

# The Edwardian

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## NEW DEPUTY HEADMISTRESS

**I**N November the Governors appointed Mrs Patricia Young as Second Deputy Headmistress of St Edward's.

Mrs Young, who was educated at Broughton Hall where she was Head Girl and then at Liverpool University where she gained B.A. (Hons) in English Literature and Modern History, will be the first woman to hold such a senior position at the College. Mrs Young who is currently Head of English at Sacred Heart School, Crosby, will take up her appointment in September 1993.

Chairman of Governors, His Honour Judge John Morgan commented on the appointment, 'The appointment of Mrs Young confirms the Governors' commitment to providing as good an education for its girls as it has done for boys for the last century'.



### FRIENDS OF ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE VICE-PRESIDENTS 1993

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# TRUST FUND

# ANNUAL BALL

THE Forte Crest Hotel, Liverpool, was the venue for the 9th Trust Fund Annual Ball last November 14th. The event proved to be probably the most successful so far in terms of enjoyment, numbers and finance.

Last year we had an attendance of 180. This time the number climbed to 240, a great achievement in times of recession. The Crest Hotel offers great facility for up to about 300 guests and hopefully we will be able to avail ourselves of that, next year — November 13th 1993.

As in the past couple of years fund-raising has been restricted to 'Stand-up Bingo' and of course the raffle. Both events are always well supported and this year was no exception. At this point I would like to express our

gratitude for the tremendous support in the provision of prizes for the raffle. This enabled us to offer excellent gifts.

On arrival guests were offered a glass of wine prior to dinner, courtesy of Mr & Mrs P. Doran. On entering the dining hall one was greeted with a display of colour through the provision of Christmas crackers, hats, and streamers, courtesy of Mr & Mrs T. Granby. These two gifts set the scene for the rest of the evening.

The music was again provided by the group Nine Carat Brass, who set a lively tempo for the night. Dinner, although not the one printed in the Dinner Brochure, was excellent as always. We thank the Management and Staff for all the hard work which this entailed.

It would be remiss of me not to

mention the companies and individuals who took space and advertised in the Dinner Brochure or made financial contribution towards the cost of running the event. Thank you one and all.

Imbued with confidence, we have already booked for next year the Hotel and the Nine Carat Brass. Please don't forget the date SATURDAY, 13th NOVEMBER 1993, put it in your diary now — or when it arrives.

Finally may I say 'Thank You' to all who supported us on the evening. I trust you all enjoyed yourselves and we will be able to meet again in 1993.

B. J. McDonald  
Chairman of Trust Fund.

## DIARY

### JANUARY:

|      |           |           |                               |
|------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 7th  | Thursday  |           | Term Commences                |
| 21st | Thursday  | 7.00 p.m. | Form 7 Parent Teacher Meeting |
| 27th | Wednesday | 7.00p.m.  | Form 5 Parent Teacher Meeting |

### FEBRUARY

|      |          |           |  |
|------|----------|-----------|--|
| 2nd  | Tuesday  | 7.00 p.m. | Form 6 Parent Teacher Meeting                            |
| 6th  | Saturday | 9.00 a.m. | Entrance Examination for Senior School                   |
| 11th | Thursday | 7.00 p.m. | Form 4 Parent Teacher Meeting                            |
| 13th | Saturday |           | Mid Term Holiday Commences                               |
| 13th | Saturday | 8.00 p.m. | SECPA St Valentine's Dance                               |
| 22nd | Monday   |           | Term Resumes   |
| 23rd | Tuesday  | 7.00 p.m. | Form 2 Parent Teacher Meeting                            |
| 25th | Thursday | 7.30 p.m. | Chamber Choir and Orchestra Concert<br>Homage to England |

### MARCH:

|                |                        |           |   |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------|---|
| 12th           | Friday                 | 7.30 p.m. | Celebrity Dinner  |
| 20th           | Saturday               | 8.00 p.m. | SECPA St Patrick's Night Dance                              |
| 21st           | Sunday                 | 3.00 p.m. | Annual Prize Giving and Concert at the<br>Philharmonic Hall |
| 23rd &<br>24th | Tuesday &<br>Wednesday | 7.30 p.m. | Concert by Second Orchestra and<br>Runnymede Choir          |
| 26th           | Friday                 |           | Holiday for Prize Day                                       |
| 31st           | Wednesday              |           | Last Day of Term  |

### APRIL:

|      |           |  |                    |
|------|-----------|--|--------------------|
| 4th  | Sunday    |  | SECPA Easter Bingo |
| 21st | Wednesday |  | Term Commences     |

## LADIES LUNCHEON

THE Ladies' Luncheon, held this year on Friday 20th November, was generously sponsored this year by Mr and Mrs O'Donnell (The Doorhanger U.K. Ltd.). Mr & Mrs O'Donnell, who have two children in Runnymede, Robert and Christopher, have not only sponsored the Luncheon, but have been most generous in offering to the College a stained glass window in the design of the school crest. As Runnymede will benefit from the overall proceeds of the Ladies' Luncheon (all money raised will go towards a new playground for the prep. school), the Senior School will benefit from the new stained glass window, which will be placed in the new reception area at the front of the school.

The Luncheon under the guidance of Mrs Marion Garvey was a massive success and raised over £2,000. Thanks go to all those who gave their time and donated raffle prizes, and a special thank you goes to Mr Fergus Lyons of the Bank of Ireland for generously donating a Waterford Crystal Clock and to Eric G. Milton for kindly donating lady's and gent's matching watches.

If there are any companies that would be interested in supporting the fund raising efforts of the College and would like to sponsor next year's Ladies' Luncheon please contact Julie McGlory, at St Edward's College, Sandfield Park, Liverpool L21 1LF.

# ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE MUSIC SOCIETY

## SPRING TERM

**Thursday 25th February 7.30pm  
in Ley Hall**

### **HOMAGE TO ENGLAND**

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| <b>Purcell</b>    | Sonata in B Flat   |
| <b>Britten</b>    | A Hymn to the Virgin, Fancie, Cuckoo   |
| <b>Berkeley</b>   | Canzonetta   |
| <b>Purcell</b>    | Music for awhile   |
| <b>Britten</b>    | The Sycamore Tree, The Twelve Apostles                                       |
| <b>Holst</b>      | Brook Green Suite  |
| <b>Britten</b>    | The Ploughboy, There's None to Soothe,<br>O Waly, Waly, The Foggy, Foggy Dew |
| <b>Binge</b>      | Elizabethan Serenade   |
| <b>Watts</b>      | An English Pastoral (1st Performance)  |
| <b>Cunningham</b> | The Goodbye Jazz, Eye Level  |

Benjamin Sills, Trumpet; Kevin Becket, Alto  
Michael Wallace, Baritone  
Chamber Choir directed by Terence Duffy  
Chamber Orchestra conducted by John Moseley

**Tuesday/Wednesday 23rd/24th March  
7.30pm in College Hall**

### **DINOSAUR AT LARGE**

**by Sir Maxwell Davies**

Staged Performance of the Opera.

Preparatory School Choir and Second Orchestra  
Paul Booth, Conductor

Preceded by a concert of 20th Century Music

Hilary Burgoyne and Lesley Kemplay White,  
Conductors

Refreshments will be served at evening concerts.  
Further details, including ticket prices, can be  
obtained before each concert (051 228 3376) or by  
post from St Edward's College, Sandfield Park,  
Liverpool L12 1LF.

**Sunday 21st March 3.00pm  
in Philharmonic Hall**

### **CONCERT FOR PRIZE DAY**

#### **L'ORIENT**

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Verdi</b>              | Grand March 'Aida'                            |
| <b>Massenet</b>           | Meditation from 'Thais'                       |
| <b>From the Zarzuelas</b> | El Tripoli, El Pano, La Paloma,<br>Clavelitos |

Giulia Williams, Violin  
Choral Society  
School Orchestra  
John Moseley, Conductor

## **St. Edward's College Drama Society**

**announce their summer 1993  
production**

### **'THE CAUCASIAN CHALK CIRCLE'**

**BY  
BERTOLT BRECHT  
ON**

**June 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th  
in Ley Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**more details in due course**



# Summer School 1992

THE subject this year was 'Christology Then and Now' and the lecturer was the distinguished theologian Father Gerald O'Collins S.J., Professor of Fundamental Theology and Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the Gregorian University, Rome. The School was held August 24th-28th at Upholland College. Father O'Collins is an Australian whom we found, in spite of his great learning, very approachable and companionable.

In fact one of the most valuable features of the School was the opportunity it offered of mixing, both socially and liturgically, with a wide variety of interesting people (more than 40 in all). There were priests, monks and nuns, teachers, theological students (like myself and my wife), and interested lay women and men; one of the priests was from Uganda, and one of the Sisters was an Australian studying Canon Law in Ottawa — a true microcosm of the Universal Church.

We were all there to deepen our faith and knowledge and we were privileged to take part in an inspiring liturgy each day. Father O'Collins was obviously an experienced lecturer — he had an unerring sense (which is not always shared by some lecturers I could name) of when to stop to allow the audience to digest what he had said so far!

I find it impossible to summarise all the right insights that unfolded in the lectures; all I can do is to mention a few headings:

(a) Interpreting Jesus — Who and What is He, and what is His revealing and redemptive work.

(b) The Jewish roots of Jesus and His first followers — the origins of His titles.

(c) The human history of Jesus — His personal authority, His prophetic aspect, His title 'Son of Man'.

(d) The death of Jesus — does He anticipate and interpret His death in advance?

(e) Person and nature of Christ — the union of hypo stases.

(f) Jesus as Lord — the various uses of the word in Scripture.

Father O'Collins said in his opening lecture that we are all beginners in the subject of the Being and Doing of Jesus. It was fitting that towards the end of his lectures he should mention the Aramaic word 'marantha' which gets translated into the great prayer at the end of Revelation 'Come, Lord Jesus'. Only at the final consummation will the last word be said on Christology!

We all owe a great debt of gratitude to Michael Brooks for organising this second S.E.C. Summer School and we look forward to the next in 1994.

Frank Ford  
(a former pupil 1938-1945)

Tapes are available from the Summer School Secretary at St Edward's College.

# Corporate Run

THE Corporate Run is an annual event in which teams of four runners who are all employed by the same organisation, tread wearily around a three mile course up and down the hills and dales of Liverpool City Centre. Each team must comprise of one female and one over 35 runner, plus two others.

A staff team from St Edward's entered for the first time this year, comprising of Miss Hutchinson, Mr Miles, Mr McCarthy and Mr Morgan. The team came 28th overall from 750 teams from the city and 3rd in our division, which is based on the number of employees in the organisation.

The staff enjoyed the challenge and look forward to next year when a much fitter staff hope to improve their overall position.



## How do you get tax relief on your life insurance and on repaying your mortgage capital?

TAX relief on new life insurance contracts was dropped by the revenue several years ago, but you can still get tax relief via your pension.

This can greatly reduce the cost of life insurance particularly for a higher rate tax payer.

You could also greatly reduce the cost of a mortgage, by linking your mortgage to your pension.

The only tax relief available on an ordinary repayment or endowment mortgage is the MIRAS relief on the interest payments up to £30,000.

However a pension mortgage would obtain tax relief not only on the interest, but also, it could be said on

the capital repayments, as your pension repays the capital, tax relief would also be available on the life insurance side, via your pension.

But before you all rush off to do a pension mortgage, it is not suited to everyone, age and timing are very important, and you have to remember that you would forego part of your pension to repay the mortgage.

Consult an independent financial adviser before you do anything.

Michael P. Dorrington  
Independent Financial Adviser  
Clement Gallagher & Co Ltd  
051 530 1536.

# News of

# Former Pupils

**Dr Joe Ratchford**, a former pupil has been elected as the new President of Liverpool St Helens Rugby Football Club.

**Jane Wong**, who attended the College 1986-1988, is now working for Mountbatten Internship Programme in New York. The scheme which was set up to promote Anglo-American relations lasts for one year.

