



# Edwardian

Mary Swain scoops **£704,900**





## ADVENT TERM Editorial.....

Welcome to the Advent 2003 edition of *The Edwardian*, overflowing with news of pupil trips and fund-raisers and exciting visitors to College, stories of Music, Drama and Sporting activities from the Lent and Trinity Terms and our regular Old Edwardians' updates and archive features.

It's been a year full of celebrity news, not the least of which was Mary Swain's (Year 13) staggering jackpot quiz win of £704,900, while Anthony Hannah (Year 9) has appeared on *Stars In Their Eyes Kids* as Robbie Williams.

The College's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations culminate on the weekend of the 10 – 12 October in a gala concert at The Philharmonic Hall, an Old Edwardians' Grand Dinner at the College and St Edward's Day Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral. See more details on the back cover.

We look forward to a busy Advent Term – look out for news of our *Stars In Their Eyes* Competition and the great Edmund Rice Fun Run, both terrific fund-raisers, in the next edition of *The Edwardian*.

## SENSATIONAL



It's an idle fantasy we've all indulged, winning that big pot of gold on a Saturday TV quiz show. But that's exactly what Year 13 A level student Mary Swain did when she beat eight other contestants to win a staggering £704,900 jackpot on TV's *The Vault* quiz show in August.

Mary's excellent general knowledge and gamesmanship took her initial winnings to £31,900. Then with only nine seconds remaining came the final jackpot question: *What is an arctophile?* Mary didn't miss a beat. Answer: A collector of teddy bears!

Quiz buff Mary scoops . . . .

# £704,900

Mary, who gained three A levels in Music, Mathematics and Business Studies says she is still coming to terms with the enormity of her £704,900 win, the largest cash prize ever awarded on live TV, but she plans to buy her parents a holiday home abroad with some of her winnings.

In the meantime as she starts her Music Technology degree at Birmingham University, she will just have to imagine what it would be like to live the life of an impoverished student.

The best of luck, Mary, from all at St. Edwards College!







**Jonathan Dimbleby**  
**Bill Rammell MP**  
**Caroline Spelman MP**  
**Menzies Campbell MP**  
**Roula Khalaf**

Chair  
 Minister in the Foreign Office  
 Shadow International Development Secretary  
 Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats  
 Middle East Editor at the Financial Times

## College hosts *Any Questions*

It was Friday Night Live and it was a sellout! BBC Radio's Any Questions was broadcast from the College on Friday 28 March.

Sound Technicians arrived early to lay miles of cable leading from the Production van through first floor windows and into College Hall. The next task was to set up the stage, complete with carpet for soundproofing and desks draped in Radio 4 cloths emblazoned with the programme logo.

As audience members arrived, questions were posted into mail boxes, the production team made their selection and soon questioners were seated on the front row as Producer Anne Peacock and her team began their introductions. As the pips sounded for the national 8 o'clock News, a ripple of excitement went through the audience we were on air and a lively discussion was soon in progress. Grateful thanks go to all those questioners for their pertinent and searching questions which elicited a variety of interesting responses and sustained lively discussion. Questioners clearly enjoyed their celebrity, however brief!



*Anne Peacock*

At the end of the programme, the panel were clearly willing to continue the discussion and further questions were invited from the floor – all in all, the audience enjoyed another 40 minutes 'overtime' and in a subsequent letter from the BBC, Anne Peacock said she had never known the panel remain behind for so long after the programme went off air. All panel members expressed their gratitude for an enjoyable and entertaining evening and each received a small gift as a memento of their visit to the College.

Special thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the evening and to Lilian Sweeney and her staff for providing two superb buffets.







## Founders Day 2003

It was a very special prize-giving on Sunday 16 March this year when to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the College, Prize Day was renamed Founder's Day in honour of the birthday of Father James Nugent. The ceremony was held at the Metropolitan Cathedral and the guest speaker was Old Edwardian, Sir Brian Pearse, former CEO of Midland Bank

The presentation of certificates and cups for the academic year 2001-2 saw the return of the previous year's Year 13 pupils, many of whom are currently in their first year of university life. Matthew Daley made off with an armful of cups with awards for Debating, Further Mathematics, Physics and Design & Technology.

The presentations concluded with a new award, *The James Nugent Save the Child Shield*, given to the pupil who has made the most significant contribution to fund-raising for the disadvantaged. Its first recipient was Year 10 Francesca D'Arcy who has raised a remarkable £30,000 over five years for different charitable causes.



Sean Cronin,  
Deputy Head Boy  
carries the banner



Francesca D'Arcy pictured with  
Mrs Nolan, Vice Principal





*Sir Brian Pearse*

Sir Brian Pearse spoke of the outstanding achievement of pupils who relish challenge and who enrich society for the diverse talents they bring to it. The Head Boy, James O'Neill offered a vote of thanks and went on with the Head Girl, Elizabeth Leyland to present gifts both to Sir Brian and his wife, Lady Patricia Pearse. An unexpected addition to the gifts was an old Mathematics text uncovered by Mr John McCarthy, Head of Mathematics bearing the inscription, *Brian Pearse 3<sup>rd</sup> Form 1955.*



*Members of the College Orchestra perform "Land of Hope and Glory"*

The ceremony concluded with *Elgar's Land of Hope and Glory* performed by the College Orchestra, conducted by Mr John Moseley. Guests were invited to the Crypt for commemorative photographs and refreshments prepared by Ms Lillian Sweeney and the Sodexo catering team.

## Congratulations to all those presented with Prizes



*Matthew Daley with sisters Nicky and Claire*



*Lucy Oliver*



*Julie Simpson & Rachel Vile*



*Maria Casserly with brother Henry*



*Lauren Waszek with her family*



*Rachel Stephenson with her parents*



*Oliver Taylor with brother Tristan*



# Welcome

## **Mrs Sandra Lewis-Beckett - Chemistry**

Mrs Lewis-Beckett gained a First Class BSc (Hons) Degree in Pharmacology and Toxicology from the University of Cardiff and a Post Graduate Diploma in Biomedical Methods before completing a PGCE at the University of Bristol. Mrs Lewis-Beckett comes to us from Manchester High School for Girls.



## **Mr Graham Ion - ICT & Law**

Mr Ion was educated at St Edward's College, where he was Head Boy and Captain of Swimming. He gained an LLB in Law at the University of Liverpool and subsequently taught ICT at All Saints High School, Kirkby.



## **Miss Caroline McGonagle - German & French**

Miss McGonagle gained an MA (Hons) in International Business and Languages at the Herriot-Watt University, Edinburgh and a PGCE in German and French at Liverpool Hope University. Miss McGonagle joins us from Holly Lodge Girls' College.

## **Mr David Mercer - Physical Education & Geography**

Mr Mercer gained a BA (Hons) in PE and Geography at Manchester Metropolitan University. He plays Rugby for Waterloo 1<sup>st</sup> XV and has achieved County Representative Honours for Northumberland for Rugby and Cricket.



**Miss Emma Roberts - Music** Miss Roberts gained a BA (Hons) in Music from the University of Liverpool and a PGCE in Music at Liverpool Hope University College. She is a guider in her local Brownie Pack and a leader in her local Boys' Brigade she also enjoys playing Badminton.

## **Miss Pauline Stulberg - Physical Education**

Miss Stulberg gained a BEd (Hons) in Physical Education and Sports Development at Liverpool John Moores University. She was a PE Officer in the RAF for four years and has represented England at Hockey. She joins us from St Thomas Becket Catholic High School.



## **Miss Andrea Pritchard - ICT Technician**

Miss Pritchard gained a BSc (Hons) in Physics at Liverpool University. She joins the permanent College Staff this September having worked initially under the Alpha Technical Training Staff Scheme.



# New Appointments

Congratulations to the following staff who took up their new appointments from 1 September 2003.



**Mrs S Pullin**  
Head of Upper School



**Mr D Mackenzie**  
Head of Lower School



**Miss Y Windsor**  
Head of Year 12



**Miss H Orrett**  
Head of Year 13

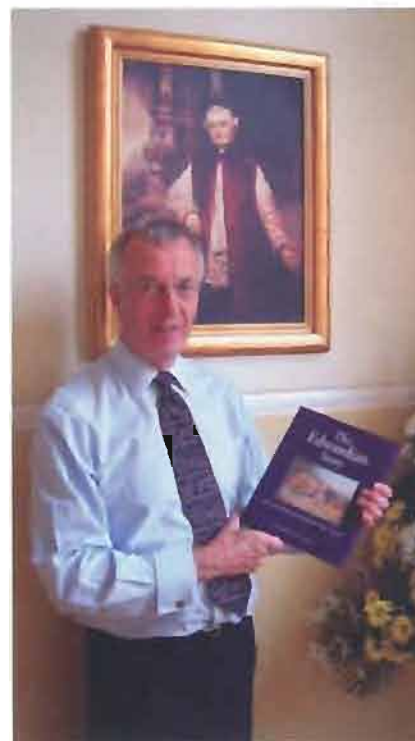


**Mrs C Webster**  
Head of Year 7



**Mr C Newman**  
Head of Careers

## Edwardian Story



To mark the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the College, *The Edwardian Story*, an illustrated history of the school from its foundation in 1853 by James Nugent in Hope Street to the present day has just been published. Co-edited by OEs Peter Doyle and Leslie McLoughlin, the history is in two parts: the section from 1853-1920 is a historical account, whilst from 1920 to the present day, one former pupil from each decade presents recollections of their school days.

