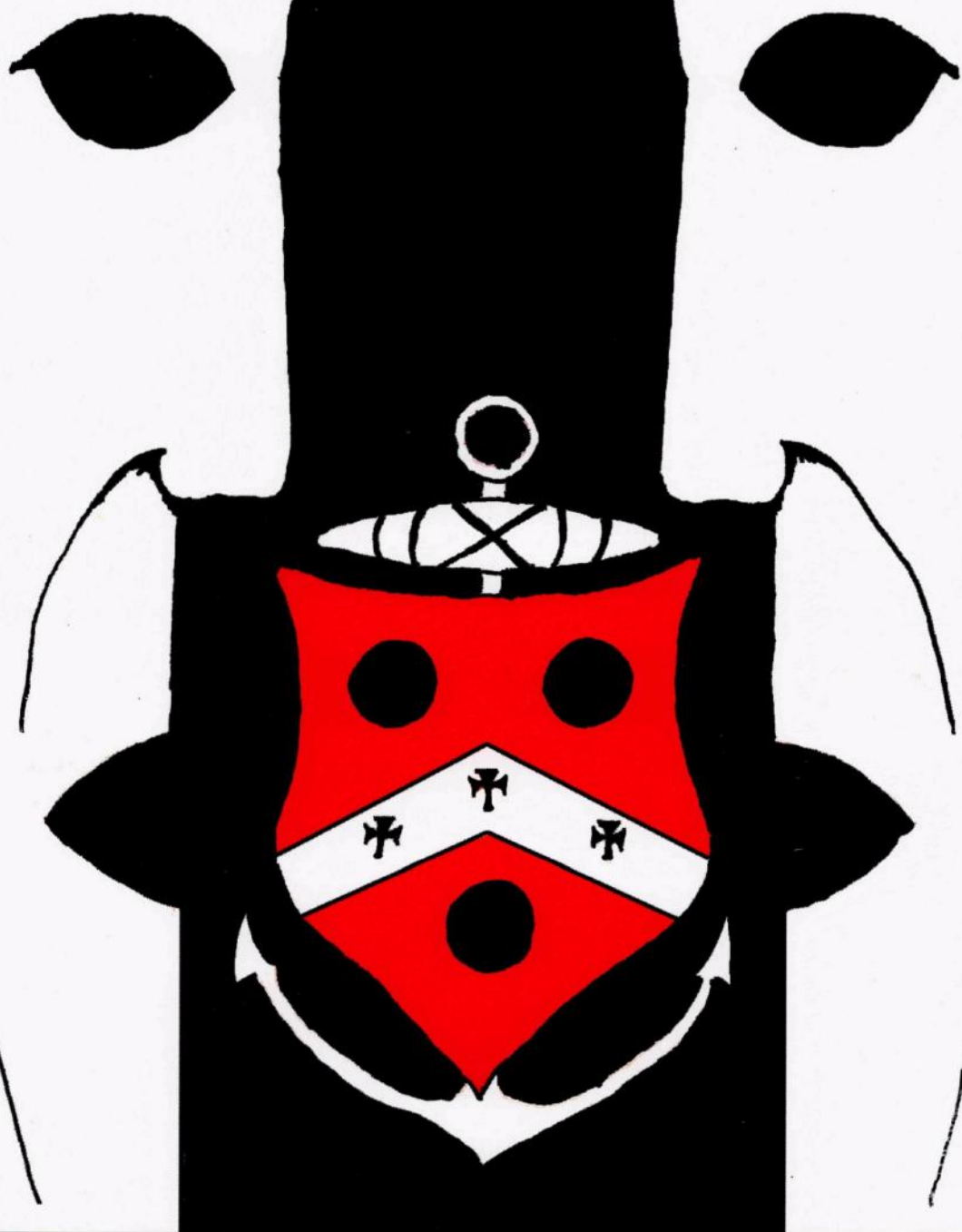


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EDITORIAL

Recently I had the opportunity to read a copy of "The Erasmian" from 1936. Of course at this time its full title was just "The Erasmian", as these were the days before the incorporation of the Diocesan School for Girls. Within the magazine's yellowed pages I discovered an article detailing one pupil's predictions for High School in the year 2000. While many of the mechanical wonders described in the article still belong to the realms of science fiction, it nonetheless raises the interesting question of the advancement of technology within schools.

A growing number of schools, High School among them, are devoting a large part of their curriculum to studies utilising computers. As many people also have computers at home, this is resulting in an increasing number of people who find most of their work done in front of a screen. With the aid of a little technology they can even use their computers to talk to other people right the way round the world, creating the information superhighways "that look set to be the buzz-word of the nineties".

Nowadays computers can store text, sound, pictures and even use full motion video and combine all of these in a "multimedia" experience wherein one might, for example, request information about Mozart. You would then be presented with information about his life in the form of text, a picture of him, and an example of his music. All of this information would be presented on a computer screen.

But how do these little beige boxes relate to education? With a computer using multimedia, one could research any topic connected with one's classes. And if the information were not available in Ireland, one could simply look for it in Japan, or Moscow, or New York. And all without leaving your chair.

However, an inevitable consequence of the growth of technology of this sort will be an increasing decentralisation of schools. Eventually, instead of a vast building housing a thousand students we will have a building the size of a classroom, which educates the same number of students using only 20 computers linked to each student's computer at home. You won't even have to leave the house to go to school. This day is still far off, but it approaches at a rate which increases as the technology does. As with all forms of education, computers have advantages and disadvantages all their own.

Convenience is the advantage which springs to mind immediately. Students living in isolated areas could get their lessons just as easily as someone living in a city. However, on the other side of the coin, that very decentralisation might foster an increasingly anti-social attitude in society. The lack of a common place to congregate, of somewhere to meet and make friends might well reduce a student's ability to work with other people and to be able to interact socially with them.

With a computer a student could tailor their course to suit themselves, working more on areas which they find hard to understand and less on areas they find easy, without having to take an entire class into consideration. Thus the student would be able to make the best use of their lessons, maximising their potential. This personalisation of courses would also mean that

students could specialise their subjects more, aiming them towards their intended careers. Of course this creates the danger that students might eventually find their studies too specialised to allow them easily to adapt to another area of work. However, all these questions are still part of the future of education; the real question that this editorial should address is how do the current advances in technology affect education **now**?

The sad answer to this question is not nearly enough. Despite The High School's recent outlay of £70,000 on a computer system, both the money and the computers are not being used to their fullest advantage. Probably the most serious omission from our hi-tech upgrade programme is the absence of a CD-ROM system from the school library. This allows a computer to store information on compact disc, its most obvious advantage being that a compact disc can hold as much information as 1,000 floppy disks. This would mean that the library could house all the books contained therein in the space of one shelf. Of course most of the books in the library are not available on CD-ROM, but there are currently a number of reference books, including a number of illustrated encyclopaedias available – enough to make the system worthwhile. Several years ago in Britain all secondary schools were supplied with CD-ROM systems and this year the same facilities are to be installed in primary schools. Maybe the Irish government, or at least the High School, could take their cue from this.

Another use of computers in the library is that they give the facilities at least partially to automate the library. The days of reference cards would be gone – all the necessary information would be available through the computer terminals. All of the records of withdrawals could also easily be entered on to computer – possibly by some form of barcode scanning system. A number of daily newspapers are now also available on computer disk, making both storage and retrieval far easier, and were someone looking for articles on a particular subject or a particular article, they could printout a copy of the article at the press of a button.

I also believe that the computers in the computer room should be connected via modems to on-line information networks such as Internet. This would vastly increase their potential and probably their use as well. As it is, the computer room lies mostly empty for a great deal of the day. I believe this is mostly due to two factors: one, they are currently of relatively limited use, and two, the extreme difficulty in gaining access to them, not to mention the fact that most of the truly sophisticated programmes are not available to the ordinary user. The High School's computers should not be the expensive toys they currently are, but an integral part of everyday life and schooling. High School currently is at a higher technological level than many schools and we are gradually becoming more familiar with the computers, but we still need to make the best and most effective use of the facilities we have.

Niall Coghlan

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Brian and Elizabeth; a lesson

It's sad, really.
You see it in the cinema and you cry.
Your mother cries, as well. But what really
happens
Off the screen is much more distressing.
Let's take Brian and Elizabeth, two almost
fictional
Characters, and use them as an example.
Each is proud, has an image, a view of
how they should be.
Each puts this image in front of what they
really are.
Each clearly is mad about the other, but
will not admit it, not even to themselves.

Each lives their quiet, full life, thinking
about the other, but not daring try to
change this sad story for the better. One of
the lost pair hints sometimes, but not to the
other, to friends. These two people are
wonderful people, and I love them both,
but this story is making me sad. Put this
story in front of Mother, I guarantee she
will cry as she did for Cathy and Heathcliff.

The moral of the story is:
If you've got it, flaunt it, or you may lose
it. Get it?

A. A. Doyle (2AS)

Shadows

Turn about slowly
Desperately striving to see
That which lurks in shadows
Just at back of me;
Feel the breath upon my neck
Feel my breath draw short
Listen through the rushing blood
To silence, its sole retort,
Knowing the stench that fills the air
And that burns my lungs,
It is rot of dying flesh
And those by illness rung.

Turn about slowly
Desperately trying to see
Just at back of me;
Softly whispers a dying breath
Gently at my ear
Feeling the shadow, oh so cold
As silently it draws near.
The chilling touch brushes my shoulder
Causing my throat to scream
And the touch closes about me
As if it were a dream.

Turn about slowly
Desperately trying to see
That which lurks in shadows
Just at back of me;
Feel the breeze whip my face
As smoothly he appears
From the growing shadows
That suffers me to fear,
Still the hand does grip me
Holding me ever nigh,
Silently a voice whispers
As if it were nothing but a sigh.

Turn about slowly
Desperately trying to flee
From the deathly shadow
As it reaches for me.

Josiah Bancroft (4 M.C.)

"Siciliano" for Flute and Continuo

By: Liam S. Lyons (4 MC)

Reality

The sun sinks through the murky depths,
The stars rise flashing through dark obscurity,
The planets stand out like a fish out of water
The light dims as darkness reigns.

Elements and visions of torture rule as we die,
The innocent are crushed, the rest are maimed.
And still nobody does anything.
The light dims as darkness reigns.

Time elapses, more and more people pass,
Through white arches, does no-one care?,
Do the needs of the one outweigh
The needs of the many?
The light dims as darkness reigns.

Gavin Furney (3 A2)

Spring

Walking through the lawn,
Smell of the new cut grass,
Spring is coming,
The leaves are brightening up,
Sunlight reflecting off the lake.

Now I can feel the warmth,
Against my skin,
Glaring down to my smallest limb;
Spring is coming,
The cold winter has gone
And to be forgotten to
Next year.

Trevor Steedman (3 B2)

Time's Passing

The secret was forgotten
A hundred years ago,
The truth was once begotten
And none will ever know.

Silently the ages slipped
Gently through our hands;
The scales are now softly tipped
And time, still, now stands.

With the cry of every child
Follows the chill of death,
History passes vague and wild,
And softly whispers "time, breath".
Josiah Bancroft (4 M.C.)

75 Years Ago

Correspondence

The High School, Dublin

To the Editor of the *Erasmian*

Dear Sir,

The loose way in which the School Rules are worded grieves and pains me. I propose that they be reworded.

Take, for example, the first rule, worded thus: - "All boys are expected to wear the School cap". This is evidently capable of the grossest misrepresentation, for, Form VI seem to think they can wear hats, some boys seem to think they can brazenly in a vulgar and ostentatious manner reveal their plastered locks, while others seem to think they can wear their caps, either over their eyes, in Public School fashion, or on the back of their heads, or over the right ear, or conversely over their left. Most probably justify themselves that they are only "expected" to wear the School cap. I propose that they be "requested and desired" to do so as well. This appeal to their better feelings would, I think, have the required effect. Again, the rule says "school cap". What school cap? We are not told. What is the school cap? Again we are not enlightened.

My version would read as follows: "Every pupil (Forms I and VI upr. inc.) of the High School of Erasmus Smith, Dublin, Est. 1870 (hereinafter known as the School), is expected, requested and desired to wear on his cranium, in a manner adjudged decent and proper by a standing committee consisting of the Headmaster, two Assistant Masters and the Sergeant of the School, the school cap (Reg. No. 665853) of recognised shape and pattern obtainable at the cost of 3/6 (three shillings and sixpence) from Messrs Lewers & Co., School outfitters, only". This is hardly capable of misrepresentation.

In this manner all the rules could be amended so as to avoid all possibility of misinterpretation, with, I am sure, a great moral and physical effect in the school.

Trusting that when I receive my next home-work book (with time-table) I may see this long-felt want satisfied and the school rules drawn up in a satisfactory legal manner.

I remain, yours, etc.

A. STICKLER

From "The *Erasmian*", June, 1929

The Prisoner of War

I stand alone in the cold dark room;
Waiting and waiting is all I can do.
I stare and stare at the lifeless broom
Waiting and waiting, but how long to?

The guard comes, the lock turns,
With expecting, my eyes open wide.
The wind blows, the fire burns,
I quiver there with nothing to hide.

