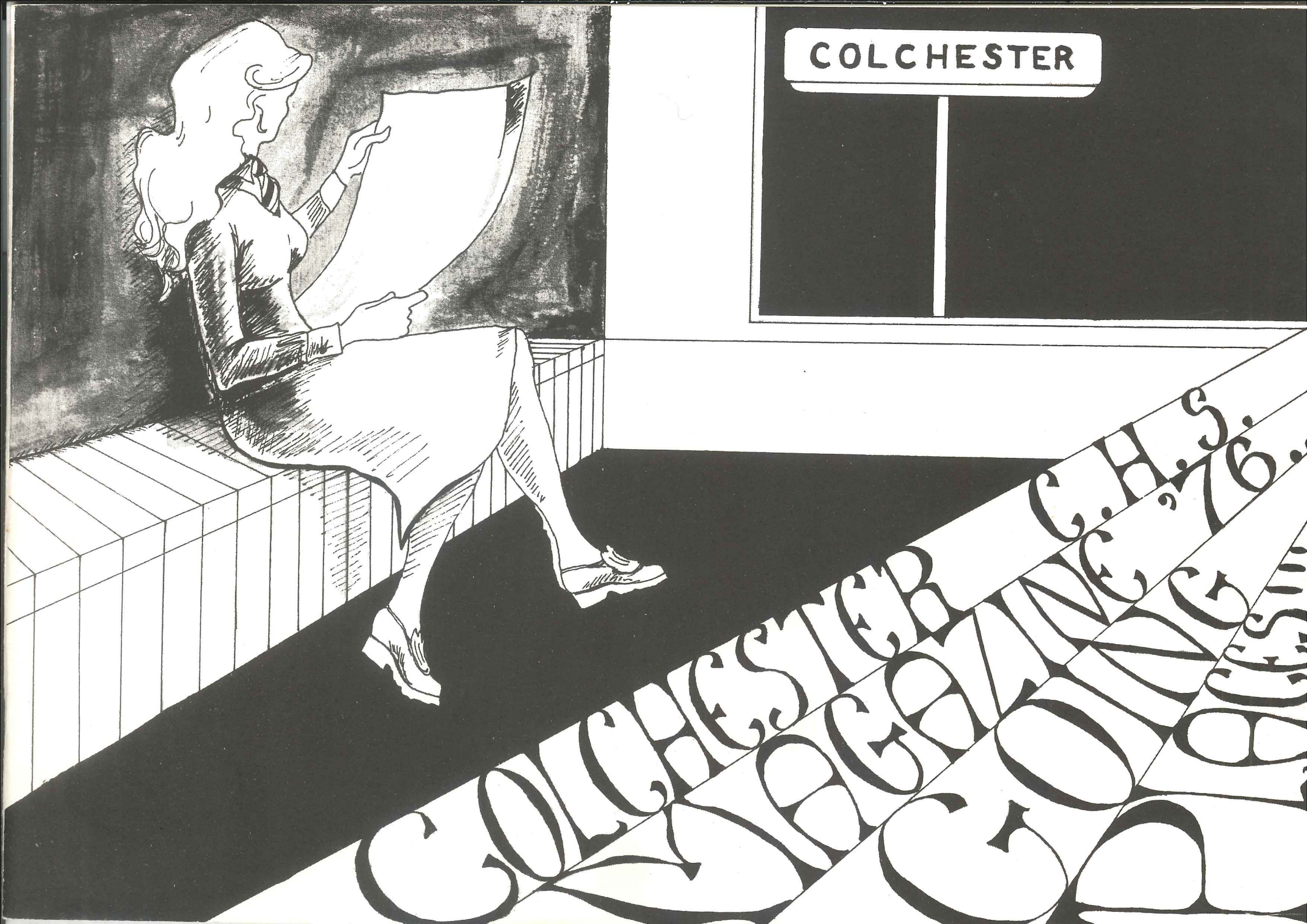

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

This has been another full and varied year, but one destined to bring several changes. Activities in drama, music, indeed in all departments, seem to increase steadily each year, bringing much hard work and pleasure to the participants. We are very grateful for the interest and support given to the school by the Parent Teacher Association. The summer sports evening shared not only by parents, staff and pupils but also assorted boyfriends, friends and relations has proved an especially happy occasion.

In the spring we were saddened to lose Mrs. Brown who died after a long and bravely endured illness. At the end of the year we were very sorry indeed to say good-bye to Miss Hasler who had the audacity to leave us! Mrs. Wright and Mr. Stachnik could perhaps be forgiven for deserting us after so many years and we wish them both a happy retirement. We also had to say goodbye to Miss Palmer, and, only temporarily fortunately, to Mr. Jones, who is gaining new experience in Canada on exchange for a year.

We now welcome Mrs. Goodfellow as our new headmistress, and several new members of Staff: Mr. Hardon, Mrs. Kigwana, Miss C. Taylor, Miss Van den Ende, and Mr. Brake who has come to us from Canada in place of Mr. Jones. Our good wishes go to Miss Richardson, now Head of the Art department, and Miss English, both of whom were married in the summer and are now Mrs. Richardson-Wright and Mrs. Low respectively.

We look forward to another happy year.

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MISS HASLER 1967–76

It was with great regret that we heard that Miss Hasler was leaving us after nine years as Headmistress. During this time, the school developed in many directions, and with a new spirit and outlook.

The Sixth Form was enlivened by a different lifestyle, with a graded increase in independence, with tutor groups, Common Room, committees, and cessation of uniform. New courses were introduced into the school, and flexible choices of options were devised for Ordinary and Advanced Levels of G.C.E. Social Studies in the M.5 and U.5 years, and General Studies in the Sixth Form were introduced and have steadily developed. Community Service grew in importance throughout the school, and three weeks experience in voluntary work was initiated for the U.5 year after the G.C.E. examinations. Parents' evenings became frequent and regular and the P.T.A. developed. The School Conference increased the involvement of the girls in the running of the school, and a new uniform policy was hammered out with the votes of the girls and their parents.

But above all it was her stimulating and definite personality to which we owe so much — the adult and civilised attitudes which she developed in the school; her thoroughness and attention to detail; the glint in her eye at Assembly when she left us in no doubt that we were to mend our slipshod ways; her continual care and involvement with girls in trouble; her unobtrusive control over every aspect of school life; her instant appreciative welcome to new ideas and schemes — and her insistence on the high standards and expertise with which they were carried out. We have all absorbed something of her sense of adventure, her mirth, and her quality of excellence.

We shall remember, too, the poodles — Oliver, gentle and grave, pacing at her heels with the dignity fitting to a Headmistress's dog, and Roland, the irrepressible urchin (and even he was under control). And we shall long remember the spontaneous cheering with which the school greeted her when she came in to take Assembly for the last time.

We wish her many happy and interesting years ahead . . . and with considerable curiosity to learn what she will undertake next?

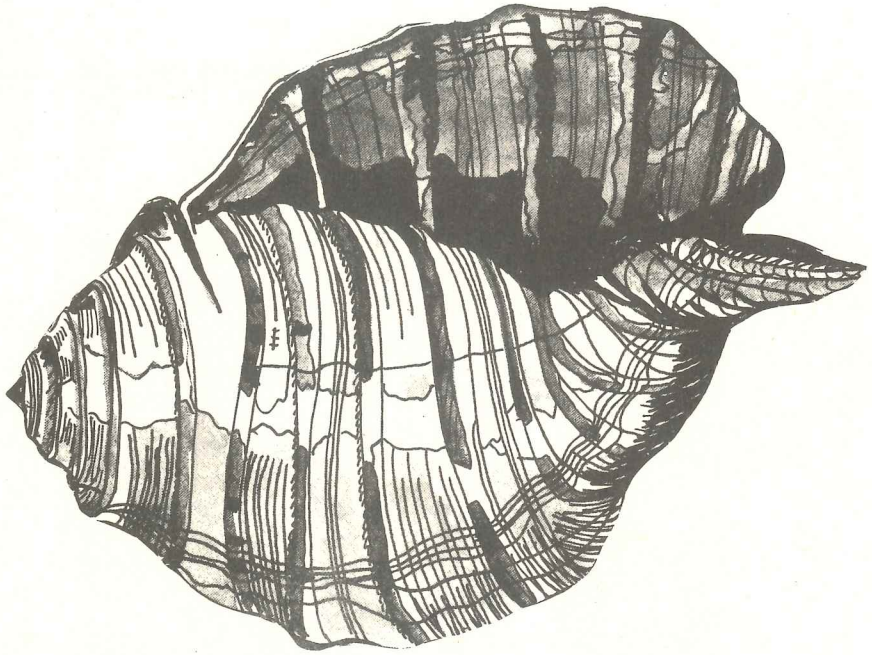


MRS. WRIGHT

Mrs. Wright retired from the school this summer after eighteen years with us, teaching Mathematics and some Scripture.

It is a well-earned retirement after 40 years teaching, many of the last being spent in coordinating the Junior School Forms, running the Christmas Charity parties, teaching less able girls for the Certificate of Arithmetic and for C.S.E. Mathematics.

She was a kind and selfless person and we wish her a very happy retirement.



MISS PALMER

Miss Palmer left us after 12 years on the staff and 5 years as head of the Modern Languages Department. She will be remembered not only by the many girls whose lessons she enlivened and whose troubles she gladly shared but also by those who knew her when she was a pupil of the school herself—her contemporaries and her teachers, who later became her colleagues! Sorry as we are to lose her, it is good to know that her sense of humour and sympathetic personality will be in full play at Diss Grammar School where she has gone as Senior Mistress.

MR. STACHNIK

We were sorry this summer to say good-bye to Mr. Stachnik who had been teaching at C.C.H.S. for 29 years. A great scientist himself, once inside his laboratory he was single-minded in his desire to teach everyone chemistry, from the very young to the old. His enthusiasm for his subject as a pure science and in its widest applications he passed on to many of his pupils. His efforts in devising new experiments were tireless. He developed semi-micro and micro methods of chemistry in school, first as a necessity at Grey Friars where he was allocated a small section of the cloakroom as a laboratory! The small scale method was perfected in the new building.

Mr. Stachnik had a genuine interest in the well-being of the school. He was always to be found on money-raising occasions with his hydrogen-filled balloons.

He was an idealist in education and a great fighter for the preservation of the grammar school where he believed that excellence in education should be pursued for its own sake.

We thank him for all he has done for the school and wish him many happy years of retirement. These are unlikely to be idle years. He is continuing his study in the field of geology. He hopes to spend part of each year in Spain where he will conduct his practical work. As a student of science he will always set us an example.



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND SOCIETIES

C.C.H.S. ORCHESTRA

This year the orchestra has been involved in various activities. In the Autumn term we started rehearsing for the opera, *Orpheus in the Underworld,* and we also participated in the Carol Service, providing accompaniment for the carols and performing a few chamber items in the programme.

We were joined by the Royal Grammar School and Mr. Nicholson for the production of the opera in the Spring term, and we thank both Miss Taylor and Mr. Nicholson for their patience and work with the orchestra. At the end of the Summer term we took part in an informal concert, performing chamber items.

