.

The principal sponsor for the Summer Ball Corporate Express to whom we express our grateful thanks as well as to those friends who presented prizes for the raffle. We offer thanks for the support of all those who attended this happy occasion.

Mr Terence Duffy

Sportsman's dinner - February 1998

Over 200 diners were entertained by highly amusing anecdotes from celebrity speakers Fergus Slattery (Ireland and British Lions) and Chris Cowdrey (England, MCC and Test Match Special commentator) during the annual Sportsman's Dinner held before February half term in the Dining Hall. The Dinner, now in its fourth year is quickly establishing a firm reputation for good food and fellowship.

His Honour, Judge John Morgan presided over ceremonies which included a highly successful raffle to help raise funds to improve the sporting facilities at the College.

The top table included Peter Kilfoyle MP, England International Kevin Simms, Great Britain R.L. star Mike O'Neill, Oxford Blue, Ben Rudge and President of the Law Society, Noel Fagan.

Edwards, Abrams & Doherty, the Solicitors were our main sponsors for the evening and to them and to Mr Tom Doherty in particular we express our sincere gratitude. We also thank the donors of raffle prizes as well as all our patrons.

Mr Peter Buckton

YVES ST LAURENT COMPETITION



Two lucky St. Edward's pupils were among the four pupils from Liverpool who won either a coat, sweatshirt or shirt in a competition launched by fashion giants Yves St Laurent. Twins Andrew and Philip Brown successfully answered questions about the history of Yves St Laurent.

Words of Wisdom

*Our Chaplain,
Mr Nick Murray reflects...*

Last night I was browsing through a book by Juan Arias, entitled "The God in Whom I Don't Believe" when I came across a sort of negative Creed.

I was struck by this idea and took some time to write down my own thoughts on the same lines, only some of which agree with this. I found that doing so helped me clarify some of the beliefs I genuinely hold concerning God and my relationship to him. In conclusion, I would like to share some of this, which is part of my "Why" for living. I hope it may help you in your search for your own.....

I don't believe in a God who is indifferent to human joys and sufferings or in a God who takes no heed of the injustices, inflicted on his creatures. I don't believe in a God who is puritanical, prudish or sanctimonious, and will not take a full and active delight in human festivities, a God who has no sense of humour, and cannot make the heavens ring with divine laughter.

I can't believe in a God who is only interested in religious things, and hides behind pompous, tedious ritual, who cannot be approached in our everyday lives and loves, by people with honest dirt on their hands, and hope in their eyes. I do not believe in the God of the Law Givers, the God who prefers purity to love, and cannot forgive us when we stumble and fall.

I will not believe in the sanitised God of so many theologians, who may love us but does so anaemically without passion, and who doesn't seem to like us very much. I don't believe in a God who is indifferent to the fate of any creature that is not human, who turns a blind eye to the monstrous cruelties that we heap on defenceless animals, and on his world, or in a God who cannot stand in rapturous wonder before the awesome beauty of his own creation, with its breathing mists and raging storms.

I do not believe in a God in whom there is no mystery, who is short on imagination...a God who is narrow...and petty...and boring.

No! I cannot...and never shall believe in such a God...

I believe in a God who is passionately involved in all that we think, and say, and feel, and do.

ST. CLARE HOUSE

For nearly 60 years, the Christian Brothers have lived in St. Clare, but in the Autumn of last year they moved to other houses in the area and St. Clare was given over to the new Grant Maintained College.

For the local history buffs, it was built in 1868 by William Makin and the owners since then were:

- 1871 Barton F Allen, South American Merchant**
- 1881 R Brocklehurst, Shipowner**
- 1898 Mrs W Cliff**
- 1901 Miss Mary A Cliff**
- 1905 William Bartlett, Solicitor**
- 1925 Reece's Sport and Recreation Club Ground**
- 1938 St. Edward's College**

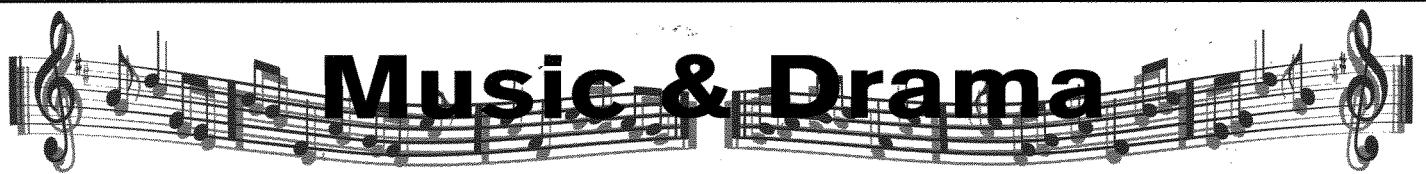
So what is the College going to do with it? First of all, we have to get planning permission for a change of use from Residential to Academic, then if we are to use it for pupils, money will have to be spent on internal work such as sanitary provision, floor covering, lighting etc.



It is such a splendid building and those Governors and staff who have been given the "Cooks Tour" have been surprised at the size and potential of the house.

We have already made use of it in a small way by letting a British Film Company use it as a location for a film about Jacqueline Du Pre - the College gets it's name on the credits!

There is a lot to be done, but once decisions are made we will let you all know.



Introducing the New Cathedral Director of Music

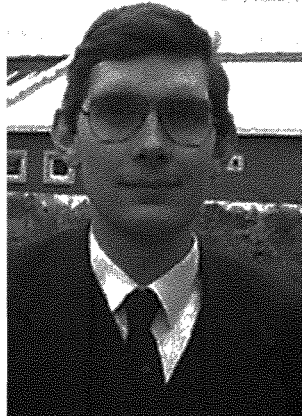
There is little that Mervyn Cousins does not know about cathedrals and church choirs, as he has been involved with them, man and boy, for almost all of his life. His home town is Howden, East Yorkshire, where his father was headmaster of the local comprehensive school, and his first experience of church music was as a choirboy in the choir of Howden Parish Church.

Mervyn Cousins subsequently accepted a place at Royal Holloway College, University of London, maintaining a choir that sang daily choral services. In his second year he was offered a college Organ Scholarship.

After graduating with a BMus, he studied for his MMus the following year, at the same time holding the post of Assistant Organist at St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, and directing its professional choir in a very wide repertoire of choral music.

In 1996, Mr Cousins accepted the post of Director of Music at the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. Although an Anglican, Mervyn felt he could work happily here and further the Cathedral's mission, both musically and spiritually. He loves the building with all its faults:

"It represents the mixture of heaven and earth so well, it is full of earthly problems and human error, and yet this is transcended by an atmosphere of great spirituality."



MUSICAL STARS

Christine Hill who joined St Edward's Sixth Form in September 1997 has been awarded Instrumental Student of the Year in the Liverpool Music, Speech and Drama Festival which took place in March this year.

Christine who plays the clarinet is currently studying English Literature, French and History and is hoping to go to Cambridge University to study.

Mr John Moseley



NEWS OF MUSICIANS

Jonathan Kenny (1973-80)

a former head Chorister and now a counter-tenor, made his debut with English National Opera at the Barbican Centre in London in a performance of Handel's Giulio Cesare and has been performing in America and Europe.

David Nolan (1956-65)

is now leader of the Royal Opera Orchestra. He is currently playing in Rameau's Platée at the Barbican Centre.

Kevin Beckett (1983-93)

and ex-chorister, currently a student at the Royal College of Music, was married during the summer. He is also establishing his reputation as a counter-tenor.