Gavin Furney (3A2)

Black Pyjamas

We had been talking
-For once.
She lit up in front of me,
Something she hadn't done before.
The talk disintegrated.
She apologized for smelling
As I kissed her goodnight.
But I told her she didn't
Smell half as bad
As some people I knew.
So she laughed slightly.

I genuinely couldn't smell smoke.

But as I neared the top of the flight
The smell suddenly hit me,
A choking smell that turns my stomach
And makes me want to cry.
I could smell it in my bedroom;
My holy, sacred shrine of scent
And odour;
As I changed into my black pyjamas,
My mind dissolved through the mirror
by the wall
Into the room beyond
And its delicate contours.
The smell hit me again
As I went into the bathroom.
I realized
And felt bitter shame.

A. O'C.

The Story of Sheep

A long, long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away, God said, "Let there be Sheep". And there were sheep, and He saw that the sheep were good, and he said, "Behold the sacred Sheep of Artic, and cherish them for evermore, as they shall be prosperous". Within seconds, the sheep sprang to world-wide fame and worship, creating sweet balm music to soothe the furrowed brows and wrinkled souls of the populace. Their merchandise became readily available to those who were willing to sell their souls and bodies to obtain it. People leapt at the opportunity of obtaining their new album (out now! in a record shop near you! Please feel free to buy it!)

The sheep now dominate the world's television stations, and have infiltrated the highest echelons of world society from the gutter downwards.

They receive world-wide anonymous fan-mail; some of their greatest fans have devoted their lives and jumpers to the sheep - Banana Bresstler and Nigel Coghlas, to name but two.

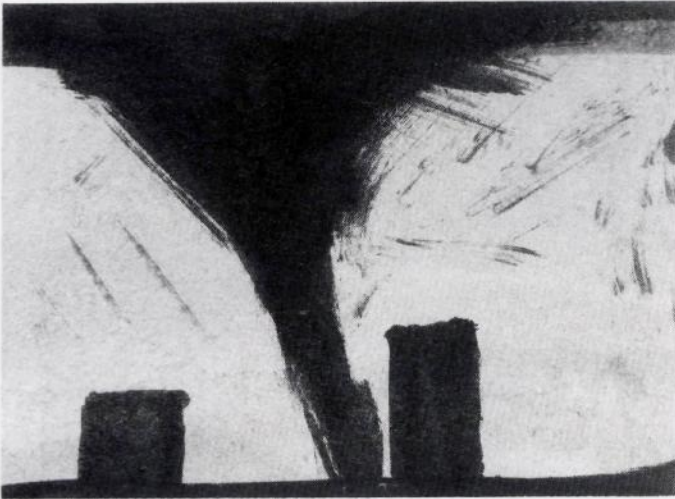
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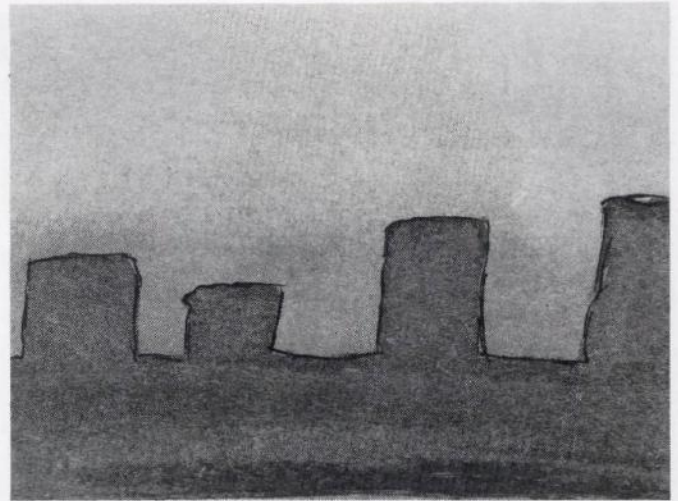
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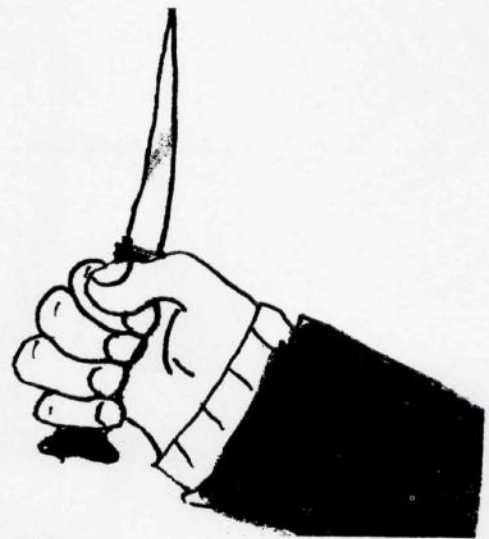
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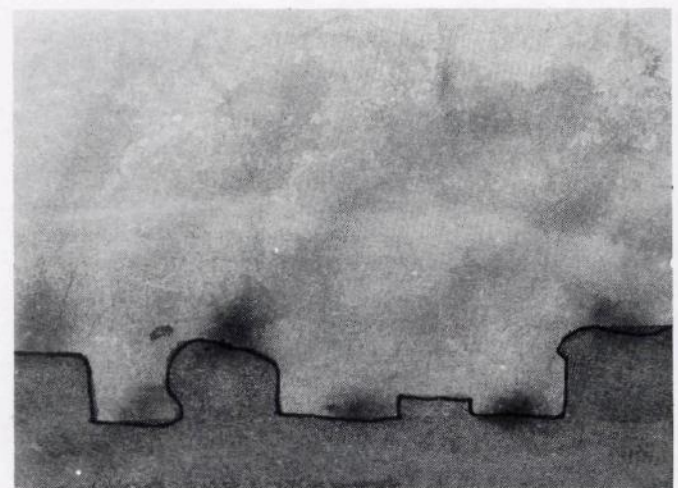
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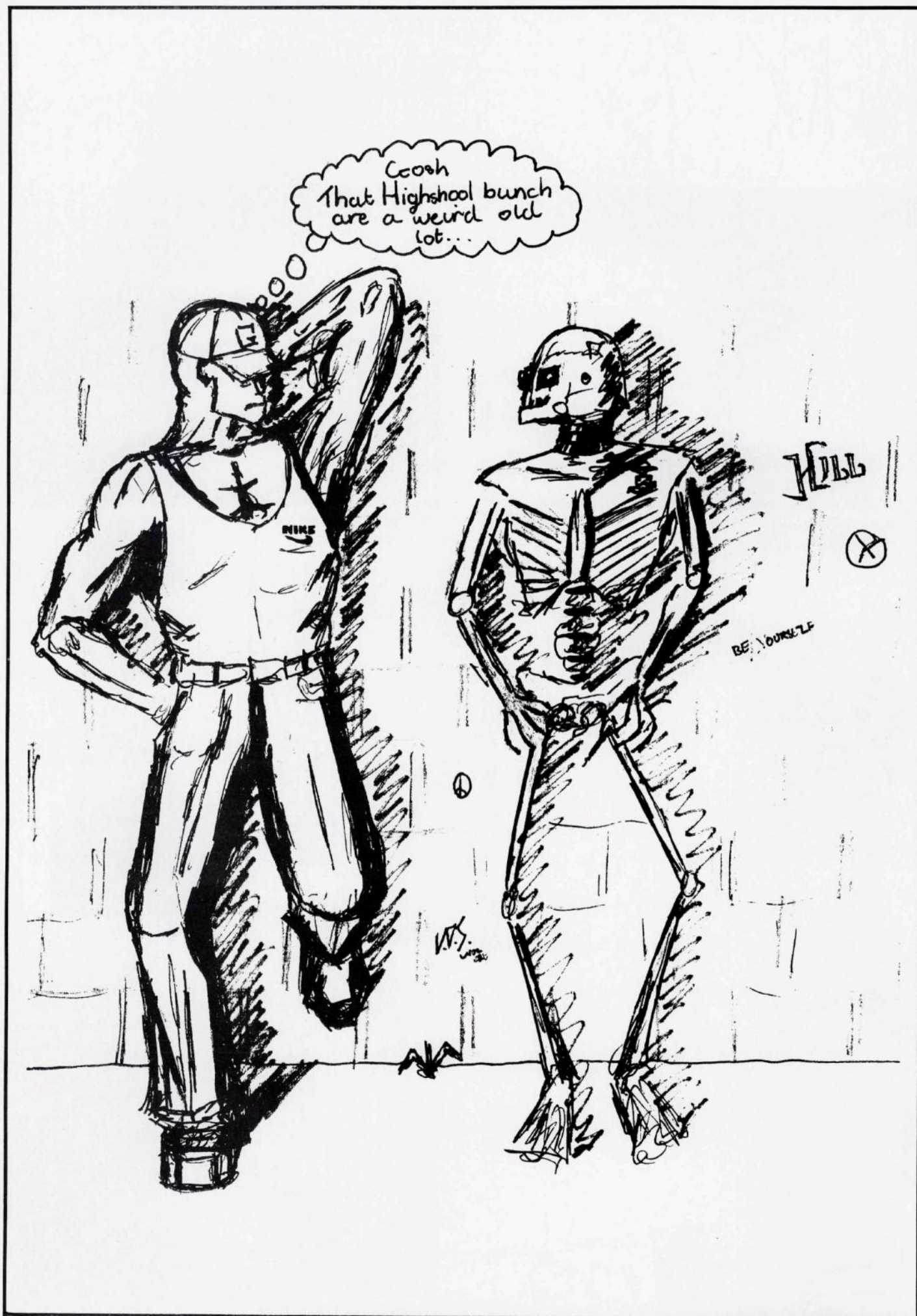
Then came violence...



Then the Mercs were called in...



...and all hell broke loose.



SCHOOL RECORD

Appointment of new Headmaster

The Board of Governors of the Erasmus Smith Trust has appointed Mr. Brian Trevor Duffy, M.A., H.Dip.Ed., as Headmaster of The High School in succession to Mr. Allan Brook, M.A., H.Dip.Ed., who will retire on July 31st 1994.

Mr. Duffy, who is from Dublin, was educated at Taney National School and at Wesley College. He won an Entrance Exhibition to Trinity College, Dublin, where he studied History and Political Science, graduating with a B.A.(Mod.) degree in 1976. The following year he obtained the Higher Diploma in Education.

On graduation he returned to Wesley where he teaches History, Geography, and Social Education. He has also been a Guidance teacher, Assistant to the Head Resident Master, and is currently a Head of Department, Year Head and Co-ordinator of Transition Year.

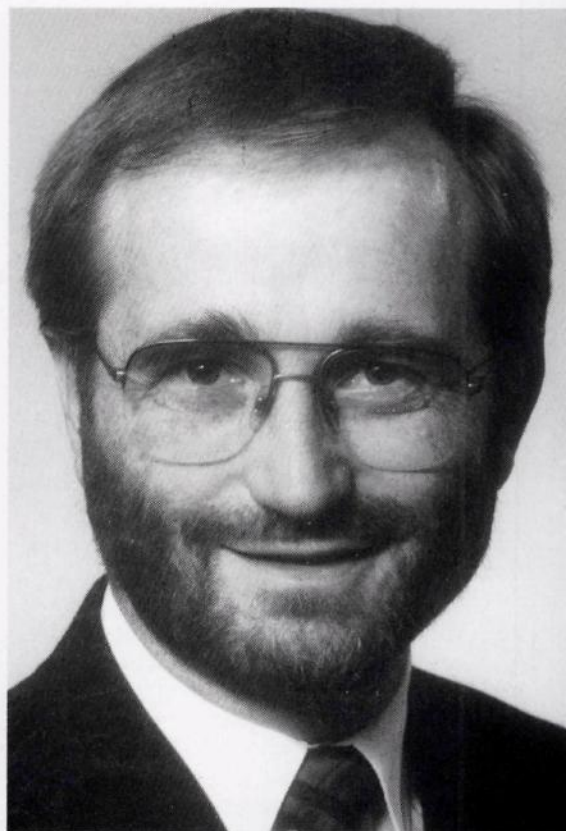
A committed member of Dun Laoghaire Presbyterian congregation, he is a representative of the Presbyterian Church on the Secondary Education Committee for Protestant Schools, which is responsible for co-ordinating Protestant educational policy and for distributing the

capitation grants provided by the government. Earlier this year he was appointed Director of Secondary Education for the Republic by the Presbyterian Church and in September acted as Chairman of the SEC Conference on Protestant post-primary education. At the recent national Convention on Education in Dublin Castle he was the SEC's representative.

Keenly interested in music, he is a former organist and choirmaster of Sandymount Presbyterian Church, a post he took up at the age of sixteen. While at TCD he was an active member of a jazz band and also acted as musical director of amateur productions of rock operas, such as *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

An active sportsman, in his spare time he is kept busy as a rugby referee and is a member of the IRFU Leinster Branch Association of Referees and of Old Wesley Rugby Club. He is a former chairman of the Leinster Schools Orienteering Association. His other leisure activities include creative gardening, photography and travel.

A married man, he and his wife, Catrin, have two children. Huw, aged 5, and Gwen, 3.