**Martin Bates**, a former pupil of St Edward's, was recently awarded PhD in Physics from Oxford University. Martin graduated from Liverpool University with 1st class honours degree in Physics.

**Jeffrey Martin** (St Edwards 1954-1961) is headteacher at Forefield Primary School, Crosby. Previous appointments were at St Luke's, Whiston, Holy Family, Cronton and St Matthew's Skelmersdale.

## The following former pupils of St Edward's graduated this summer:

Graeme Cluskey with B.Sc. (Hons) II.i in Mathematics.

### From the University of Oxford:

Catherine Green, with B.A. (Hons) II.i and is now studying at Central School of Speech and Drama (where Judy Dench, Peggy Ashcroft and Laurence Olivier (amongst others!) studied).

Jonathan Carr gained a II.i degree in the Final Honour School of Jurisprudence from Exeter College.

Dominic Moran with 1st Class Honours degree in Spanish and Portuguese from Trinity College.

Mark Flannery with B.A. (Hons) II.i in French and Spanish from St Anne's College.

### From the University of Cambridge

Paul Brabin with 1st Class Honours Degree in Chemical Engineering. Paul is now studying for a Masters degree in Chemical Engineering.

### From the University of Liverpool:

Andrew Walsh with 1st Class Honours Degree in Spanish and Portuguese.

John Clague with M.D.

John Armstrong with M.B.Ch.B.

Michael Byrne with M.B.Ch.B.

Alan Doyle with B.Sc.(Hons) in Pharmacology

Winston Ng with B.Sc.(Hons) in Maths.

Damian O'Keefe with B.Sc.

### From the University of Manchester:

Gary Chandler with 1st Class Honours Degree in Spanish and Portuguese.

Damian Carville with B.A. in Spanish.

### From the University of London King's College:

M. Gregory with II.ii in Biblical Studies.

### From the University of Warwick:

Lee Shannon with B.Eng. II.i in Engineering Electronics.

### From the University of St Andrews

Keith Grogan with II.ii in honours degree Astronomy and Astrophysics.

## A Question of Sport

THREE brothers captained three school teams in the same year, who were they and what year was this?

(Answers will be in the next edition.)

*Pictured is Dennis Reid, a member of Form One, with the Headmaster, Mr John Waszek and Mr Wells, a representative from Manweb.*

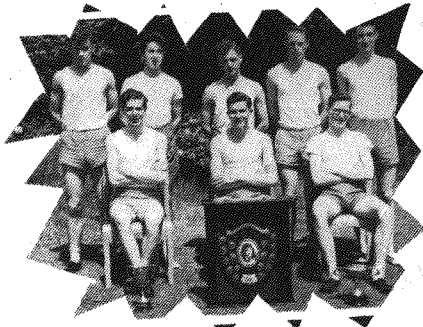
*Dennis, who came to St Edward's from St Philomena's Primary School, was awarded a personal computer by Manweb for winning a competition for energy efficiency.*



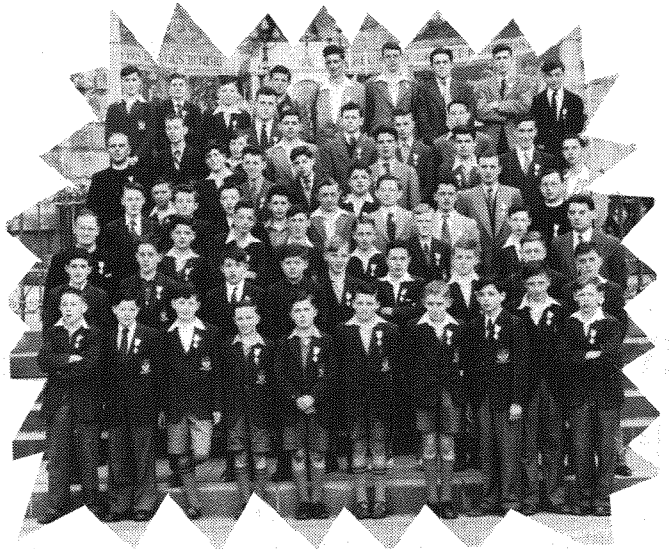


# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The photographs in the last edition of 'The Edwardian' brought a massive response:

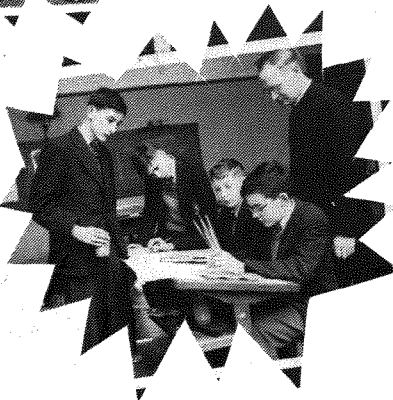


*In Picture 1 (left) almost all athletes were identified. The photograph was taken around 1954 and on the back row the centre three left to right are Peter Comerford, Peter Snape and Brian Marshall. The seated athlete in the centre is Tony Linford with Phil McKenna on his right.*



*Picture 3 (above) was taken in Lourdes towards the end of April 1954, during the Easter holidays. The College was taking part in not only one of its first trips abroad, but also the first of the National Youth pilgrimages to Lourdes. The cost of the trip was £26. Pictured are Brothers O'Brien, Coffey, Mulowney, Mr Morris and Mr Fraser. Of pupils the top right is Dermot Rorke, next but one to him is Brian Wren, next to him is Bernard Lowe. Also in the photograph are Tony Griffiths, John Butchard and Michael Doyle.*

*In Picture 2 (right) Brother Coffey was recognised overlooking George Buckels (seated and without glasses) and to his right stands John Holden.*