Stephen Wallace (1982-89)

another counter-tenor, was a soloist with English National Opera in a performance of Ulysses by Handel at the Palace Theatre in Manchester. His performance in Thomas Arne's Alfred was one of the tracks on a recent BBC Music Magazine CD.

Nicholas Mulroy (1988-95)

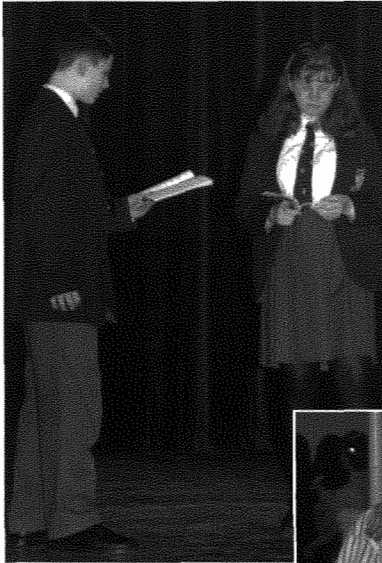
a student at Cambridge is singing bass in the Clare College Choir and took part in a performance of Handel's Hercules at St. James's Piccadilly. During the summer vacation the choir was on a singing tour of America. Nicholas was Head Chorister of the Cathedral Choir. He has spent the past months in South America.

IF MUSIC BE THE FOOD OF LOVE...

Two of our finest past musicians, Damian Fleming and Alison Lee have announced their engagement. The latter was one of our first music scholars. They met in the Sixth Form during orchestral rehearsals.

Damian who is now a lawyer, proposed in Paris. They both continue with music as a hobby. We wish them every happiness in their future together.

Mr John Moseley



Bugsy Malone the musical by Alan Parker, was the choice for this year's Lower School Drama Production which took place January 21-23 in the College Hall. It was a complete sell out!

BUGSY MALONE

Auditions took place in

September and rehearsals started shortly after. A talented, energetic and committed cast attended 90 minute rehearsals twice weekly and nearer the performance came in to school on Saturdays.

The cast provided their own costumes on the whole and Mr Sprague designed and made the nine splurge guns as well as a telephone box, custom-made for the performance.

Paul Markey as Fat Sam gave a very powerful performance and Diana Owusu charmed the audience with her fine interpretation of Tallulah. Bugsy was played very competently by Stephen Caine while Ellen Jones gave a strong performance as Blowsy Brown. Laura Handley and Laura Tipping conveyed the Keystone Cops mentality of a couple of policemen unable to outwit the gangsters and the chorus girls'

dance routines were entertaining and enjoyable.

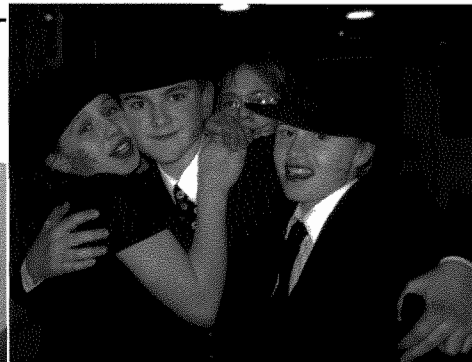
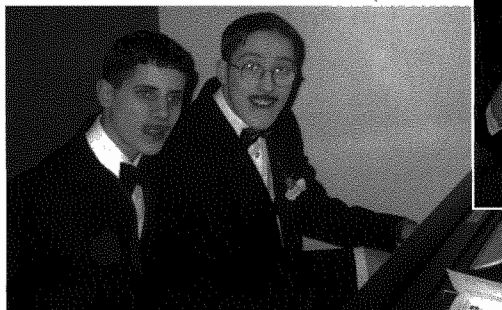
Ben Wilson sang a fine solo as Cagey Joe and Paul McGovern gave a very honourable performance as Fizzy.

With a cast of 62 and a jazz band of 9 pupils (ably conducted by Miss Louise Ashcroft) there was a great atmosphere of excitement and fun surrounding the production, especially when the foam arrived, courtesy of Mr B Joseph, for the custard pies.

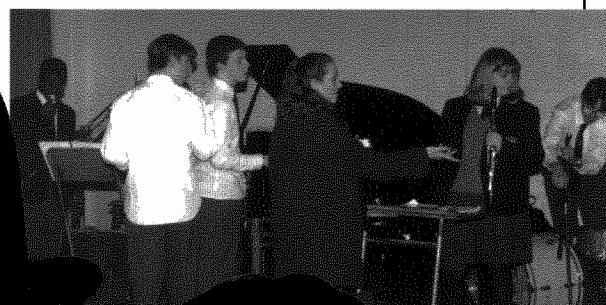
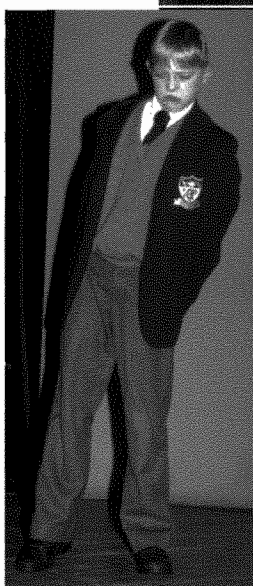
Heartfelt thanks to all of the cast and crew who worked very hard to ensure a successful and vibrant production and particular thanks to the staff involved who gave up so much of their time so willingly.

Thanks:- Particular thanks go to Miss Ashcroft for her dynamic jazz band and her work with the group and solo songs; to Mrs Mackenzie for her invaluable practical stage management skills and for magically finding the most unusual props; to Miss Cooper for her help as assistant director and in selling tickets and finally to Mr Hitchen and Mr Treherne for skilfully managing over one hundred lighting and sound effects.