MR. BRIAN DUFFY

SCHOOL NEWS

In June 1993 Mr. Brook announced that he intended to retire from the position of Headmaster in July 1994. We send our best wishes to Mrs. Brook and himself for happiness in the future. Tributes to Mr. Brook's work in High School will appear in the 1995 edition of "The Erasmian and Diocesan Times".

Mr. Richard Davies is away on a career break, teaching Mathematics and Science in Botswana. Mrs. Caitriona Talbot resigned from her part-time post as teacher of Irish and Music in June, 1993. We welcome to the staff Miss Honour Kinsella (part-time Science) and Miss Frances Kerry (part-time Irish and Music).

The lockers introduced last year to accommodate the coats, sports gear and books of first year pupils proved very successful. This encouraged the school to acquire more, so that now all first and second year pupils have lockers. The intention is that by September 1994 lockers will be available for all pupils in the first three years. The coat peg racks removed to make room for the lockers

were erected inside the railings beside Zion Road to provide supports for sweet peas!

The new school uniform has continued to attract favourable comment from both

pupils and parents, and also from many people outside the school. It is now mandatory for pupils at all levels of the school.

Prize Distribution

The annual Prize Distribution and Parents' Evening was held on Wednesday, 20th October, 1993. Mr. Norman Kilroy, Chairman of the Governors of the Schools founded by Erasmus Smith, Esq., presided. The following is the text of the Headmaster's Report:

Mr. Chairman, Your Grace, Staff, Parents, Pupils and Friends of the High School. As I commence my final High Schools Prize Day speech I feel both exhilarated and weary. The exhilaration is there, not because I know that after to-day I have only 284 more days to do before release at the end of my twenty-three-year sentence as Headmaster, but because in my final year of service here I have been privileged to be part of a unique example of participatory democracy, the National Education Convention, of which more later. The weariness is because my

preparation for this evening was spending five and a half hours earlier to-day in the final two "Analysis of Issues" debates at the Convention.

I devoted my speech last year to my comments on the Green Paper "Education for a Changing World". This was published during the summer of 1992, and in my speech I analysed a number of the issues that it raised for a school like this. I then expected that by now the Government, through the Department of Education, would have issued a White Paper clearly delineating policy in education for some

years to come. Quite rightly the Government decided that, with an issue like education that effects the lives of the majority of its citizens, there should be the fullest debate possible, and so a number of major seminars were organised in different parts of the country, finally culminating in a nine day convention commencing on Monday, 11th October, at Dublin Castle.

During the first week there was a series of Management bodies at all levels, teacher unions, parents, business and industrial organisations, and a number of statutory bodies involved with education. After each presentation, or group of presentations, the presenters faced a series of probing questions from a skilled team of educational experts, who carefully flushed out all the problems and the areas where there could be divergent views. All the issues I highlighted in my speech last year, and more besides, came up, but as they did there was evident a deep commitment by all parties to listen to and accommodate viewpoints that differed sharply from their own. Concerns varied from interest group to interest group, and as an impartial listener might hear the list - smaller classes, better buildings, skilled help for students with physical, educational, emotional or social disadvantage, resources for a wider curriculum, better grants for schools and individuals, in-service training for teachers, a more effective structure of middle-management in schools and a structure that would ensure the delivery of quality education at all levels, he could have been forgiven if he felt that he was hearing about a national education system that was dying, if not already dead. Not so. What our impartial hearer, if there is such an animal on the Irish educational scene - was hearing was the self-critical enthusiasm of a system of education that, through the dedication of its owner providers and its teacher deliverers, has performed a miracle of rapid change over the past twenty-five years, and yet has still many problems to solve if all our many young people are to receive the quality education they deserve, and that our competitive modern world demands.

The final presentation, and easily the most professional, came on Monday morning of this week. The Secretary of the Department of Education, Dr. Don Thornhill, backed by more than fifteen of his senior department officers, presented the Department's comments on some of the key issues, reviewed the current satisfactory state of Irish education, on the basis of a number of OECD indicators, and gave costings individually and globally for all the improvements sought for in the presentations of last week. The aggregate estimated cost of the measures sought for is £478m. Funding this increased allocation would require:

a 27% reduction in exchequer funding for health services

or

a 13% reduction in exchequer funding for social welfare services

or

a 13% increase in the yield from income tax, broadly equivalent to an increase in the standard rate from 27% to 33%

or

a 20% increase in the yield from VAT, broadly equivalent to an increase in the standard rate from 21% to 27%.

Since expenditure of this nature cannot be contemplated in the short term, prioritisation of needs has to be undertaken, and the remainder of the Convention, fifteen working groups in closed session teasing out the key issues, has followed. Finally the Secretary General of the Convention, Professor John Coolahan, will draw up his report and present it to the Minister for Education, and, as he does, every one of the delegates will hope that she and her Department will act to bring the changes that the majority of providers, deliverers and consumers in the education system wish to see, and that the Government will rapidly find the finance to meet the priorities in change.

It has been for me an exhilarating climax to my own involvement with the Irish education scene. This exercise in participatory democracy is unique. I am proud to be Irish when it means being involved in such a world first as this.

But I probably won't be here, as most of you will, when the coming changes really affect the system, affect High School. What will these changes be? In theory the first proposed one is a devolution of many functions and much responsibility from a very centralised Department of Education to Boards of Management at individual school level, and the devolution of the responsibility for and administration of many support services to an Intermediate Tier of Education Authorities. For these changes to be acceptable and effective Principals will require the backing of a meaningful middle management structure within the school, and the Intermediate Tier will need to stay as a support mechanism rather than as the controlling and decision making politicised structure the present VEC's have been.

The second change is the acknowledgement of the importance of structures for the greater engagement of parents with schools, and in particular through their participation in Boards of Management. At this point I would wish to pay my own tribute to the High School Parents' Association and its successive Chairpersons and Committees that have supported me so strongly and done so much for the school. And I would want to go further and commend the Board of

Governors for the lead they have given to the majority of other schools under Protestant management by ensuring that both parents and teachers are involved in the management of the school.

The third change is the acceptance by all schools of their responsibility to disadvantaged pupils, not just by passive toleration of their presence, but by actively integrating them in the full life of the school. The majority of pupils and parents in the school are probably unaware that we have three profoundly deaf pupils in the school, and that the Department of Education provides support teaching services for these. As I say this I am sure that some of the Governors present tonight are saying to themselves, "And we didn't know either! He might have reported this development to us, and sought our support for this policy first." And if I were a good Principal I suppose I should have done so. To me it is important to give a proper welcome to those disadvantaged by deafness, and it was easy to do so knowing the move would meet with general approval. But I wonder what the response will be when my successor accepts the first traveller children!

I could dwell on many more changes that Irish schools in general and High School in particular will experience in coming years under the guidance of my successor, whoever he or she is. I have no fears for that individual in the face of such change because I know that the backing of a board with strong personal interest in the school and an amazing reservoir of expertise, of a staff team with high standards both for themselves and the person who leads them, and of a committed and supportive body of parents will be as much at their disposal as they have been at mine.

As I draw to a close perhaps I may be allowed the luxury of a trip down memory lane, a rather indistinct lane as I have always preferred to live adventurously in the present than dwell on the disasters of the past. My only memory of my first staff meeting was my declaration that I would not use corporal punishment (which in those days of pre-history was allowed) and that I would not support any member of staff who did. The highlight of my first assembly was the lad who talked to his neighbour, and was named by me from the stage, the only one of the five hundred boys before me whose name I knew. That did wonders for my reputation as a disciplinarian! Then there was the wonderful moment of the final whistle at Lansdowne Road on St. Patrick's Day 1973 when Don Lewis, now coach to Wesley College Rugby S.C.T., had led a High School S.C.T., including one David Wright, now one of the coaches to our S.C.T., to our only victory in the Leinster Schools Senior Rugby Cup.

Three pupils particularly stand out from the thousands who passed through High School since 1971: Christopher King is the first, a rôle model for excellence. His outstanding results in Leaving Certificate made him eligible for two of the seven highly coveted Easter Week Scholarships awarded for top performance in Ireland in pairs of Leaving Certificate subjects. He went on to a double Gold Medal in T.C.D., and to a post as a Professor of Physics in a major American University. John Fitzgerald

is the second. John came to us from a boarding school where he had sat the Intermediate Certificate twice and failed all subjects on both occasions, the second time worse than the first.

Two years later, after playing in the 1973 Cup-winning Rugby team, he passed six of the seven subjects he presented in the Leaving Certificate. He asked to return to repeat his Leaving Certificate, but half way through the year left to join a brother in Australia. Four years later I heard that

he had gone to University and succeeded on a demanding degree course, a rôle model for academic recovery. The third pupil is a girl who had better remain nameless. She was the girl whose behaviour was so outrageous that the Senior Lady Teacher and I had to threaten her that on one more report she would be expelled. As she left the room I stopped her and said that I hoped I would see her as a School Prefect two years later. And I did, one of the best I have ever known.

LIST OF PRIZES

Old Boys' Cup: Rory Timlin
Jean Scott Trophy: Aoife Davey

Form

6 Up.- *Class Prizes:* Jeremy Sargent, Neville Cobbe, Katherine West.

6- *High School Exhibition (£250):* Andrew Grimson.
Glorney Exhibition and Cup (£160): Rory Timlin.
Abraham and Charles Spiro Prize (£100): Helen Finch.
Victor Graham Prize in Mathematics (£1,000): Judith Haslett.
Mildred Latimer Memorial Prize (£120): Naoise Griffin.
John Bennett Memorial Prize (£50): Nicholas McMurry.
Rawdon Taylor Memorial Prize (£100): Duncan Micks.
Iuan King Memorial Prize (£40): Cian Rice.
B'nai Brith Scholarship (£300): Ross Staunton, Diane Wright.

Alan Peters Memorial Prize: Alexander Kearney.
Bessie Bury Prize for English: Rory Timlin.
Casserley Memorial Prize for English: Naoise Griffin.
German Government Prize: Helen Finch.
Miss Latimer's Prize for Geography: Rory Timlin.
S.S. Evans Prize for Commerce: Rory Timlin.
Dr. Maurice Anderson's Prize for Home Economics: Sandra Johnson.

Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Alexander Kearney.
Diocesan School Music Prize: Helen Finch.
O.B.U. Debating Medal: Nicholas Kiersey.

Class Prizes: Geoffrey Bradley, Gavin Buttimore, Fiona Campbell, Ruth Dowling, Rebecca Gageby, Stephen Lipson, Isabel Toolan.

5- *Mitchell Scholarship:* Simon Stroughair.
Dr. Start's Prize for Chemistry: Simon Stroughair.
Parents' Association Prize for English: Steven Edge, Ciara Griffin.
Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Barry Fogarty.
Class Prizes: Grainne Colgan, Janet Craven, Sarah Deegan, Heidi Kinsella, Anthony Lock, Sarah Rowell, Jenefer Taylor, Ian Wilkinson.
Rogers Memorial Prize: Owen Frazer.
Dillon Prize for Mathematics: Colin Lowe.
Foster Memorial Prize for Mathematics: Elizabeth Thornburgh.
Carpenter Memorial Essay Prize: John Fogarty.
3- *Emily Latimer Memorial Prize for English:* Jane Toolan.
Miss Latimer's Prize for Geography: Owen Frazer.
Casserley Prize for History: Emma Eager.
German Government Prize: Owen Frazer.
S.S. Evans Prize for Commerce: Stefanie Sheppard.
Dr. Maurice Anderson's Prize for Home Economics: Beverley Jones.
Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Susanna Coghlan.
Parents' Association Prize for the Mechanical Drawing: Mark Cantan.
Diocesan School Music Prize: Fionn Fitzpatrick.

Class Prizes:

3A1 Alex McKee, Amber Walsh.
3A2 Brian Kelly, Matthew McGann, Timothy Moore.
3B1 Ruth Harley, Suzanne Killeen, Suzanne Rynhart.
3B2 Susan Harrison, Gwendolyn Masin.
3B3 David Blackwood, Mark Homan.
Evelyn Riley Memorial Prize: Freda Vora.
McNay Prize for English: Mairead Dorney.
Parents' Association Prize for Woodwork: Alan Smyth.
Miss Mitchell's Prize for Art: Roslyn Ellis.
Wilfred Lowry Progress Prizes: Jonathan Allison, Joy Beattie, Barry Handleman, Conor O'Neill.

Class Prizes:

2A1 Kevin O'Reilly, David Finlay, Emma-Jane Rosenberg
2A2 Vanessa Carswellk, Scott Wynne.
2B1 Gavin Larson, Mikal Koya
2B2 Cleona Gray, Aaron Inglis
2B3 Lynn Carty, Keith Tynhart.
Ethel Brady Prize: Daniel Frazer.
Jellett Memorial Prize for Irish: Nicola Gray.

Class Prizes:

1AP Melanie Boyle, Elizabeth Hilliard, Zoe Lipson.
1AS Ben McGuire, Eric Klotz.
1BP Philip Bailey, Justin O'Malley.
1BQ Gillian Lane, Georgina Scott.
1BT James Robertson, Hilary Boyd.

SCHOOL ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Ralph Reynolds Memorial Scholarship: Michelle McCartney, Notre Dame, Churchtown.
Gary Mahon, Greenlanes National School.
Emma Hilliard, Rathfarnham Parish National School.
Declan Donohue, Rathfarnham Parish National School.
Sarah Gray, Rathgar Junior School.
Robert Hilliard, Zion National School.