As well as the main school orchestra there is a junior orchestra which has been formed so that less-experienced players can have a chance to play in an orchestra, The orchestra was pioneeered by Mr. Jones, who spent a great deal of time conducting and encouraging, and they performed some pieces in the concert at the end of the Summer term. This orchestra is now in the hands of Mr. Armstrong, as Mr. Jones is in Canada.

Several of our members belong to other orchestras outside school, such as the First and Second Essex Youth Orchestra and St. Botolph's Music Society. The Second Essex Youth Orchestra went to Rumania this summer, and the First Essex Youth Orchestra are going to Israel at Christmas.

We are sorry to lose our leader Sandra Wright and Susan Brook (clarinet), both of whom are pursing careers in music. We also thank Mr. Armstrong and Miss Cant for their work in connection with the orchestra.

'ODYSSEUS'—THE MIDDLE FIFTH VERSION

After several weeks of frantic rehearsal the curtain eventually went up on the first scene of *The Amorous Adventures of Odysseus,* written, performed (and 'ad-libbed') by the M.5, under the careful guidance and supervision of Miss Berks and Miss Whichelow.

The script, however, was definitely not in true Homeric style, but a wide variety of humour was incorporated; from grunting pigs to seductive sirens! The main part was played by Sara Hughes (who also at some hectic moments was a discreet prompter) and dramatic entries were made by Pallas Athene (Sam Way) accompanied above and below by her ever-faithful shadow, the Attendant Nymph (Carol Bird). Homer, however, could not be left out, and so, played by Joanna Linklater, he acted as narrator, linking the scenes together.

We had great fun in creating and performing *Odysseus,* and we are grateful to Miss Berks and Miss Whichelow, and to the Sixth Form who helped in many ways with lighting, sound-effects and make-up.

ALADDIN

The curtain opened to reveal soldiers, shivering in the heat of the stage lights. As they left the stage, the citizens of Old Baghdad began to appear, breaking into song to set the scene. The illustrious Aladdin appeared in the splendour of his rags. Then appeared the evil-hearted Fakrash, portrayed by one of the largest voices in the school—totally necessary for his part!

At last the Genii bedecked in splendour. The contrast in colour and size was . . . well, noticeable!

As the play reached its climax, the Princess and her handmaidens, the workmen, and royal attendants all appeared. Aladdin, smitten by the princess, found it necessary to give a few noisy gifts as proof of his unlimited wealth.

Finally the whole cast, king and commoners, Aladdin and Fakrash all joined to give at last an almost perfect rendering of the fight between Good and Evil. The feeling at the end was f-*ANT*-astic.

SCHOOL CHOIRS

The first event to involve the choirs this year was the school carol concert. This was presented on 10, 11 and 12 December, and was an informal programme of Christmas music, including both traditional and folk carols, chamber music, and readings. Of particular interest were three original carols submitted as entries for a competition organised during the term. These were arranged by Miss Taylor, and performed by their composers, Beverley Mills, Jayne Oakes and Patricia Armstrong.

The Spring term was dedicated to dramatic productions. The seniors were busy rehearsing for *Orpheus in the Underworld,* while the juniors began preparing for *Aladdin.*

In the Summer term, it was the Lower Fourth's turn to take the stage. This was for a performance of *Captain Noah and his floating Zoo,* produced by Caroline Clarke and Melanie Bees. Alison Sheard and Wendy Somerville led the cast as Father and Mrs. Noah, joined by a large collection of sons, daughters, raindrops, wicked people, and animals. The girls worked very hard, rehearsing with obvious enthusiasm despite the difficulty they must have had in convincingly singing 'It looks like rain'! The production was the highlight of the Summer Concert (the first for some time). This included both orchestral and vocal items, and began with a selection from Rogers and Hammerstein musicals, sung by a group of the senior choir.

At the end of the evening we said good-bye to Mr. Jones, and thanked him for the support he has given the music department over the last six years. Miss Hasler was also thanked for the encouragement she has always given to musical activities in the school.

This saw the end of a successful year, and we are very grateful to Miss Taylor and Mr. Armstrong for their invaluable hard work. We look forward to another successful year.



MRS. BROWN

The greatest tribute that can be paid to Mrs. Brown is to say how great an influence she had in the lives of so many of her pupils. Her understanding and depth of feeling won her the admiration, respect and affection of those who knew her. She taught at C.C.H.S. for 20 years, making an enormous contribution to school life in many ways. Her tableaux at Christmas Carol Services will be long remembered, as will the luxurious splendour of the sets and costumes which she designed for school plays. Her generosity and concern for the less fortunate were evident in her support of school charities. Her determination and strength of character encouraged girls to be self-reliant.

It is remarkable how many past pupils returned to visit Mrs. Brown and the Art Department, and two of her former pupils are now teaching art in the school. Her influence is still greatly felt and we hope that the standard of excellence which she built up over the years will be maintained and act as a guide and example for the future.

MISS M. M. OVERY

This year also saw the death of Miss M. M. Overy who for so many years after her retirement in 1964 put up such a gallant fight against Parkinson's disease, maintaining her independence in her flat in Colchester until eventually she moved to Dedham where she continued to take a keen interest in the affairs of the school which she served so devotedly for forty years.

MISS R. L. PHILLIPS

Many old girls will remember with gratitude and affection Miss R. L. Phillips who died suddenly but peacefully on Saturday, 9 October, at 'The Small House'.

No wonder that a tribute paid to her when she left the school in 1948 spoke of her 'vivid personality and boundless enthusiasm', for at the age of 88 she could still delight her visitors with her lively wit and keen intelligence.

In the past year she has been present at a school entertainment, a Staff party, and the Old Girls' A.G.M., showing a continuing interest in the school to which she 'gave unstintingly of her very best' for 28 years.

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Two teams took part in the Colchester Area Round of the Public Speaking Competition.

The A team comprised Beverley Biggs as Chairman, Clare Gibson as Speaker and Elizabeth Farr as Proposer of the Vote of Thanks. Clare chose as her subject 'The Role of Women in Modern Society' and vigorously denounced all the male chauvinists in the audience. This team was awarded second place in competition with a highly successful Gilberd Team which reached the National Finals.

Christine Stewart, the speaker for the B team gave a thought-provoking speech entitled 'Is Britain the most Communist Country in the World?' This earned her the prize for the best individual speaker. She was ably supported by Julia Coe as Chairman and Susan Davies as proposer of the Vote of Thanks.

Both teams would like to thank Miss Wiggins for her invaluable advice and encouragement.

WHITBY FIELD COURSE 1976

The coach drew out of the school car park on Saturday, 3 April, at about 9.20 am. (We were supposed to leave at 9 am but we were held up by Mr. Jones loading all his books and boxes onto the coach.) After a fairly long journey, we arrived at the hotel in Whitby at about 6.30 pm. That evening was spent unpacking, although on most evenings we either watched television, went out or had an early night in bed.

Throughout the week we visited various places in the area. Amongst these were Middlesbrough, the home town of Mrs. Carswell, Flamborough Head, Robin Hood's Bay and a steelworks near Middlesbrough.

However, the trip was not without its problems. On a visit to the forest trail at Newton Dale, we were split into groups, given maps and sent off along part of the trail. And yes, you've guessed it—one of the groups got lost!

Near the end of the course we called in on Mr. Wilding at his present school, Ampleforth College. He showed us around the College and then took us back to his house, where we all had a drink sitting in his back garden.

We returned home on Friday, 9 April, after what seemed like a very short week. It was very enjoyable despite the work, and everyone who went would like to thank the staff, Mrs. Crawshaw, Mr. Jones, and Mrs. Carswell, for organising everything and putting up with us, and Phil, who drove the coach very efficiently, even if we were not always on time!

'ORPHEUS IN THE UNDERWORLD'

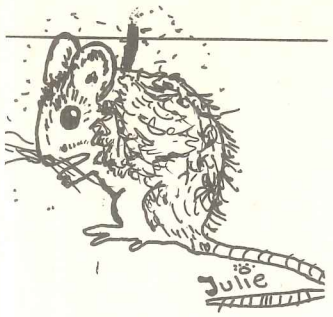
In March 1976 we staged a joint production of Offenbach's *Orpheus in the Underworld* with the Royal Grammar School. After nerve-racking auditions, rehearsals began shortly before Christmas and orchestra and cast began to feel that work had really begun.

On stage Mrs. Pearson tore her hair, and pushed and pulled unwilling thespians into the correct positions, miraculously without treading on Casper who seemed more willing to take the stage than some of the performers!

The performances themselves would perhaps be described as hair-raising by the goddess Venus who lost her wig, on stage, the second night! However, for the majority of us, and I hope the audience too, they were most enjoyable. The splendid costumes designed by Jenny Waring, stitched by Mrs. Lomas and her helpers, and lovingly pressed by the wardrobe mistresses, showed up to full advantage against the splendid scenery provided by Mrs. Richardson-Wright and the Art Department. Behind the scenes the stage-hands worked quickly and efficiently, handling an unexpected stage début, which occurred on an early curtain, with bashful charm!

Seriously, however, all those who performed in, or helped with the opera derived a great deal of enjoyment from it. Many thanks must be given to Mrs. Pearson, Miss Taylor and Mr. Nicholson who remained so calm and encouraging throughout, and without whom the performances would never have been possible.