Information about the school badge and motto, St Edward's as a Choir

School, the patron saint - St. Edward, the CI Edwardian Association, list of Headmasters, details of current Governors and Staff as well as the name of every pupil on the school roll in March 2003 are included. This is a hardback souvenir book, that no former or current pupils should miss.

If you would like to receive a copy, send a cheque for £14.95 (includes £4.95 p&p) or call into the College and pay just £10.00.



# Cathedral Choir



St. Edward's College were delighted to host the annual get together of members of the Choir Schools Association in June when St. Mary's Music School, Edinburgh, The Minster School, York, Ripon Cathedral Choir School, Lincoln Minster School joined St. Edward's College for a day of fellowship and singing. The early part of the day focused on a five-a-side football competition and a rounders tournament for the girls followed by a ferry across the Mersey. The tournament got underway and the eventual winners were The Minster School, York, who proved to be a very strong side. The highlight of the day was Evening Prayer at the Cathedral in which all the Choristers sang together.

## Farewell to Mervyn Cousins



This Autumn, **Mervyn Cousins**, director of the Cathedral Choir will take up a new post as Musica Director of the Llangollen International Music Eisteddfod in Wales. Mervyn has been with the Choir for six years and during that time has brought the Choir to a peak of perfection. His new post offers exciting opportunities which will stretch his many talents and interests and we wish him and his wife Margaret every success and happiness in the future.

On Sunday 20 July, Mervyn Cousins conducted the Cathedral Choir in his last Evening Prayer at the Cathedral. The Cathedral Youth Choir, Junior Choir and Probationers gathered together to bid a fond farewell to Mervyn.



*Members of the Cathedral Youth Choir pictured with the Probationers*



# Leavers' Concert



*Year 13 Leavers': Robert Goulding, Andrew Dobie, Philip Jones, Peter Swift, Tony Praunnik, James Higham, Ryan Crimmins, James Gullagher, John Griffiths, Daniel Rothbone, Luke Martin, Inn Powell, James O'Neill, Ewan Brown, Anthony Higham*

*Mr John Moseley, Elizabeth Leyland, Laura Tipping, Cornhinc McElroy, Emily Creeer, Michele Wilson, Hamuak Brooks, Lauren Wozsek, Laura Ness, Helen Fraser Katherine Ellis*

Our Year 13 Musicians took their final bow on Wednesday 9 April during an evening concert when members of the Upper School Ensemble, Chamber Choir and Chamber Orchestra came together for the last time to parade their talents collectively and in a number of solos before a very appreciative audience.

Traditionally the Year 13 pupils like to pay tribute to and thank the music staff and this year was no exception. Philip Jones led the thanks while gifts were given to Mr Moseley, Ms Ryott, Miss Sweeney and Mr Barclay.

There had been a number of secret rehearsals which culminated in unscheduled pieces, "He Ain't Heavy", "God Only Knows" and for the finale, a superb rendition of Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody" by all the musicians.



*The End of an Era:*

*These eight Cathedral Choristers have been singing together for 9 years: Luke Martin, Philip Jones, James Higham, Ryan Crimmins, Anthony Higham, James Gullagher, Daniel Rothbone & James O'Neill.*



Chamber Choir





*Collette Honan, Emma Roberts, Sarah Bower, Mary Swain, Lauren Waszek & Gillian Carlisle*



*Stephen Coine, Kevin Mainwaring, Matthew Briscoe, Emma Roberts, Mark Lewis & Daniel Ruthbone*

Mass was celebrated in the College Hall by Fr Sean Kirwan on Friday June 27 as Year 13 pupils gathered with their parents and staff to mark the end of their time at the College. The homily was given by the chaplain, Mr Nicholas Murray who spoke of the individual gifts and talents of pupils who each had enriched the College by their uniqueness. A dinner and disco followed in the dining hall and as the friendship group photographs below reveal, it was an exceptionally glamorous occasion as young men in dinner suits and young women in classic evening dresses left their uniforms behind and danced the night away under the twinkling night sky of a marquee. A delicious three course hot buffet style dinner with wine was served by Ms Lillian Sweeney and the Sodexo catering team. Thanks also go to several Year 12 pupils who assisted by waiting on during the evening.



*Lucy O'Connor, James Waits, Laura Handley & Sarah Owens*



*Ryan Crimmins & Tony Pramanik*



*Michele Wilson, Suzanne Humphries & Rebecca Hort*

## Year 13 Leavers' Social



*Natalie Quinn, Diana Deane & Catherine Cooney*



*Michele Wilson, Collette Honan, Lucy O'Connor, James Waits, Laura Handley, Sarah Owens & Sarah Owens*



## Sports Celebrity Dinner



Phil Thompson auctions a signed Liverpool shirt



Mr Wazack, Mr Bill Bestmann (centre), Mr Tony Jo, Mr Mackenzie, Mr Nicholl and Mr Phil Thompson

England Rugby International and team Captain Billy Beaumont and comedian Tony Jo topped the bill at an entertaining Sport's Celebrity Dinner this year, a huge success which raised £6000 for College funds. An added bonus to the evening came in the guise of sports celebrity, Phil Thompson, assistant manager of Liverpool Football Club who is also a College parent. He offered a Liverpool shirt signed by Michael Owen for auction. Monies raised will go towards specialist equipment for the Sports Gym and a variety of resources for other Departments. A big thank you to Nick Melville who compered the evening and to Ms Lillian Sweeney and her team for an excellent meal. Last but not least, a thank you to the many Upper School prefects who gave flawless service as they waited on throughout the evening.

## Year 12 & 13 Colours Awards

The Presentation of Colours enables the College and the staff to recognise publicly the tremendous contribution that is made each and every day by College pupils to a range of sporting, community and artistic activities.

The Senior Colours Ceremony took place on Friday 27 June in the College Hall with His Honour, Judge John Morgan invited to present the awards. Old Edwardian Judge Morgan, who left the College in 1952, was himself a great sportsman, playing scrum half for the 1st XV and was wicket keeper and captain of the school cricket team. Congratulations to all pupils who received commendations, half and full colours and to the captains (pictured) who received trophies for their individual sports.



**Christopher Gough**  
Boys Athletics



**Megan Agnew**  
Girls Athletics



**Daniel Hints**  
Cricket



**Luke Carter**  
Cross-Country



**Catherine Greaves**  
Hockey



**Rebecca Shipley**  
Netball



**Luke Crowder**  
Rugby



**Andrew Williams**  
Boys Swimming



## Search for a Star

**Anthony Hannah** (Year 9) has won a £6,000 scholarship to the Academy of Contemporary Music in Guildford after he came runner-up in the *Star Search 2003* competition. Anthony competed against 15 other hopefuls in a nightclub in London's Leicester Square for a new teen pop group. Originally, more than 1,500 teenagers auditioned for the band organised by Top of The Pops magazine. Although Anthony did not make the final band he is delighted to have won a place at the Academy where he will enrol when he is 16 years old. When he entered the competition Anthony chose two songs to sing, *Feel* by Robbie Williams and *Evergreen* by Will Young.



Congratulations also go to Anthony for being chosen to appear on *Stars in Their Eyes Kids* as Robbie Williams. This was screened on ITV on Saturday 3 May.

Anthony is pictured right with presenter Cat Deeley.



## Year 7 Pupil takes Top Music Prize

**Congratulations to James Davies, 7H, who has recently been awarded the Margaret Wethered Prize.**

The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music awards this prize to the candidate who gained the highest mark in the Grade examinations in the North West. James passed Grade IV with Distinction for singing. James who is a chorister in the Metropolitan Cathedral Choir, has previously passed Grade V on clarinet and piano, both with Distinction. He attends the Royal Northern College of Music Junior School.



## Associated Board Music Examinations

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved Grade 5 or above in their Associated Board Music examination

### GRADE 8

Hannah Brooks	Singing
Luke Carter	Piano
Ryan Crimmins	Singing
Philip Jones	Violin (M)
Elizabeth Leyland	Piano
Rachel McEnaney	Singing (M)
Louise McVey	Singing
Daniel Rathbone	Piano
Elizabeth Rudge	Singing (M)
Peter Swift	Violin (D)
Lauren Waszek	Piano

### GRADE 7

Hayley Ambrose	Trumpet (M)
Elizabeth Broad	Flute
Wei Gao	Piano (M)
Richard Jeffery	Piano
Joseph Kenny	Piano (M)
Kate Leyland	Flute (M)
Ashvin Luximon	Euphonium (M)
Elizabeth Rudge	Violin
Alexander Trevaskis	Piano
Michael Walsh	Piano (D)
Sam Wilson	Piano (M)
Claire Wright	Piano

### GRADE 6

Frederick Cornes	Piano
Patrick Doherty	Piano (M)
Charlotte Holt	Piano
Vincent Shanahan	Singing (M)

### GRADE 5

Rekha Barry	Clarinet
Louise Beckwith	Theory
Simon Biart	Trumpet (M)
Laura Bramwell	Piano
Elizabeth Broad	Piano
Alex Brown	Trumpet (M)
Cassandra Buckley	Clarinet
Eve Bunni	Flute
Kathryn Burke	Piano
Claire Buxton	Clarinet
Daniel Carden	Singing
Lydia Carroll	Theory
Alex Casimo	Theory (D)
Alexander Cleator	Piano (M)
Elizabeth Broad	Piano
Kylie Davies	Theory (D)
James Davies	Singing (D)
Sian Evans	Clarinet

### GRADE 5 CONT'D

Jessica Longworth	Piano
Jazmin Kean	Piano (M)
Stefan Mather	Violin (D)
Elliot McDermott	Trumpet (M)
Philip McHale	Piano
Sam McGrath	Piano (M)
Niall Mulvoy	Trumpet (D)
Nicola Nwosu	Violin
Lucy O'Connor	Singing (M)
Sophie Patterson	Violin
Daniel Rathbone	Violin
Philip Reade	Trumpet (M)
Sarita Rebeiro	Violin
Sarita Rebeiro	Violin
Paul Robinson	Theory
Olivia Rogers	Singing
Leanne Shearer	Theory
Leanne Shearer	Piano
Eleanor Snape	Oboe (M)
Aimee Sweeney	Violin
Aimee Sweeney	Clarinet
Peter Swift	Theory (M)
Luke Trevaskis	Singing (M)

(M) = Merit (D) = Distinction



# Hamlet



Claire Wilson as Ophelia

This year's senior drama production, Shakespeare's powerful tragedy, *Hamlet* opened to packed houses and rave reviews in March. Directed and produced by Miss Helen Orrett and Michele Wilson (Year 13), and performed by A level Performing Arts students, this exciting and modern production took its inspiration from contemporary culture.