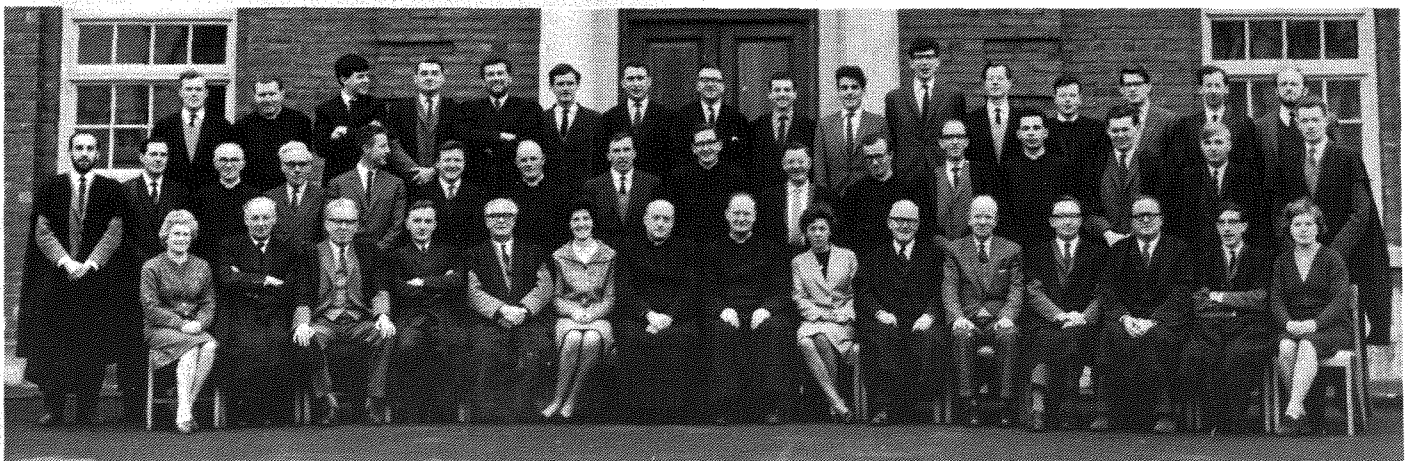
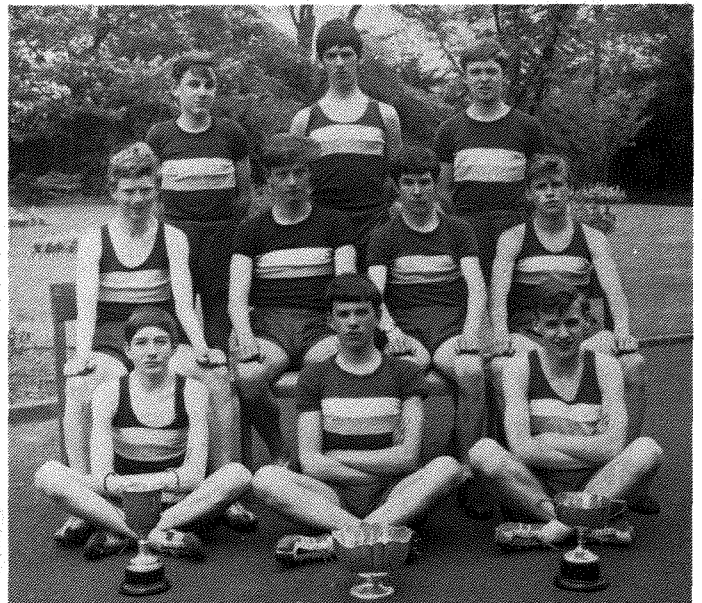


Thank you to all who wrote in.

## THIS EDITION'S INSTALMENTS

**WHO ARE THEY?  
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?**

Write to Julie McGlory, St Edward's College, Sandfield Park, Liverpool L12 1LF.



# THEN AND NOW

Dear Julie McGlory,

I was recently able while in Colwyn Bay to call on my former schoolmaster in 1922 at St Edward's, Mr Jack McEnery. I found him in wonderful health and spirit.

The photograph shows us together, with Jack in his 95th year and me in my 80th. I think that he has weathered the years much better than myself! He is so very happy and 'with it' and we had many memories in common. He remembered my father well describing him as a wonderful old gentleman, which I had to agree with.

He was very proud of his five priest brothers and treasures a family photograph.

The 'finding of Jack McEnery' has proved of great interest in your letter's column. I wonder are there others of equal or greater longevity?

Yours sincerely,

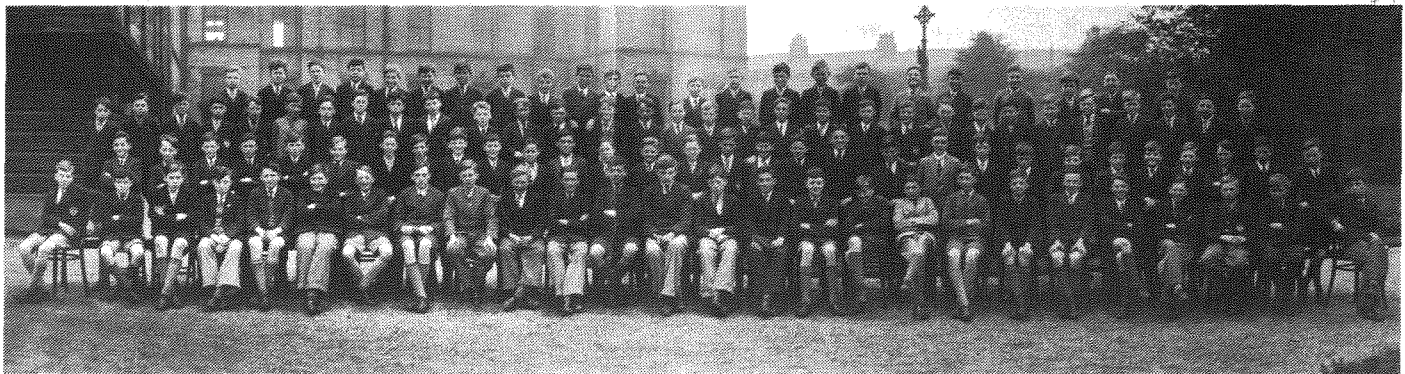
Colonel J. G. Bryson OBE, TD, JP, DL, FRSA



Mr Jack McEnery is pictured above with Colonel Bryson (Summer 1992).