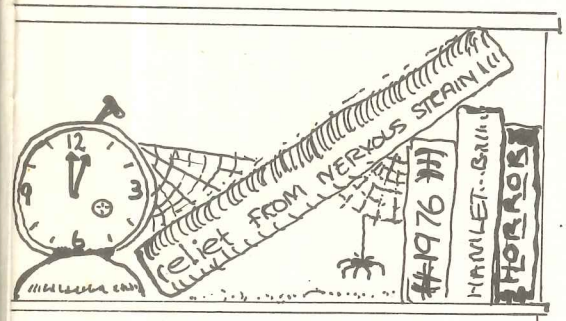


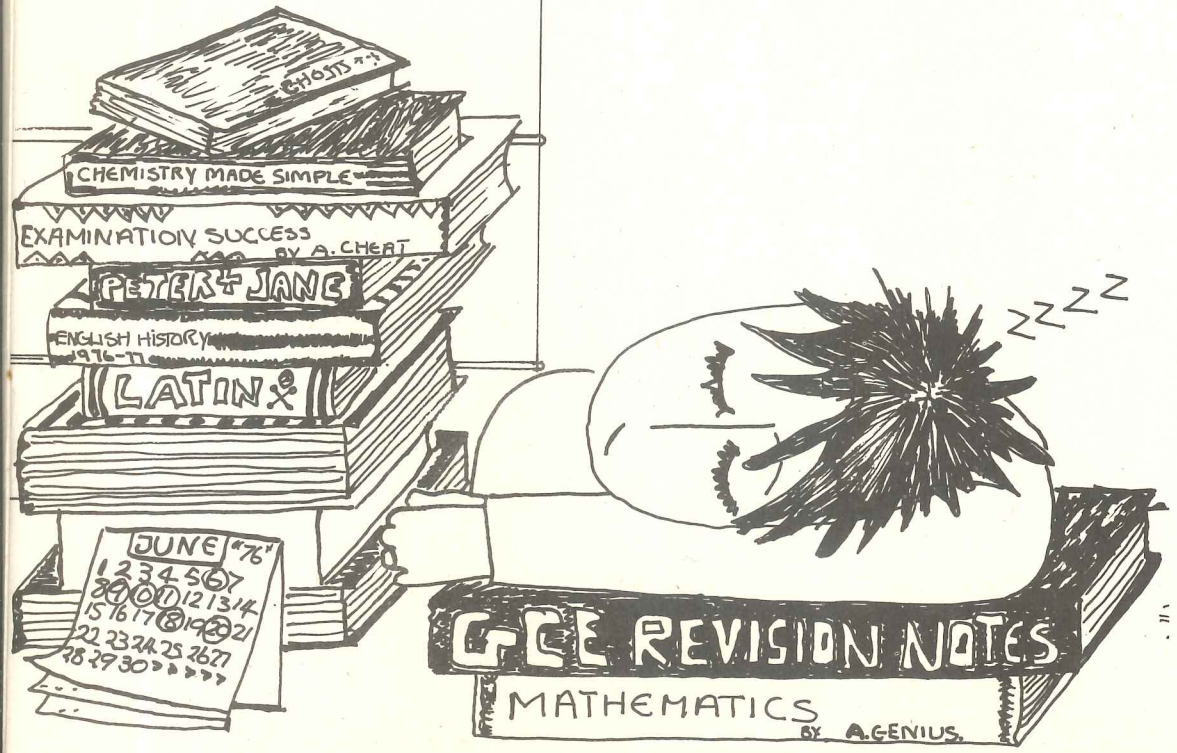
LIBRARY REPORT

Once again both school libraries have been fortunate in receiving many generous gifts. Amongst these were some records for the Music Department and about forty books on widely varied subjects from the library of Miss Jean McBryde, a former pupil of the school. The executors of her will very generously allowed our school library to select any books that we could use. *The Hamlyn Book of Card Games* was kindly presented by Caroline Oakley and Tina Powell and *Orchestral Music* was given by Anna Newson. *Foundations of Peace and Freedom* came from Miss E. M. Mann who still keeps in touch with us. We gratefully received the sum of £5 from the Colchester English Study Centre after two of their foreign students had paid us an afternoon visit, and also the sum of £3.15 from Aquascutum Ltd. *La Provence* in the Larousse edition of *La France* was a gift from one of the school governors, Mrs. Lucking. There were some gifts from people who left this past summer, *An Introduction to Modern Inorganic Chemistry, Thermal Physics* and *The Nature of Physical Chemistry* were very welcome gifts from Lorna Whitworth, and *A Cambridge Childhood* for the Junior library and *The Paintings of L. S. Lowry* for the Senior library from Miss Palmer. Mrs. Wright kindly presented *What is Mathematics?, New Maths. is fun* and *Statistics: a guide to the unknown.*

Yet again even more books are missing from the libraries. Please search home and school for any that have gone astray or been forgotten.

We should like to thank the library committee for their help throughout the year and everyone who has covered books and given their invaluable help during the stocktaking.







FULL STEAM AHEAD

On 16 July last three staff and forty girls set off on a voyage to the unknown—the Baltic—on board P. & O.'s S.S. *Uganda.* We visited four cities in four countries. In Copenhagen we found the prices high and the volume of traffic low. In Helsinki we were impressed by the greenery and the inlets and waterways that lay within the city boundaries. Leningrad proved disappointing—better seen on postcards—but Petrovorets was impressive and diverting especially for those of us who were soaked by the trick fountains. Our time in Lübeck was fleeting but it proved a fine city despite the high cost of marzipan. We were reminded of the grim reality of a Germany divided when we visited the border. Some of us found it hard to believe that the East German guards would shoot to kill.

On board we learned about the running of the *Uganda.* We saw the bridge and were somewhat alarmed to find the officer of the watch nonchalantly gazing out of the window, while the ship was on automatic steering. A few brave ones descended into the bowels to visit the engine room but revealed little of what went on. We also attended lectures and films on the countries being visited.

On the quay at Leningrad Nathalie Blondel made one of the speeches of welcome (in Russian) to the students who were giving us a concert and acting as guides on our city tours. Helen Smith won a ship's prize for her work book. Helen Dobson, as a Japanese girl, and Beverley Mills, Julie Reilly and Caroline Gill as Bishop Absalon and his horse, won prizes for their fancy dress. Everyone made a splendid effort to be tidy in a confined space and we narrowly missed a dormitory prize, Oh yes—and a rather high proportion, the writer included, discovered it is possible to be sea-sick in a gusting Force 8 gale round the Skagerrak.

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

The 1975–6 school year was one of mixed progress. There were some notable successes, such as the Harvest Festival when, in addition to gifts being sent to various local hospitals and homes, over 80 parcels were delivered by girls to elderly people living alone; many of these visits not only cheered up a dull October day with a surprise box of 'goodies', but led to subsequent visits and help of various kinds.

The Christmas Party was, as usual, a triumph of goodwill and enthusiasm from many quarters and resulted in our entertaining some 40 elderly people, a similar number of socially deprived children—and incidentally, ourselves. (The race to put up the paper streamers in time was at least as exciting as any of the children's games!)

In March the cast and helpers of *Orpheus in the Underworld* put on an extra performance for an invited audience of elderly and handicapped people, and everyone involved had the satisfaction of seeing the obvious enjoyment the afternoon gave.

Fund-raising activities were successfully pursued by individual forms, the result of the common effort being distributed to a number of charities at the end of the year, and the income raised for Barnardo's from boxes again went up by some £30. In addition, numerous individuals have taken part in sponsored activities organised by various charities (there was a particularly good turn-out for a 'Help the Aged' walk in Castle Park—on such a lovely Sunday morning we felt almost guilty at taking money for the pleasure of striding out!) and sixth formers have helped with street collections for different organisations. There was the usual sale of poppies in school, a group of girls very successfully sold Christmas cards for Barnardo's and there was a collection for the Guatemala Earthquake Relief Fund. A number of forms have collected 'unwanted' commodities—from old spectacle frames to used postage stamps and milk bottle tops—for charities, the milk bottle tops representing a particularly useful contribution to the Guide Dogs for the Blind organisation.

These activities obviously depend upon a great deal of time and trouble, contributed often very unobtrusively, by many people. However, there are areas of our Community Service work which are crying out for further development and new ideas. There is, for example, so much room to do more in visiting and helping the elderly. This is not to deny the work being done at present by individual girls who regularly visit old people in their home or in hospital or help on a Saturday at Brambell House. And, admittedly, a school with such a wide 'catchment area' is not always well placed to help in a co-ordinated way. It would, however, be a great shame to admit defeat. What is more, there is so much scope in Community Service activities that there is a place for everyone in the school to make a worthwhile contribution.



CHARITY ACCOUNT

1975–76

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Balance brought forward from 1974–75	43.81
Income	
Carol Service Collections	51.10
War on Want Collections	39.33
Guatemalan Disaster Appeal	44.29
Mrs. M. Brown's Memorial	39.73
Form Charity	392.84
Barnardo Boxes	147.55
M.5 Play Collection	8.55
Donations	6.04
Excess of Expenditure over Income carried forward	11.01
	£784.25
Expenditure	
Christmas Party	14.13
War on Want Appeal	40.00
Guatemalan Disaster Appeal	44.29
Cancer Research	39.73
Barnardo Homes	147.55
C.C.H.S. Leaving Award Fund	10.00
British Council for Aid to Refugees	15.00
National Heart Hospital	25.00
Cancer Research	25.00
Multiple Sclerosis Society	15.00
Muscular Dystrophy Group	15.00
Spastics Society	15.00
St. Leonard's Hospital	25.00
Hamilton Lodge School for Deaf Children	10.00
National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children	10.00
Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust	10.00
Shelter	25.00
R.S.P.C.A.	10.00
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International Boys' Town Trust	15.00
Samaritans	15.00
Acorn Village Trust	25.00
Royal National Institute for the Deaf	15.00
World Wildlife Fund	10.00
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Essex Society for Autistic Children	20.00
Guide Dogs for the Blind	20.00
People's Dispensary for Sick Animals	10.00
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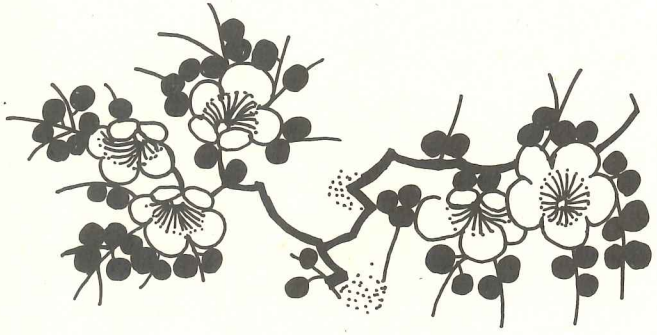
WHAT IS IT?

Flows like flour,
Sifting gently
What a carpet!
Covers the land,
Thicker and thicker,
Like swarms of bees.
Over the hills,
Settles on trees.
Fairies dancing
With a last swirl,
It stops,
And settles to sleep.

* * *

It is snow.

Heidi Wilton, U.4



TWO SHADES OF SCARLET

Oh, what fun!
Horses many and scarlet coats,
The hunt had begun.
We set off, keeping up a fast trot,
Changing to a canter—the hounds had found a fox.

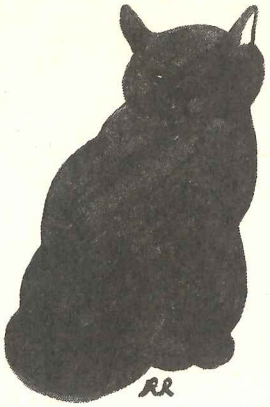
We galloped and galloped,
Over hill and dale (as they say)
Jumping hedges and ditches,
So free, and so gay.
Slowing down a little—the hounds had found their prey!

I drew up, reins in hand,
My pony's coat, running with sweat.
The hound bayed, and the blood ran.
I turned away—we hunt for fun,
But the blood still ran.

The hounds took him away;
They tore him to pieces.
I'll hunt no more, not again, not I!
My pony panted, he wanted to go,
But the blood still ran.

Rebecca Sprinks, U.4

THE UNUSUAL WITCH



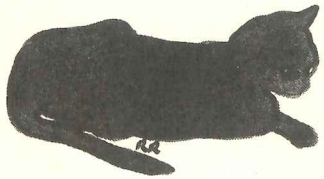
Cold white eyes and a harsh grey face,
Horny hooked nose and a rasping voice,
A stooped bent figure with a very sharp wit,
This is old Nanoodlekip.

Underneath is a heart of warm gold,
For Nanoodlekip is a thousand years old.
Her most favourite thing is the spider,
And there are always millions beside her,
Each of them she knows by name.
A very good memory has this old dame.

She knits cobwebs by the hour,
And makes her spells from the dandelion flower.
But when the sticky thread sticks to her claws,
She spits and curses, hisses and caws.
She hopes, you see, before she's a thousand and three,
To knit for her spiders a cobweb tree.