Miss Orrett said, "Editing *Hamlet* down to two hours is a challenge in itself. Our aim was to keep the most memorable soliloquies and show the audience a tormented Hamlet (Shaun Mason, Year 13), struggling to avenge the murder of his father (Ben Fenlon, Year 12) against the background of a court steeped in corruption and ruled by the evil King Claudius (Nathan Doyle, Year 12). We relied on sinister, choreographed sequences that worked well to raise dramatic tension, particularly when the ghost describes his own, *murder most foul*. The lead roles without exception were played with confidence, clarity and flair but special mention goes to Shaun Mason who played Hamlet with a poise that would not have been out of place on the professional stage."



Sarah Margreaves and Richard Alvers as Queen & King



Nathan Doyle as Claudius and Sarah Owens as Gertrude



Shaun Mason as Hamlet



Laura Prior as Polonius





*Claire Wilson as Ophelia with Chorus*



*Shaun Mason & Sarah Owens as Hamlet & Gertrude*



*The Chorus*



*Ben Fenlon as King Hamlet's Ghost*



*Claire Wilson as Ophelia*



*Vincent Burnes as Horatio holds a dying Hamlet*



*The Chorus*





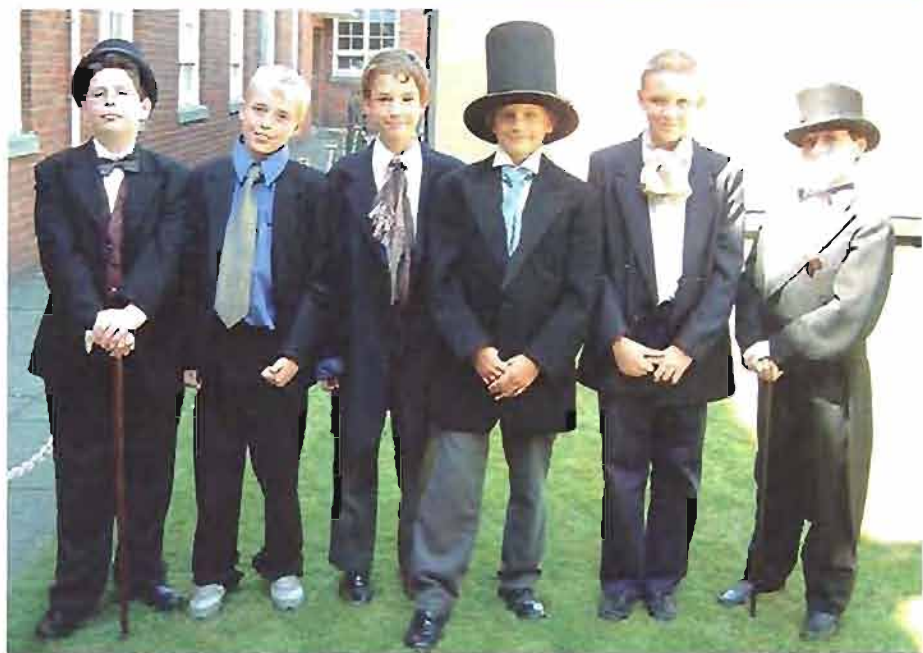
## Year 7 Drama Festival



This year's Year 7 Drama Festival took the theme of a quest in search of Liverpool's philanthropists. 7C looked at Edward Rushton's life campaigning against slavery. 7M explored the life of Kitty Wilkinson who set up the first public wash-house; 7S presented the life and times of Fr James Nugent; 7H looked at the contribution made by William Roscoe and 7D examined the life of the tunnel building *King of Edge Hill* - Joseph Williamson.









## Celebrating Chinese New Year

On 3 February 2003, Year 12 and Year 13 AVCE Performing Arts pupils enjoyed a 90 minute workshop from two members of the Pagoda Centre in Chinatown. They were taught Tai Chi and Qi Gong as techniques to help with breathing, vocal projection, posture and relaxation. They were also treated to a display of Tai Chi dancing using swords and fans, as well as a short informative video of the conventions of Chinese National Opera.



The workshop was a cross-curricular activity between Drama and the Modern Foreign Language Department.

The students found it a fascinating and memorable way of celebrating Chinese New Year.



## So you want to be a Record Producer?

What's the difference between multi-track and hard disc recording? How do you timecode moving images with music? Where do you put the microphone when recording a drum kit?



Gifted and Talented pupils from Broadgreen and Holly Lodge found out the answers to these questions and more when they joined a 10 week Music Technology course here at St Edward's to learn studio recording skills. The practical and highly creative sessions were great fun and put music lessons firmly in the 21<sup>st</sup> century with state of the art technology at everyone's fingertips.

In November, the European Theatre Company came to school to perform their play, **Le Cirque Magique**. This was an interactive play for primary age pupils, performed entirely in French.

The three performances throughout the day were attended by 120 children with our partner primary schools. The production was very lively and involved the children singing, doing actions and joining in with the cast. The enjoyment of the youngsters was evident from the beaming smiles on their faces and the laughter coming from the College Hall.





## Edward Comes Home!



A 10ft high fine mahogany statue of St Edward the Confessor has finally come home to the College after the Trustees of the Archdiocese agreed to its indefinite loan to St Edward's in 2003 to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of foundation.

The statue was presented to the original St Edward's College in the 1840's. Carved by William Weston of Ellesmere in 1846 the statue was donated to the College by Mr Edward Chaloner of Old Swan, a timber importer and important Catholic benefactor.

After the school became a junior seminary for the Archdiocese, the seminarians moved out to Upholland in 1919, taking the statue with them. It stood, impressively in the entrance hall at Upholland College until its final closure in 1999 when it was transferred along with the College archives to the Cathedral. At the request of the governors of the College, it has been returned to St Edward's College this year on indefinite loan.

St Edward was canonized in 1161 and is commonly depicted holding a ring that he gave as alms to a poor beggar who turned to be St John the Evangelist in disguise.

*The Governors of the College are grateful to Mgr Peter Cookson, himself an Old Edwardian, as well as a Governor and Cathedral Dean, for acting as our intermediary. The statue arrived at the College on 28 March 2003.*



*It takes 4 Groundsmen to lift Edward out of the van.*



*Mgr Cookson*

## Lord Mayor visits the College



On the 9 May the Lord Mayor, Mr Jack Spriggs, came to visit the College.

James O'Neill (Head Boy) and Elizabeth Leyland (Head Girl) accompanied the Lord Mayor on a tour of the premises.

The Lord Mayor had expressed interest in visiting the College as his nephews, Michael and David Kelly, are pupils here. He declared himself delighted both with the facilities and with the hospitality he was accorded during his visit.

*l-r James O'Neill (Head Boy), Mrs D Barton (Deputy Principal), Mr Jack Spriggs (Lord Mayor), Mr J Waszek (Principal) & Elizabeth Leyland (Head Girl)*



## Drama



Miss Helen Orrett pictured with Year 12 Performing Arts Group

The Year 12 Performing Arts Group went straight from the success of 'Hamlet' to perform their devised play entitled 'Masked' at The Liverpool Festival Of Speech and Drama. The group performed with energy and confidence and were awarded the *Alderman Lawrence King Trophy* for group performance. The judges were so impressed by the group's piece that they were also invited to perform at the Paul Mc Cartney Theatre at The Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts in front of the Lord Mayor and representatives from the Festival and City of Culture Company. The group were also praised by the Chief Examiner for Performing Arts in the North of England; Mr Charles Barrow, who saw the performance in his capacity as assessor for the AVCE examination. Mr Barrow, in his evaluation of *Masked*, said that it was the best student devised play that he had ever seen. Congratulations to all of the pupils involved in this highly successful project.