Music Scholarships: Deborah Nevin, Rathgar National School.
Louise Watson, Taney National School.

LEAVING CERTIFICATE 1993

Juan Alonso Vicedo, Bichola Bailey, Aisling Campbell, Neville Cobbe, Alan Cole, Kenneth Dolan, Kathryn Frost, John Galligan, Alison Gill, John Grey, Mark Gunn, Shuna Hutchinson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Carol Moore, Paul Mullen, James O'Shea, Peter Pirie, Jeremy Sargent, Andrew Skelton, Katherine West, Elaine Ball, Kieran Bell, Nadine Bissoondath, Philip Blythman, Geoffrey Bradley, Gareth Bradshae, Leah Burke, Gavin Buttimore, Timothy Cains, Fiona Campbell, Graham Carroll, Lee Clements, Simon Clements, Andrew Coggins, Alaric Collier, Patricia Conway, Craig Cooper, Clare Corcoran, Aoife Davey, Helen Deegan, Jennifer Douglas, Gillian Dowling, Ruth Dowling, Andrew Falconer, Trevor Farrar, Nigel Fennell, Helen Finch, Jeffrey Flynn, Timothy Foster, Kirsia Fox, Kari Fry, Rebecca Gageby, Susan Gibbons, Howard Glover, Haxel Glynnne, Louise

Gobbett, Naoise Griffin, Rebecca Griffin, Victor Griffin, Andrew Grimson, Deirdre Gyves, Miriam Hanan, Ciaran Harris, Damien Harris, Amanda Hart, Judith Haslett, Suzanne Hill, Nigel Hodgkinson, Tracy Hooper, Philip Ireland, Benjamin Jackson, Sandra Johnson, Sinead Johnstone, Alexander Kearney, Paul Kearns, Cheryl Keatinge, Edward Kelly, Neil Kelly, Stephen Kelly, Aiveen Kemp, Nicholas Kiersey, Karl Kinch, Philip Knowd, Alan Latimer, Susan Latimer, Arlene Lawler, Gwenola Le Lu, Daniel Lewis, Pai Wei Lin, Stephen Lipson, Shireen Lloyd, Ruth Loane, Stuart Luke, Conor Lyons, Jonathan Matthews, Nicholas McMurry, Dominic Merriman, Duncan Micks, Jane Moffett, Niamh Morrison, Graeme Murdoch, Bruce Murphy, Desmond Murphy, Nicola Murphy, Tanya Nixon, David O'Donnell, Manus O'Donnell, Timothy O'Donovan, Michael O'Dwyer, Nicole O'Neill, David Owen, Shane Pemberton, Verney Poynton, Richard Price, Glynis Redmond, Leona Reilly, Cian Rice, Karl Richardson, Peter Robertson, Janet Robinson, Samuel Robinson, Emmett Rogers, Zoe Sainsbury, Geoffrey Shaw, Garret Sheehy, Mark Simms, Andrew Sinnamon, Ross Staunton, Kim Stephen, Duan Stokes, Julie Stokes, Grace Sweeney, Nicola Sweeney, Rory Timlin, Isabel Toolan, David Vora, Peter Walker, David Walsh, Diane Wright, Ivor Young.

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE 1993

Trudi Carroll, Timothy Carty, Robert Casey, Kirsty Clarke, Georgina Dunne, Fionn Fitzpatrick, Graeme Flower, Glynn Foster, Owen Frazer, Sinead Fry, Ruth Hlacken, Jill Hamilton, Beverley Jones, Shalom Lambert, Ian Marconi, Trevor McDonald, Alexander McKeem Emma Murphy, Brian Pierce, Mark Reid,

Stefanie Sheppard, Laurence Simms, Paul Singleton, Richard Sweeney, Jane Toolan, Anber Walsh, Adam Whelan, Matthew Whiting, Derek Wynne, Kelsey Baldwin, Mark Cantan, Ronan Carroll, Susanna Coghlan, Jennifer Cole, Emma Eager, Michael Feely, Derek Fisher, John Fogarty, Sonja Glass, Andrew Gurley, Devi Govender, Geoffrey Harper, Brian Kelly, Cornelia Kennedy, Niall Lloyd, Colin Lowe, Liam Lyons, Yvonne Maher, Michelle Matthews, Matthew McGann, Timothy Moore, Jonathan Murphy, Sarah Quinn-McDonagh, Fergal Rice, Elizabeth Thornburgh, Gavin Timlin, Roger Walsh, Graham Cadoo, Paul Campbell, Jill Carroll, Amber Carry, Trevor Conlon-Grant, Natasha Dalton-O'Neill, Patrick Forde, Tomothy Hanan, Ruth Harley, Felicity Hart, Andreas Hartung, Suzanne Killeen, Graham Lucas, Conor Lynch, Susanne Moody, Suzanne Murphy, Susan O'Brien, Chloe O'Donovan, Avril Patton, Emer Roberts, Hilary Ryan, Suzanne Rynhart, Evan Spier, Leah Weinrib, Ross Whitney, Leigh Byrne, Mervyn Elliott, Marcia Goldwater, Catherine Gourley, Uan Grey, Trevor Gyves, Jonathan Hanan, Susan Harrison, Niall Heeney, Lorna Jerrard-Dunne, Vanessa Kilbride, Wan Lan Leung, Gwendolyn Masin, Colin McEndoo, Abbie McHugh, Rachel McKee, Linda O'Neill, Robert O'Brien, Jonathan Scales, Tracy Shorten, Warren Swalbe, Tadhg White, Gareth Wills, David Blackwood, Justin Brown, Alexander Burke, Leah Caulwell, Caroline Dowd, Karen Earley, Eric Field, Joseph Harding, Alan Hilliard, Mark Homan, Emma Kenealy, Michael King, David Masters, Derek Moffett, Nadine Mull, Simon O'Callaghan, Alan O'Sullivan, Adrienne Reidy, Jonathan Sherling, John Swift, Niamh Swords, Samuel Wiltshire.

Valete 1993

Form 6U

Juan Alonso: Spanish, Italian and Business Studies, D.I.T.
Nichola Bailey: Food Science, D.I.T.
Aisling Campbell: Year off prior to Arts, U.C.D.
Neville Cobbe: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Alan Cole: Business Studies, Tallaght R.T.C.
Kenneth Dolan: Business Studies, Tallaght R.T.C.
Kathryn Frost: Business Studies D.I.T.
John Galligan: Medical Biophysics, University of East London.
Alison Gill: Home Economics, Sheffield Hallam University.
John Grey: Agricultural Science, U.C.D.
Mark Gunn: Computer Science, D.T.I.
Shuna Hutchinson: French and Sociology, T.C.D.
Elizabeth Mitchell: Bilingual Secretarial Course, Rathmines Senior College.
Carol Moore: Arts, U.C.D.
Paul Mullen: Business Studies, Tallaght R.T.C.
James O'Shea: Arts, U.C.D.
Peter Price: Science, U.C.D.
Jeremy Sargent: Medicine, T.C.D.
Andrew Skelton: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Katherine West: Arts, U.C.D.

Form 6

Elaine Ball: Leisure Management: Coláiste Íde.
Kieran Bell: Arts, U.C.D.
Nadine Bisoondath: Greek and Spanish, T.C.D.
Philip Blythman: Photography, Dun Laoghaire College of Art.
Geoffrey Bradley: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Gareth Bradshaw: Computer Science, T.C.D.
Leah Burke: Art and Design, Ballyfermot Senior College.
Gavin Buttimore: Mathematics and Philosophy, T.C.D.
Timothy Cains: Art (Special Effects), Dun Laoghaire College of Art.
Fiona Campbell: Medicine, U.C.G.
Graham Carroll: Engineering Certificate, Cork R.T.C.
Lee Clements: Rathmines Senior College

Simon Clements: Geography and Sociology, T.C.D.
Andrew Coggin: Electronics.
Alaric Collier: Dundrum College.
Patricia Conway: Mathematics, T.C.D.
Craig Cooper: Bank Official, A.I.B.
Clare Corcoran: P.L.C. Rathmines Senior College.
Aoife Davey: Arts, U.C.G.
Helen Deegan: Air Stewardess Course.
Jennifer Douglas: Secretarial Course, Rathmines.
Ruth Dowling: Medicine, T.C.D.
Gillian Dowling: Hotel Management C.E.R.T.
Andrew Falconer: Outreach Course, Corrymeela Ecumenical Centre.
Trevor Farrar: Seeking employment.
Nigel Fennel: 6U, H.S.D.
Helen Finch: German and Russian, T.C.D.
Jeffrey Flynn: Applied Mathematics, D.C.U.
Timothy Foster: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Kirsa Fox: Art and Design, Sallynoggin Senior College.
Karl Fry: Art Portfolio Course, Dundrum College.
Rebecca Gageby: Arts, U.C.D.
Susan Gibbons: Garden Restaurant, The Square.
Howard Glover: Trimwell.
Hazel Glynne: Arts, U.C.D.
Louise Gobbett: Equine Studies, Coláiste Íde.
Naoise Griffin: Spanish and History of Art, T.C.D.
Rebecca Griffin: 6U, H.S.D.
Victor Griffin: Seeking employment.
Andrew Grimson: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Deirdre Gyves: Assistant, Nursing Home.
Miriam Hanan: Montessori Teaching.
Ciaran Harris: Engineering, T.C.D.
Damien Harris: Engineering, T.C.D.
Amanda Hart: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Judith Haslett: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Suzanne Hill: Hostess, Stena Sealink.
Tracey Hooper: Child Care Studies.
Philip Ireland: M.J. Flood (Ireland) Ltd.

Benjamin Jackson: Mathematics and Philosophy, T.C.D.
Sandra Johnson: 6U, H.S.D.
Alexander Kearney: Institute of Education.
Paul Kearns: Dundrum College.
Cheryl Keatinge: 6U, H.S.D.
Edward Kelly: PLC, Ballyfermot Senior College.
Stephen Kelly: Classics, T.C.D.
Neil Kelly: Electronic Engineering, D.I.T.
Nicholas Kiersey: European Studies, University of Limerick.
Karl Kinch: Arts, U.C.D.
Aiveen Kemp: Natural Science, T.C.D.
Philip Knowd: Oceanography, Bangor University.
Alan Latimer: Leinster Business School.
Susan Latimer: Repeat Leaving.
Arlene Lawler: English and Philosophy, University of Sunderland.
Gwen Le Lu: Rathmines Senior College.
Daniel Lewis: Engineering, Kingston University.
Pai Weui Lin: Dundrum College.
Stephen Lipson: Theoretical Physics, T.C.D.
Shireen Lloyd: Institute of Education.
Ruth Loane: Ashfield College.
Stuart Luke: Construction Studies, Bolton Street.
Conor Lyons: Rathmines Senior College.
Jonathan Matthews: Dundrum College.
Nicholas McMurry: History and Latin, T.C.D.
Dominic Merriman: Portfolio Course, Sallynoggin Technical College.
Duncan Micks: Engineering, T.C.D.
Janet Moffett: International Marketing, D.I.T.
Niamh Morrison: 6U, H.S.D.
Graeme Murdock: Mechanical Engineering, Univ. of Sussex.
Bruce Murphy: Engineering, T.C.D.
Desmond Murphy: Ringsend Technical College.
Nicola Murphy: Nursing, Adelaide Hospital.
Tanya Nixon: Secretarial Studies.
David O'Donnell: 6U, H.S.D.
Manus O'Donnell: Geography and Economics, T.C.D.
Timothy O'Donovan: Management Science and Systems Analysis, T.C.D.
Michael O'Dwyer: Hotel Management, D.I.T.
Nicole O'Neill: Social Science, U.C.D.
Leona O'Reilly: Year off.
David Owen: Ringsend Technical College.
Shane Pemberton: Institute of Education.
Verney Poynton: Auctioneering, Dun Laoghaire Institute of Further Education.
Richard Price: Leisure Management, Inchore Technical College.
Glynis Redmond: 6U, H.S.D.
Cian Rice: Business Economics and Social Studies, T.C.D.
Karl Richardson: Institute of Education.
Peter Robertson: Smurfit Cartons Ltd.
Janet Robinson: Ashfield College.
Sam Robinson: Repeat Leaving.
Emmet Rogers: Sales Assistant, Everything American.
Zoe Sainsbury: Art and Design, Coláiste Íde.
Geoffrey Shaw: Applied Science, D.I.T.
Garret Sheehy: Arts, U.C.G.
Mark Simms: Arts, U.C.D.
Andrew Sinammon: Sales Assistant, Pete's, Parnell Street.
Ross Staunton: 6U, H.S.D.
Kip Stephen: Institute of Education.
Duan Stokes: Ashfield College.
Grace Sweeney: Arts, U.C.G.
Nicola Sweeney: Music Performance Degree, Guildhall, London.
Rory Timlin: International Commerce, U.C.D.
Isabel Toolan: Arts, U.C.D.
David Vora: Letterkenny R.T.C.
Peter Walker: Missionary Work, Spain.
David Walsh: P.L.C., Ringsend Technical College.
Diane Wright: 6U, H.S.D.
Ivor Young: 6U, H.S.D.