Carol Butterfield, U.4





THE CAT

Leaping, scurrying,
Hopping and skipping amongst the leaves;
Legs outstretched, head erect, he noses
Between the flowers,
His silky coat glistening like ebony,
His tail swaying like a whip-lash.
Then he is off, up the path and through
The fence.
He stops, listens; then, he is off again.
Gracefully he leaps into the air,
Grabbing an overhanging branch.
He falls to the ground,
Still clutching a few leaves, and
Branches.
He sits, puzzled, looking at the
Bundle in his paw.
He shakes it, trying to free it
From between his claws.
Then he spies a blackbird.
He crouches down low, waiting for
The unsuspecting bird to catch a
Worm.
He crouches, slowly swaying, and
Arches his back.
But the bird flies off.
He turns round.
There is an enemy on his territory!
He runs and pounces.
They race helter skelter up the path.
The enemy runs up a near-by tree.
The victorious cat walks proudly
Onto the grass, closes his eyes,
And sleeps.

Susan Johncock, L.5

SUPER CAT

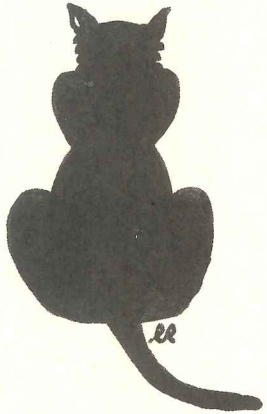
Super cat is large and fat
Coloured like a tabby cat;
His tail is golden, long and thin
His eyes are blue and deep set in.

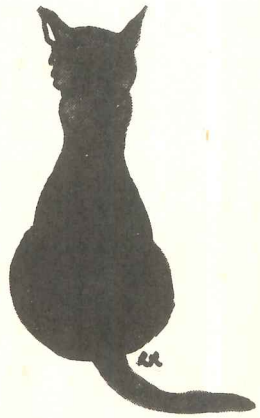
He lives in alleys, dirt and grime,
He has no clock to tell the time,
He sleeps when he is tired
And cleans to be admired.

He prowls the towns at night
With the weakest of the light;
Across the walls and down the street,
He meets policemen on their beat.

He travels home from town to town,
He never really settles down;
He's here one day, gone the next.
Super cat is the best.

Christine Newbolt, U.4

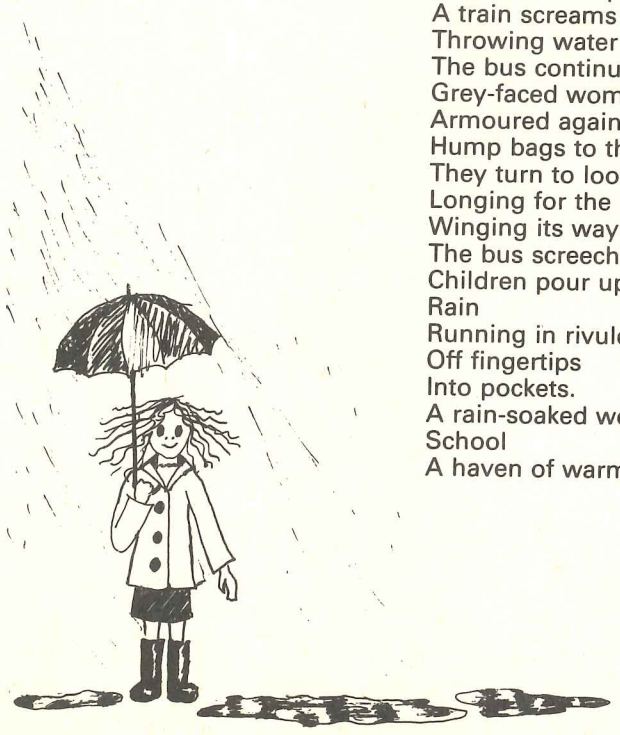




THE REAL TRUTH ABOUT THE BALTIC CRUISE

We set off for Tilbury, our hearts full of glee
For soon we'd be sailing upon the high sea.
On arriving at Tilbury our spirits did sink
Our cases felt heavy, we wished they would shrink.
We dragged them up gang-planks, an endless long trek
But at last we arrived, and staggered on deck
Down, down to our dorms, down steps sixty-three
I dragged my case, and then it dragged me.
At last we set sail at eleven o'clock
We stood on the deck and waved at the dock
We felt hardened sailors the very next day
'Avast there!' cried Julie, quite carried away.
Finland was nice, but full up with lakes
Denmark was best; it sold wonderful cakes.
A lecture on Russia? Then ask Mrs. C.
But be warned you must stay for an hour—or three!
Some ingenious fifth years thought it a joke
To start a black market with their cans of coke.
For coke-cans the Russians would pay quite high prices
We settled for badges, and postcards, and ices.
The sea had been calm, but now homeward bound
We all rather wished we'd stayed on firm ground.
A force eight gale isn't kind to the tummy
I wanted my home, I wanted my mummy.
In a force eight gale the spirit soon sags;
We discovered the use for those little brown bags.
The fancy dress party went with a swing
We were swung back and forth like any old thing
And after we'd all been awarded our prizes
We went to the cabins to show our disguises.
In the first class apartments manners were coarse
Somebody pinched the rear end of the horse
And inside that horse was so bloomin' hot
It was all we could do to manage a trot.
That night the gale seemed about at its worse
The boat kept on rocking, the inmates did curse
But back home again, our spirits returned
We chattered away about all we had learned.
The force eight gale? Well 'twas only a squall
And no one was sick, well hardly at all!
And would we go back if the chance came again?
Most surely we would! (We must be insane!)

Beverley Mills, U.6



TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL IN RAINY WEATHER

Rows of houses stand,
Unseeing,
Through the grey mirror of rain,
Rank on rank,
Oblivious.
A cyclist
Pedals wearily past thirsty drains,
Sucking noisily from the gutter.
The bus appears, a grey hump
Feeling its way through the solid atmosphere,
Flinging the road apart as it draws to a halt.
A wet seat,
Children, talking in high spirits; chattering
The bus smells of damp oilskins.
People peel themselves from seats.
The rain cascades from top to bottom of the window.
At speed,
The droplets quiver and stand motionless;
Then run horizontally across the windows.
The bus stops and starts,
Creeping past rain-laden trees—
Weeping.
The crossing-gates close
Windscreen wipers tick impatiently.
A train screams past,
Throwing water effortlessly off the line.
The bus continues along the rain-beaten road.
Grey-faced women,
Armoured against the rain
Hump bags to the factory.
They turn to look at the bus
Longing for the damp warmth of the seats.
Winging its way onwards,
The bus screeches to a halt at the school gates.
Children pour up the drive.
Rain
Running in rivulets down noses
Off fingertips
Into pockets.
A rain-soaked world,
School
A haven of warmth and cheerfulness.

Carey Fluker, L.5

FREEDOM

The rabbit sits in captivity;
It sits in the garden and waits,
It longs to be out, to be free,
Away from the people it hates.

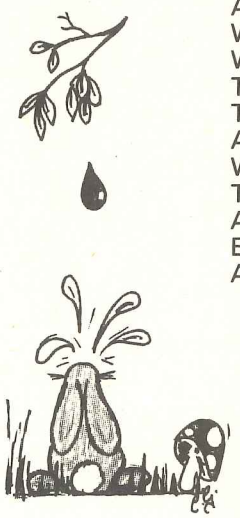
The rabbit sits in captivity,
Showing proud scorn on its face.
It sits in its home, made of good wire and good wood,
But it longs to be out of this place.

The rabbit sits in captivity;
When it's let out it plays around,
It explores the lawn and the coal bunker,
But there's no haven to be found.

The rabbit sits in captivity,
Given regular meals each day,
Clean water, clean dishes, clean straw,
But it longs to get away.

The rabbit sits in captivity,
Surrounded by its finery,
But it makes no impression on the rabbit's mind,
It would rather have open scenery.

The rabbit ran in freedom;
It came back yesterday,
But its pride was too late to save it;
Before we saw it, it passed away.

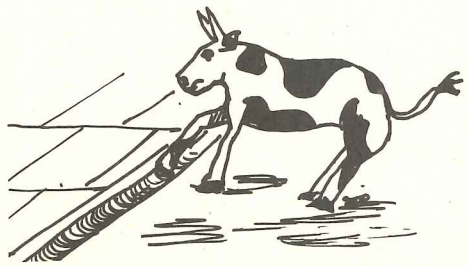


Jo Blishen, M.5

SEPTEMBER ROSE

The hazy sunlight left over from summer
Came floating down into the garden croft;
It broke the stillness, made life come alive,
It was mellow, silent, shimmering and soft.
It lighted upon a solitary rose;
A beautiful rose it was, of flaming pink,
Whose hue was enriched by the golden sunlight
Which between Earth and Heaven was a link.
The bloom was perfected by emerald green leaves,
The eight being curved and serrated at once;
And by its warm heavy scent in the air,
Which was wafting around me in a trance.
The rose was a perfect aspect of beauty
Around which hung the stillness of the morning;
But then the clouds overshadowed the sun,
And the rose's magic was lost in mourning.

Helen Flower, M.5



There was a young cow from Calcutta
Who got her foot stuck in the gutter
She said with a moo,
'I know what to do
To get it out—grease it with butter'.

Lynda Woodward, U.4

THE CABBAGE

They told me:
'She has no brain,
She's just a cabbage.'

I looked at the child
Eyes half closed
And thought I understood.

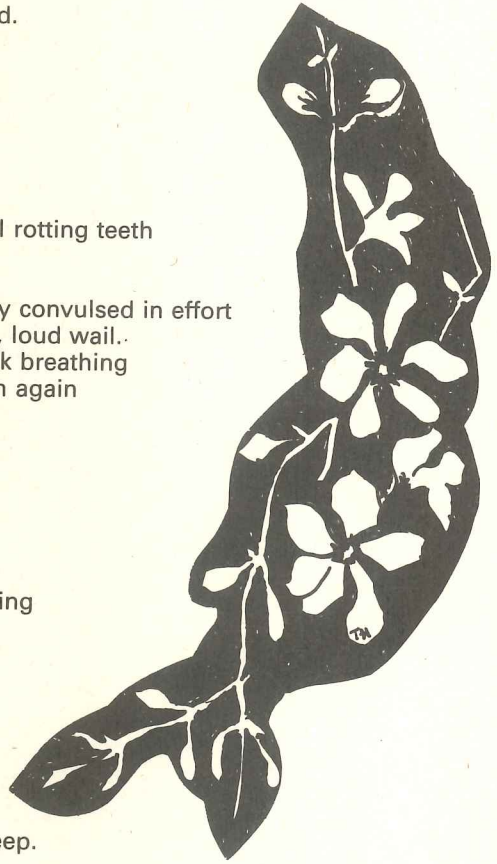
I continued to watch
Interested—
I'd never met a cabbage.

Slowly . . .
Gradually . . .
Her mouth with the small rotting teeth
Opened wide.

Then her undersized body convulsed in effort
And she let out one long, loud wail.
After a short time of quick breathing
Her mouth began to open again
So silently
So out of my control.

I was willing it to shut
But she screamed out
Again and again.

It wasn't like a child's crying
I hadn't heard it before
I soon got used to it
Background noise?
Not quite.