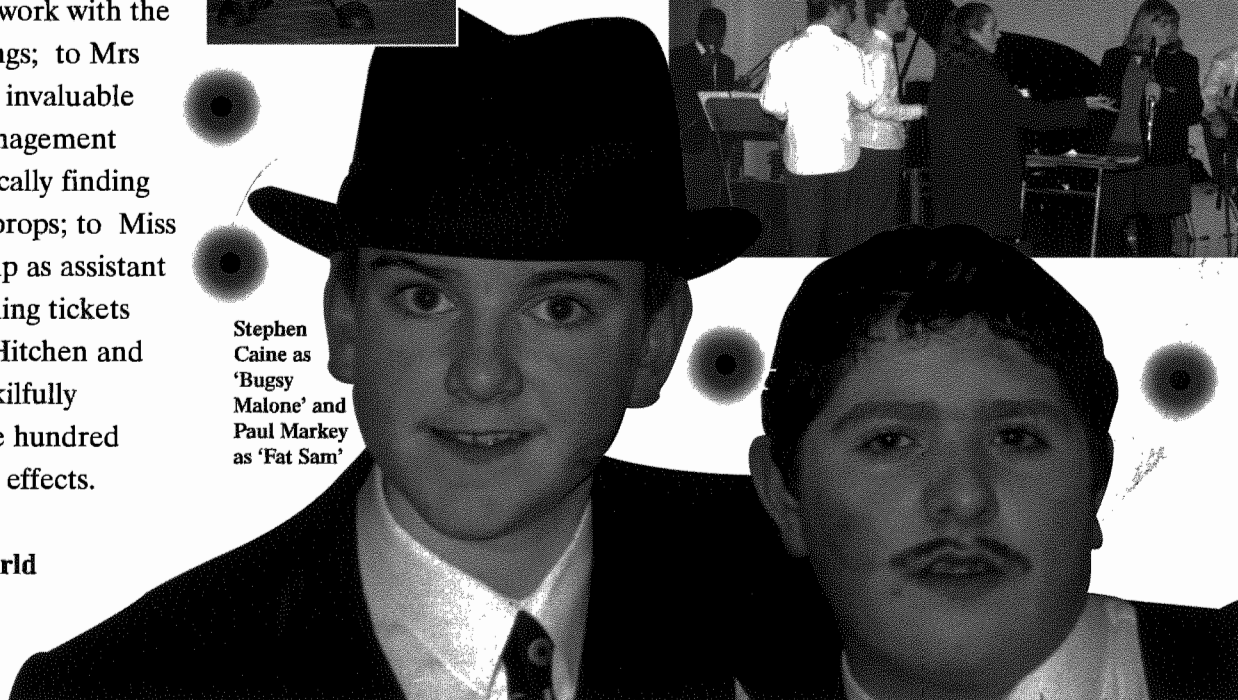
Miss Anne Fitzgearld



The Cast



Stephen Caine as 'Bugsy Malone' and Paul Markey as 'Fat Sam'



DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

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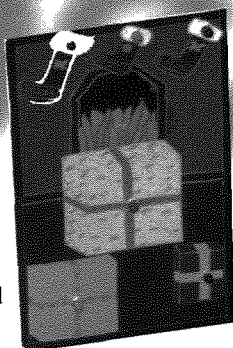
September saw the start of two new extra curricular clubs in the Design and Technology Department. Artisan is a workshop based club where pupils make useful products. Year 9 pupils spent the first term making an electronic flashing Christmas display based around the 4047 microchip and a "secret box" that has a hidden and tricky opening mechanism. Year 9 pupils are now hard at work making many different products ranging from a "marble maze" to hovercrafts.

On Tuesday's Mr Morris and Miss Edwards run a combined Da Vinci and Artisan Club for Years 7 & 8.

Their first term was also spent making an electronic Christmas decoration.

The Da Vinci Club also runs on Fridays from 12:50 and pupils have been busy making items such as key rings, jewellery, fridge magnets and mirrors with a recycled cardboard frame.

I wish to express my thanks to both Mr Morris and Miss Edwards for their continued commitment to these activities.



Year 7 & 8 with their Christmas decorations

A SIGN OF THE TIMES

The school has recently invested in a computer-controlled sign writing machine. The machine has the capacity to produce top quality vinyl lettering and graphic based signs. Some sixth form students are currently forming a mini enterprise company to design, market and sell high quality products to the public.

If you are interested in a new sign for your business transport or even a new name for the stern of your yacht, then please don't hesitate to contact the College.

Watch this space for further details!

Mr Brian Sprague

THANKS FOR THE MATERIAL!

You may remember in the last addition of The Edwardian that I asked if anyone could donate any materials for use in the Design & Technology department. I must now take this opportunity to express my grateful thanks to Mr John Beesley of Beesley & Fildes, Wilson Road, Huyton for donating almost £200 worth of material. Upon visiting Beesley & Fildes I was amazed at the range of timber and DIY stock, it really is a must for any DIY enthusiast.

Also thanks to Mr Aurthur Craddick of GPT who kindly donated large quantities of sundry items such as nuts and bolts. The Department's stock room is much healthier due to your kindness.

SEDS

(ST. EDWARD'S DRAMA SOCIETY)

Present

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE

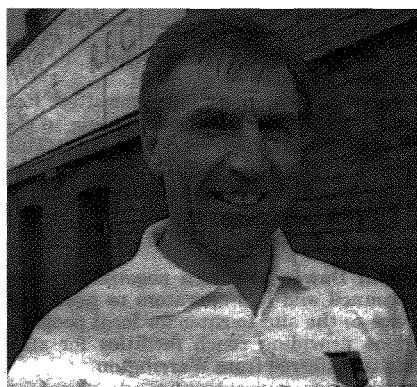
by William Shakespeare

on the evenings of
6, 7, & 8 May 1998

* Note the dates!
* Tickets from the College

NEWS OF OLD EDWARDIANS

Old Edwardian's Charity Walk for Princess' Fund



Stephen Tilly

Stephen Tilly (OE 1961-68) will be walking from John O' Groats to Land's End in August this year to raise money for the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund. The 31 day walk will start on 31 July, reaching Land's End on 30 August and will finish outside Kensington Palace on 31 August, the first

anniversary of the death of Princess Diana.

The proceeds of the collection taken during the walk will be presented to the Fund Managers to be distributed to several of the causes supported by the Princess. Steve will be walking into Liverpool as part of his route on Sunday 16 August and would be delighted to see any of his old school mates at the Liverpool Moat House during that evening.

Steve, who has organised this 1000 mile solo walk, has lived in Brisbane, Australia for the last nine years. During his time at St. Edward's Steve represented the First XV and First VII for two seasons. He subsequently played for Hull and Bristol Universities, English Universities, Bristol Rugby Club and professionally with Widnes RLFC.

The former school teacher, who was born and lived in Widnes now operates a sports travel business in Brisbane moving tourists between Britain and Australia.

TOP AWARD

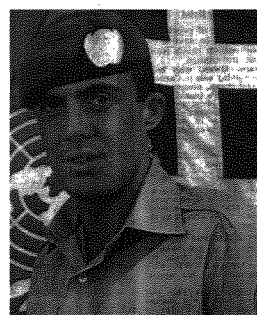
The College sent its congratulations to Staff Sergeant Steve McKenna, OE1978-83, who received an MBE in this year's New Year's honours list.

He was rewarded for his sensitive work with Nato's military forces in strife-torn Bosnia. He was one of only a small number of military personnel to receive honours.

Steve, 31, worked 16-hour days for months planning for a Nato stabilisation force to move into the former Yugoslavia.

Originally the role in Bosnia was to be as a peacekeeping force, but with elections still to be held it was considered that a stabilisation force would be needed.

Based in Germany, Steve is married with a 10 year old daughter, Danielle.



MIKE FLEMING

Mike Fleming (OE 1947-55), London University, School of African Studies and Oriental Studies 1958-62, living and working in Germany since 1966, would like to hear from anybody who still remembers him. Address: Ringstrasse 90, 73432 Aalen-Ebnat, Germany. In recent years he has made almost annual visits to former classmate long time friend Wilf Murphy, who still lives in Merseyside - contact 0151 292 3470. Wilf, thinly disguised as Dr Wilf Murphy now of Salford University after a long career at Liverpool Polytechnic/John Moores University, is happy to pass on additional information to anyone who would like to contact him.

GERRY O'NEILL

Gerry O'Neill (OE 1937-41) writes to ask if there are any celebrations this year since it is sixty years since St Edward's moved to Sandfield Park. He remembers singing The Hallelujah Chorus at the opening ceremony conducted by Mr Boraston.

Gerry is 73 now and is making a sponsored Tandem Parachute Jump with the Red Devils Team at Netheravon on May 6 in aid of the Airborne Forces Charities. Anyone who would like to sponsor Gerry in this daring challenge should contact the Editor for details.

STEPHEN McPARLIN

Stephen McParlin, an OE1978-1983 left after the fifth form to move to Manchester with his parents. He is now a senior scientist at the UK Defence Evaluation and Research Agency, Farnborough, Hampshire, having studied Aeronautical Engineering at Imperial College, London University.