T.K.

The Debating Society

"Better beans for finer flavour", echoes the way I feel about those who took part in this year's debating. There has been an excellent standard of speakers, not all of whom are deeply experienced. Neither did anyone have to obtain a gifted level of literacy, but each of them displayed an individual quality and a personal enthusiasm.

The attendance has grown and diversified. This year saw, more than ever, large numbers of 4th and 5th year students. It was great to see them participating, and the truth is, the earlier you start the more you can achieve. What caused this boom in numbers is not fully known, but maybe the advertising campaign did actually pay off. If nothing else, it brightened up school and unleashed artistic talents.

Two teams were entered in the National European Youth Parliament (EYP) selection conference, which for the first time was held in High School. The Conference ran very smoothly and I believe HSD proved to be a suitable venue. Ben Kiersey and Janet Craven attended the earlier EYP session in Fontainebleau. Berkeley Vincent and Sharon Jackson were chosen from the participants at the selection conference and attended the session in Berlin, held in the historic Reichstag building. Model United Nations was another major conference, held in Jury's Hotel, which two HSD teams also attended.

At the beginning of the year, the Concern Debates provided an extremely beneficial learning experience. Any outside school debates present a more wordly view, and extra examples of good

performances. The Leinster Schools competition introduced us into a new dimension of spontaneous debating. Niall Coghlan made an exceptionally good effort, and was triumphant in reaching the semi-final. Points of information are part of the procedure used in this competition. This provides for spontaneity and higher standards of debates. Influenced by this and the University debates I attended, the HSD Debating Society introduced points of information into their lunchtime debates. In doing so, levels of confidence rose considerably.

The Old Boys' Debate was chaired this year by Tom McCaughren, Security Correspondent and Author. The attendance was quite low this year, but those who did not come missed a great display of competitive discussion. HSD

proposed the motion, "The Public Order Act is an abuse of citizens' rights", and won for the first time in years.

I believe debating is something everyone should experience. It takes a lot of courage to stand up and say what you feel. It can provide you with confidence and incentive for motivation. Be proud, and don't let anything deter you from fulfilling your

dreams. Along with your actions will come an inspiration for others. Everyone has something to say, so say it to the world. It could do with a few more messages of hope.

I would like to thank Mr. Blackmore, Ms Milne, Mr. D. Miller and Mr. Prendergast for their participation in the teachers' debate (which I hope will become an

annual event), and in particular Mr. Wallace, whose kind support and generous advice spurred on the Debating Society. My appreciation of his work is shared by many and I am sure will be for years to come.

This year's O.B.U. Debating Medal was won by Niall Coghlan.

Angus Cowie (Auditor)

European Youth Parliament

Fontainebleau Session, 1993

The birthplace of the European Youth Parliament was in Fontainebleau in 1988. It was appropriate that EYP should return there to celebrate its fifth anniversary. Fontainebleau is an historic town, situated outside Paris. It provided a very nice setting for the EYP. The General Assembly and official ceremonies took place in INSTAD, Europe's top business institution and the committee sessions were in nearby schools. Over 200 young people representing the 12 European Union Countries, the Czech Republic, Finland, Poland and the Lebanon, took part.

We arrived in Fontainebleau on Friday, the 22nd October, after quite an eventful journey. Air France baggage handlers were on strike and so we were expecting a few difficulties. However, we were very lucky and we were able to fly direct to Charles de Gaulle with only a few minor problems reclaiming our luggage. Many delegations had to fly to Brussels and then get a bus to Paris, while others arrived a day late because their flights had been cancelled. However, we did have to spend eight hours in Charles de Gaulle waiting for a bus to take us to Fontainebleau.

Some militant strikers had deposited a large amount of potatoes on the motorway and so blocked all traffic from the airport. This was a good opportunity for the Irish delegation to get to know each other and we were thoroughly entertained by our accompanying teacher, Miss Travers. We eventually arrived in Fontainebleau late on Friday evening and we were shown to our dormitories in the Lycee Francois Premier where we boarded for the week.

As with all EYP sessions, the week began with a two-day Outward Bound Course. This took place in Larchant Forest near Fontainebleau. Despite bad weather conditions, the course was both very enjoyable and successful in achieving its aims. These aims are to build an effective team and to promote integration and friendship. Different tasks were given to the committees involving physical, mental and team skills. These aims are to build an

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Different tasks were given to the committees involving physical, mental and team skills. We had to learn to trust the other members on our committee (made up of one representative from every country) and also listen to their opinions and ideas. The activities varied from trust games and problem solving to individual challenges.

Some examples of these activities are: falling backwards from a rock and trusting the others to catch you, or solving the problem of how to get a whole committee over a slippery rock-face without using any equipment. We also all had the opportunity to try abseiling. At the end of the two days each committee had to make up and perform a short sketch. After this, while we were waiting for the buses, a talented delegate began to play a guitar which had been used for the sketches. Very spontaneously this developed into a huge sing-song, underlining just how effective the Outward Bound Course was.

On Monday morning the official opening ceremony took place in INSTAD, commencing with speeches by the French Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Mayor of Fontainebleau, followed by shorter speeches from other dignitaries. Before we knew it, it was lunch-time, after which everybody went to their respective committee rooms to begin formulating resolutions. This was where the Outward Bound Course really paid off as effective communication between the entire committee was essential.

The formulation continued until Wednesday with as much discussion of the topics going on in 'Le Pub' every night, as there was in the committee rooms during the day. Our evenings were occupied by many different events like a civic reception in the Town Hall given by the Mayor, talks given by NATO experts on security policies, a meal in an Italian restaurant, a disco and visits to 'Le Pub' or 'Le France'.

Thursday was designated a day of rest and which the Irish delegation chose to

spend in Paris. We travelled by train with the Dutch delegation and spent a wonderful day seeing all that Paris had to offer (the Eiffel Tower, George Pompidou Centre, Galerie Lafayette, McDonalds, etc.). On returning that evening we proceeded to the Municipal Theatre for a concert given by some of the EYP delegates. After the music, the winning tickets were drawn for a tombola with the top prize being a trip to Los Angeles. Unfortunately, the Irish did not win the trip but we did manage to claim four other prizes (including Eurodisney passes).

Friday saw the beginning of the General Assembly. This was where each resolution was read, debated and voted on with continuous simultaneous translation in English and French. It was the ultimate test of how good a committee really was, to see if they had produced an all-encompassing resolution, or as some delegates would argue, that it wasn't worth the paper it was written on. It took a lot of courage to get up in front of over 200 people and attack or defend a resolution, but it was extremely rewarding especially if you got a clap or two. General Assembly continued until Saturday afternoon and the session was closed with excellent speeches given by the organisers.

We were shown a film recorded during the Outward Bound Course which had been compiled by a group of German students. It showed footage of all the committees engaged in different activities, capturing many special moments. The session was appropriately ended with champagne and birthday cake in celebration of EYP's fifth birthday.

The week exceeded all our expectations with every day having many unforgettable memories. We would like to thank all our sponsors, Santa Maria College and Mr. Wallace for all they did to ensure our participation. This support and encouragement was very much appreciated.

Janet Craven (6th)
Ben Kiersey (6th)

BERLIN SESSION, 1994

The venue for the second International European Youth Parliament of this school year was Berlin. The selection conference for this session was held in High School on January 14th and 15th. There were over 70 participants from ten schools, all from Dublin. High School sent 10 pupils of which two were selected for the Irish delegation to Berlin session, myself and Berkeley Vincent. This session took place from the 11th to the 20th of February. There were over 250 delegates present, from 23 countries including the 12 European Union states, Finland, Sweden, Bosnia Herzegovina, Croatia, Lithuania, Poland and the Czech Republic.

The Irish delegation, consisting of 12 students from 9 schools, met twice before our departure, to get to know each other and discuss travel arrangements and sponsorship for the trip. We met Mr. Landers and Fr. MacLoughlin who would accompany us to Berlin, and chose our ambassador who represented the delegation at the Opening and Closing ceremonies of the session and who met the Mayor of Berlin.

Extremely early on the morning of the 11th February we met in Dublin Airport and flew to Heathrow, then on to Berlin. Transported by local bus under the care of three organisers, who somehow convinced the bus driver to benevolently let us on free, each delegate met the host family he or she would be staying with for the ten days.

Both Berkeley and I had very hospitable families, who brought us on a tour of the city, visiting Checkpoint Charlie and the East Side Gallery which is a part of the Wall that still stands. Berlin is a city filled with history as well as hope and anxiety for the future, and the changes we could see happening around us made our trip especially interesting.

Journeys of up to two hours (which meant getting up at 6.30 a.m.) to reach the venues for each day's activities were one downside to the ten days, because both our host families lived quite far out. But we made it on Saturday to the team-building centre, in the Canesius Kolleg near the beautiful Tiergarten Park. Here I met the other members of the Economic, Monetary and Industrial committee, while Berkeley went to the Environment committee. Each committee had between 15 and 18 members, with one from each country.

For that day and Sunday we learnt to trust all the members of our committee, listen to one another, plan ahead and work as a team. There were a great deal of

blindfolds, circles and wandering around in the snow (temperatures reached $-20^{\circ}\text{C}!$) as well as playing the Vortex game and crawling on the floor humming at total strangers, all of which succeeded in breaking down any barriers between us and making the whole committee work well together.

Monday was the Opening Ceremony for which we were honoured with the use of the Reichstag parliament buildings. The President of the German Parliament and the editor of a major Berlin newspaper spoke to us, as well as the President of the EYP session. The ambassador of each country also gave an introductory speech. The most moving speeches came from the two Bosnian delegates, one of whom simply stated 'My country is at war'. Throughout the ten days the war in the former Yugoslavia was in all our minds, and on the last day of General Assembly we passed a statement of our views about the situation there. This was sent to the European Parliament together with our resolutions.

After lunch in the Reichstag we began committee work in another Berlin school. For three days the debates raged in all of the 15 committees, but finally each one hammered out a resolution that each committee member had contributed to. The official EYP languages are English and French, and German was also used during this session.

As we finished committee work on Wednesday we had Thursday free. A tour of Berlin had been organised for us, which was interesting, and most people went shopping for the afternoon. That evening was the Euroconcert for delegates and their host families, and a member from each country's delegation played music or sang as a way of thanking the host families for their hospitality. In think the Finnish version of *Stairway to Heaven* is something no one who heard it can forget, unfortunately.

Friday saw the beginning of General Assembly in the Reichstag. After the debate and vote on the first resolution the Irish delegation departed for a short meeting with the Tanaiste, Dick Spring. It was good to see support of EYP by the Irish government, as EYP commands a lot of respect from governments across Europe. A picture of the meeting made the front page of a Berlin newspaper, and delegates were interviewed daily by television and radio.

General Assembly continued during

Saturday and each resolution was attacked, usually justly, and defended loyally. Topics included the rise of fascism and extremism; abortion and euthanasia; pollution control; the integration of Muslim peoples; ownership of information; the future of the Economic Monetary System and European Monetary Union; protectionism; uniformity of working conditions. Mine and Berkeley's resolutions were passed.

Both General Assembly and the committee work were extremely informative and interesting. They destroyed the myth that economics and trade are complicated subjects that can be understood only by the highly educated few. In reality research and discussion meant everyone present could understand the complexities of these issues, which affect us all.

The debates on fascism and racism made me realise the pitfalls that surround legislating on these issues, especially the tendency to enforce assimilation of a minority group. This is a dangerous idea which the resolution on this topic seemed to support, so it was defeated along with one other resolution. All resolutions passed by the EYP are forwarded to the European Parliament to be considered as they make laws, so the views and ideas of the youth of Europe are considered by those who make policy.

During the ten days all the delegates went out every night in groups of between 30 and 150 people, both to the Irish pub and to organised events. One evening there was a questions and answers sessions with representatives from NATO and the Bundesbank. Another night the British delegation, who were Scottish, organised a night of traditional Scottish singing, music and dancing which was enjoyed by all and suggests the idea of an Irish céilí at a future EYP session. The final night was the EYP disco which turned into a very emotional event.

I had such a brilliant time, learnt so much and made so many good friends during the ten days that we were all in tears saying goodbye. At least I know that we will meet again, at one of the EYP 'Megasessions' which are special sessions organised for all previous participants in EYP. I hope many more students will try for selection next year as EYP has an incredible amount to give to everyone who attends it. My thanks to Mr. Wallace, Mr. Landers, Fr. MacLoughlin and my sponsors for all their help and support.

Sharon Jackson (5th)

The Friends of The Library

This year many new activities have begun in the library. They are "Book of the week" which is organised by the ever helpful Elizabeth Hilliard; "Word of the week" organised by Aubrey Robinson and, of course, "Worst book of the week" which is run by Lucinda Taylor.

As you may guess the last one is not so popular as there just doesn't seem to be any bad books in our library! Another new activity is "stand-in-librarian" which is organised by the efficient Eric Mulhane. This is an opportunity for any Friends of the Library to experience being a librarian, which is very popular with many members of the library.