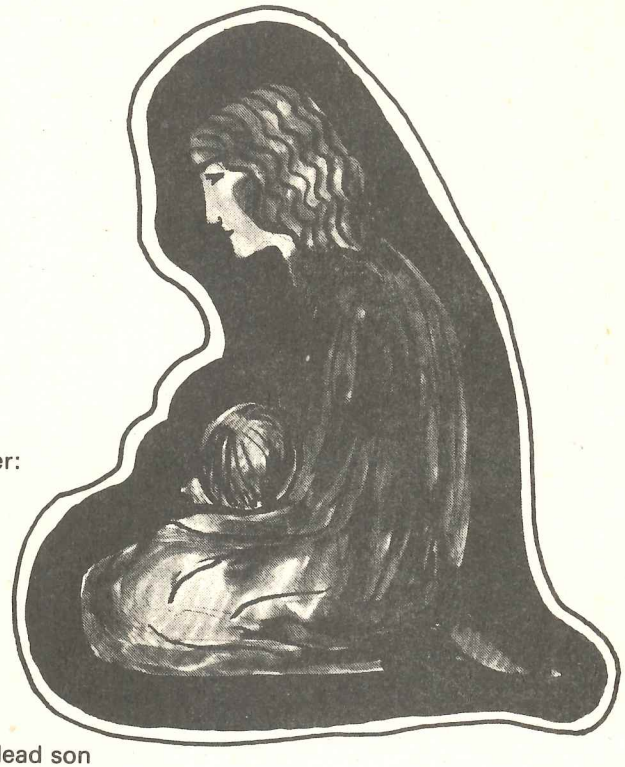
Nothing could stop her
I tried
Everyone tried
Finally she would fall asleep.

But I understood all the time what she had been saying
Even though she couldn't speak
Even though she had no brain
Even though she was only a 'cabbage'.

She had been saying, as Jesus is supposed to have said:
'My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?'

Karen Kearley, L.6

I know I ought to have been happy,
Cradling my first grandson,
But his bald head, soft and fragile,
Still marred with the stains of birth
His squinting eyes and bawling mouth and tiny kicking limbs
Brought back all too clearly
The bitter memories of fifteen years ago.

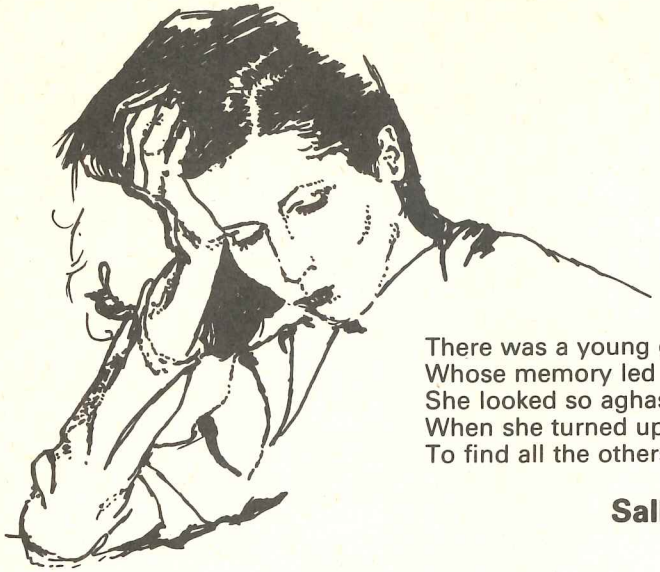


It seems like yesterday
When I was cradling my own precious boy,
So like my daughter's son
Five hours I lay in labour, in painful agony,
But the ecstasy when he appeared,
So small and puny, they thought he'd die,
But we loved and protected him
And cared for him—our long-awaited son
Unfairly neglecting his seven sisters.
After months of sickly infancy
He grew strong and healthy.
By his first birthday
We could see he was to be a fine boy—
So like his father.
His father cherished him—
He dreamt of the times they would have together:
The things he would teach him,
The stories he would tell him,
The games he would play with him,
The love they would share.

Then came the terrible day—
Not long after his first birthday—
When the soldiers came
And murdered him in cold blood.
I broke down in hysterical sobs of anguish.
I shall always remember the pitiful sight of my dead son
With a dagger through his heart,
Blanketed in scarlet blood,
His face masked with death.
They said it was Herod's orders—
Taking precautions against a contender for his throne,
A baby Messiah.
My husband went silent and pale
He sat motionless staring at his beloved boy for two whole hours.
Then he went into the cold night.
Next day they found his body.
Cold, bloody, dead.
It was hard bringing up seven girls alone,
Always haunted with the memories of my husband and boy.

And now I sit clutching my grandson—
His eyes no longer squinting,
His legs no longer kicking.
He's quiet now, peaceful and calm,
He'll be happy with his uncle.

Josephine McDonagh, U.5



There was a young girl called Kay,
Whose memory led her astray.
She looked so aghast
When she turned up in class,
To find all the others away.

Sally Hart, U.4

CHRISTMAS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

'It's come, it's come', the fair bony Saxon lad called.
'All the fires are being lit, and chiefs come from afar
The feast is laid and all sit round,
Chiefs, sons, maidens, children, slaves,
We all file through, the latter run.
Wine and mead, pig and sheep
It all tastes good when we eat together.'

'It's come, it's come', the girl from the flat above called.
'The Christmas tree is in and Aunty and Grandad are here.
The dinner is laid and all sit round,
Grandad, Aunty, Dad, Mum, Children.
We all file through, the latter run.
Wine and orange, turkey and pud,
It all tastes good when we eat together.'

'It's come, it's come', the girls out of the stars called.
'The computer is programmed, Daleks and Martians arrive;
Tablets appear, all gather round,
Ruler, Deputy, Producer, Followers.
Pink and brown tablets, round and square pills;
It all tastes good when we eat together.'

Kate Karpinski, M.5





THE MARTIAN INVASION

Stood there, she did
Bold as brass,
'Female species, I require directions to London.'
Well, I mean, I thought it was Candid Camera,
'Ooh', I said, 'am I on the telly?'
The look she gave me!
Illiterate all of them these days.
She'd never writ or read a word of English.
And all her make-up!
Her face looked green.
I don't know what the youngsters are coming to today.
Well, she called this man
(She was probably living with him)
And he came out of this tent
Yes, this tent in Mr. Smith's field
(And his cows didn't like it one bit)
So he comes up to me,
'Woman', he says
'Oi,' I says, 'there's a Sex Discrimination Act now!'
Well, that really shook them
And a good job too.
All these yobs coming through the village,
Throwing bricks through windows
Probably kicking the cows as well
They didn't look too happy.
Well, then I thought,
They might be I.R.A. bombers
So I had a quick look round
For bombs and things
And the man he says,
'She is no good, being a humanoid
Of subnormal intelligence!'
Well, that was it
I just walked off
Must be off now,
Work to do
Oh, did you hear the news,
U.F.O.s sighted off London.
Why can't *we* have some excitement?

Fiona Mitchell, U.5

Advanced Level

N. Aitken	English, History, Biology, G
S. Barringer	English, Geography, Social Biology, UG
S. Brook	English, History, Music, UG
C. Burtsal	English, Geography, Social Biology, UG
A. Caton	History, Social Biology*, Art, G
P. Church	English*, French*, Social Biology*, UG
K. Coleman	English, History, Latin, UG
C. Croucher	French, German, Mathematics, UG
A. Farquhar	English*, Social Biology*, Art, UG
S. Gray	Physics, Chemistry, Biology*, UG
A. Hajee	English*, Geography*, Mathematics, UG
S. Hanson	English, Geography, Social Biology, G
G. Holmes	English, History, French, G
J. Huddlestone	History, Latin, French, UG
P. Light	English, History*, Social Biology, UG
H. Napper	English, Art*, Classical Civilisation, UG
A. Nicholls	English*, Geography, French, UG
S. Pegg	English, History, Social Biology, G
C. Reed	English, History*, French, UG
E. Riley	English, History, Latin, UG
H. Rimington	English, History*, Latin, U
G. Scott	Geography, Chemistry, Biology, UG
C. Steeds	English, French, Art, UG
J. Steranka	History, Latin*[2], Greek[1], UG
N. Stewart	English, Geography, Mathematics, UG
G. Stone	English, History, French, UG
C. Taylor	English, Social Biology, Art
J. Thompson	English*, History, French, UG
S. H. Wright	History, Latin, Music, UG
L. Barton	Social Biology, Home Economics
M. Chapman	Art, Classical Civilisation
J. Cox	English, History, G
J. Czarnecki	Social Biology, Art*
S. Donkin	English, French, G
C. Gallacher	English, Biology
D. Hall	English, History, G
J. Hammond	Mathematics, Social Biology, G
A. Hook	English, Social Biology, G
J. Huke	Social Biology, Home Economics, G
A. Kemp	English, History, G
J. Malyon	English, History, G
S. Page	History, Mathematics, G
S. Parker	Social Biology, Home Economics, G
M. Parrott	Physics, Biology*, G
S. Postings-Share	Geography, Social Biology, G
N. Rees	English*, French, UG
M. Rickard	Geography, Biology, UG
C. Warren	History, Social Biology, G
J. Waterman	History, Mathematics, G
L. Whitworth	Chemistry, Biology, U
J. Ball	Biology
K. Bishop	History
K. Blackwell	Social Biology, G
C. Bramble	English, G
N. Carruthers	Home Economics, G
L. Cheal	Home Economics
L. Cudmore	History, G
J. Harden	Home Economics, G
L. Howe	Social Biology, G
P. Nield	History, G
S. Stevens	Social Biology, G
S. L. Wright	Social Biology