Stephen reports having occasional contact with the Christian Brothers, through St. Ambrose's College, where he spent his sixth form and where his parents live in the same parish.

NEWS OF OLD EDWARDIANS

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Mr Phillip Diamond would like to be put in touch with Mr Philip Bramwell (The Edwardian, September 1997).

Mr Diamond was amazed at the number of common interests and experiences that both he and Philip Bramwell shared.

....."not only did I enrol in 149th RHA(T.A.) in 1939 but also I transferred to RAF in 1941; not only was I a pilot but also I flew with Coastal and Transport Commands; not only did I, post war, go into Catholic education but also I worked in Essex & Kent; not only am I in genteel retirement but also my Christian name is Philip - Pip in my school days"

Can anyone help?

On behalf of Mrs Ann McDonnell, Miss Carol Martin is trying to trace a Mr Jim Bonnie who attended St. Edward's in the earlier part of this century. Jim was born around 1915 and attended the College in his teenage years. Any information to the whereabouts of Mr Bonnie would be most appreciated.

If you are able to help, please contact Mr T Duffy at St. Edward's College (0151 281 1999).

John James Duffy

We were delighted to receive a letter from Mrs M Reilly informing us of the whereabouts of John Duffy, OE 1946-51, and enclosing a synopsis of his career since he left St. Edwards.

During his time at St. Edward's John learnt to play the double bass under Mr Eugène Genin and went on to join the Merseyside Youth Orchestra. In 1949 he became a member of the National Youth Orchestra until 1953. From 1953 until 1956 he joined the army where he became a member of the Royal Signals Band, Catterick Camp. On leaving the army he joined the Hallé Orchestra, rank-and-file double bass until 1961 when he was promoted to Principal Double Bass. In 1964 John joined the London Symphony Orchestra, rank-and-file bass and in 1982 he became the LSO Assistant Orchestral Manager, a post he held until 1985. From 1985-88 he was appointed LSO Personnel Manager.

In 1988 John moved to America where he became Orchestral and Personnel Manager of the Pittsburgh Orchestra. He left the Orchestra in 1992 to move to Miami where he became Vice President of the New World Symphony Orchestra and Artistic and Operations Administration Manager. In 1996 John joined the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra in Kuala Lumpur where he still is today. This Orchestra is not yet performing. The first concert is due to take place in the Summer of 1998. John is currently engaged, with the Musical Director, in recruiting and auditioning musicians from all parts of the world.

John has an apartment in New York, as well as in Kuala Lumpur, where he lives with his second wife, the operatic soprano Pamela Hinchman. His son, Dominic 32, also lives in the USA and his daughter, Nicolette 35, lives in Cambridge.

Two of John's Nephews, Brendan and Anthony Reilly, are also OEs and are currently both employees of Barclays Bank and in the Premier Banking and Direct Loan Divisions respectively.

Now 62, John is looking forward eagerly to long and successful years in Musical Management. He confidently expects to be at the top of that profession within the next thirty years!!

Anthony Chadwick

Anthony Chadwick, an Old Edwardian, has recently opened a Veterinary Surgery on the Croxteth Park Estate, Liverpool 12.

Anthony recently won a scholarship from the British Small Animal Veterinary Association to go to Nashville to study Veterinary Dermatology at Cornell University. This was to further his studies in Veterinary Dermatology in which he has a postgraduate certificate.

He will be pleased to see OE's and present pupils with their animals alike at his surgery.

Congratulations

Father Paddy Carroll

Congratulation to Fr Paddy Carroll, an OE, who celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his ordination. We sent him a copy of our latest College Prospectus and he was most impressed with the developments since he left in 1940.

OBITUARY

Mr Frank Molyneux

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mr Frank Molyneux (OE 1927-1933) who presented a trophy for English Studies, died on 8 February 1988. Frank and his brother Peter were always present at the OE dinner and Prize Day.

Mr John H O'Neill

(OE1943-47) died February 1988.

Mr Anthony Dwerryhouse

In July 1997, Anthony Dwerryhouse, father of Simon (OE 1974-85) died. Simon is now a surgical registrar working in Cheltenham. We express our condolences to Margaret his widow, son and daughter.

Mr William Baker died on 12

November 1997 in Llandudno. Mr Baker OE, died at the age of 83. Condolences were sent to his widow Dorothy and we remembered William in our prayers at the Carol Service and with a Mass said for the repose of his soul.

Mr Paul Teebay

It was sad to hear that Paul Teebay, a dentist, OE 1975-78 died on Friday 24 October 1997 at the age of 38, having been diagnosed shortly before of having cancer of the colon. We send the assurance of our prayers and sympathy to his wife and three children.

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RUGBY - AN OVERVIEW

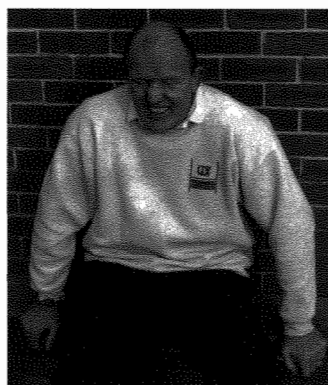
1997/98 season at fifteen a side was of considerable significance for the College.

The appointment of Mr Peter Buckton, formerly a Rugby Union Development Officer, meant the existence of a clear core of expertise and experience in the St. Edward's Coaching structure.

With Mr Stuart Beeley, player-coach of Widnes RUFC, in charge of the Under 13s, Mr Dominic Mackenzie, hooker for Waterloo and latterly Widnes RUFC, with the U14s and Mr Peter Buckton coach of the Under 15s, the foundations of future success are well in place.

The best pattern of results was with the 1st XV, once more achieving 2 out of 3 as wins. However the Under 15s and Under 14s were over 50% success rate in a strong fixture list.

The lack of progress and success at 2nd XV and Under 12s indicates problems still to be solved but with such a highly qualified core of coaches, full support from senior management and a talented intake in the grant-maintained era I have every confidence for the future strength of the royal blue and gold.



Mr P Buckton
"Coach of the modern game"

1ST XV RUGBY

The 1997/98 season was yet another enjoyable and successful year. I was privileged to be involved with such a talented and enthusiastic group.

Pre-season training was a vital prerequisite for the successes and patterns of play which developed during the season. Initial potential and promise was clear at the Loughborough G.S.

10-a-side competition where St. Edward's were beaten finalists, but had inflicted defeat on some of the best schools in the country such as St. Joseph's College, Ipswich and Hymer's College, Hull.

A good Daily Mail Cup run of three victories ended in a loss at Wirral G.S. when the opposition clinched the game with a well constructed last minute try.

The only other loss by the College before Christmas was against Birkenhead School who had not won at St. Edward's for over six years.

The best patterns of play were seen in the Wirral match and in the first twenty minutes against Bolton. With the stand-off standing flat supported by an arc of runners the gain line was



Thomas Blackwell
represented Lancashire
and North of England
18 group



James Wallace
the reluctant prop



Andrew Kelly
Captain against
Arnold School



Terence McLoughlin
Lancashire 16 Group

consistently broken with rapid ball from mini-rucks. The spread of ball wider out usually resulted in deep penetration. Only the odd handling mistake caused play to breakdown.

After Christmas the regular band of supporters and parents, which included Mr and Mrs Passey, were privileged to see some excellent vigorous forward play and deft skills in the backs.