### Congratulations to the following pupils who obtained awards at the Liverpool Drama Festival 2003:

#### 1st Place:

Rosie Knowles *Solo Acting*  
Clementine Gandy & Simone Barry *Duo Acting*  
Elizabeth Markey & Olivia Moore *Duo Acting*  
Natasha Banfield, Laura Hoey, Joanna Bell, Charlotte Morgan and Lucy Connell *Group Improvisation*

#### 2nd Place:

Luke Trevaskis *Solo Acting*  
Stephanie Wright & Lisa Ellison *Duo Acting*  
Georgia Joseph *Verse Speaking*  
Natasha Banfield, Laura Hoey & Lucy Connell *Improvisation*  
Mary Renton & Amy Olsen *Duo Acting*  
David Talbot & Nadine Hearity *Duo Acting*

#### 3rd Place:

Lucy Howard *Verse Speaking*  
Sian Howarth, Jessica Hart & Lucinda Goodwin *Group Improvisation*  
Rosie Knowles & Helen Box *Duo Acting*  
Emily Jones *Solo Acting*  
Holly O'Neill & Sarah Falcolner *Duo Acting*

## King's Award for Portuguese



Laura Pierce, Professor Newitt and Senaya Setna

In January, Professor Malyn Newitt of King's College, London presented the *King's College and Gulbenkian Prize for Portuguese* to two Year 13 pupils, Laura Pierce and Senaya Setna who each achieved a GCSE A Grade after studying Portuguese for less than a year. The £500 prize is awarded annually for three years, being divided equally between the College and the prize winners.

*Modern Languages For All* is a one year programme of study offered to Year 12 pupils as part of the College's drive to increase participation in language study since Specialist School Status in Modern Languages was achieved in July 2000. Portuguese is one of four languages offered to Year 12 pupils and it is hoped that German and Japanese will be added in the foreseeable future

Evening Classes in Spanish, French and Mandarin Chinese will recommence after half-term. Await news from the Language Centre!



**Congratulations to the following pupils who have gained places at Oxford or Cambridge**



**Gillian Carlisle**  
Merton  
Oxford  
Mathematics



**Stella Hayden**  
Gonville and Caius  
Cambridge  
History



**Ann-Marie Mercer**  
Pembroke  
Cambridge  
Law



**Laura Pierce**  
Magdalen  
Oxford  
Modern Languages



**Derry Tomlinson**  
St Anne's  
Oxford  
Modern Languages

### Excellence Challenge

Congratulations to Alexandra Nelson (Year 8) and Stephanie Cole (Year 10) who both received an award for effort and achievement through the Excellence Challenge Initiative.



*Alexandra Nelson*



*Stephanie Cole*

The awards were presented by Professor Simon Lee from Hope University at the Philharmonic Hall on Tuesday 10 June 2003.

### David's Cups Overflow

David Rotheroe was entered for eight different classes in the Liverpool Music Festival and was placed in all of them. He achieved first places in Performing Your Own Music and young Composers class; second in the Composers Class, U15s Concerto, Open Strings, U15s Strings and World Music. He also gained a third place in the Open Concerto section.



### Hair's Vicki!



Congratulations to Vicki Lim (Year 13) who entered a hairdressing competition, modelling for Barbara Daley Salon. Vicki won first prize, £50 in cash and vouchers for Hair & Beauty worth £200. She then went on to compete in the Regional finals in Manchester gaining 5th place. Well done Vicki!

## Mathematics

**Intermediate Mathematics Challenge 2003 - Gold Certificate Winners**

**Year 11**



**James Agnew**  
*Best in School*



**Jonathan Byrne**

**Year 10**



**John Kilfoyle**



**Leane Kinsella**



**Christopher Myerscough**



On Wednesday 30 April Alexander Cleator, Graeme Wilson, Mark Doherty and Natalie Noon gave up a day of their Easter holiday to attend the regional finals of the UK Mathematics Trust's Team Competition held at Liverpool University. This is the first time that this competition has been run in England and seventeen schools were entered in the regional final. The four team members worked hard throughout the day and gave a creditable performance. Well done to those involved.

*Mark Doherty & Natalie Noon*



*Alexander Cleator*



# Duke of Edinburgh's Award



*Katie Clark, Michaela Davitt, Maria Barrett and Matthew Daley*

After months of hard work, Thursday 30 January finally marked the day that we would receive our Duke of Edinburgh's Awards in front of the Lord Mayor at St. George's Hall. We arrived to a unique performance from local pop group *Bitchaman* who certainly entertained us.

Many other pupils from different schools received their awards for Silver and Gold along with 5 of our own former pupils before we were called up to receive our Bronze awards. After a short congratulatory speech from the Lord Mayor, Mr Jack Spriggs, we were entertained by *The Frame* from St. Edward's College and a marching band for the finale from Liverpool College, who performed in darkness with neon sticks. All in all, it was a very enjoyable evening.

*James Fitzpatrick & Lee Evans (Year 11)*

The Gold Award recipients attended a Duke of Edinburgh's Award Garden Party at Buckingham Palace in July. During the ceremony, they were awarded their Certificates.

Pictured below are pupils from Years 11, 12 and 13 participants in the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards.



*Duke of Edinburgh's Award recipients*



*Resting at Rusland Church*



*Camp Site on the last night*

## The Expedition Final

Fourteen Year 13 pupils spent 4 days in the Lake District undertaking their final assessed expedition. After eating ice creams in blazing sunshine outside the assessor's house in Lancaster, the heavy rain that had to be endured on the next two days was a huge disappointment. Fortunately the final day brought more sunshine to complete the 50 mile walk. All pupils are to be congratulated for passing this element of the Award which allowed them to complete their whole Gold Award.



**FINISHED AT LAST!**





## Dance-athon raises £100+ for CAFOD



*Erin O'Neill & Nicola Wilce with their Year 7 dance group*

To raise money for CAFOD a Year 7 dance group led by Erin O'Neill and Nicola Wilce (Year 12) participated in a sponsored dance-athon.

During their lunchtime the girls danced constantly for one hour with a routine that they had been practising since October. There was good support by their Lower School friends who paid to watch raising in excess of £100 for the cause.

## CAFOD Lunch

On CAFOD lunch day all pupils and staff give up their usual lunch to have a lunch of bread and soup.



*Mr Edwards collects his bread and soup*

*CAFOD stands for the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development. It works to help the less fortunate throughout the world. Their projects include rehabilitating former boy soldiers in West Africa to enable them to begin to enjoy the youth that has been stolen from them. They support an organisation in Burkina Faso called AFRA which trains young people to work together to tackle erosion, water shortages and deforestation in an area devastated by environmental damage. They work to do something about injustice in our world. CAFOD staff fly into emergency situations such as flooding and famine to give out food and offer support. These are just a small example of the work that CAFOD does. Each contribution no matter how small can help.*

## College Web Shop:

If you like to shop on line – why not visit Marks and Spencer, Argos, Welcome Holidays and a host of other household shop brands through the College website? Go to [www.buy.at/stedwardscollege](http://www.buy.at/stedwardscollege) and follow the links to the merchants' sites to make your purchase. It couldn't be easier and you will be helping College funds to grow.

For each purchase made the College can earn between 5% and 15% of the value of the goods purchased each time you go through the College website to shop online. It's an easy way to fundraise – so – happy shopping!

*If you don't link via the website or through a specific web address the college won't earn any commission.*



## Amnesty International

The Amnesty International group meets most weeks to campaign on behalf of human rights as laid down in the United Nations Charter. The war in Iraq and the lack of international agreement about a clear UN declaration caused widespread action in all Amnesty International groups around the globe. Cases such as the continuing imprisonment of alleged terrorists in Guantanamo Bay by the US government are still attracting a great deal of activity in order to press for justice. Similarly, injustices in Russia have been the focus of a major campaign by Amnesty in 2002/3.

Much of what we do focuses on individuals as well as governments. At Christmas we sent cards to prisoners all over the world, many of whom are either held without trial, or the subject of show trials. The experience of people like Terry Waite has made it clear how important one message can be to those suffering injustice. War is not the only answer. Come and join the Amnesty group in the new term.

*Mr Gerry Gordon*

## Lourdes



Pupils from St. Edward's joined the Easter HCPT trip to Lourdes this year. Bishop Vincent Malone who is a veteran of Group 50, believes that 'Lourdes brings out the very best in people....'

The children visit numerous places in and around Lourdes, they see the resort such as Garvarnie. The Grotto, which to many people is the whole point behind going, is almost like a cavern, a small dug out in a hill near the Basilica. It is around here that the Procession takes place. Thousands of people go

around the outside of the Grotto holding candles. The whole area is lit by candlelight and it is a very moving experience for all involved.

*Matthew Brown (Year 12)*

## Penalty Competition in aid of Lourdes

In aid of the HCPT trip to Lourdes at Easter, a penalty competition was held for Year 7 pupils on the 7th February 2003. Eleven boys and three girls took part in the competition. They all paid £1.50 each and had three chances to score from the penalty spot.

In the first round, only a few scored, most of the shots went blazing over the crossbar and with some very good saves from the goalkeepers as well. As the rounds went on, more and more were being knocked out. By the third round, there were only three left in, one girl and two boys. Each had one shot, one of the boys missed and the other two scored, so it was girl against boy. After several shots the eventual winner, was Clare Wright, much to the disgust of the boys.



*Mr O'Leary shakes hands with the winner of the penalty competition, Clare Wright*



## Donation to Alder Hey



The Principal, Mr Waszek presenting the cheque to Ms Angela Jones in the presence of two Senior Prefects, Lauren Waszek and Clare Dooley.

**Ms Angela Jones**, Chair of the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital visited the College on 3 February and spoke at the Lower and Middle Schools Assemblies about the new Oncology Centre being built at Alder Hey.

A donation of **£3206.00** was presented, which had been raised through various activities in College, including a *Staff Stars in Their Eyes* Concert.