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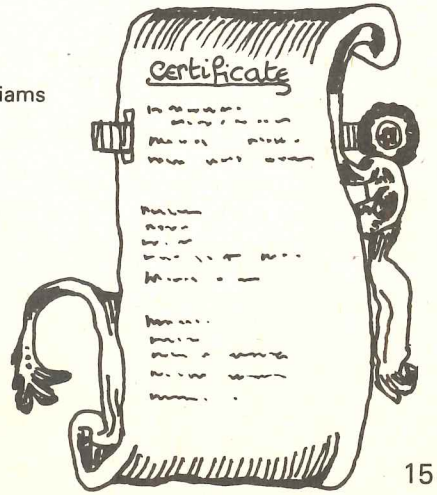
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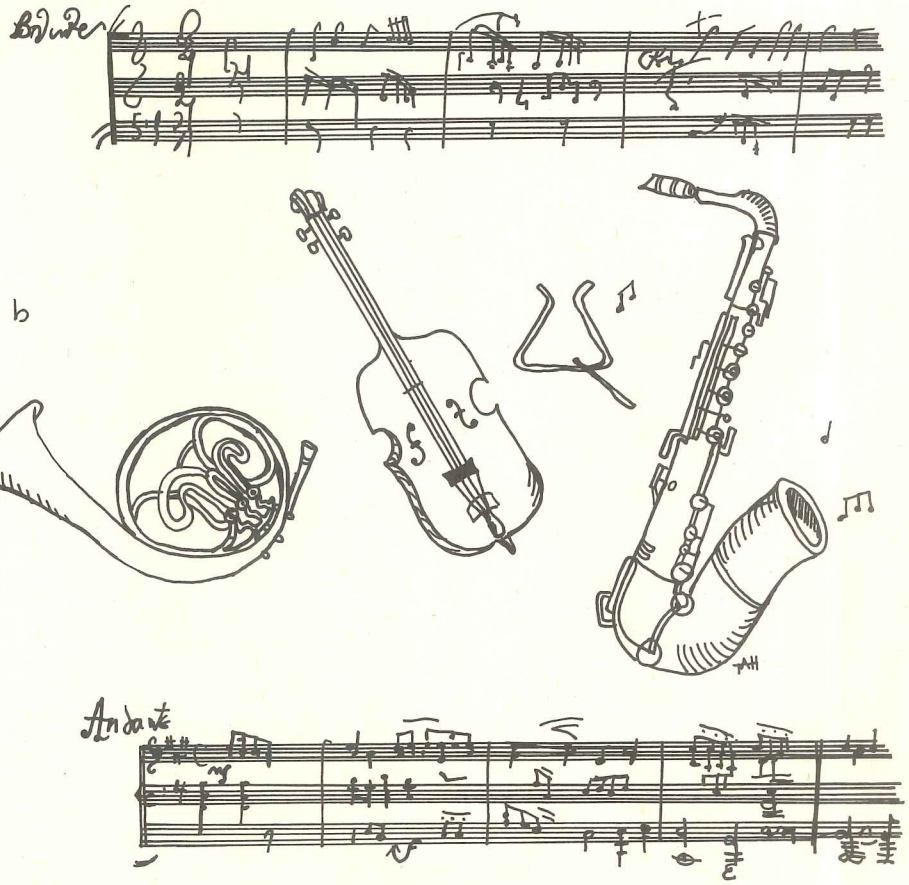
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	J. Oakes	Grade II	Honours
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Viola	S. Tillett	Grade IV	Merit
Cello	C. Wright	Grade II	
Piano	P. Light	Grade VI	
Singing	M. Humphreys	Grade VI	Merit
Clarinet	J. Bardwell	Grade III	
	C. Chamley	Grade III	Distinction
	A. Cormack	Grade III	
	F. Sommerlad	Grade III	Merit
	A. Omerod	Grade IV	Merit
	C. Jarrett	Grade IV	
	V. Salter	Grade IV	
	R. Webb	Grade IV	
	K. LeBall	Grade V	
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Polytechnics

S. Barringer, D. Hall, S. Neal, S. Page, M. Rickard (Trent), J. Waterman

College of Agriculture

A. Caton (1977)

Technical Colleges

Post A-level Courses: L. Barton, C. Bramble, S. Hanson, G. Holmes, J. Malyon, H. Przetak, J. Sutherland

Advanced Level Courses: K. Armstrong, R. Mason, K. Minter, D. Stanley, S. L. Wright

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Art School: M. Chapman, H. Napper

L.L.B.: A. Hook

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Horse Management: E. Curtis

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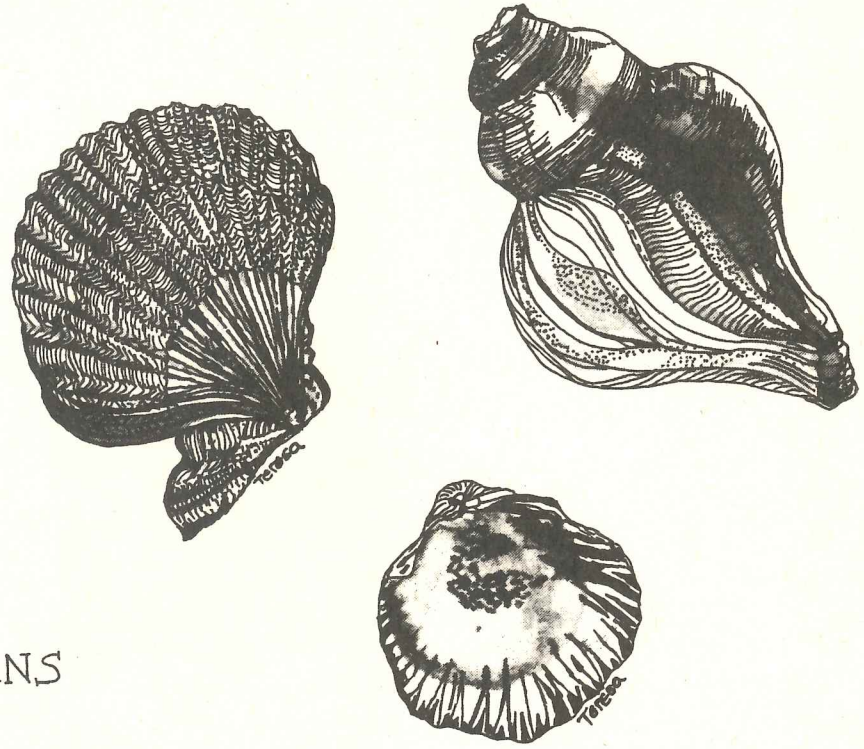
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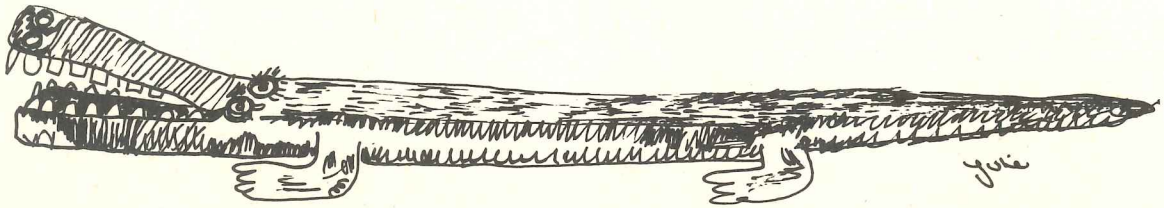
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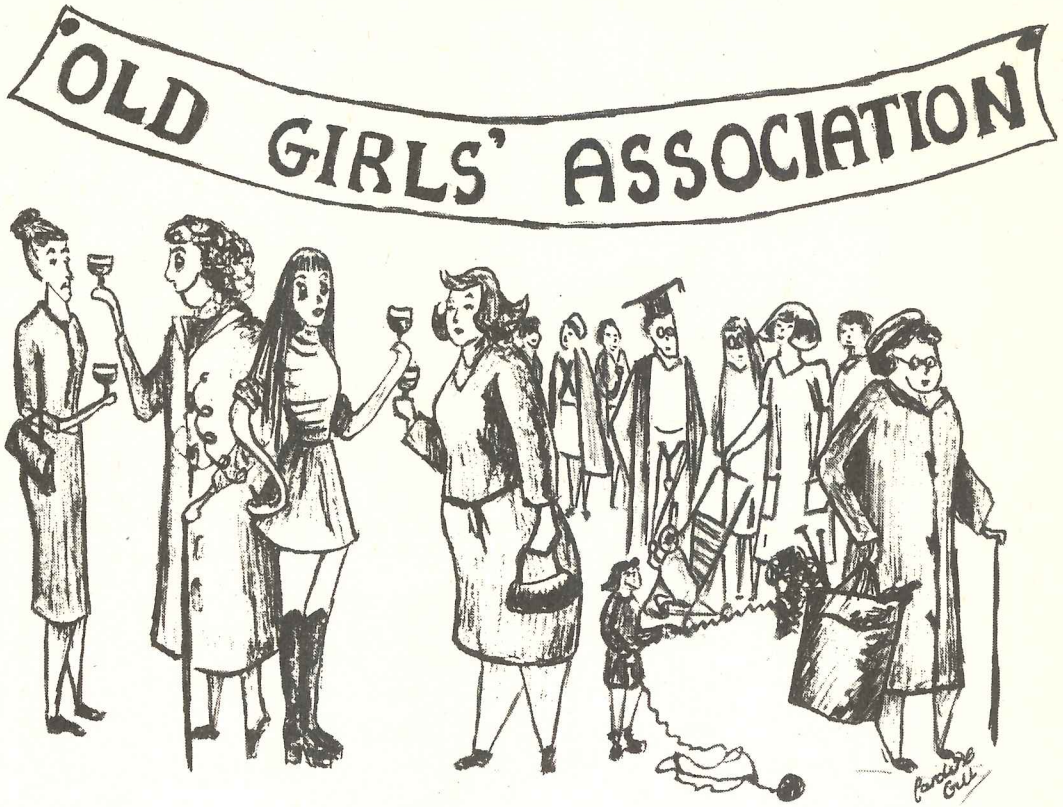
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NEWS OF OLD GIRLS AND THEIR SUCCESSES

Elizabeth Brewer at Sussex University, is in Montpelier, France, for a year.

Rosalind Brewer is working in London with a Hospital Board on the administrative side.

Catherine Bunting, B.A. Hons. Economics and Economic and Social History Class II Division I, Kent University.

Margaret Davidson qualified as S.R.N. at Norfolk and Norwich Hospital in February 1975.

Frances Evans, S.R.N., S.C.M., after sitting Part B of the Diploma of Nursing commenced the Experimental One Year Sister Tutor's Course (London University) in September 1976.

Teresa Ann Goddard, B.A. Hons Sociology Class II Division II, Leicester University.

Margaret Hattersley completed an Officer Training Course at the W.R.A.C. College, Camberley, Surrey, in November 1975.

Josephine Willoughby (Marriner), B.A. Hons. History Class II Division I, London School of Economics.

Alison Marrow, B.A. Hons. Geography and History Class II Division I, Leeds University.

Christine Over, B.A. Hons. Art and English Class II Division I, Middlesex Polytechnic.

Patricia Ramsey, B.A. Hons. Geography Class II Division II, London University.

Penelope Rawlinson, First Class Honours Geology, St. Andrews.

Jill Round, Merit in Part I examination of Faculty of Social Science, Kent University.

Judith Rudd, B.Sc. Hons. Experimental Psychology Class II Division I, Sussex University.

Margaret Sawdon is in Cairo learning Arabic.

Clare Shirtcliff, B.A. Hons. English Class II Division II, Birmingham University.

F. Theresa Smith qualified as Bachelor of Dental Surgery at Manchester University in December 1975 and is now working in Romiley and Stockport.

Lesley Smith, B.Sc. Hons. Physics Class II Division I. She is now at Cambridge University Department of Education to take the postgraduate Certificate of Education.

Kathryn Thompson, B.Ed. Class II Division II, Brighton.

Rosemary Thompson, B.Sc. Hons. Mathematics and Computing Class II Division II, South Bank Polytechnic.

Fiona Toplis, B.A. Hons. Fine Arts and Philosophy Class II Division II, University of East Anglia. She is hoping to go to Israel in the New Year.

Anne Wiseman, B.A. Joint Hons. English and Drama Class II, University of Wales (Bangor). She has been offered one of four postgraduate places at Manchester University in Television Production.

Catherine Whyte, B.A. Hons. Music Class II Division II, University of East Anglia. She is working as an auxiliary nurse at St. George's Hospital, London, and hopes eventually to train as a nurse at Guy's Hospital.

Linda Wright, B.A. Hons. Modern Languages Class II Division I, Reading University.

Business Report 1975–76

A Team Quiz was organised at our Winter Meeting which was held at the school on Saturday, 24 January 1976, and well attended despite the usual snow shower.