A 24 points to nil win against Merchant Taylor's School, Crosby indicated a delightful superiority over a side that had beaten Bradford Grammar School, Leeds Grammar School and



Mr & Mrs Passey, Mr Kelly "The privileged spectators"

Manchester Grammar School. Aggressive defence was the foundation for the demoralisation of Merchant Taylor's School.

The results overall were 12 wins, 4 losses and 1 draw. The sequence after Christmas is given below.

In terms of personnel I knew we had a core of experience and leadership with Simon Worsley stand-off and captain, and Tom Blackwell, No.8 and vice captain. These players kept us together at times of pressure. They did not always choose the correct options but without doubt they were inspirational.



Supporters of Michael Sanchez



Mr & Mrs Blackwell "Supporting"



Mrs Warsley & father with Mrs Stanley

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However, much credit must go to the younger players - those willing (those persuaded) to play in front row - James Wallace, Jude Garvey, Stuart Carter and Michael Goodwin. The pace and ball handling ability, the aggression and work rate of these players was tremendous. Terence McLoughlin in the back row was a revelation in technique and commitment. Fergus Griffies was learning his trade with increasing confidence at No. 9. Neil Stanley was "Mr Aggressive Defence". Well done!

There were other characters in the team such as James McQuade (where did you get those boxer shorts!) and Martin McGeough (it's only a twinge, I'll be alright for Saturday). There were solid grafters in the team like Andrew Kelly and Anthony Wright. There were lovely boys like Michael Roberts and Michael Sanchez who would be equally at home on the catwalk as the track-pitch. But it was good to be with them all. Life was good and we lived it together!

SIMON WORSLEY
represented Lancashire 18 group

MICHAEL ROBERTS
represented Lancashire 15 group

1ST XV RESULTS 1998

St. Ambrose's College	WON	28-0
Wirral Grammar School	LOST	12-13
Merchant Taylor's School	WON	24-0
King's School, Macclesfield	LOST	8-10
Arnold School	DREW	17-17
TOTALS FOR/AGAINST		89-40

P	W	L	D
5	2	2	1

UNDER 15s RUGBY

Recording 8 wins, 6 defeats and a draw the squad had their most successful season since joining the College. The boys always played with tremendous enthusiasm and spirit which bodes well for the future.

My abiding memories of the season will be clawing back three late tries to tie the game at Birkenhead and a last minute bootlace cover tackle by Iain Kerr to save the game against Hutton Grammar School.

David Harris was a first class captain and Sean McIlrow fully deserved his call up to the Lancashire Schools side.



A few players took to writing books during the campaign:

Paul Markey
"A Catering Guide to NW Schools"

Ugonna Nwosu
"The Concept of Time"

Mark Callan
"The Art of Side Stepping"

Christopher Roper
"101 Excuses to Miss Training."

UNDER 14s RUGBY

The Under 14s continued to improve both in terms of results and the quality of rugby played. Victories against Arnold School and Hutton Grammar School were impressive, whilst the Christian Brothers Grand Slam was captured by defeating St. Anselm's, St. Ambrose's and St. Mary's Colleges.

In an effort to play an expansive style of rugby the team have scored consistently in most matches. Nevertheless an occasional leaky

defence and inconsistency are aspects which will have to improve if we intend to be successful on our Easter tour to Germany.

P	W	L	D
13	6	6	1

Mr Dominic Mackenzie.

The Scrum and 10-8 defeat at the hands of King's School Macclesfield



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UNDER 13s RUGBY

If one was to judge the team's success purely on results, then clearly it has not been the most fruitful of seasons. On reflection, however, there have been a great many positive features on which we will build in the years to come.

The Under 13s are a side still in their rugby infancy, endeavouring to learn the game but with enormous potential.

All the boys have of course contributed in no small way to the team's development over the course of the season but certain notable individuals warrant special mention. One could not fail to be awe-struck by the rhino-like rampaging of our two prop forwards, Samuel Beckett and Tony Pramanik. Likewise the rugged, no-nonsense approach of full back Matthew Saunders and the wizardry of hooker Paul McGovern impressed everyone. James Lynskey at No. 8 has been inspirational throughout, a veritable talisman, proving that his strengths lie not only in the realms of academia. The self-effacing Mark Jacobson at centre has shown touches of real class, earning himself the nickname "Donna" (as in Prima). Finally it would be remiss of me not to mention the Thomas Castaignede of

St. Edward's rugby, our dashing, daring and debonair captain, Paul Lloyd, whose running has proved to be even more elusive than his homework.

Thank you and well done all the boys.

The U13 Squad:

*Samuel Beckett, Paul McGovern,
Tony Pramanik, Mark Lewis,
Graeme Holmes, Glen Latimer,
James Lynskey, Matthew Millar,
Andrew Iro, Anthony Nightingale,
Edward Knowles, Stephen Harcombe,
Paul Lloyd, Mark Jacobson,
Luke Crowder, Matthew Saunders,
Christopher Fox, Christopher Gough,
Andrew McEvitt, James Murphy,
Christopher Woods, Peter Swift,
James McKeown.*

Mr Stuart Beeley.

CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

Our most successful teams have been the Seniors and Under 16s, whilst the junior teams have relied more on good individual performances.

The Seniors have enjoyed a good season to date, finishing 2nd in each of the three Merseyside League Fixtures held so far. They produced an excellent team performance to win the Sangster Cup in the Liverpool Harriers Cup Meeting at Wavertree and also finished a good 3rd in the Marple Hall Relay Meeting.

The Under 16 team has relied heavily on Year 10 boys in the team. Injury has played havoc this season, so it is a good indication of strength in depth that the team has actually managed to finish 3rd in two of the League fixtures. Michael Bate and Daniel Melia showed good early-season form but were subsequently injured.

Stephen O'Donoghue won the Wirral A.C. Cup Race at Arrowe park, finished a fine 4th in the second League Race at Sherdley Park and

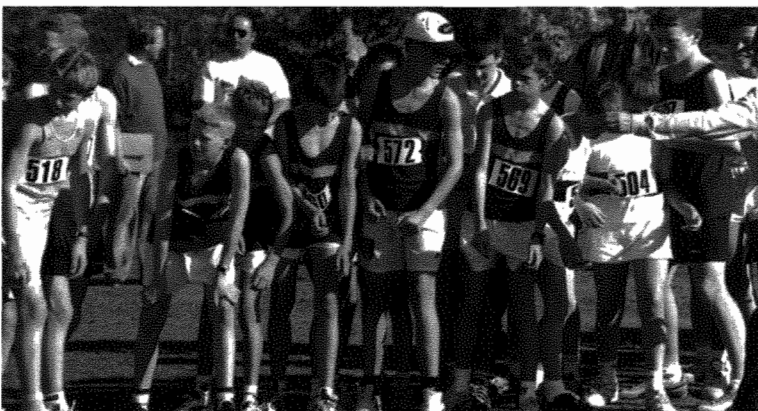


Peter Walsh on his way to victory in the Sangster Cup

In the King Henry VIII Relay at Coventry, a team somewhat depleted by injury finished a creditable 16th of the 43 competing teams. Peter Walsh has enjoyed a very good season, winning the Sangster Cup Race and the third Merseyside League Fixture and there have been some good runs from Simon Fraser, Christopher Ventre and Francis Brooks.

came 5th in the Merseyside Schools Championships.