## Landmine Action



Year 8 Boys complete with skirts and make-up

The Landmine Action Project was adopted by Year 8 to raise awareness about the way landmines kill and maim over 800 adults and children every week in some parts of the world. Classes sent out a newsletter and did a variety of sponsored events to raise a target of £1600 for the charity Landmine Action.

Year 8 boys had to practise their hockey skills in skirts and make-up and Year 8 girls had to flex their muscles in a rugby game in an interclass competition. It was great fun and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves while making great efforts to save lives through Landmine Action.

*Kathryn Saul (Year 8)*

Brother Francis Hall wrote to us in January to thank us for our donation of **£7,314** to the *Edmund Associates for Disadvantaged Youth* Centre in Freetown, Sierra Leone. Their main goal is to improve the social and economic life of street youth (15-27 year old) within eastern Freetown. At present the Centre is too small and plans are moving ahead for the relocation of the Centre to new purpose-built premises. An existing donation has allowed them to go ahead and purchase some suitable land on the eastern edge of Freetown at Allen Town.

## Sunday Club



The pupils who have attended the club over the past year have formed firm friendships with the members of the group, and now look forward to Sunday evenings as much as the members of the group! Thanks again to the parents involved who so willingly give their time; it is greatly appreciated. Any pupils who will be in the Upper School as of September and wish to attend the Sunday Club are all welcome.

*Alison Cottier (Year 13), Chairman of the Sunday Club*

Over the past year, Sunday Club has, once again been a huge success thanks to the support of Upper School pupils and parents. The Club meets each Sunday evening for two hours, when Upper School pupils spend time with adults with special needs. This allows the families of the people who attend Sunday Club to have a break, and is also great fun for everybody involved. Bingo, dancing and art are just some of the activities taking place each week, as well as plenty of laughing and chatting!







*Making models with plasticine*



*Pupils were shown how to tie-dye*

## Excellence in Cities

In February and March, Gifted and Talented pupils from St Edward's College took part in two residential weekends at Colomendy in North Wales, organised through the LEA under the Excellence in Cities initiative. Miss Anne Fitzgerald and Mr Sean O'Meara accompanied twenty pupils on the first weekend of activities which included sculpture, playwriting, performance poetry, wirework and tie-dyeing. On the second weekend seventeen pupils also enjoyed masterclasses in costume design, street dance, mime and issue-based drama.

St Edward's pupils joined children from other local schools, Broughton Hall, Cardinal Heenan, Broadgreen and West Derby in a fun filled, stimulating weekend with bracing country walks, great food and a last night disco to round off a wonderful experience for all.



Pupils from Year 9 attended an after school workshop in Broadgreen High School to learn how to do special effects with Adobe Photoshop:



*Elizabeth Ho (Year 9) uses Adobe Photoshop to camouflage*



*Eamonn Cullen (Year 9) learns how to distort his face in Adobe Photoshop*





Rebecca Nesbitt completing her GCSE Coursework



Shaun Mason's A level coursework



Sarah Owen's A level coursework



Olivia Moore designs a railway



Natasha Bonfield designs a whale toy train

For their GCSE project, pupils designed and produced an educational toy.



Stephanie Wright designed a clock with removable shapes



Aimee Doherty designed a Butterfly CD Rack

## Design Centre

Examples of Year 13 A level coursework, based on a lighting theme



Holly Roberts



Ryan Crummins



Victoria Lim



Claire Dooley



## Audi Designer Competition

After another successful year in the Design & Technology department, five Year 13 pupils exhibited their work at the regional finals of the Audi Young Designer of the Year competition. The standard of work exhibited was extremely high and included work from sixth form pupils to first year degree students. All five pupils were highly commended and each received a framed certificate.



# World Book Day in the Library



*Melvin Burgess is greeted by College Librarian, Mrs S Biggs*



*Melvin Burgess reads extracts from his first novel, *The Cry of the Wolf*, to Year 7*

On the 6 March 2003 we invited the acclaimed children's author Melvin Burgess to be our guest in the College Library to celebrate World Book Day. English classes from Years 7, 10, 11 & 12 were timetabled into the Library throughout the day and he talked about his life, work and creative writing process to each class. He also read extracts from his books and particularly enthralled Year 7 with a reading from his first novel *The Cry of the Wolf*.

In all Melvin has written about 15 books for children, the earlier titles for the younger range, whilst his more recent publications are aimed mainly at the older teenage audience.



*Angharad Waszek decides which book to buy*



*Melvin Burgess signs one of his books for Peter Cribbley*

Many tackle difficult and controversial subjects, but always with sensitivity. He has been shortlisted for a number of children's book awards and has won the **Carnegie Medal** and the **Guardian Fiction Prize** in 1997 for *Junk*.

We held a 'drop-in' session at lunch-time, where we sold copies of his books, which he duly signed while chatting to pupils about his work.

It proved to be a very busy and exciting day in the Library and everybody involved thoroughly enjoyed it, making it a great success for World Book Day 2003.

*Melvin Burgess is presented with a gift by Mr John Waszek to remind him of his visit to St Edward's College*





# Year 8 Watersports Trip to Ardeche, France

**Sat:** We left Liverpool early Saturday afternoon and arrived in Dover a few hours later. Although the boat journey was pleasant, we were all eager to get back on the coach and make our way to Ardeche.

**Sun:** After breakfast we canoed down four km, stopping after the first two for lunch and despite the bad weather and the fact we were freezing, we still had to tell a joke to receive our bread roll!

**Mon:** In the morning we canoed along 12km of water returning in the afternoon soaking wet after capsizing in bad weather but we were still looking forward to our shopping trip to the nearest town.

**Tues:** Today was our last canoeing day. We canoed 16km down the Ardeche and finished the 32km course. For our evening entertainment we had a male beauty pageant. It was a brilliant contest with Alexander Brown winning wearing a pink fluorescent dress!



*Alexander Casimo and Christopher Stewart*

**Wed:** Left the Ardeche making for the Mediterranean.

We were split into two groups, half of us went on the long boats and the other half went on the toppers. That night Juventus played AC Milan so half of our group went to watch the game while the rest went to a disco.

**Thur:** Today was our first full day in the Mediterranean. We sampled banana boating, wind surfing, long boating toppers or snorkelling. Then it was back to the Mimosa for tea before a shopping trip to Cape D'ade, an ancient town and a great place for family presents.

**Fri:** A great day on the beach split between kayaking and sailing. The sun tans were going well!

**Sat:** Today we went on the fun boats (not quite living up to their name but still quite good)...catamarans and kayaks.

I think that this trip was an unforgettable experience and despite the bad weather of the first three days we all had a good time.

*Helena Appleton (Year 8)*





## Challenge 150

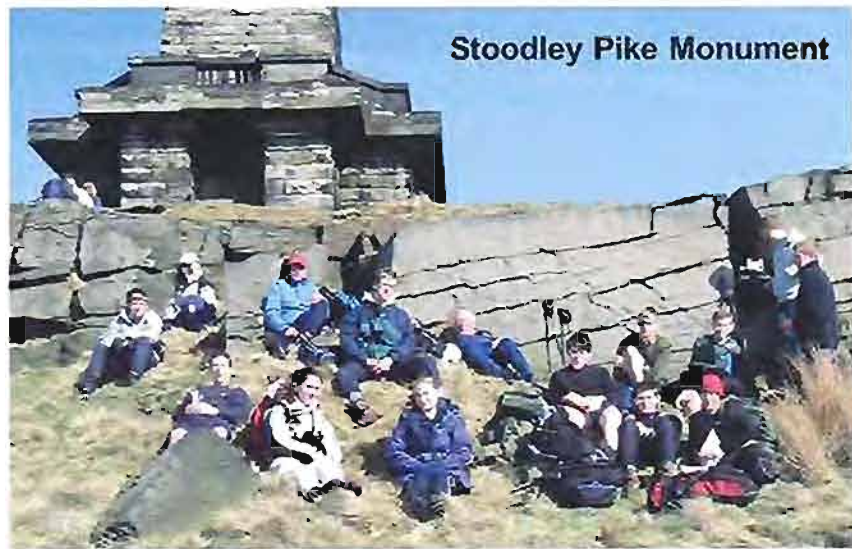


**Challenge 150** is the adventure trek for 15 of the current Year 11 pupils to the Annapurna region of Nepal.

Departing 9 October until 2 November, they will be spending two weeks trekking around the Annapurnas, reaching a height of 5500 metres, followed by two days in the Chitwan jungle in southern Nepal. They will also spend some time sightseeing in Kathmandu as well as visiting the school there that they have raised £2000 as our contribution to some building work.

Pictured above are the 15 pupils who will soon be going to Nepal. They re-visited Hollingworth Lake and Stoodley Pike Monument in the Pennines as one of a number of training expeditions before the real thing in October.

Stoodley Pike monument is a sentinel which has stood watch over Calderdale since 1815. In 1854 when the Crimean War broke out, the monument collapsed but was rebuilt in 1856 when peace was declared. Part of it collapsed the day before the end of the First World War too. Could this have anything to do with the fact that when it was first built, buried human remains were found on the site?



Stoodley Pike Monument

## Spanish Exchange

The Spaniards arrived off their crowded mini-bus at midnight and met with their English partners. We were all really excited to meet with our partners again after a brilliant trip to their homes in Motril, Southern Spain. Although they were all probably tired after their journey, they seemed pleased to see us too. We all travelled home by car, and I could see Amador, my partner, looking around for places that he recognised.