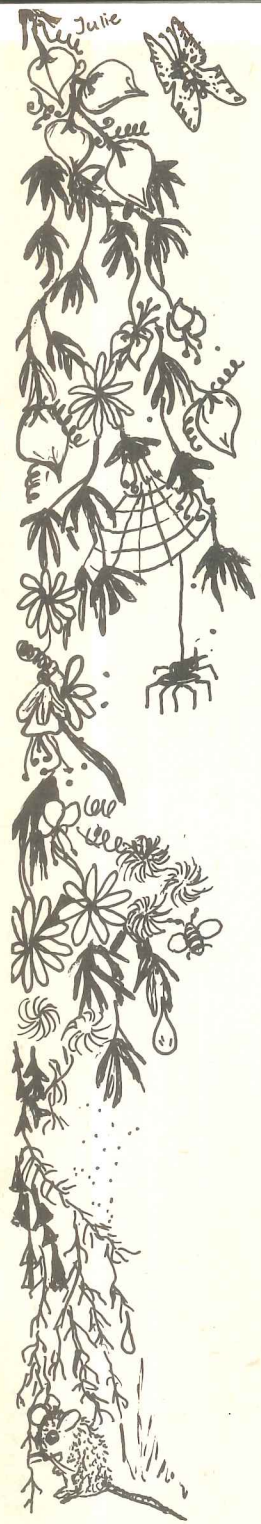
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Miss Hasler told us of the death of Miss Overy who had been at the school for forty years and a donation was forwarded to Dr. Barnardo's in her memory. It will be remembered that it was Miss Overy who began the collections and the school still continues collecting for this charity.

Our special guests were Miss Palmer, Mrs. Wright and Mr. Stachnik, members of staff who had been at the school a long time, and presentations were made to them. Miss Hasler herself said good-bye to us, having been with us as our President for nine years.

Finally I would like to thank Hilary Motson for the invaluable help she has given as secretary and trust her resignation is temporary.

Diana Richardson (Ruffle)
Honorary Secretary



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Receipts

	£ p
Balance at Bank	123.19
School Charities	10.00
Collections	12.00
Interest on Consols	31.24
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	£226.61

Recommended Awards 1976–7

	£ p
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GAMES SECTION

HOCKEY 1975–1976

Joint Captains Nicola Aitken
Christine Croucher
Secretary Jennifer Fisher

1st XI
C. Gibson
A. Percival*
M. Hunnaball*
J. Adams*
C. Croucher
A. Mirrington*
P. Nield
G. Hughes
L. Hastings*
C. Bourne*
N. Aitken
G. Holmes†
S. Bell†
E. Trendall†
N. Humphreys†

2nd XI
J. Fisher
G. Stone
P. Riches
A. Hook
S. Postings-Share
G. Tracy
K. Bearman
H. Dent
E. McGuinness*
V. Hill*
C. Stork*

U.16 XI
M. Ingram
A. Mehigan

* Also played in U.16 XI
† Also played in 2nd XI

U.15 XI
J. Clover
C. Jarrett
C. Saward
J. Bevan
S. Coverdale
M. Boucher
J. Gibson
G. Vowles
S. Adams*
C. Price
R. Thornton
R. Webb
S. Boorman
A. Hegerty

* Captain

U.14 XI
K. Hughes
B. Gorse
B. Kelly
C. Tracey
J. Newitt
K. Karpinski
S. Wnek
J. Westley
L. Clark
K. Aughterson
S. Porter
S. A. Jones
D. Ashcroft

HOCKEY FIXTURE LIST AND MATCH RESULTS

Sept. 13th	Away	Halstead	
		1st XI	Unfinished
		U.15 XI	Won 2–0
Sept. 17th	Home	Philip Morant	
		1st XI	Won 8–0
		U.15 XI	Drew 2–2
Sept. 20th	Home	Clacton	
		1st XI	Lost 0–3
		U.15 XI	Lost 0–1
Sept. 24th	Away	St. Helena	
		2nd XI	Lost 0–3
Oct. 1st	Home	Sir Charles Lucas	
		U.15 XI, U.14 XI	Cancelled
Oct. 8th	Away	Gilberd	
		1st XI	Won 3–0
Oct. 15th	Away	Gilberd	
		U.15 XI	Lost 0–8
Nov. 15th	Away	University	
		1st XI	Lost 0–4
Nov. 29th	Home	Sudbury	
		U.15 XI	Won 4–3
		U.14 XI	Won 2–0
Dec. 6th	Home	Harwich	
		1st XI	Drew 0–0
		U.15 XI	Won 5–0
Dec. 6th Sir Charles Lucas—Junior Schools Tournament			
		U.14 XI	Lost semi-final by 1 penalty corner.
		U.16 XI	Drew 1–1 in final, lost by 1 penalty corner.
Jan. 31st	Home	Northgate	
		U.15 XI, U.14 XI	Cancelled
Feb. 7th	Home	Ipswich High	
		1st XI	Lost 0–4
		U.15 XI	Won 2–0
		U.14 XI	Won 2–0
Mar. 6th Braintree—Junior Schools Tournament			
		U.15 XI	Played 4 matches: won 2, drew 1, lost 1, 3rd in Section
Mar. 17th	Home	Gilberd	
		1st XI	Won 2–0
Mar. 20th Southend—Senior Schools Tournament			
		1st XI	Played 4 matches: won 3, lost 1, 2nd in section
		2nd XI	Played 4 matches: lost 2, drew 2, 6th in Section





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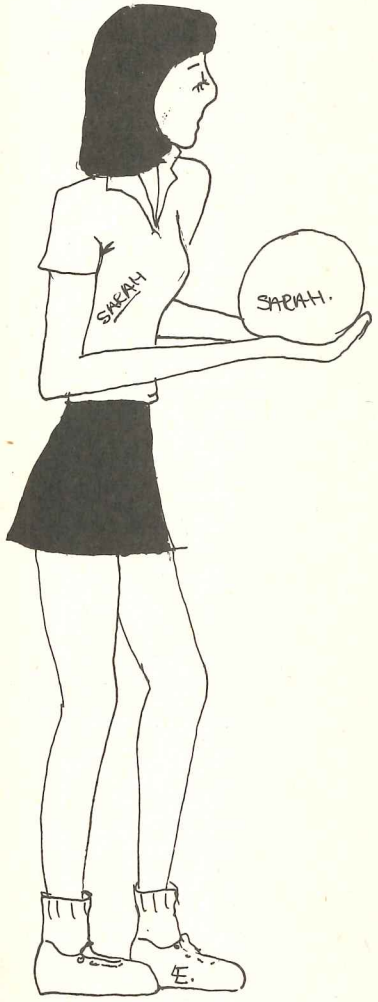
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NETBALL 1975–76

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Christine Stewart
Secretary Dorothy Frostick



O.16

S. Parsons
C. Drinkell
K. Gruender
D. Bailey
J. Potter
D. Frostick
C. Stewart

U.16

J. Gore
N. Blondel
S. Tillett
R. Reid
E. Young
S. Hughes
J. Wills

U.13

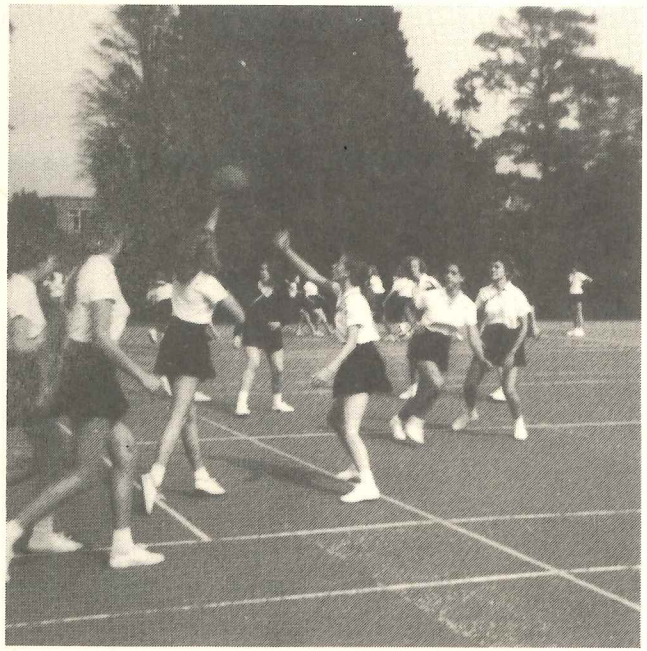
S. Warner
C. Carruthers
J. Free
Y. Ladkin
M. Linscott
T. Partner
T. Ward

U.12

D. Geater
K. Napier
D. Loftus
M. Howe
C. Judge
C. Rippingale
R. Brown

Also played:

U.16	F. Mitchell, T. Mallory, C. Wood
U.14	F. Hands, K. Karpinski, K. Spain
U.13	S. Dooley, J. Stearn, A. Tyler



FIXTURE LIST AND MATCH RESULTS

Sept. 13th	Away	The Ramsey School	
		U.14	Won 28–7
		U.13	Won 16–9
Sept. 17th	Away	Wilson Marriage	
		U.16	Won 20–5
		U.14	Lost 6–12
Sept. 20th	Home	Clacton C.H.S.	
		U.16	Won 50–1
Sept. 24th	Home	Gilberd	
		O.16	Won 34–4
		U.14	Won 40–5
Sept. 27th	Away	Ipswich Convent	
		U.16, U.14, U.13	Cancelled
Oct. 1st	Away	Philip Morant	
		U.14	Won 37–2
		U.13	Won 36–5
Oct. 4th	Clacton	Area Rally	
		Colchester and N.E. Essex	
		O.16	Won section outright
		U.16	Won section—then Rally
		U.14	Won section—lost final
Oct. 8th	Away	St. Helena	
		U.16	Won 32–21
		U.14	Won 39–13
Oct. 15th	Home	Sir Charles Lucas	
		U.14	Won 19–11
		U.13	Won 14–4
Oct. 18th	Away	Alec Hunter	
		O.16	Won 29–27
		U.16	Won 39–28
		U.13	Lost 10–15
Nov. 15th	Barkingside	County Rally	
		O.16	3rd in Section
		U.16	Runner-up in Section
Nov. 22nd	Away	Ipswich High	
		O.16	Lost 8–37
		U.16	Won 33–17
		U.14	Won 27–12
		U.13	Lost 12–13
Nov. 29th	Home	Sudbury Upper School	
		U.16	Won 47–1
Dec. 6th	Home	Harwich	
		U.13	Won 27–7
		U.12	Won 25–3
Jan. 31st	Home	Northgate	
		O.16, U.16, U.14, U.12	Cancelled
Feb. 7th	Home	Copleston	
		U.16, U.14, U.13, U.12	Cancelled

TENNIS 1976

Captains: Gillian Holmes and Christine Stewart
Vice Captains: Lucinda Cudmore, Dorothy Frostick and Ruth Reid
Secretaries: Pat Nield, Nicola Aitken and Julia Coe

1st VI	2nd VI
G. Holmes	C.Stewart
D. Frostick	D. Trollope
L. Cudmore	P. Nield
A. Hagee	N. Aitken
S. Tebbutt	B. Brown
R. Reid	M. Hunnaball

Reserves: L. Hastings, C. Bourne, J. Coe, D. Bailey, G. Hughes

Colours D. Frostick
Highly Commended C. Stewart, G. Hughes
Commended R. Reid, M. Hunnaball, S. Tebbutt, B. Brown