A combined U15/U14 team finished 3rd in the Wirral A.C. Race and also reached the Regional Final of the TSB Cup. Good support has come from Alan Walsh, Daniel Blair and Liam Poland, but there have been invaluable



The start of the Weston Trophy Race, won by Stephen O'Donoghue

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Adam McCarty and Luke Carter running at Cowley

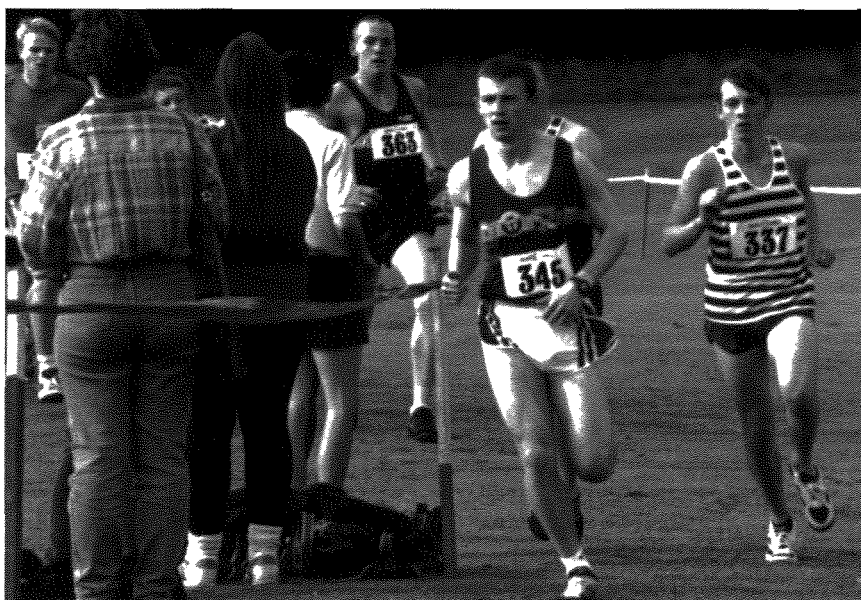
contributions from a number of others.

Graeme Mulvoy has won most of his races in the U12 age group, including the first two Merseyside League Races and the National Catholic Schools Championships at Wavertree. Christopher Gough was well placed in two Merseyside League U13 fixtures and was a member of the winning Liverpool team in the Merseyside

Schools Championships at Sherdley Park, and there have been some good performances from Michael McCarthy.

Mr John Miles

*Graeme Mulvoy
well clear of
the field in
Arrowe Park*



Simon Fraser, Ian Nicholson, Trophy Race at Arrowe Park

HOCKEY

1st XI HOCKEY 1997-98

The 1st XI continues to both delight and frustrate. They are an able and committed group of players who have played some excellent hockey on occasions.

They began the season with a 2-2 draw against Birkenhead High School, and progressed well with victories against a strong West Kirkby Grammar School, and a not so strong St. Mary's College. The match against Kirkham Grammar School followed a similar pattern; after dominating the play and playing excellent hockey, they could not quite find the final pass, and the match finished 0-0.

Another good performance against Arnold School raised confidence and morale, and although we were beaten into 2nd place in the City Championships, we did play some good hockey in two of the three matches. The season finished on something of a high at the Cheadle Hulme Grammar School's 7's Grass Tournament, where they played well and were only beaten by the eventual semi-finalists.

The highlight of this tournament was the spirit in which the matches were played. Special mention must be made of Mandy Bryan who, as stand-in goal-keeper, performed brilliantly and managed to get almost all parts of her anatomy in the way of the ball! Finally, although credit goes to all fourteen members of the squad I do feel that mention must be made of the three players who are leaving us this season. To Sarah Blyth who, although she has only played for one season, has contributed grit and skill both in midfield and on the forward line (*though I'm still not sure about her taste in headgear!*) To Leanne Murphy, who has been a reliable and determined defender over the seven years she has played hockey, and who can always be depended upon to be cheerful.

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Last but certainly not least, to my long-suffering captain, Sandra Duncan, who as a player has held the defence together so well, and as a captain has given lifts, organised, remembered and generally done everything I have forgotten to do! I, and the rest of the team will miss you all next year, and we all wish you well in whatever you choose to do.

Miss Louise Hutchinson

2nd XI HOCKEY 1997-98

The season began with a match against King's School, Macclesfield at home. They gave us a close game last season (which we eventually won) and as expected it was another hard match which resulted in a 1-0 victory.

Our next match was a Wednesday afternoon match against Arnold School, Blackpool. They are a strong team and consequently our 1st team played their 2nd and our 2nd played their 3rds. It was an excellent match which we won 1-0 with a goal by Rachael Eades, although we should have scored more.

The New Year began with a match against St. Mary's College 1st XI, which was won comfortably 3-0. Undeclared, the last match played to date was away against Queen's School, Chester. We expected this to be a hard match but were not prepared for the hammering we received!

With only a couple of matches remaining, the season has been reasonably successful and several players have improved their game significantly.

Congratulations must go to Elizabeth Cashman and Jennifer Peers who have improved throughout the season and can always be relied on to attend training. Thanks must also go to Colette Noble and Hannah Kirkham of the U15's who have stepped into the breach on occasions when players have been hard to come by.

Miss Kirsty Wilson, Mr Simon Morgan

UNDER 12's HOCKEY 1997-1998

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



Under 12 Hockey Squad - A & B Teams

The U12 A-team have 'done the double' for the second year running. They won the Liverpool Schools' Hockey League (consisting of 11 teams from around the region) -winning every match, with the B-team coming an impressive second - their only defeat at the hands of the A-team. In the final fixture of the season, the A-team won the Liverpool Schools' Hockey Tournament without conceding a single goal, beating St. Julie's High School A-team in the final.



Under 12 Hockey A-Team - Liverpool League & Tournament Champions '97 - '98

The squad has strength in depth, which bodes well for a successful 11-a-side team in Year 8.

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

Mrs Susan Pullin

UNDER 13s HOCKEY

The season started with the 8 a side Liverpool City League in which the A Team won without conceding a goal and the B Team were 2nd. Tougher opposition was found further afield at King's Macclesfield and St. Mary's but yet again team work and skill displayed by many individuals helped us secure victory. The final 11 a side match was played at Queens', Chester and produced excellent performances by many players especially Michelle Wilson (goalie) who had not really been troubled until the second half when a cross came in which looked to be a definite goal for queen's, but somehow Michelle dived to make what can only be described as the save of the season.

Well done to all, especially for finishing the season undefeated!

U13 Squad: Michele Wilson. Katy Roper, Vicky Grimes, Louise Handley, Natalie Quinn, Lucy Nesbitt, Catherine Greaves, Sarah Williams (Capt) Victoria Lim, Louise Murray, Sarah Owens, Frances Doherty, Rebecca Shipley, Katie Marshall

Mrs Caroline Webster

UNDER 14s HOCKEY

The Under 14s have had another exceptional year. The girls have shown great enthusiasm and have worked hard in training which has resulted in an unbeaten season. This was an excellent achievement from a very talented team.

The Under 14s demonstrated their tough and gritty determination early in the season when they met St. Mary's College, Crosby. At half-time the team were losing 1-0 but professionalism and commitment combined with playing some extremely attractive hockey saw the match end with a 4-1 victory for SEC.

In the City Championships held at Wyncote, the team eventually finished

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as runners-up by the narrowest of margins.

Well done to all the girls.