As always, Mrs. King and the Friends organised our two main fundraising events, which were "Feed the Pig" and "Daffodil Day". This year we were very successful. We raised £70 at Christmas with "Feed the Pig". We would like to thank Mrs. King for very generously emptying her purse and matching the money we raised in the pig. We sent the money with some sweets and biscuits to the Cottage Home for Little Children.

Our second event was Daffodil Day on Friday, 25th of March. We sold silk daffodils, the new pins and we also collected 89 bunches of fresh daffodils from the school grounds. We would like to thank Mr. Brook for allowing us to collect them. In total, we raised £172 for the Irish Conquer Cancer Society. We thank all our supporters for this.

Mrs. King organised many displays this year. They included "Bits & Pieces", which was of an excavation of an Archaeological Test Pit, by Aubrey Robinson (1D) and "Symbols of Easter" by Eric Mulhane (1D). We would like to thank Bruce Cooper (2BT) and Ben Allison (2BT) for making crosses for the display. We would also like to thank Lana Ruddle (2BT) for all her wonderful art work. At the moment the display is called "The Art Gallery" which includes a poster of the famous Caravaggio. All the displays are excellent and well worth a look – they are very interesting.

During the year, Mrs. King also organised many competitions. This year's main competition was run at Christmas. All students were asked to design a poster, the theme of which was "Through Your Window". We had a great response to this and all the posters were used in the Christmas display. We would like to thank Mr. Brook and Ms. Harris for judging the competition. There were 3 prizes which were won by:

- 1st Aubrey Robinson (1D) for originality
- 2nd David Foster (1H) for most artistic
- 3rd Niamh Burke Kennedy (1S) "Through Your Window".

Congratulations and thank you for all entries. Last year Elizabeth Hilliard won the library prize for the best reader. This is awarded to the person who reads the most books each year. Well done, Elizabeth!

Well, as you can see, this has been a very successful year for the library. Many new people are joining and we encourage more to do so. The library has a wide range of books on all topics and it is very helpful for projects and personal reading. Mrs. King bought many new books this year which are well worth reading. At this stage we must thank Alison Finch for all the book stacking she does during the

year. We'd also like to thank Mr. Benson for his very generous donation of the "New Shorter Oxford English Dictionary" (2 volumes).

We would like to thank Mr. Wallace for sitting in on Mondays so that the library can be open throughout all the breaks. Above all, though, we must thank Mrs. King who is so generous and who puts a lot of personal effort into the job. Thank you, Mrs. King, and may the library continue to flourish.

Trudie Carroll (President) (4G)
and Committee members

Music in High School

The Choir

The choir, which rehearses, for the most part, during lunch breaks, has increased in popularity over the past number of years. For the first time, the choir performed at the annual prizegiving. We performed the Gloria from Mozart's "Kronungsmesse". Later on that year, as usual, the choir provided the music for the Christmas carol service. Among well-known hymns and more traditional French and English carols, the Gloria from "Kronungsmesse" was again performed along with a new anthem especially composed for High School by an ex-pupil, Melanie Brown.

This was by far the most popular piece among members of the choir, and we would like to thank Melanie for both writing the piece and for coming to play for us at the carol service.

In the new term, we were examined by the Department of Education and gained 133 marks out of a possible 150. For this we performed the Kyrie, another movement from "Kronungsmesse", a negro-spiritual, and Melanie's piece.

We've had a good year and would like to thank Mr. Wisener for giving up his lunch breaks and free time to rehearse and conduct us.

Liam Lyons (4MC)

The Orchestra

This year the orchestra welcomed several new members making a total of 28. These are:

1st Violins: Gwen Masin, Oisín Boydell, Isolde Carmody, Philip Loane, Deborah Nevin, Owen Frazer.

2nd Violins: Elizabeth Hilliard, Philippa Locke, Luke Ashe-Brown, Fionn Fitzpatrick, Louise Watson, Geoffrey Thorn, Andrew Shaw.

Viola: Daniel Frazer.

Cellos: Richard Sweeney, Nicholas Holmes, Redmond O'Connell.

Flute: Liam Lyons, Tarik Rahman, Yvonne Elliott.

Clarinet: Freda Vora, Stefanie Sheppard, Emer Roberts, Mervyn Elliott, Benoit Ferre-Cullen.

Bassoon: Philippa Wilkes.

Trumpet: Billy Blackmore.

Tuba: John Anglim.

As usual, the orchestra has been busy providing the music for both the prizegiving and the carol service. We played Bizet's Farnadole. The following February, a few people from the orchestra and a few ex-pupils played at the Fifth-year's production of *Bugsy Malone*. This was tremendously successful, and for me, the most exciting thing that the orchestra participated in this year. In the Department of Education exam, we gained 140 marks out of a possible 150. We performed two Minuets by Scarlatti and Sonatina by Mozart. In the Wesley Feis, we won first prize in the Senior Orchestra competition and we came 2nd in the Chamber Music Competition. We played the Mozart Sonatina and a Concerto for Violin in E Minor by Bach. We would like to thank Mr. Wisener for his huge efforts in this area and for giving up his Tuesday afternoons to rehearse and conduct us.

Liam Lyons (4MC)



Bugsy Malone – The Hoods.

5th Year Drama Production

Last May a committee was elected to choose the 5th year play. We had to take into account the huge amount of theatrical enthusiasm and talent in our year, so the usual 'Big Cast' plays were considered, *Grease*, *Mikado*, *Guys and Dolls* until *Bugsy Malone* was suggested and almost instantly decided upon. Mrs. Milne was surprised and I think it's fair to say, a little daunted by the task ahead, but she agreed. Auditions began in September.

The auditions took a few weeks to complete and some very tough decisions

were made. A converted and keen Mrs. Milne began rehearsals and things plodded along until Christmas. Then we panicked. The arrival of the Easter Term left us with a little over a month to prepare. Rehearsals were still in the early stages, a set was yet to be designed and built, and even the ever-organised Mrs. Purdy still had a lot of costumes to find. We stepped up a gear, a set was chosen and built with the invaluable help of Mr. Cryan, Mrs. Pearce put in plenty of overtime running around to find chairs, telephones and other such

props whilst Mrs. Milne set out a gruelling rehearsal timetable. No sooner had we got our act together, things started to go wrong. A prominent cast member broke his leg and the curtain rails were falling down around us, literally!

We fixed things as best we could and hoped for the best when the technical week arrived. The Dress Rehearsal arrived, and for the first time we saw what a difference the range of colours introduced by the costumes and lights was going to make. The technical week was stressful but



Chorus Line.

we pulled through and felt confident and ready for the first night on Thursday.

One word sums up the atmosphere backstage on Thursday (opening night): Nerves. We were excited as well, but the nerves were more prevalent. The hall was packed (as it was on all three nights), and as the orchestra began the overture, an indescribable hush fell over those on stage. The show ran more smoothly than we could have possibly imagined.

Backstage, though, was crazy. The Stage Management team were racing back and forth, ensuring that microphones were switched on/off, that the scene changes happened and the actors were in the right places at the right time. Mrs. Pearce took care of the infamous Splurge Guns and Mr. Wisener's orchestra were brilliant, topping off what proved to be a very enjoyable first night. And we did it again, twice! The consistency of everyone involved was great, and when rumours of extra shows were spread, great enthusiasm was displayed. Sadly, the extra shows were never to be. Thanks to everyone involved, and to everyone who came and enjoyed the show.

Leo McKenna-James (Producer)

President's Award

Throughout the year a group of Transition Year pupils worked for the Bronze standard in the President's award. Congratulations to the following: Sarah Burke, Leo Byrne, Scott Cooper, Damian Haslett, Shwan Henari, Ross McCulloch, Julie McGouran, Liam Noone, Glenn Rainsford, Robert Russell, Wendy Strong, Jamie Tanner, Ian Walsh and Scott Watson who all received their awards in the National Concert Hall in May 1993.

J.S.

The Fashion Show '93

As 5th Years coming back from our Christmas holidays, we were all very relaxed and our Leaving Certificate was more than a year away. It was then that our Year Head put the proposition to us to organise a fund-raising event. With no immediate response, we were told to go away and think about it. And just to add some proof to the old saying, 'out of sight, out of mind', any thought of fund-raising was quickly forgotten.

However, coming nearer to Easter those listening to the school grapevine told of rumours of a 5th year fashion show. People, it seemed, split into three groups: the 'surely nots', the 'well maybes' and the 'let's do it'. The battle was a close one, but eventually the 'let's do it' camp won and the wheels started slowly moving.

The dates were fixed for Thursday and Friday, 13th and 14th of May. With this in

mind numerous treks into town, the Square in Tallaght, and any place in the Greater Dublin Area that housed a clothes shop were needed. After many a blister on the foot the results began to look promising. Then, with two weeks to go, quite a few feet got cold. A few questions were voiced: What about the models? the catwalk? the routines? and, most of all, What about failure?

With hasty reassurances the greater part of the year left for the beautiful Burren for a bit of plant and rock spotting. All talk of the two words: 'Fashion Show' was banned and many wished they had never been said in the first place.

With a week to go we arrived back at H.S.D., to face the music and indeed the endless clothes fittings and routines. The models put in tremendous effort as did the rest of the crew. On the Tuesday, the construction crew created a small panic. It was discovered they hadn't actually got a catwalk. We were told not to worry as there were still three days until the show! After many an 'ear bending', two catwalks were acquired from Zion Parish and Rathgar National School. They were joined and, together with bits and pieces of H.S.D.'s own Prize-giving Platform, formed a formidable walkway, especially once the homemade ramp stood the test of our 'heavy gang'. On Wednesday night came the big rehearsal, and to say that most people left discouraged and disappointed would in no way be exaggerating it. However, there was nothing to do but 'go for it', and that is exactly what happened.

On Thursday night amid nerves and butterflies, the show went down to brilliant applause and success. On Friday night there were a few nervous twitters about as word of musical mix-ups filtered backstage and into the dressing rooms. But once again all went brilliantly and the audience

was very rewarding in their applause. This, accompanied by a general feeling of stardom, left everyone feeling euphoric and a bit superior as we had proven the sceptics wrong and had a mega time in the process.

We would like to thank everybody involved in any way with the show. To those who supported us, thank you for allowing us to prove you wrong. To all members of staff, especially Mr. McMullen, for tolerating our lack of concentration and general 'hyperness' in class. Special thanks to the office for their help and accounting. A big thanks to the models for their struts and poses and to the construction crew for their ingenuity in producing the catwalk. The biggest thanks must go to Amanda Graham and Caroline McCoy for the amount of determination, effort, blood, sweat, and tears they put into the production of the show. And last but not least, thanks to Mr. Hayes who remained calm, resourceful and imaginative throughout the pandemonium and panic of the whole event. *Graham Nicholson and Wendy Fletcher (6th)*

1994 Maths Olympiad

For those of you who are not familiar with this, it's an international competition where six students from every country compete, this year in Hong Kong, and attempt to do battle with some of the hardest mathematical puzzles in the world. Several High School students attended the training sessions and three of these, Simon Stroughair, Anthony Locke and myself earned a place in the second round. At the moment we are attending further training sessions and trying desperately to keep up.

Colin Walsh (5th)

The Christian Union

"Let us not give up meeting together, but let us encourage one another". This year the C.U. has continued in its aim to provide encouragement and give practical talks to guide and help people in their lives as Christians.

We would like to thank Mr. Hickmott for allowing us to use his room at lunchtime and also the various speakers who gave their time so generously. This year we had a wide variety of talks: Kingsley Prescott spoke about the authority of scripture, Stocky (alias Steven Stockman) told us why he believed anything at all, Frank O'Sullivan spoke of how to be a true friend and Gordon Harper talked about family work in Tallaght. We would also like to thank the Debating Society for inviting us to participate in the "God really exists

debate", a motion which we managed to pass.

During the remainder of the school year we hope to have more outside speakers in. We would be delighted to see any new faces at our Thursday meetings to discuss any questions they may have about the Christian faith. You will definitely be warmly welcomed. Contrary to popular belief we, as Christians, aren't really narrow minded squares who blindly and dogmatically follow outdated beliefs. As followers of Christ, we are, for the most part, people who have questioned the faith and have now found our Christian beliefs to be the only logical conclusion. However, most importantly, we are people who have come to know God as a true and loving friend. All we want to do is show other people God's love, and surely that's not so bad?

A.S. (5th Year)



(L-R) Ian Ellis, Colin Walsh, Christopher Swift.

Young Scientists in Europe

When we began our science project, back in the dark ages of our youth, we never imagined that we would represent Ireland in a European science competition. The event was called the 'Young Europeans Environmental Research Exhibition' and it was being hosted by Deutsche Bank in the scenic city of Dresden. We were escorted to the airport on a lovely Thursday morning in November by our ever-smiling chauffeur (Mr. Benson) from where we flew to Frankfurt and caught a connecting flight to Dresden (almost losing Colin in customs along the way).

After barely setting foot in the hotel we were whisked away to a reception and dinner hosted by the Minister President of the Free State of Saxony. Unfortunately (as we hadn't eaten) it was more reception and less dinner. This was remedied by a brief visit to Burger King where we made valiant attempts at ordering in German.

When we returned to the hotel we were allocated our rooms. Much to his pleasure Colin found that he was sharing with a 19 year old Italian girl named Bonanomi. Was this too good to be true? Yes, as he read further in the programme to his disbelief he found another Bonanomi, this one being a male student from Sweden.