Pictured here is Mr Jack McEnery with other members of the staff of St Edward's College, Domingo Road, from 1933.



Pictured above is Form III of St Edward's College 1933.



# A Processional Cross for Cathedral Choristers

IT was as early as 1989, when Mr Philip Duffy, Choirmaster at the Metropolitan Cathedral first expressed the need for a processional cross for the Choir. It was intended to be carried by a chorister when there were no servers present to lead the Choir, and it would be used both in the Crypt and in the Cathedral for special services, and for evening prayer. It was to have no figure on it and had to be small enough and light enough for a chorister to carry and yet be seen clearly in the large space of the Cathedral. In 1990 at a Cathedral Choir Association Committee Meeting, discussions took place about the cross. At least two artists in the city had been asked for working drawings, but none had been found suitable. Mrs Mary Freeney, a member of the Art and Design Department at the College, and at that time a Choir Association Committee Member, decided to design a cross that could fit the requirements.

Initial drawings started in the Cathedral, developing from the architectural features, as well as from spontaneous ideas to create a joyful form that would be both youthful and meaningful. The final inspiration came one evening in the Crypt when the Choristers were singing the 'Song of Ascents' — Psalm 127.

From her designs, Robin McChie, a sculptor and calligrapher, who has already designed for the Cathedral, produced a relief maquette of the proposed cross. Mr John Hetherington from Sarsfields Stonemasons then carved the cross in wood. He was delighted to be involved in the project, and his skill and craftsmanship are evident in the graceful lines of the cross. When this stage was complete, the cross, which is 56 cm in height, with a span of 40 cm, was then gilded in aluminium leaf, a material chosen to embrace and reflect the many qualities of light and colour which

fill the Cathedral. Its total height is approximately 2 m and it is very light to carry. It has a vibrancy and a vitality which is uplifting, a suitable focal point, for the Choristers, whose Cross this is, and whose primary task is to sing for the greater glory of God.



*Monsignor Peter Cookson, Cathedral Administrator, Blessing the Cross at Evening prayer, Feast of Christ The King.*

## U16 Badminton Report

THE first fixtures of the season saw internal league matches between St Edward's A and B teams. The A team won 6-3 and 7-2. The next figure saw our A team beaten 0-9 by a strong Walton Community Comprehensive team, but they came back strongly to beat Deyes High School B team 9-0. Unfortunately our B team were on the receiving end of an equally emphatic score at the hands of Deyes A team. Captain of the A team is Gareth Hughes (5M) and Dominic Smith (4S) captains the B team.

I. Hughes

## House Rich, Cash Poor

**SO many people use their available cash to repay their mortgage as soon as they possibly can. Often this is very wrong, they end up with no available capital and a house to support for the rest of their lives.**

Many of my elderly clients now dearly wish they had taken correct advice and held on to that part of the mortgage that they get tax relief on, because the tax relief that you get on interest paid at say 12% means that you are actually only paying 9%, with basic rate tax relief at 25%.

Everyone should take maximum advantage of their £30,000 MIRAS relief. Instead of repaying that part of your mortgage, use your available cash to earn a higher overall return than the net rate, that you are currently paying on your mortgage. That way you will still have your capital.

One of the advantages of Endowment, PEP and Pension Mortgages is that tax relief is maximised, whilst on a repayment mortgage, because of the capital slowly being repaid, tax relief also reduces as time goes by.

A recent survey of how endowment mortgages compare to ordinary repayment mortgages, clearly shows that even the average endowment policy has been far cheaper than a repayment mortgage over both 10 and 15 year terms.

However to get best advice and to obtain the best policy consult your independent financial adviser.

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## Basketball Report

FIVE school basketball teams have been involved in games this term. Of these teams only the Under 14 team has been involved in cup games. Early season games for the other teams are all friendlies with their cup games beginning after Christmas.

The next stage of basketball development begins with St Edward's College playing in the English Schools' Individual Cup. The early stages of this cup are played in regional leagues. We had games against schools from around the North West. Our Under 14 team played four games in their league winning one. The team played well in each game with Mark Quayle and James Sweetin displaying consistency throughout. However, the team suffered due to poor shooting in simple shooting positions. I think their experience in the English Schools Cup will prove beneficial in their Liverpool Cup games.

Regular practice is important, but this is often difficult for many of the players due to their involvement in other school practices. However, in the Under 13 age group there are a number of pupils who regularly train from 8.00 a.m. on Thursday and Friday mornings. Attendance at lunchtime practices has, at times, reached to number 30 pupils, all keen to develop and enjoy their game. At Under 19 age group, attendance is always good and a good standard of basketball has been reached. Very few Under 19 teams exist in Liverpool, so regular fixtures are a problem. Their enthusiasm, however, is undiminished, with Kevin Wall, John Church, Andrew O'Brien, Adam Grant, Jamie McMullen, Adam Harrison, Nicholas Astor and captain, Miles Brennan, all playing well.

At Under 16 age group, players are thin on the ground and are supplemented by the Under 15 team for their games. At Under 15 level, Spencer Williamson and David Tunna were selected for the City Team, and with John Vancheri, provide the nucleus for the team whose season really begins after Christmas, with cup competition.

Hopefully, the next report can chart the progress of our school teams to finals in the cup competitions.

S. R. Morgan



# St Edward's College Parents' Association

## SPRING 1993

ST VALENTINE'S NIGHT DANCE — SATURDAY 13th FEBRUARY 8.00pm  
ST PATRICK'S NIGHT DANCE — SATURDAY 20th MARCH 8.00pm  
EASTER BINGO — SUNDAY 4th APRIL

Further details, including ticket prices, can be obtained  
before each event from the College (051-228 3376).

### ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE BIG LOTTERY WINNERS

### CASHLINE 2000 WINNERS

May 1992

| DATE | NAME            | NUMBER | PRIZE |
|------|-----------------|--------|-------|
| 4th  | Mrs E. Slaney   | 420    | £20   |
| 5th  | Mr T. Ziolo     | 755    | £20   |
| 6th  | Mr A. Learmont  | 899    | £20   |
| 7th  | Mr M. Rawlinson | 252    | £20   |
| 8th  | Mrs C. Morgan   | 658    | £50   |
| 11th | Mrs E. Grace    | 563    | £20   |
| 12th | Mr P. Lacy      | 124    | £20   |
| 13th | Mrs C. Spencer  | 48     | £20   |
| 14th | Mr J. Prayle    | 201    | £20   |
| 15th | Mr L. Delaney   | 702    | £50   |
| 18th | Mr I. Jamieson  | 167    | £20   |
| 19th | Mrs M. Rand     | 685    | £20   |
| 20th | Mr R. Grealey   | 698    | £20   |
| 21st | Mrs A. Bannon   | 147    | £20   |
| 22nd | Mrs P. Melia    | 309    | £50   |

#### PRIZE WINNER

June 1992

Mrs E. Edwards  
Mr A. Ellis  
J. and E. Shaw

#### NUMBER

176  
132  
17

#### PRIZE

£150  
£100  
£50

July 1992

Mrs Elliott  
Mrs Whitefield  
Mr A. Quinn

131  
246  
53

£150  
£100  
£50

August 1992

Mrs S. Walsh  
Mrs S. Settle  
Mrs P. McGonigle

183  
55  
205

£150  
£100  
£50

September 1992

Mr T. Doran  
Mr A. H. Emerson  
B. Mythen

132  
182  
240

£150  
£100  
£50

October 1992

Mrs B. Armstrong  
Mrs Ellis  
Mr A. Blackhurst

223  
198  
11

£150  
£100  
£50

## Cross Country Report

THE Autumn term has seen a further development in girls' sporting activities at St Edward's, with an Under 12 team taking part in the Merseyside Cross Country League for the first time. In the opening fixture at Bebington, Lucy Blackhurst finished 6th, a performance which earned her selection to represent Merseyside against Dublin. Though the team finished only 14th, their progress since then has been encouraging and their score in the second league fixture at Calderstones Park was much improved. Nicola O'Donoghue, Eve Leather, Kelly Giblin and Nina Farquharson have all run well. We look forward to the team making further progress.

There were also six boys chosen to represent Merseyside against Dublin — Michael Dudley (Under 12), Neil Blackhurst, Ben Leather, Stephen Parkinson and Peter Gee (Under 14) and Peter Silcock (Under 16). Our most successful representative was Michael Dudley, who ran an excellent race to finish fifth. Further representative honours have been achieved more recently by Neil Blackhurst, Ben Leather and Peter Silcock, who were chosen to represent the Merseyside League in their annual inter-counties' fixture.

The Under 12 boys' team has been notable for the enthusiasm of its members. After two fixtures in the Merseyside League the team lies in sixth place, but there are signs that they are closing the gap on the teams ahead of them. Michael Dudley has been the most successful runner and he has received good support from Neil Renton, Francis Brooks and James Riley.

The Under 13's have been very impressive this season, not least because of their strength in depth. In the second Merseyside League fixture, run in atrocious conditions at Arrow Park, the St Edward's 'B' team finished a remarkable fifth. The 'A' team were second and are currently second overall in the League. The team reached the Regional Final of the TSB Cup at Stockport, where they finished a very creditable fourth, just failing to qualify for the National Final — they would almost certainly have qualified but for an



injury to Simon Fraser. They also achieved victory in the Christian Brothers' Championships in Birkenhead and second place in the Liverpool Harriers Cup Races at Clarke Gardens. Peter Walsh and Simon Fraser have been the most successful runners and they have been well supported by Kevin Renton, Matthew Gilmore, Michael Ellis, Ian O'Brien and several others.

The Under 14's have also had a good season so far. They finished an impressive fourth in the Marple Hall Relay meeting and won the Christian Brothers' Championships. They also achieved victory in the first Merseyside League fixture at Sherdley Park, while Neil Blackhurst was the individual winner in the second fixture. Unfortunately, the team finished a disappointing third, so that they now lie second overall, but they undoubtedly possess the talent to win the League. The four Merseyside representatives have had good support from Stephen Cranny and Lee Rowlands.

The Under 15's have also enjoyed success, with assistance from the third-year team. They won the Weston Trophy at the Wirral AC Cup Races,

our first victory in that event for 10 seasons. They also qualified for the Regional Final of the TSB Cup, and did well to finish sixth in that with a considerably weakened team. The fourth-years have also provided the nucleus of the Under 16 team, currently fourth in the Merseyside League. Peter Silcock has had an outstanding season and Robert Pope and Bryan Renton have provided good support. James O'Shaughnessy and Kevin Keith have been our best fifth year runners to date.

The Seniors have been badly affected by injury, so that they have rarely been at full strength. After two Merseyside League fixtures the team lies only eighth. Neil Murphy and Kevin Beckett have both been unable to run in a number of races, so the consistent efforts of Miles Brennan, John Riley and Alex Prayle have been appreciated. An encouraging feature is the appearance of Billy Edwards and Tony Leddy, who had not previously taken part in cross country. The team is certainly capable of better results in the spring term given a bit more luck in avoiding injuries.

J. F. X. Miles.

# From Runnymede . . .

**SURPRISED** we are still here? — Well read on. Although, regrettably, Runnymede has not featured in 'The Edwardian' for some time, the junior school still exists, indeed flourishes. Regular contributions to this periodical are promised from now on.

We welcomed this September four new members of staff. Mr Philip Sweeney took over as Headteacher. His association with St Edward's goes back quite some time, but for the last four years he has been Headteacher at Carleton House Catholic Preparatory School in Mossley Hill.

Also joining the staff were Miss Marie Davies who has spent the last 14 years teaching in Germany at one of the Forces schools, and Mrs Fiona Jones, who like Mr Sweeney, came from Carleton House where she taught for six years. Last but by no means least, we welcome Mr David Goulbourn. This is Mr Goulbourn's first teaching appointment and we wish him and all the other 'newcomers' a long and happy association with St Edward's.