U14 Squad:

Forwards: Rachel Kelly, Leigh Carroll (Capt.) Kimberley Ware, Ellen Jones

Halves: Julie Simpson, Gaynor Hughes, Rebecca Welsh

Defenders: Natalie Taylor, Rachel Vile, Aimee Crosby, Danielle Manley, Nieve Hearity, Maria Barrett, Helen Spencer, Terri Taylor and Rachel Stephenson.

Miss Julia Gallagher

UNDER 15's HOCKEY 1997-98

The U15 squad has been committed to training and has shown a positive attitude. The members have put a lot of effort into the weak area of their game and as a consequence they have improved. They have experienced mixed fortunes this season. They beat St. Mary's College, drew against two reputable schools, Queen's School, Chester and Arnold School. They lost against West Kirkby Grammar School and Archbishop Blanch High School.

They ended the season on a really positive note by coming second in the City Championships. Well done!

Mr Simon Morgan

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS - HOCKEY

Congratulations to the following players:

Lancashire Senior 3rd Team
Victoria Newnes

Liverpool and Merseyside U18
Sandra Duncan
Nina Farquharson
Victoria Newnes

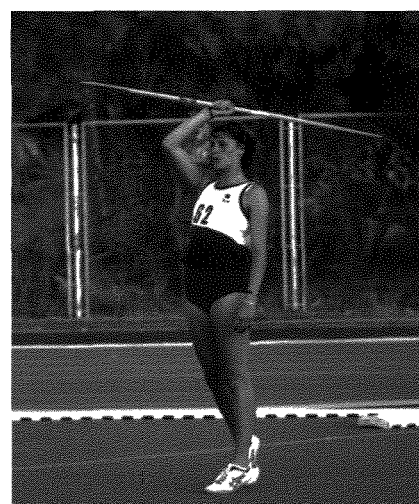
Liverpool and Merseyside U16
Rachael Kiely
Rachel Lennon
Janine Newnes
Colette Noble

Liverpool and Merseyside U15
Hannah Kirkham
Colette Noble
Leigh Carroll
Kerry Ware

Liverpool and Merseyside U14
Gaynor Hughes
Rachel Kelly
Julie Simpson
Kerry Ware

Liverpool U14
Leigh Carroll
Natalie Taylor
Rebecca Walsh

OLD EDWARDIAN WINS SILVER AND GOLD FOR GREAT BRITAIN



Julie Hynan

Mrs Hynan wrote to The Edwardian telling of the wonderful achievements of Julie, her daughter, who left St. Edward's 6th form last year.

In 1997, Julie went to Malta to compete in the European Catholic Schools Championships, where she was Captain of the Great Britain Team. She was awarded a silver medal in the javelin and also led the girls team to silver in the team event against some very fierce opposition. Sadly, her high jumping in the individual event was nowhere near her best, but she made up for it in the team event.

It was an honour for Julie and also for St. Edward's, for her to be selected as Captain. In the opening ceremony in Valletta Cathedral she read a prayer.

During the past three years of competition, Julie has competed in Budapest, Somerset and Malta where she has achieved 2 gold and 3 silver medals for Great Britain, quite an achievement!

POPE KOPS TOP ECHO PRIZE



Robert Pope

At last year's London Half Marathon, Robert Pope 19, OE and former athletics captain, crossed the line in 77 minutes and 31 seconds. He received a special memento for being the fastest of his age and finished a notable 49th overall.

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NETBALL

SENIOR NETBALL 1997-98

The senior team is committed and enthusiastic about netball. They were captained by Vikki Newness who was extremely motivated.

They have shown that cohesion, motivation and skill are extremely important in a team game. They have been rewarded for their efforts with a third in the County round of the National Schools and a third in the City Championships, losing to Archbishop Blanch High School whom they drew against on goal difference. However, they played intelligent and fluent netball. In the friendly matches they had wins against Archbishop Blanch High School, St. Mary's College, St. Julie's High School, Merchant Taylor's Girls' School and Sale Grammar School. They only suffered one defeat against Stockport Grammar School.

Congratulations to Vikki Newness who was chosen to represent and captain her age group County side.

Miss Gillian Atkins

NETBALL U16 1997-98

The U16s have had another successful season. They are extremely committed and motivated to the sport. Their hard work has paid off by suffering only one defeat against Stockport Grammar School; this is the school which has spoilt our statistics! The U16s had a good County round of the National Schools finishing third in their group. They also came first in the City Championships which means that they have won the Championships for five consecutive years. Well done!

Congratulations to Julie Makin who was chosen to represent her age group in the County side.

Miss G Atkins

NETBALL U15 1997-98

The Year 10 team has had an inconsistent season showing an outstanding standard of netball towards the end of February with a somewhat disappointing end to 1997. Melissa Newnes has shown great versatility playing every position with the exception of the shooter. The two shooters, Clare Conway and Michelle Peers have begun to show real talent not only in their shooting ability but also in their work as a partnership.

Their defence has been troubled due to absence but Katie Stanborough and Nicola Bryan have maintained some degree of stability. Colette Noble and Victoria Dempsey have worked well in supporting the attack. Recent performances against Liverpool College and Calderstones Community Comprehensive School indicate the potential for the remainder of the season.

Miss Claire Fell

NETBALL U14 1997-98

The Year 9 A team has enjoyed an outstanding season thus far with only two defeats. In the recent County tournament they were unbeaten and have qualified for the county finals. The A team also went on to win the City Championships with the B team taking a notable 5th place. Captain, Julie Simpson has been outstanding, her partnership with Leigh Carroll, and Kerry Ware has put fear into many of the top teams. Natalie Taylor has developed her shooting ability and now, very rarely misses a shot. The defence is so strong that few teams have been able to score more than 4 goals against them. Becky Welsh and Rachel Kelly sharing the Wing Defence position have performed very well but Gaynor Hughes has been superb with an amazing reach for a student of such a short height. Rachel Vile provides the height and has shown why she

represented Liverpool last year.

This team has the potential to enjoy a most successful season.

Miss Claire Fell

NETBALL U13 1997-98

The Year 8 teams have played some very promising netball so far this season, adopting a more fluid and confident style. The B team in particular has worked hard at improving their passing skills and displayed grit and determination in their game. Lisa Farrell and Laura Tipping stand out as having made excellent progress, both being promised to the A team by the end of the season.

The A team has had some convincing wins against tough opposition - notably Upton Hall Convent School and Liverpool College culminating in their winning the Liverpool City Championships for the second year running.

Vicky Grimes and Catherine Greaves have been very responsible and motivating captains - well done! Works still needs to be done on effective use of space and block marking; but the girls are committed and determined enough to go from strength to strength.

Miss Rachel Fox

NETBALL U12 1997-98

The U12 netball squads are lively group of girls who have enjoyed their netball this year.

They have practised with enthusiasm and interest, and have been keen to improve. No less than 27 girls have been involved in matches this year, and on occasions, the number of good players available has made team selections difficult.

Generally speaking the team has played well. They had a shaky start at Birkenhead High School, but since then have improved tremendously. They have beaten some strong opposition, notably Upton Hall Convent School

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and Sale Grammar School. Once they learn to slow down and be more disciplined in their play, this team has the potential to be very successful.

The season was rounded off in style with a victory at the Liverpool City Championships. The team played extremely well and thoroughly deserved their victory. The B team reached the quarter finals, after beating some good teams, which is a tribute to their hard work and enthusiasm.

B and C team friendly games have also been played on several occasions; some have been won, more have been lost, but the girls have enjoyed and have continued to improve.