The next day, we all met in school and all the Spaniards were quickly surrounded by Year 7 pupils, all attempting to communicate in Spanish! After a tour of the school and a few lessons, they were ready to go to the C.J. During their stay in Liverpool, we went to the Town Hall for an introduction with the Lord Mayor, and we all got the coach to York whilst having an English-v-Spanish singing competition on the way. Obviously, the Spanish won with their rendition of Rosa's *Celebration*. After a tour of the Cathedral, we were left to explore York shops, buildings and parks. We also went to Alton Towers during the week which we all loved.



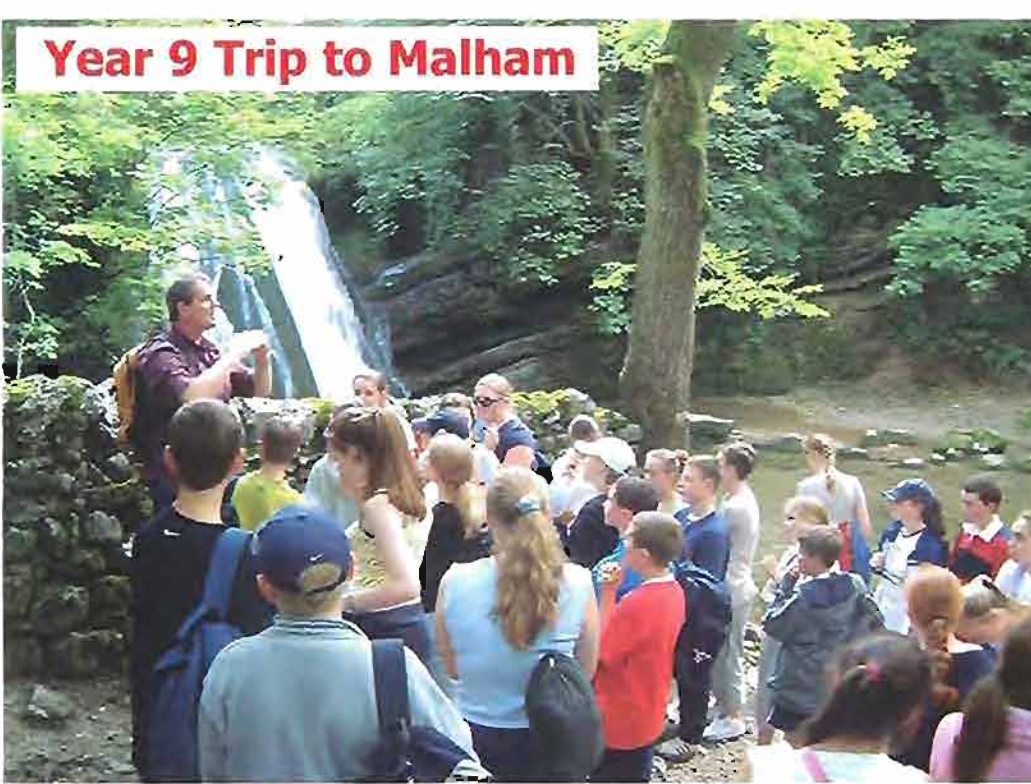
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All in all, I think the Spaniard's visit to Liverpool was a great experience for everyone, including all of our families. It was also a great opportunity for us to improve our Spanish and for them to improve their English. I think the one thing that the Spaniards enjoyed the most was our food - particularly *Chip & Bacon Butty* and *Roast Dinner*!!

David Yates (Year 11)



## Year 9 Trip to Malham



*Mr Tedford explains the formation of the waterfall, called Janets Foss*



*Pupils relax on the rocks*



In the Trinity Term Year 9 visited the Malham area of the Yorkshire Dales National Park to take part in Geography fieldwork. This is an area where the rock type (Carboniferous Limestone) has had a major influence on the development of some dramatic landscape features. The weather was kind on the two days that we visited and this enabled pupils to appreciate the landscape and how it was formed.

## Year 8 go French - April 2003

At 6:00 am we were up, dressed and ready for our trip to France. We reached Dover and boarded the Eurotunnel to take us through to Calais, France and then on to our destination Criel Sur Mer. After we unpacked we went down to tea which consisted of cheese, cheese and more cheese.....thank goodness that was a one off.

During our stay we visited a lot of educational places such as Rouen and it's Cathedral where Joan of Arc was burned. Overall it was a great experience which at the same time gave us all an opportunity to practice our French. We had plenty of time to relax too, with a tour around Criel Sur Mer where we went into one of the restaurants and ordered our meals in French. We also went shopping to buy gifts for our families and souvenirs for ourselves.

*Lorna Dooley & Anthony Ajibade*





## Year 7 Hockey Trip to Stoke

On the 14 April 2003, 26 Year 7 Hockey players went to Stoke-On-Trent for three days on a hockey tour. Before arriving at the hotel, the A and B team played a tournament against two schools and we won both. After we had settled in our hotel we went to Pizza Hut followed by a fun game of bowling. Mrs Morris won the teachers' match. We had an early start the next morning for breakfast and we were all excited because we were going to Alton Towers; we had a fantastic time on the rides. The next day we went to Waterworld finishing with a McDonalds before heading home. Not much hockey but lots of fun we were all very grateful to Miss Murphy, Mrs Morris, Mrs Orger and Miss Smith who accompanied us on the trip.

*Angharad Waszek - Year 7 hockey captain*



## Year 9 Trip to Germany

After we said our goodbyes to our parents who were so sad to see us go (yeah right!) we were off to Germany. After three hours in our coach we arrived at Hull and boarded the ferry. After dinner and a trip out on deck we were straight into bed. The next morning, we collected our packed lunches and before we knew it, we were in Cologne. There we spent most of the day shopping, climbing the Bell Tower or sitting in Macdonalds (how cultural!). Late afternoon, we arrived at the Hotel Apostelhof, had dinner and then went straight to bed.



Next morning, after breakfast, we set off for Rudesheim. We spent the morning shopping, had a ride on a chairlift and then went on a pleasant cruise down the Rhine. It was an eventful day with Miss Purcell ending up on German TV. That night Mr Stephenson demonstrated the art of 10 pin bowling! The next day was spent in Phantasia Land, braving the rollercoasters and sampling German sausages before the long trek home! It was a wonderful trip thanks to our teachers, Miss Purcell, Miss McGlory, Mr Waszek and Mr Stephenson.

*Alexander Cleator (Year 9)*



## Swimming



*Michael Rock, Lydia Carral, Gary Beggs & Sarah Hughes  
winners of the relay race*

The College hosted its own swimming relay competition, this year. Teams from Merchant Taylors, Gateacre and Kings School, Macclesfield took part. The College squads proved too strong and won all the relays, but the event was enjoyed by all the participating schools and it is hoped that it will be a bigger event next year.

## Biathlon



*Sarah Hughes, Mary Lunney & Lydia Carroll*

Congratulations to our Biathlon team of **Sarah Hughes**, **Mary Lunney** and **Lydia Carroll** who finished second in the U14 team event in the Modern Biathlon Championships. Sarah was third overall and Lydia and Mary scored well.

## Cricket



Congratulations to **Martin Christian** (Year 10) who scored 53 runs in a match against Birkdale School and has secured a place in the Liverpool City team.

## Athletics

**Stuart Morland** became the U19 Cross Country Champion on the 1st of March 2003 in a series of 7km races held over a year. Stuart then went on to represent Merseyside U19s in Brighton. He is now looking forward to the forthcoming track season.



## Badminton



**David Swift** has recently taken part in the Liverpool & District Badminton Tournament Competition. He was the winner of the U17s Doubles and the U18 Singles. He has recently returned from Germany where he was taking part in an International Tournament.

## Tennis

Congratulations to **Laura Pursall** and **Nicola Young** who have had a very successful year in which they have won the Brockbank Cup, Fairlawn Cup and come second in the Liverpool League.



*Laura Pursall*



*Nicola Young*

*They have also achieved:*

- Upton Lawn Tennis Championship
- U16 Champion - Laura Pursall
- U18 Champion - Nicola Young
- U18 Girls' Doubles Champions

Both girls participated in the U18 Girls' County Cup competing in Essex, Hertfordshire and the Isle of White.



# Rugby



*These players were awarded trophies in three categories:*

- Player's Player of the Season
- Most Improved Player
- Player of the Year

## **First XV Season:**

The First XV continue to soldier on and recorded a pleasing set of results with seven wins and five defeats last term. The side trained and played with tremendous spirit and Luke Crowder and Michael Murphy have provided inspirational leadership. The highlights of the season so far must be the narrowest of victories over St. Peter and Paul in the Daily Mail knock-out cup with James O'Neill showing exactly why he was Head Boy - darting 60 metres to score a try against Liverpool College.

## **Under 15s Season:**

It has been a reasonably successful year for the Under 15s, although there was a couple of avoidable losses. There were impressive wins against Manchester Grammar and Arnold School, as well as a strong performance against unbeaten Liverpool College. Two players stood out this year, Christopher O'Donnell had an inspired year as hooker, and when he plays well the team seems to excel. Lee Dolan also had a very good season, and has proved himself an awesome runner with the ball in his hands. Three players have represented Merseyside and Lancashire this year; they are Michael Brown, Christophger Lamontagne and Samuel Hague. Their experience for these representative sides is having benefits for the school side.