U.15 VI	U.14 VI
J. Gore	F. Hands
S. Adams	K. Spain
F. Mitchell	F. Scott
R. Thornton	K. Bishop
J. Brocklebank	L. Noone
S. Tillett	B. Kelly

Reserves: J. Lorrimer, J. Wills, K. Karpinski, R. McAdam, B. Fell, K. Phillips

FIXTURE LIST AND MATCH RESULTS

May 1st	Home	Clacton High School	
		1st	Won 46–35
		2nd	Won 54–27
May 5th	Home	New Hall	
		1st	Won 42–39
		2nd	Won 41–40
May 8th	Home	Ipswich High School	
		1st	Lost 38–43
		2nd	Lost 39–42
May 12th	Home	Gilberd	
		1st, U.15	Cancelled
May 15th	Home	Sudbury	
		1st	Won 61–20
		U.15	Won 59–22
May 19th	Away	Gilberd	
		1st	Won 55–26
		U.15	Won 50–31
June 12th	Away	Ipswich Convent	
		2nd	Lost 39–42
		U.15	Won 41–40
June 19th	Away	New Hall	
		U.15	Lost 54–27
		U.14	Lost 32–49
July 3rd	Home	Harwich	
		U.15	Won 49–32
		U.14	Won 62–19

Tournament Results

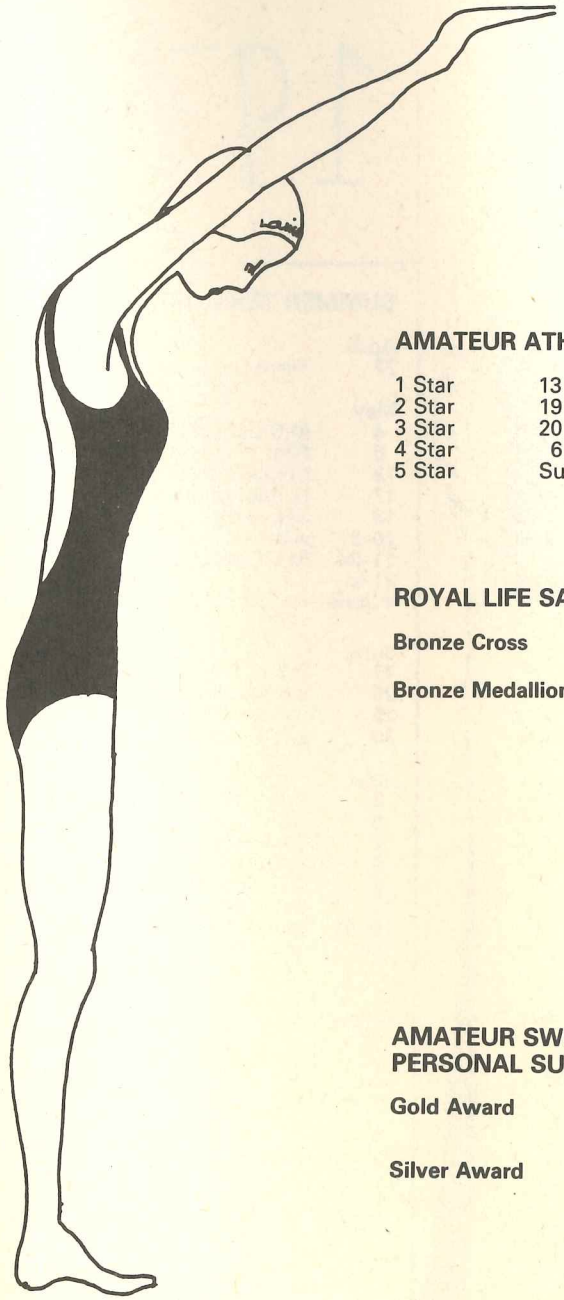
Senior Doubles:	D. Frostick and H. Hattersley J. Gore and J. Brocklebank
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ROUNDERS 1976

U.15	U.14	U.13	U.12
S. Adams	S. Porter	J. Matthews	C. Suthord
J. Shelley	K. Karpinski	C. Reid	A. Sheard
S. Stucke	B. Gorse	R. Howard	B. Krommenhoek
V. Forsey	H. Bean	C. Guiver	K. Napier
C. Blackwell	C. Ellison	J. Dwyer	S. Langton
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K. Adams	J. Carter	S. Johncock	D. Loftus
S. Hughes	F. Hands	J. Free	C. Rippingale
L. Oakley	L. Kirby	C. Wilding	K. Noel-Smith
	A. Ormerod	S. Dooley	B. Hewitt
	L. Clark	A. Thompson	R. Brown
	D. Woodley	N. Bell	S. Malone

FIXTURE LIST AND MATCH RESULTS

May 1st	Home	Clacton High	
		U.15	Lost 6–22
		U.14	Won 18½–8½
		U.13	Won 6–½
May 8th	Home	Ipswich High	
		U.15	Lost 2–11
		U.14	Won 10½–3
		U.13	Lost 4–4½
May 15th	Home	Sudbury	
		U.14	Won 20½–1
June 12th	Away	Ipswich Convent	
		U.14	Lost 8½–14
		U.13	Lost 6–8
June 19th	Away	New Hall	
		U.13	Won 5–4
		U.12	Lost 3½–12
June 23rd	Away	Area Rally, Stanway	
		U.13	3rd in Section
July 3rd	Home	Harwich	
		U.13	Won 12–2½
		U.12	Won 16½–4½



At Work :

AMATEUR ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION FIVE STAR AWARDS

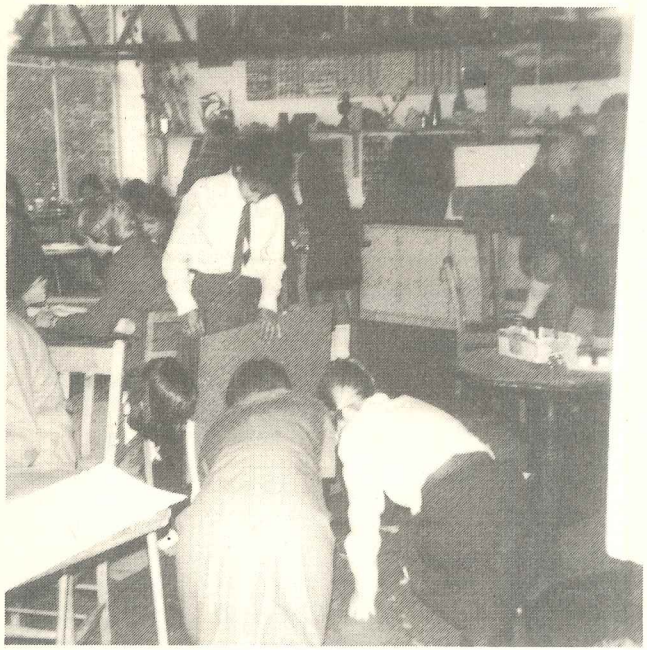
1 Star	13 girls
2 Star	19 girls
3 Star	20 girls
4 Star	6 girls
5 Star	Suzanne Hunt

ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AWARDS 1976

Bronze Cross	C. Croucher
	H. Davies
Bronze Medallion	S. Adams
	J. Brocklebank
	K. Butler
	A. Hegerty
	S. Hughes
	M. Ingram
	C. Jarrett
	K. Moreton
	J. Rothero
	J. Shelley
	S. Stucke
	E. Young

AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION 1976 PERSONAL SURVIVAL AWARDS

Gold Award	K. Karpinski
	F. Munro
Silver Award	C. Carruthers
	L. Kirby
	C. Tracey
	T. Ward
	J. Wheatley
	S. Willson
Bronze Award	H. Bean
	C. Elliston
	K. Napier
	L. Wilby







School Calendar 1976



AUTUMN TERM 1975

September
- 2 Term began
- 29 Sixth Form Art and Classics visit to British Museum
- 30 U.6 Careers for Geographers

October
- 1 Harvest Festival. Sixth Form Classics Conference at Norwich.
- 3 School Photographs
- 15–22 U.6 Geography Field Course
- 16 P.T.A. Social Evening for L.4 Parents
- 24 L.6 year: Careers visits
- 27–31 Half Term

November
- 3 Sixth Form Classics Conference
- 15 P.T.A. Dance

December
- 3 Christmas Party
- 10 Help The Aged Lecture: Junior School
- 10–12 Carols
- 16 Certificate Giving
- 19 End of Term



SPRING TERM 1976

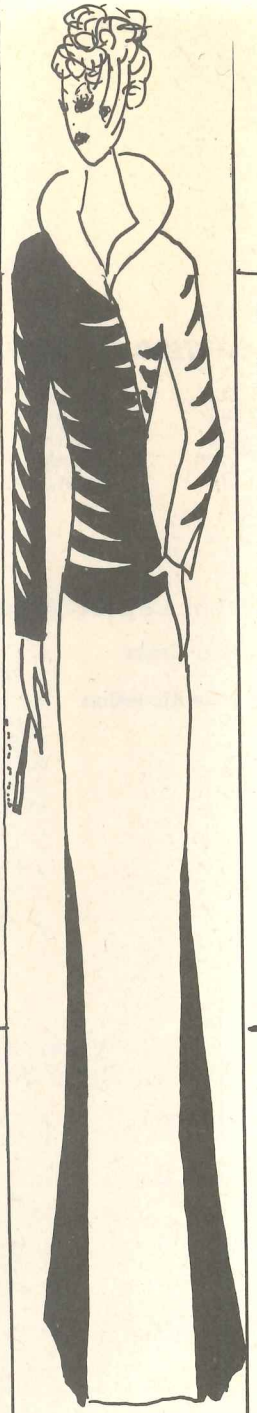
January
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- 9 Sixth Form visit to International Boat Show
- 21 Sixth Form Classics visit to British Museum
- 22 A.G.M. of the P.T.A.
- 24 O.G.A. meeting

February
- 22–29 Ski Party Excursion
- 23–27 Half Term

March
- 1–2 U.6 Social Biology Urban Studies
- 9 Maths. Olympiad
- 10 English Speaking Union
- 12 Careers Convention
- 18–20 *Orpheus in the Underworld*
- 25 P.T.A. Meeting on Health Education
- 27 to 11 April Paris Easter School

April
- 3–9 Geography Field Course
- 6 Lecture on Drugs for M.5 year
- 8 Visit to Wetzlar
- 9–17 Sixth Form visit to Italy
- 9 End of Term





SUMMER TERM 1976

April
- 27 Term Began. Skin-care lecture for M.5

May
- 4 M.5 Geography Field Day to the Fens
- 5 Film of *Romeo and Juliet* for U.5
- 13 Concert for L.5 (Capriol Orchestra)
- 17 School photograph
- 18 Skin-care lecture for M.5
- 20–21 *Aladdin*
- 21–24 M.5 Geography Weekend
- 31 to 4 June Half Term

June
- 12 P.T.A. Barbecue
- 25 L.6 Wimbledon visit
- 29 L.4 Expedition to Ely
- 30 L.6 Geography Field Day

July
- 2 P.T.A. Summer Meeting
- 5 L.6 Careers Conference
- 7 L.5 Expedition to Norwich
- 8 U.4 Expedition to British Museum
- 9 O.G.A. Summer Meeting
- 13 School Concert
- 16–19 Baltic Cruise
- 16 End of Term





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