Congratulations and thanks to all those involved for a successful and enjoyable season.

Miss Louise Hutchinson

GIRLS' CRICKET

On Tuesday 3 February, two teams from St. Edward's College took part in the inaugural Merseyside Girls' Indoor Cricket Tournament at Fernhill Sports Centre.

With very little opportunity to practise, all the girls who participated played exceptionally well. The two teams were placed in different groups and unfortunately the 'B' Team captained by Lauren Waszek failed to qualify. The average age of the team was 13 and the teams they played against comprised 15 year olds, so this is a team to watch for the future.

The 'A' Team, captained by Rhea Rutherford were unbeaten throughout all 4 group matches and qualified for the final which they won convincingly bowling the opposition out for 36 runs.

Congratulations to :

Kerry Ware, Leigh Carroll,
Rhea Rutherford, Natalie Taylor
and Rachel Kelly.

Miss Claire Fell

TSB ATHLETICS COMPETITION

The Year 7 and 8 Junior Girls' Athletics TSB Squad:

Year 7

*Megan Agnew, Catherine Greaves,
Louise Murray, Natalie Quinn,
Rebecca Shipley and Sarah Williams.*

Year 8

*Maria Barratt, Laura Bomba,
Cheryl Gregory, Gayner Hughes,
Ellen Jones, Rachel Kelly, Julie Simpson,
Rachel Vile and Kerry Ware.*

The girls competed and trained with enthusiasm and a determination to succeed and happily reaped the rewards of their efforts.

From the original 550 schools entering the competition the junior girls came through two rigorous rounds to qualify for the National Finals - the first time a girls' team has done so. The National Finals were held in Abingdon, Oxfordshire last July. The conditions for the competition were excellent, both in terms of facilities and the weather. The girls rose to the challenge. They performed with grit and determination and team spirit was excellent throughout.

The girls finished 6th overall which was a tremendous achievement against so many larger schools and it's a tribute not only to the talent of the girls but also to their will to win.

An excellent achievement - well done!

**Miss Gillian Atkins &
Miss Louise Hutchinson**

National Schools Relay Finals, Wolverhampton, February 7, 1998.

It was a pity that due to the reorganisation of the competition, our Junior Girls' Medley Squad only kept their national winning trophy for four months.

Qualification for the 1998 finals began last October. Our Junior Boys' Squad, Andrew Williams, Daniel Thompson, Neil Rankin, James Roberts and Paul Davis (Capt.) finished in 2nd and 3rd position in their relays but this was not good enough to take them into the national finals.

Once again, the Junior Girls' and Intermediate Boys' Squads qualified in four events. The Junior Girls defended their regional titles successfully while the Intermediate Boys achieved 2nd place in the freestyle relay and became regional champions in the medley.

The squads travelled with Merchant Taylor's School to Wolverhampton for

the finals. Defending a title is always difficult so the pressure on the Junior Girls was under very apparent. Performing well was the main objective and any success was a bonus. This they did, by achieving personal best times in both relays and finishing in 5th place in the medley and 7th in the freestyle.

The boys did improve on their qualification placing and like the girls set personal bests in their races, finishing 8th in the medley and 9th in the freestyle.

We must congratulate both squads in both national finals. Apart from their superb performances their attitude, enthusiasm and friendliness was a credit to themselves, their school and their families. We are very proud of you. Thank you and well done.

**Mr Simon Morgan &
Miss Gillian Atkins**

SWIMMING

The ESSA National Relay Finals were held last October. Each final consisted of the top 12 relay squads who had qualified from regional finals. Over 150 schools had entered the competition.

St Edward's participated in the regional finals held at Ormskirk Baths in June 1997 entering 6 squads. Schools from Merseyside, Cheshire and Lancashire took part.

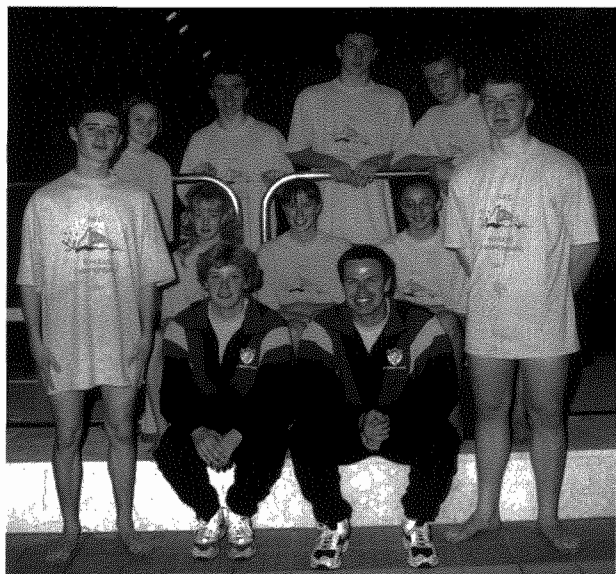
The Junior Boys' Squad, Paul Davis (Capt), James Roberts, Ben Clint and Neil Rankin finished 3rd in the finals in both medley and freestyle relays.

The intermediate boys were disqualified in the medley but finished 2nd in the freestyle. The Junior Girls' Squad won both the medley and freestyle relays.

Three squads qualified for the national final.

St. Edward's travelled and shared accommodation with fellow qualifiers, Merchant Taylor's Girls' School. This helped to generate a superb spirit

The Intermediate Boys' Swimming Squad with Miss Atkins and Mr Morgan



throughout the trip, both schools feeling that they were representing the city and just their schools.

The Intermediate Boys' Squad, Philip Thompson (Capt.), Paul Sweeney,



The Junior Girls' Squad.

national record of 2 minutes 20.32secs.

This was an outstanding achievement in a very high standard competition. It will rank with other national successes in St. Edward's sporting history.

Mr Simon Morgan & Miss Gillian Atkins

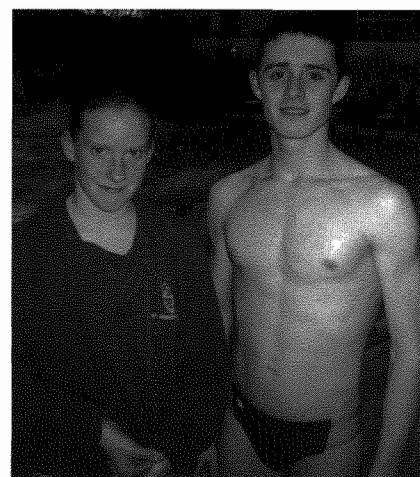
The St Edwards' Swimming Squads at the ESSA National Relay Finals.

Daniel Melia, Terence McLoughlin and Michael Roberts, finished a very creditable 11th and gave tremendous encouragement to the Junior Girls' Squad. The Junior Girls finished second in the freestyle relay and also broke the existing record, but even greater success was achieved in the medley relay. The lead changed five times during the race as Gaynor Hughes (backstroke)

handed on to Anna Reid (breaststroke). At this point the squad was just 3 metres off the lead.

Julie Simpson (butterfly and captain) reduced it to one metre. Sarah Williams took over in the crawl leg and edged closer to the lead swimmer applying increased pressure to her stroke. With 20m left Sarah moved away to victory and a new

NATIONAL SCHOOLS BIATHLON COMPETITION



Maria Barratt Y9 and Daniel Melia Y11 took part in the National Schools Biathlon Competition last November. Maria came 12th and Danny came 18th. Congratulations to both biathletes on a tremendous performance.

Mr Simon Morgan



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