## **Under 14s Season**

Season 2002-3 was hugely successful for the U14 squad. Their playing results were:

**Played - 23      Won - 18      Lost - 4      Drawn - 1**

All players made significant contributions. The forward pack led superbly by Daniel O'Brien were dynamic and mobile. Andrew McVey and Adam Marnell were always to the fore with support being provided by the rest of the forwards. This allowed half-backs Michael Delea and Thomas Ashall to improve throughout the season and provided excellent ball for David Whitely and Anton Savva to run through the opposition midfield. The linking play improved considerably throughout the season with Graeme Wilson, Mark Polson and Thomas Manley becoming a settled backrow.

Special mention must go to utility player Luke Jefferies who alternated between backs and forwards with great effect. Particular highlights of the season were a superb all round performance versus Birkenhead School winning 59-19 and an excellent win against close rivals Merchant Taylor's 29-19. The squad also had the opportunity to tour Edinburgh this year as a reward for the commitment and endeavour that they had shown throughout the season. This was an excellent way to finish an excellent season. Well done to all players involved.



## Under 13s Season:

The outstanding results for the U13's this season reflected the ability and commitment of the squad. There were praise worthy results for both the A and B teams, who lost just three games each all season. The season started with a 40 point victory over Manchester Grammar School and this was followed by equally impressive wins against Kings' School, Macclesfield, Lymm High School and St Anselm's College. The success of the team started from the tight five, with Ben Black (Player of the Season) leading from the front. Prop Namake Osuji continued to terrorise opposition teams with his forceful and, at times, frightening, running, on one occasion scoring four tries in a single match. The back row, led by vice-captain and Mark Wilcox developed as the season progressed with strong tackling from Gerrard Birrell, Anthony Grimes and John Calvert. The backs were marshalled by the irrepressible Adam Ormersher with astute tactical awareness and skill that belied his age. At centre, Captain Alex Casimo scored over twenty tries and saved as many tries with his forceful tackling. The outstanding winger of the season was Simon Crowder with his electrifying pace and elusive swerve.

## Under 12s Season:

Commitment to training and enthusiasm have seen the Under 12s rugby squad prosper since September. Those playing for the first time have quickly developed the necessary skills and have combined effectively with the 'experienced' players to produce a well organised and structured pattern of play. The A Team have won seven out of ten matches and have conceded no more than 17 points in any match, proving that defence is the key to a successful team. In addition, the B Team have had a number of inspired performances, most notably against local rivals Liverpool College.

## Under 14 Rugby Tour to Edinburgh

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March



On the weekend of Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March the U14 rugby squad went on tour to Edinburgh.

*"We were introduced to the families that would be hosting us on the Friday evening. Many new friendships were made and next morning we headed for Golden Acre where we would play Heriot's U14 team. Despite a shaky start the team pulled together to show the skill and spirit we had played with all year, to defeat George Heriot's 25 -22. Anton*

*Savva received man of the match. We were soon off again to Princes Park to watch an English team conquer a Scottish team for the second time that day.*

*Next morning it was straight off to Boroughmuir Rugby club to play their U15 side in front of another huge grandstand. Despite a great effort from all the team the match was lost with a non-representative result of 7-39. Daniel O'Brien was awarded man of the match. After a quick change of clothing we took the coach to Edinburgh castle for a walk around and an opportunity to tell our parents that the trip had educational value.*

*On the final morning we left for Murrayfield for a guided tour of the stadium, from the changing rooms out on to the pitch. After spending our remaining money in the gift shop we set off for home. During the journey home two rugby balls were passed around to be signed by the whole squad, one for each of our U14 coaches Mr Davies and Mr Nicoll to show our appreciation for all the preparation and hard work that had made this a brilliant tour. Roll on next season!"*

John Baird and Andrew McVey (Year 9)





## Year 10 Rugby Tour to Canada

The Year 10 rugby team enjoyed a very successful tour to Canada during the Easter break. To help fund the various activities and

bring down the cost of the trip, parents of players formed a fund raising committee over 18 months ago. This committee, chaired by John Beesley (ably assisted by his wife Jean) was responsible for organising a golf day, several bag packs, a world cup competition, raffles, toy cards, a dinner disco, as well as attracting sponsorship. These events helped to raise an overwhelming £12,000.

The team played five games against two schools and three clubs. The games were keenly contested, with the Canadian boys having the advantage in size, strength and age. The St Edward's boys used their higher skill levels, cunning, determination and huge desire to win to defeat their hosts on four out of five occasions.



All players were exceptional, but a few are worthy of a special mention. Daniel O'Brien, often playing boys two years older than him, was fearless going forward in defence and was a clear favourite amongst the players by the end of the tour. Christopher Lamontagne, playing in an unfamiliar role at centre, had opposition coaches ringing each other up to warn of his



ferocious tackling and powerful running. The colossus of the tour was Michael Brown. Michael scored tries, made try saving tackles, drove the team forward in the mauls, lifted in the line, cleared out rucks, picked and drove from scrums, and often inspired team-mates around him when all seemed lost.

The Canadians were always excellent hosts, whether we were billeting with them or just enjoying their after match hospitality. The staff all thoroughly enjoyed the trip, and we would like to thank the parents for their support and the especially for making it a great experience.

*Mr D Johnson*





# Sports Gallery



U14 Hockey Team  
*Winners of Liverpool Schools' Hockey League*



Year 9 Netball Team  
*Winners of Merseyside County  
Tournament (Liverpool round)  
3rd in City Tournament*



County & City Champions - U15 Hockey Squad



Year 9 Netball Squad



Year 7 Hockey Team



Year 8 Hockey 'A' Team  
*Liverpool Schools' Hockey League*



U15 Netball Squad



# News of Old Edwardians

**Neil MURPHY** (OE 86-71) emailed to tell us that he is currently working in a Registrar In Diagnostic Radiography at Hope Hospital In Manchester. He recently gained his Membership of the Royal College of Physicians and is married, and expecting his first child in August 2003.

**Michael BYRNE** (OE 75-86) is working as an Associate Professor in Gastroenterology at the Duke University Medical Center in North Carolina.

**John NEWBERRY** (OE 86-92) is now a General Manager in the Engineering Dept of Cheltenham General Hospital, after working in London hospitals and for Siemens.

**Martin BIRCHALL** (OE 72-79) is now Professor of Laryngology at Birmingham University.

**Nicholas MULROY** (OE 84-95) is following post-graduate studies at the Royal Adademy of Music and also singing in Westminster Cathedral Choir. Nick was previously a Lay Clerk at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle (where he was the second OE to be a member of that choir). He recently sang the part of the Evangelist in a concert with the Chester Bach Choir, for which he earned much praise.

**Stephen WALLACE** (82-89) is singing in Paris at the Theatre Champs Elysees with the famous conductor Rene Jacobs, then goes for a 6 week booking in Chicago. He will also sing for Glyndbourne Opera in the autumn season.

**Edward SIMMONS** (OE 30-34) has been in touch. He lives in the Wirral and his daughter, Deirdre, is married to **John WAITE** (OE 47-53). John and Deirdre run the well known Dee Fine Arts Gallery in Heswall.

We offer congratulations to **Colin MANNING** (OE 77-84) and his brother Gary, who run the *60 Hope Street Restaurant*, which has gained the *Best Restaurant in Liverpool* award for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year running.



*Probationers in the Cathedral Choir (1993):*

*back row: Jamie Culshaw, Sean Moran, Patrick McAuley, Witold Biganski, Julian Guidera  
front row: Graeme Criddle, Joseph Mullen, Kevin Higgott, Benjamin Wilson*

**Tom ANDERSON** (OE 81-87) has returned from Hong Kong and is now teaching music in Cheltenham (which he finds somewhat dull after HK!) We were sorry to hear from him of the sudden death of his mother last year.

We offer congratulations to **Nicholas BAILY** (OE 76-83) who was Assistant Head at St. Anselm's College and has been appointed Deputy Head at Archbishop Beck High School.

**Andy MURPHY** (OE 65-72) who is working at the Western Academy of Beijing, emailed, seeking photographs from his time as Captain of the 1<sup>st</sup> XV and member of the orchestra. He is married to an American and has two Mandarin speaking daughters, aged 2 and 5.

We offer congratulations to **Frank FORD** (OE 38-45) who graduated MA in Catholic Theology from Maryvale Institute Birmingham in November 2002.

In what is definitely a first for the College, **Neil FLEWITT** (OE 70-77) was appointed Queen's Counsel in the Maundy Thursday appointments. Neil has been a member of the 2003 Celebrations Working Group and his son George is a pupil in Year 8. We offer Neil our sincere congratulations on his honour.

Who are they? Where are they now?  
Contact Terry Duffy at the College







Where are they now? Contact Terry Duffy - [registrar@stedwards.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:registrar@stedwards.liverpool.sch.uk) with OE News

**Jim FITZPATRICK** (OE 47-52) also emailed from New Zealand looking for a copy of the school magazine 1952 Summer edition. Can anyone help with this request, as we only have a single archive copy here at the school.

**Phil REDMOND** (OE 56-63) emailed from Canada: *I would like to get in touch with some of the lads, particularly: Tom Whelan, Colin Sid Walsh, Larry Jack Dempsey, Chris Buckles, Paul Martin and Billie Judge. I emigrated to Canada in 1967 and recently retired as Superintendent of Schools in Prince George B.C. Now after a year of retirement I am back in harness as Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Prince George which is a vast area of Northern British Columbia. If anyone remembers me please get in touch....the fun we had!!*

Colin Walsh is registered on the OE Database. Are you other fellows out there? If so, please make contact with the Registrar either by phone, fax or email (0151 281 1999. 0151 281 1909 or [registrar@stedwards.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:registrar@stedwards.liverpool.sch.uk), and I can put you in touch with Phil.