The next morning started early, especially for Mrs. Dowsett who woke up the wrong group by mistake. After breakfast we were brought by coach to the exhibition centre where we assembled our display. After lunch we had five hours jury time in which we were only visited by one

judge. We were worried by this, but we managed to recover in time to go out to a jazz club with the other contestants.

We were very relieved when on Saturday morning we received visits from seven judges and in the afternoon the exhibition was opened to the public. This gave us a great opportunity to confuse innocent Germans.

Sunday was the day of the awards ceremony and all the contestants were nervous with expectation. The ceremony itself was a high profile affair with the press and politicians being present. As different awards were presented I had a feeling that we wouldn't win anything, but I wasn't overly worried because the top prizes were still to be announced. The presenter announced sixth prize and then fifth. It

didn't sink in at first, but we had won the fifth prize of 2000 Dm. Mrs. Dowsett, Chris, Colin and I were over the moon. That night there was a mediaeval Banquet that was unusual fun and where there was much celebrating.

Monday was our last day, the exhibition was open to the public in the morning and in the afternoon we dismantled our display. That evening there was a farewell dinner and a disco where we got a chance to say goodbye to everyone we met. We said farewell to Dresden very early on Tuesday morning, leaving for our flight to Frankfurt and then home to Dublin. We all thoroughly enjoyed what was the trip of a lifetime and I personally would love to go again.

Ian Ellis (5th)



(L-R) Colin Walsh, Mrs. M. Dowsett, Ian Ellis, Chris Swift after the award presentation.

Irish Schools Environmental Network 1993-4



High School and St. Columbanus students and teachers view a model of the Lagan Development Plan, Belfast, with the Duke of Abercorn and Mr. Tim Smith, Minister for the Environment, Northern Ireland.

This year 4MC continued High School's participation in the cross-border environmental schools' exchange project. The project is jointly organised by the Departments of Education in Belfast and Dublin and is administered by the Curriculum Development Unit, Dublin. It involves twenty-eight schools from all parts of the island and its aims are to increase environmental responsibility and cross-border understanding.

We continued our links with the following schools: St. Columbanus' H.S., Bangor; Knockbreda H.S., Belfast; Coláiste Choilm, Cork. The theme of our joint studies this year was "Rivers in Urban Environments" – we studied the hypothesis that in the River Dodder, pollution varies in urban and rural stretches of a river, reflecting the areas through which it flows. The River Liffey: we assessed the quality of the buildings and streetscapes of Dublin's Quays.

St. Columbanus visit Dublin

On Tuesday, November 30th, a group of 23 pupils from St. Columbanus' High School, Bangor, with their lovely teacher, Mr. Tony Monaghan, arrived at High School. After a short reception at school, the students were taken home to their host families for the evening.

The next morning we went into Dublin to survey the buildings along the quays. Everybody agreed that there was too much dereliction along the quays and renovation should be carried out in the near future before the situation deteriorates. The traffic is also a very serious problem. After lunch in High School, we spent the afternoon along the Dodder taking the river's pH, temperature and identifying various organisms. Our results showed that the river had moderate pollution levels and the visual pollution is evident with the

presence of plastic bags and litter, even a dead dog was found on our study. That evening we spent an enjoyable time at Stillorgan Bowl.

The following day we visited the War Memorial Park, Islandbridge and Kilmainham Gaol where we watched an interesting video on the history of the jail. We also received a guided tour around the jail and saw where the 1916 heroes stayed before their execution.

We bade farewell, and they departed to Bangor.

Return visit to Bangor

On our return visit to Northern Ireland, 21 members of the class went up to stay with pupils from St. Columbanus' High School in Bangor. We took the train to Belfast on Tuesday, 1st February, and then another train to Bangor where we met the pupils from St. Columbanus.

The fieldwork was based in Belfast with the emphasis being on the Lagan Development Project. On the Wednesday we were driven by minibus into Belfast where we carried out studies and tests on the River Lagan in an urban environment. We then went on to the Belfast Sewage Treatment Plant where we were given a guided tour of the plant and its functions. After that we went to Belvoir Park where

we carried out further testing of the River Lagan in a more rural environment. That evening everyone went skating in Dundonald Ice-Bowl.

On the next day we spent an hour looking around Belfast in the morning. Following that we were taken on a tour along the banks of the River Lagan as it runs through the city. Much development work is being done to create walkways, recreational and commercial areas along the banks of the river. In the afternoon we visited the Cultra Folk Museum where we were able to do various activities such as weaving, rushwork and farming. From Cultra we took a train to Belfast, and from Belfast took a train to Dublin.

ENFO

Every year ENFO holds an exhibition to display the work that schools involved have carried out. Our class prepared two projects, one on the River Dodder and one on Dublin City Quays/River Liffey. In our project of the Dodder we included the results of our tests of the water in the river, information about both the levels of visual pollution along the banks, and pollution of the water and information on the wildlife and organisms inhabiting the river. In our project of the quays, we had information about the air and traffic pollution along the quays in general, including the results of a survey we carried out on the levels of dereliction along the quays.

Two pupils from each of the three other schools, St. Columbanus, Bangor; Coláiste Choilm, Cork; Knockbreda High School, Belfast, came to Dublin with their projects for the exhibition. The exhibition was opened on Friday, 25th March, by the Minister for the Environment, Mr. Michael Smith. The exhibition was on display for a month in the ENFO Centre in Andrews Street.

We would like to thank Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Dowsett for all their hard work and commitment to the project; a great time was had by all.

Y. Maher
S. Coghlan (4MC)

A visit from Breffney

As he carefully and patiently threaded his way through the crowded B-floor corridor he certainly gained many admiring glances. This incredibly clever animal being described is an Irish Guide Dog. Miss Graham very kindly arranged for a representative from the Irish Guide Dogs Association to come with a blind person and Breffney to inform us of the organisation and the many stages their dogs go through before they are fully trained after 2-3 years. This is an extremely expensive and drawn-out procedure – in fact we were amazed to learn that it comes to about £5,000 for each dog. The future owner also attends a training course.

Generally Labradors are used due to their placid, gentle and patient nature which Breffney showed as he quietly waited for his owner to give him his next command. After watching a very interesting and informative video about the Guide dog's work we were given a question time. We were very appreciative to these people for giving us their time and, now that we are well informed, we hope to help this worthy cause which deserves it so much.

Beverly Jones (4G)

Turas go h-Arann agus an Ghaillimh

Irith aimsir na Samhna, chuaigh mo rang in éineacht le beirt mhúinteoir (Mr. O'Connor agus Mr. Miller) ar turas scoile go dtí na hOileáin Árann agus bhailíomar feistithe le maláí codlata agus le maláí droma ag Staisiún Heuston. Shroicheamar an Ghaillimh roimh meanlae. Fuair eamar ansin an bád farrantóireachta go dtí Cill Ronáin in Inis Mór. Lá breá brothallach a bhí ann. Tar éis rud éigin le leithe, chuamar timpeall na háite ar na rothair a bhí ar cíos ann. Bhuaileamar le muintir an oileáin ar ár mbealach. Nuair a thit an oíche, bhí an radharc trasna na farraige go haláinn - bhí an ghealach ag taitneamh trasna cuan na Gaillimhe. An mhaidin dár gcionn, d'fhagamar an tOileán don Ghaillimh. D'fhanamar in óstlann "Quay Street" in aice le póirse na Spáinneach. Bhí an-craic againn an oíche sin. Chuamar ar ais go Baile Átha Cliath ar an Domhnach, tuirseach traochta ach bhain gach éinne taitneamh agus tairbhe as an turas.

Yvonne Ní Mheachair (4MC)

1994 Model United Nations

Just when you thought the world was safe from organised chaos, it returned. The St. Andrew's Model United Nations, the greatest collection of tweed and shoe polish this side of Bombay, had returned. The event was held in Jury's Hotel and High School was once again present in the guise of Angola and Jamaica. However, we were not alone, with 100 delegations from Ireland, England and further afield.

Registration was first on the agenda. This involved bustling and queuing to get a large blue bag, complete with flag and badges. Lobbying was the second course and this entailed pressuring other people to support your recently drawn-up resolution, only to find that China had got there first! These resolutions were then brought to Committee the next day where they were torn apart by the political vultures. This session was very relaxing and was only disturbed when the Chair recognised Jamaica in a Mexican wave. It was great fun though, with cracks such as "The resolution has as much chance of being passed as the Russian delegate has of going through puberty."

The General Assembly soon loomed in the distance and in the backs of our minds we still had a nagging doubt, quickly justified, about our presence there. This section of the event was very long, boring and tiring and was only alleviated by the odd breaks and organised walk-out. We

spent most of our time sending notes to other delegations and trying to obtain a nuclear warhead (which we did - two of them!). It was here that we learned the joys of expulsion, being dragged out by security guards for bribery of fellow delegates. We soon sneaked back in and negotiated with Japan for letters whereupon we formally changed our name to Jam-Ganga. This apparently merited threats of violence from various General-Secretaries.

We didn't succeed in annihilating Cuba or reviving the Dual-Monarchy of Anglo-Jamaica but the "crack" was mighty and the pub was nearby. On behalf of the High School contingent: John Free, Shwan Henari, Adrian McDowell, Sinead Fry, Suzanna Coghlan, Georgina Dunne, Yvonne Maher, Fionn Fitzpatrick, Trudi Carroll and myself, I thoroughly recommend this experience.

Colin Walsh (5th)

Valentine's Post

This year a new idea was thought of as a fund-raiser. Valentine's Day sparked off a few ideas, as we were getting the day off and people were going to miss the usual excitement of sending and opening the cards. We then thought that we could have a special delivery of cards on the Friday before we broke up.

When we decided on what we were doing we were given permission and we got to work. Stamps were made, posters were put up and the stamps were then sold. There was a huge demand for them and so a continuous supply had to be made. All stamps were sold and a Valentine Box was put out for the cards to be placed in. After school on Thursday and first thing Friday morning, people made a quick dash for the box with the cards stuffed up their jumpers ready to put in when they thought no one was looking!!!

On Friday morning the box was overflowing and ready to be emptied. The time came to sort them out into the classes and for everyone to run around to the classes and deliver them. Eventually all the cards were delivered. After the delivering was done, the money had to be counted! All hands were put on deck and eventually a final amount was agreed on. Altogether we made £72 in loose change. This money was donated to the Irish Guide Dogs Association and the Irish Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society (I.S.A.N.D.S.).

We would like to thank everyone who bought the stamps or donated money. It was greatly appreciated. We would also like to thank for their help in organising: Felicity Hart, Hilary Brook, Karen Early and Fionn Fitzpatrick, and especially Miss Graham and Mr. Brook.

Amber Walsh and Georgina Dunne (4G)

High School, Dublin, Parents' Association

The 50th Annual General Meeting of the HSPA was held in October and the following members were elected to the committee for 1993/94: Bonnie Carty, Rex Coghlan, David Grafton, Deirdre Haslett (Hon. Secretary), Kate Lambert, Gerard Moody (Hon. Treasurer), Michael Nevin, Pat O'Reilly, Ann Tanner, Fiona Timlin and Trevor Walsh (President).

The first meeting for parents, held in November, was addressed by Mr. John O'Leary, a psychologist with the Department of Education's Psychological Service, on the topic "Study Habits: Skills and Techniques". His thoughtful and informed contributions evoked lively

questions from a large and enthusiastic audience, which continued afterwards over tea and coffee.

The Spring Meeting, held in February, was on the topic "Exercise in Young People". The speaker was Dr. Joseph Cummiskey, FRCPI, an acknowledged expert in the area of exercise, sport and sport injuries in the young person. This meeting was, regrettably, very poorly attended, in spite of the fact that questions converging sport and sport injuries were raised both at the 49th and 50th AGMs.

Other activities this year have included the "High School Race Night" (in aid of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland), sending two delegates (Fiona Timlin and Trevor

Walsh) to the Secondary Education Committee Conference on the National Education Convention, held in the King's Hospital School in September 1993.

Activities which the Association has supported financially this year include: Girls' Basketball, the production of the school play 'Bugsy Malone' and attendance of student delegates to the European Youth Parliament.

The committee of the HSPA would like to acknowledge the strong support it receives from the parents, the school staff and the Board of Governors, and it looks forward to the completion of yet another successful year.

Deirdre Haslett (Hon. Sec.)

Our Day Out

On the 4th March, 1994, Form 1m went to Dublin Castle. It is in the centre of the city off a little road called Castle Street. The Genealogical Office, the most attractive of the Upper Yard, was built in 1750-1960. It was from that building that the Regalia known as the Crown Jewels vanished in 1907.

The Robbery was discovered only four days before the State visit of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra. Day and night there was a military guard on patrol, while close to the office itself a policeman and armed sentry were constantly on duty, yet the thief or thieves went unnoticed. It was revealed that the Jewels had been stored in a safe in the Library used as a waiting room. The safe should have been in the strong-room which was made in 1903 but the door was too narrow to admit it and to this day the Jewels haven't been traced.