The Autumn term has been a very busy one for everybody involved in Runnymede, parents, staff and pupils. To go into details would mean taking over the whole magazine. What follows is just a brief resume.

On 18th September we celebrated Mass to officially open the new school year. Since then, we have had our year Masses and an Advent Mass. It is pleasing to see how many parents are now joining their children on these occasions. Our thanks are due to Fr Seddon for his care and concern for our children.



**Rachel Kelly (Y40) first girl from Runnymede to be selected for the Liverpool Team.**

Runnymede joined with the Senior School for the New Parents' Social Evening on 19th September and we had our own Cheese and Wine Evening on 22nd October. Both these occasions provided Parents and Staff with an opportunity to meet informally.

On 11th November Mr Mark Davis, well-known here at St Edward's, led a discussion with Runnymede parents on the topic of 'Sharing Faith at Home'. We hope that this will be the start of a series of 'get togethers' which will provide parents with help and support in the difficult task of bringing their children up to know and love God.

Children In Need provided Runnymede with an opportunity to help others less fortunate.

The Year 6 children organised a 'fair' which raised £240.22. The Infants designed a giant 'Pudsey Bear' and covered him in coins which raised a further £164.69. This gave a magnificent total of £404.91 and earned the children a mention on Radio 2 and Radio Merseyside.

The infants had a special day on 'Stranger Danger'. Our special thanks to Police Woman K. Austin, who is one of our parents, for the sensitive way she dealt with the subject.

There have been a number of outings this term. The Year 3 children spent a morning at Liverpool Museum and the afternoon at the Metropolitan Cathedral. Year 4 had an enjoyable visit to Speke Hall. Our year 6 children took part in a theatre workshop run by Theatre Clwyd on the theme 'The Victorians'.

Music features strongly in Runnymede and we were all delighted when Helen Phoenix (Year 5) was successful in her audition and has been offered a place in the National Youth Orchestra.

It is pleasing to see the involvement of parents in the life of the school. Particular thanks to Mrs McColl who has helped with the artwork in Y40, to Mr Brown for his computer work with Y3 and to Mrs O'Donnell for her assistance with hockey. Mr Clarke is also grateful for the help he receives at Swimming Club from Mrs Hughes, Mrs Hearity, Mrs Goodwin and Mrs Durshan.

Our footballers have been busy this term playing 12 football matches and now at long last boast their own junior sized football pitch here at St Edward's. Congratulations to Fergus Griffies Y6 for gaining selection to LSFA B team this year.

The rugby team has been most unfortunate in having three sets of fixtures postponed due to bad weather but have still managed to play seven matches.

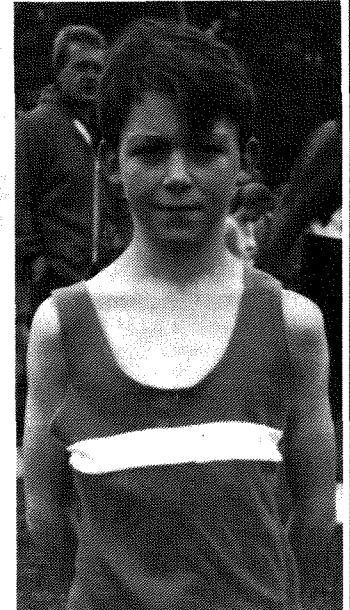
Cross-country continues to flourish and Runnymede has been involved in four league races so far this year. We were also pleased to have three children selected for the Liverpool District Catholic Schools Representative Teams to run against Wirral Primary Schools. Congratulations to Sean Carter from Y5, Rachel Kelly from Y4 (our first girl to gain representative honours from Runnymede) and Michael Bate from Y6 who had the added honour of captaining the Liverpool team and being the first runner home in the League Race held here at St Edward's.

Swimming, of course, is an

important feature although at this time of the year there are not too many galas. Two very enjoyable events have taken place against Merchant Taylors' and Carleton House.

Our quiz team hope to have another successful year and look forward to fixtures all over the city and even further afield in the Association of Junior Independent Schools Competition. They came through the first stage of this competition in October when they joined with 12 other independent schools for a most entertaining quiz competition at St Anselm's, Birkenhead.

Our gym club has grown from strength to strength and now meets on three occasions during the week. Add to this our drama club, run with the help of some 6th form girls, the chess club, knitting club, guitar club, badminton and basketball and a



**Michael Bate (Y6G) captain of the Liverpool Team.**

new addition, 5-a-side football then you will see how busy outside the classroom is for the Runnymede children.

These are eventful days in Runnymede with school now establishing itself as co-educational. Currently we have 257 pupils of whom 60 are girls. The young ladies have certainly brought a different atmosphere to the school and as their numbers grow over the next few years their contribution to the life of the school will increase.

So there we are, Runnymede is back in 'The Edwardian'. Hope you have enjoyed hearing about us, especially if you are a past pupil. We always like to see our former pupils so don't hesitate to get in touch if you would like to pay us a visit.



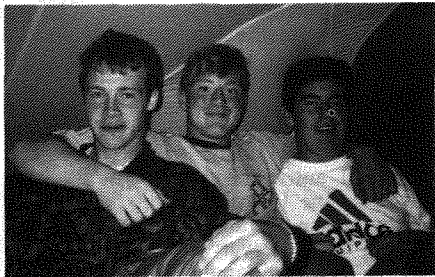
**Runnymede Year Six Cross-Country Team (North West Independent School Cross-Country Champions, 1992).**



THE Duke of Edinburgh Award was set up in 1956, and since then more than two million people between the ages of 14 and 25 have enjoyed the world famous scheme. Today, young people, males and females, able-bodied and disabled are experiencing fun, adventure and a sense of achievement as they work through the bronze, silver and gold awards.

**The Service Section** involves pupils contributing to both the community of St Edward's and the surrounding area. This may involve visiting the sick and elderly, and generally making the community a better place to live in.