**Phil BURROWES** (OE 42-46) reminded us that his brother Canon **Vincent BURROWES** (OE 38-40) (PP of St Lewis, Croft) and Canon **Kevin MULLEN** (OE 35-40) (PP of St Mary's, Chorley) will both celebrate the Golden Jubilee of their ordination in May 2003. We offer congratulations to both.

**Dominic WALKER** (OE 88-93) and his wife had a daughter, Sasha, born in February 2003. Dominic is currently presenting the afternoon show at 2BR in East Lancashire and occasionally on Radio Aire in Leeds. In February he was rated as the 4<sup>th</sup> most popular local radio afternoon presenter.

At the BBC broadcast of Any Questions from the College in April, the person who warmed up the audience immediately prior to the live broadcast was Chris Burns. She told us that her father **William BURNS** was an OE and had been a pupil from 1953-58. William died in 1999.

**Mrs Chris O'BRIEN**, a former member of the catering staff, has been ill in hospital. Chris used to live in the lodge with her late husband Pat, who was the College groundsman. We sent her some flowers and her daughter replied telling us that after surgery Chris was making a slow but sure recovery.

**Anthony BROWN**, a former Governor of the school had been taken seriously ill whilst on holiday in Italy. He has undergone a serious operation and prayers are being said for his recovery. Anthony was the Consul for Iceland.

**Stephen MARSDEN** featured in a newspaper article about Merseyside businessmen. He is a founding partner of Stephen Marsden Associates and co-founded Tower Film Productions in 2002. Stephen is President of the West Derby Rotary Club.

**Stephen JEFFERY** (OE 92-99) a former Chorister who is studying singing at the Birmingham Conservatoire, has recently won the coveted *Mario Lanza Prize*.

**Terence McLOUGHLIN** (OE 89-2000) has been appointed Captain of the University of Sheffield's 1<sup>st</sup> Rugby Team. During this summer he is on a work placement at the United Nations European Headquarters in Geneva.

**John McNERNEY** (OE 68-79) visited the College in June. John is now working in the wine business. He told us that brother **Anthony** (OE 77-88) had just got married. We offer Anthony and his new wife our congratulations. **David** (OE 70-72) was also a guest at the wedding.

**Ernest EDWARDS** (OE 34-40) has completed 35 years in the choir of Our Lady & All Saints Church in Stourbridge. A party was held to mark his retirement. Ernest was also awarded Life Honorary Vice Presidency of the CMS of which he had been a member for 63 years.

#### THE EDWARDIAN STORY:

Don't forget to order your copy of the Edwardian Story, a history of the College in hardback, price only **£10.00** (+ £4.95 p&p)





*From the Archive - who is this captionless side?*



*Mr McCarthy pictured with the 1999 Further Mathematicians*

## Graduations 2003

*Congratulations to the following Old Edwardians who have graduated this year:*

**Susan BAMBER** Durham U 1st Class BA Politics  
**Victoria PETERS** Durham U 1st Class BSc Mathematics  
**Gemma WYNN** Newcastle U LLB  
**Mark SIMPSON** Manchester U 1st Class Astrophysics  
**Michael HOGG** Hull U BA (Hons) British Politics  
**Ceri JONES** Bangor 2:1 Psychology  
**Philip WILLIAMS** Loughborough U Chemical Engineering  
**Nicola GIRVAN** Manchester U 2:1 BA (hons) English Language and Literature  
**Christine GRAHAM** Central Lancashire U 2:1 BA(hons) English and Drama  
**Elsbeth BRITTEN** Lancaster U 2:1 BA (hons) American Studies  
**Claire CULLEN** Manchester Met U 2:1 BA (hons) Humanities and Social Sciences  
**Michael SANCHEZ** Liverpool JMU BA (hons) International Business and Spanish  
**Paul DOHERTY** Liverpool JMU MPharm  
**Jennifer NUGENT** Sheffield U BA Hispanic Studies

## Obituaries

It is with sadness that we report the passing of Br **Herbert GRICE** (OE 27-30) who died in Colwyn Bay on 14 April, aged 88. Br Grice came to St. Edward's in 1981 as Head of Runnymede, a post which he held until 1990. During that time he was also Community Bursar. Latterly Br Grice had been residing at Nazareth House in Crosby, but after a spell in hospital he needed more nursing care, so moved to Colwyn Bay.

Pupils from Year 10 and staff represented the College at the funeral of Samantha IRVINE, sister of **Jamie** (OE 94-01) and **Alex** (10M) **CULSHAW** who died in February 2003 aged 27. To her husband of two years, David, her parents Jackie and Tony and brothers and sisters Lisa, Calie, Emma, Stuart, Jamie, Anna, Alex and Jonty we offer our sincere condolences and assurance of prayers. We also received news of the death, just three weeks later from cystic fibrosis, of younger brother Stuart, aged 22. We again were represented at the funeral and promise the family our prayers in their sad and grievous losses.

Peter, the younger brother of **Mr John MCCARTHY**, Head of Mathematics, died peacefully in the middle of June after a long illness. To John and his mother Agnes and family we offer our deep sympathy and prayers.

Owen Mahon, father of **Dr Simon MAHON** (OE 73-84) died in December 2002 in Widnes. To Simon and his mother and sister (OE 83-85). We offer our prayers and condolences.

The father of **Charlie CUCKSON** (OE 50-58) and Headteacher of Blessed Sacrament Junior School) and grandfather of **Liz** (OE 83-85) died at the beginning of April. We offer the family our condolences.

The father of **Aidan WALSH** (OE 72-79) died during April. We offer our condolences to Aidan's family.

In June we were informed of the sudden death of Mr R Wiggins, husband of **Mrs Kathy WIGGINS**, a member of the Modern Foreign Languages Faculty and our teacher of Mandarin. To Kathy and her family we extend our condolences and the assurance of our prayers.



# Staff News



Congratulations to **Mr Gavin Morris** and **Miss Louise Hutchinson** who were married on the 15 February at St Peter and St James, Mossley Hill Parish Church.

## Baby BOOM!!!



Congratulations to **Mr Dave Armsby** who is now the proud father of baby **Nathaniel** born in April



Congratulations to **Mrs Gill Openshaw** who gave birth to baby **Sophie** in February



Congratulations to **Mrs Claire Byme** who gave birth to baby **Hannah** in April



Congratulations to **Mrs Lynn Smith** who gave birth to baby **Benjamin** in November

Congratulations to **Mrs Caroline Clift** who gave birth to baby **Alistair** in May

## Farewell

The following members of staff left us at the end of the Trinity Term 2003. We wish them all well and send them our very best wishes as they take up their new positions.



**Mrs Louise Morris** left the College to take up the position of Head of PE at Congleton High School. She joined the College Staff in September 1991 and coached many netball and hockey teams to County level.

**Miss Julie McGlory** also left the College to join Congleton High School to take up the position of Assistant Head of Humanities. Ms McGlory was a member of the College for twelve years and taught History, Religious Education and Business Studies.



**Mr Steve O'Keefe** has taken up a post at King George V School in Hong Kong. In his time with the College he made significant contribution to Rugby as well as Design and Technology.

**Mr John O'Meara** starts a new position in the Grange School in Northwich, where he will teach English. Mr O'Meara has also contributed to Drama and Rugby during his time at the College.



**Mr Colin Nichol** has returned to Scotland to teach Physical Education in Oban High School.

**Mrs Jodi Heyhoe** was a member of the College Staff for three years and we wish her and her family well as they embark on their new life in Canada.



**Ms Debbie Smith** who worked as a secretary in the Modern Foreign Language Department has returned to her native Scotland to take up administrative work there.

**Julie Simpson & Christopher Buckley** both worked as Gap Students this year. Christopher goes to Manchester University to read Law while Julie will read Geography at Liverpool University.





Friday 10 October

## OPEN DAY FOR OEs

10.00 - 15.00 (no tickets required)

## OLD EDWARDIANS' GRAND DINNER

Reception 19.15 for 20.00

5 Course Gourmet Menu specially prepared by Sodexho Chefs.

Tickets £35.00. Booking opens May.

Tickets for the Grand Dinner to be held at the College are available ONLY TO FORMER PUPILS. (There is a small allocation of tickets for former members of staff.) Priority will be given to overseas visitors and OE Annual Dinner regulars. Applications will be put into a ballot to held in July – Maximum number: 360.

Reserve applications for partners can be made but will only be considered after the ballot if all tickets are not taken by OEs.

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Saturday 11 October - 19.30

## GALA CONCERT - Philharmonic Hall

College Musicians and OE Professional Musicians.

*Tickets from College £ 5.00 each (pupils accompanied by parent admitted free).*

Sunday 12 October - 11.00

## ANNUAL SERVICE FOR ST. EDWARD'S COLLEGE COMMUNITY

Metropolitan Cathedral.

OE Celebrant: Mgr. Peter Cookson, Cathedral Dean.

*No tickets required.*

Sunday Lunch available at Liverpool City Centre Holiday Inn Hotel.

Reservations direct to Hotel. Tel: 0151 709 7090.