**The Physical Recreation Section** is, from a personal view, the most enjoyable part of the award. This section aims to encourage participation in physical activities and improve performance. Lists of activities are endless, varying from athletics and sport to the more heart-stopping thrills of hand gliding and parachuting. Here at St Edward's, canoeing and climbing continue to be popular, with more than 50 people using the school climbing wall weekly. From this one must agree that this area of the award has meant that



**The Expedition Section** of the award is for many the most memorable and enjoyable part of the whole scheme. It aims to encourage a spirit of adventure and discovery, and from past experience I can honestly say that the Duke of Edinburgh expeditions do just that. Most expeditions take place in the Lake and Peak Districts in what has become known as Duke of Edinburgh tradition of wind and rain swept conditions. Despite the demanding conditions, the vast majority of past award winners have enjoyed the exhilarating challenges set by these expeditions. Experiencing such expeditions gives many people a personal sense of achievement. A combination of unfamiliar surroundings and the demanding challenges, make these expeditions both unique and enjoyable.

**Edward Ryan, Form 6/5.**

IN October 16 pupils received their awards in a presentation in the Anglican Cathedral, 10 of these were at Bronze level and six at Silver. The majority of these have decided to continue to the next level of the scheme. Three pupils will be undertaking their Gold Expedition next summer. Many former pupils continue to build on the foundations laid down at school level and are actively involved in activities at University, including charity cycle rides from Lands End to John O'Groats (Anthony Waddington — Crewe and Alsager College) or as members of climbing

As always my thanks to those members of staff who give of their time and knowledge; Mr Graff, Mr Morgan, Ms Hutchinson, Mr Hitchin, Ms Edwards and Ms Greig.

**A. J. Treherne.**



# Rugby Report

THE 1st XV started the season extremely well scoring 102 points in their first two matches against Manchester Grammar School and Rishworth School from Halifax, the latter being opponents in the preliminary round of the Daily Mail Cup. The preparation and fitness developed pre-season during the month of August certainly laid the basis for this explosive beginning.

However as the season splutters in the rains of November and December, cold, dismal and uninviting to the 'champagne rugby' of the 1st XV, there have been eight wins and four losses. Two of the losses should have been prevented — against Rydal and Lancaster. A loss at Newcastle saw the Royal Grammar School end our Daily Mail Cup run, though, in an entertaining, expansive game. Wins against 'St Anselm's and Merchant Taylors', our local rivals, were savoured.

Highlights elsewhere in College rugby have been the unbeaten run by Under 14's and the considerable representative honours gained at Under 15's level. Captain Mark Quayle of the Under 14's must have difficulty remembering the last time his side experienced defeat (was it February 1991 against Wirral Grammar School?). Incisive running by backs Jones, Mba, Morris and Stephenson have given this team the edge in many close contests. Yet it is pleasing to note the continuing improvement in forward play. At Under 15's level a good run in the Daily Mail Cup came to a sticky end on the glutinous surface of the 'corner pitch': a 5 all draw against Manches-

ter Grammar School which meant Manchester went through as the away team. (Did David Tunna's conversation go over?)

There was no controversy over the fact that five pupils were selected to play for Merseyside Under 15's: Jamie McCann as captain and centre, Oke Apogheneta on the wing, Colin Campbell as loose head prop, Anthony Evans as a versatile utility back, David Tunna as wing or No. 8.

At Lancashire Under 16's Mark Dahill was chosen to play scrum half, a position he has held for much of the season in the 2nd XV.

The Under 13's captained by Simon Worsley (one of many College pupils developing their skills and fitness at Liverpool St Helens) must have enjoyed their 54-10 win against St Bede's, Manchester but I was privileged to referee their game against Liverpool College when tremendous support play and running rugby brought a victory albeit much more narrowly by two points!

The Under 12's captained by Stuart Carter, another 'Moss Lane Woolly' showed promise in the two games I have been able to view — against Liverpool College, a try in the dying seconds from their No. 8 on the blind side of the scrum, brought an undeserved loss. In the away fixture against Kirkham, in mud six inches deep in places, character and good coaching from Mr Clough and Mr McMullen, produced a most enjoyable match and result.

I look forward to a dry Christmas and an even drier New Year!

**J. G. Campbell**



*David Tunna top points scorer of the Under 15's. David comes from Rainhill in the border zones with 'woolly back land'. David is a versatile, talented and serious rugby player. He plays for Merseyside (his second season) and for the unbeaten Liverpool St Helens Under 15's side.*

## Old Boys Rugby Report

AT half way point in the season, the Old Boys Rugby Club are 5th in the North West 1 League. However, only a couple of league points separate the top six teams and so with half a dozen league games to play, the championship is still wide open.

The Club are also through to the next round of the Lancashire Trophy and if they beat Fleetwood at the end of December, they will automatically play in the first round of the Lancashire Cup in January.

Attendance at training, using the school playing facilities every Tuesday and Thursday, is very good, and if any sixth formers want to come and join in, they will be made very welcome. The Club levies no membership fee for former pupils who are in their first year out of school so if anybody wants to continue their playing careers next year, they should get in touch via Bishops Court.

If, perhaps, golf is more your scene, the Old Boys Association also have a thriving golf society and, of course, the bar at Bishops Court is always welcoming to parents, friends, teachers and older pupils. We all look forward to seeing some of you soon.

The Former Pupils' Dinner held in the school dining room on Friday 9th October, was, once again a great success. This year the guest speakers were Judge John Morgan and the new Headmaster, John Waszek. All past pupils and any parents or friends who have a connection with the Catholic Edwardian Association are entitled to attend this annual dinner and if you would like to be placed on the mailing list for next October, please contact Mark Seddon 051-489 7932 or via the College.



*The 1st XV in action against Birkenhead School. In the very pleasant surroundings of Nocturnum, St Edward's won 26 points to 3.*

*Throwing in Stephen Hunt, then in line out order Ian Power, Kevin Wall, Dominic Williams, Nicholas Astor, Timothy McDonald, Christopher Wong and Karl Lee. Aficionados of the new laws will be intrigued, but not surprised to see a gap between lines of much less than 1 metre and Power, illegally driving into the 1 metre zone before contact is made with the ball. As Frederick the Great said 'Let's be pragmatic!'*