Historical Background

The blueprint for Dublin Castle was made in 1206. They chose the best site possible to build the castle. It was built on a hill which was a great protection because it had a commanding view over the city and countryside. The river Poddle protected the East and South of the castle. The river was later made part of the Castle ditch.

The Rooms

The most important room in the whole castle is the Throne Room, otherwise known as the Presence Chamber. It was first known as the Battle-Axe Hall. The throne dates from the time of William of Orange. It may have been presented by him. If one looks on the walls of the throne room one will see roundels and ovals, thought to be the work of the early 18th century artist, Gianbattista Bellucci. The

four roundels show Juno, Venus, Jupiter, and Mars. The two ovals show unknown allegories.

The Record Tower is one of the great corner towers of the original Castle. The record tower was used as a prison up to the 19th century. The tower is now used as a State Paper office and also for storing historical documents.

The Bermingham Tower room was used as a supper room. It was built in the 17th century. The Chandelier in the present room is a superb example of 19th century brass work, and underneath going round in a garland are the rose, thistle, and

shamrock. The pattern on the ceiling is reflected in the design of the carpet.

The Gallery was used as the state dining room. The smaller rooms were designated as the Drawing Room and the small Dining Room. Many of Dublin's streets have been named after some of the men in the Gallery. In most of the pictures they wear the emblem of the Knights of Saint Patrick. This is some of what we saw in 1m's day out. We would like to thank Mr. Swan for driving us and Miss Graham for making the arrangements.

*Lindsey O'Callaghan,
Jesse R. Bancroft (1m)*

Visitors in High School

Hi, my name is Alberto. I have been studying here for nearly one year for the Leaving Certificate and it has been a good experience. In my opinion The High School is very good. I think that it has a great atmosphere. The teachers are very good and in my opinion I prefer the school here than in Spain.

About Ireland, I think that it is a great country, with only one problem – the weather, and I'm sure that you agree with me, but not every country is perfect!

I also think the people of The High School have been very good with me, helping me with my English and trying to make me feel at home.

I remember when on my first day I didn't know anyone; in about two weeks all the people eventually knew me and I even knew them.

Finally, I would like to conclude by saying thank you for a great year – a year I

shall hold true to my heart, and will never forget!

Alberto De Cordoba

During the past months I have had some memorable experiences in meeting people and becoming friends with a great number of people.

I speak for myself and my brother when I say I have had great enjoyment here.

When I came to Ireland for the first (well, second time, as I have been here in the summer as well) time, my life was upside-down, as I had to stay in a new house with a new family and going to a new school was also very strange. But on top of all, staying far away from Spain in another country such as Ireland was a huge difference (especially the weather) but it really was worthwhile.

Santiago De Cordoba

Careers Library

The Careers Library in Room C12 is open to all pupils at Break Times. Here they may consult and borrow folders giving information about careers, prospecti giving details of courses in different educational centres - in fact, as much printed information as we can get about the options open to all school leavers.

Mr. Miller will always be glad to hear from any parent or past pupil with information about courses, career prospects, or activities of firms, which can be put in the Library.

Career Talks

The High School is most grateful to the following who gave up their time to talk to members of the Fifth Year in the past year.

Summer Term 1993

Social Worker: Mr. Colin Fallon, Probation Service.

Insurance: Mr. Kenneth Gibson, Guardian Royal Exchange.

Acting: Mr. Ronan Smith.

Careers for Graduates: Mr. Eric Guiry, Appointments Office, T.C.D.

Griffith College Courses: Mr. Diarmuid Hegarty, Griffith College.

Autumn Term 1993

Going to University: Mr. Anthony Kelly, High School.

D.I.T., R.T.C., P.L.C.: Mr. Robin Miller, High School.

Law: Mr. Colin Sainsbury, A. & L. Goodbody.

Business Courses: Mr. Tomás McEochagain, Griffith College.

FÁS Courses: Mr. Philip Sheedy, FÁS Training Centre, Tallaght.

Psychology: Mr. Brian Finnegan, Cluain Mhuire Family Centre.

Art Courses: Mr. Peter Hanan, Rathfarnham.

Banking: Mr. Jim Shiggins, Ulster Bank Ltd.

Engineering: Mr. Roger West, T.C.D.

Languages: Ms. Patricia Nic Dhonncha, I.T.E.

Creative Business: Mr. Cormac Larkin, M.D. Productions.

Medicine: Dr. Derek Taylor, Rathfarnham.

Acting: Mr. Bosco Hogan, R.T.E.

Hotel Industry: Mr. David Lane, Jurys Hotel Group.

Child Care: Ms. Frances Gaynor, School of Practical Child Care.

Popular Music Industry: Mr. Keith Donald, Musicbase.

Spring Term 1994

Airline Pilot: Capt. Bo Van Ulsen, Iona Flight Training School.

Paramedical Careers: Mr. Robin Miller, High School.

Marketing: Mr. Alan Chapman, Corporate Image Management Ltd.

Physics: Dr. James Lunney, T.C.D.

Teaching: Ms. Carol Revington, Zion National School.

Photography: Mr. Ian Epstein, The Set Up, Rathfarnham.

Commerce at 3rd Level: Mr. Joseph Durkan, U.C.D.

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SPORTS REVIEW

Girls' Hockey Report 1993-4



1st XI 1993-'94

Standing: C. Keatinge, E. Fitzpatrick, A. Fleming, M. Williams, L. Caulwell, G. Mellon. **Seated:** N. Veale, R. Reid, J. Gillen, L. Jenkins (Capt.), D. Wright, N. Keatinge, J. Harper.

1st XI

With five players returning from last year's cup team there was a very experienced base on which to build. This grew into an excellent squad this season.

Rachel Reid joined the team as goalkeeper, proving to be invaluable in defence. With Cheryl Keating returning as sweeper, we were starting to build an almost infallible defence. Joining Rachel and Cheryl in defence were Nicola Slack, Jennifer Gillen and Emma Fitzpatrick. These five players made up one of the best defences in Leinster. Leah Caulwell, Aeveen Fleming and Liz Jenkins made up the three forwards and Michelle Williams and Diane Wright made up midfield. At this stage our only weakness was a right midfield player and although both Emma Fitzpatrick and Julie Harper played this position for the league campaign, they did not feel comfortable. So coming up to the cup matches Suzanne Murphy was brought up from the Junior A team and

slotted perfectly into the position. With such a strong and experienced team we were all looking forward to the season ahead.

Our League campaign began on the 25th of September with a confident 6-0 win against Rathdown School, with goals from Michelle, Liz and Emma. We were all apprehensive about our 2nd League match which was against Loreto College, Bray. This was to be played on their gravel pitch, a repeat of last year's cup quarter final. A determined effort was put in by the whole team but unfortunately Loreto scored two early goals. Although we pulled one back before half time it was not enough to win the match, eventually losing 3-1. For the second year in a row we were out of the league. As a measure of our team spirit, we were not to be disheartened, and in our final league match we played out in style, beating Holy Child, Killiney, 3-0.

After a disappointing league, the team looked forward to our main ambition: "The Cup". Unfortunately, due to illness, Aeveen Flemming was unable to take part in the cup campaign. However, Julie Harper proved equally skilled for the left wing position. The campaign began against Santa Sabina College, Sutton, with a worrying away draw. These were an unknown side and we were apprehensive about the match, but we were determined not to be beaten in this early stage. As the match showed, however, the team was in top form and subsequently scored two well deserved goals in the second half, with outstanding performances from Julie Harper and Leah Caulwell.

With a comfortable win against Notre Dame School earlier in the season, we were more than pleased to draw them in the Quarter Finals of the Cup. To their credit Notre Dame came to High School with admirable determination but with our

steadfast defence and skilled forwards we proved too strong and came away with a 7-0 victory, with superb goals from Michelle and Suzanne.

With growing confidence, the team were ready to avenge St. Columba's College in the semi-finals, many of us remembering the final last year. This match, as usual, was to be played on Three Rock Rovers' front pitch. Once again the day was wet and windy but after a nervous start we began to break St. Columba's determination. Cheryl Keating proved her class as a player in this match, keeping the defence solid and scoring a penalty flick under extreme pressure. Julie and Diane also showed how experience counts, each of them adding a goal to our 3-0 victory. This was a win that gave the whole team great satisfaction.

Going into the final with strong support, we felt we were ready for Wesley College. We had trained hard and were more than a match for the Wesley team. During the sixty minutes of normal time we were by far the stronger side but unfortunately, after nail-biting extra time and a near miss by Michelle, Wesley slipped a goal in. Once again, the cup was not ours.

Nicola Veale and Naomi Keating were indeed our strongest supporters throughout the year but unfortunately neither of them played in the final. Their presence was equally as important as any other member of the team. I would like to thank Suzanne Moody, Catherine Wright and Kate Lyons who joined the squad for the cup campaign. I would also like to thank our faithful supporters who encouraged us throughout the cup campaign.

Congratulations to Michelle Williams, Leah Caulwell and Liz Jenkins who all received Leinster U-18 trials.

Liz Jenkins (captain)

1st XI Hockey Tour

This year's hockey tour took us to Shrewsbury and a great time was had by all. The tour was a success with a 3-0 win over a local college side and an impressive 3-3 draw against a strong county side. Many thanks to Ms. Mellon and Ms. Harris for organising the trip and ensuring that everything went smoothly.

Liz Jenkins (captain)

Intermediate A XI

The Intermediate A had a very enjoyable season. We drew our first two League matches against Sion Hill and King's Hospital, and even though we won our third League match 8-0 we didn't qualify for the finals. The whole team would like to thank Arlene Blain for her time and encouragement throughout the season.

Nicola Veale (captain)

Junior A XI

The Junior A XI started off the season slowly but eventually combined together well. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in the league, winning two out of three matches in our section, but

drawing with St. Dominic's and losing to a very strong Wesley side, who later went on to win the league. Later in the season, Loreto College, Beaufort who were in the semi-final of the league, played against us in a friendly and lost to a very good High School side 3-1. We were regaining some pride. Throughout the season we won most of our friendly matches. Four of us gained Leinster trials: Nadine Mull, Mairead Dorney, Niamh Swords and Suzanne Murphy. On behalf of the team I would like to thank Ms. Ritchie for coaching and umpiring, during an enjoyable season.

Suzanne Murphy (captain)

Minor A XI

The Minor A's performed extremely well this year despite a few set-backs at the beginning of the year, as the team were just beginning to settle down. It was a shame that our hockey cup match was played so early when the team was not settled. While we had 90% possession, a quick break through unfortunately scored the goal, and we lost 1-0 to Mount Sackville.

There was good team spirit and dedication to the game. Having reached the semi-final of the Plate competition we were unfortunately knocked out by Wesley College 1-0, despite excellent performance by our side. We are now working well as a team and look forward to next season.

Sally Walsh (captain)



SENIOR 2nd XI 1993-1994

Standing: (l-r) Miss A. Blain, S. Holly, G. Bovenizer, W. Strong, A. Laughlin, N. Wynne. **Seated:** A. Fleming, N. Smith, W. Lipson, N. Veale (capt.), N. Keatinge, R. Harley, J. Taylor.



JUNIOR A 1993-'94

Standing: N. McCarthy, V. Carswell, F. Shine, L. Dunne, B. Jones, S. Moore, M. Dorney. **Seated:** Miss C. Ritchie, C. Wright, S. Moody, S. Murphy, N. Mull, N. Swords, D. Govender.

Minor B XI

The Minor B team had a successful season this year, winning most of our matches. We got a bye into the second round of the cup. When it came to play Mercy Convent, Navan, we had to go there. It was a tough match, which ended in a draw, so we had a replay. When they came up to play us, they won 2-0. It was a very close match.

This then meant we were into the Plate competition. In the first round we played St. Killian's School, whom we beat 2-0, then Sion Hill School, beating them 2-0. In the semi-finals we played Newpark School.

We started off well with a score of 2-0, scored by Leslie Prendergast and Melanie Boyle. In the second half Leslie scored 2 more goals, followed by one from Rebecca Manley and Paige Leptick. The day after our semi-final we played our final against Alexandra College. We played a close game, without Khara Shine who had to be taken to hospital due to injuries. We went into extra time but unfortunately we lost 1-0.

We would like to thank Mrs. Mellon who helped us to get as far as we did, and I would like to thank the team for putting so much effort into our games, and to the

substitutes who were always there when they were needed.

Rebecca Manley (captain)

Minor C XI

The Minor C team had an enjoyable season winning quite a few of our matches. Despite being knocked out of the cup a few dedicated players still turned up for practice every week, showing great improvement in their hockey skills. We would like to thank all the hockey teachers, especially Mrs. Mellon, for their help and encouragement throughout the season.

Jane Wilkinson (captain)

MINOR A 1993-'94

Standing: G. Mellon, K. Pickett, I. Steedman, K. Draper, B. Manly. **Seated:** H. Boyd, J. O'Sullivan, J. Gillen, S. Walsh (capt.), D. Hill, S. Mellon, N. Hodgson.



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SENIOR CUP TEAM

Back Row (l-r) K. Byrne, M. Williams, G. Lyons, J. Caillabet, G. Douglas, A. McKee, M. Butler, A. Finlay, J. Green, D. Bell, G. Dunne, R. Brazil. **Middle** (l-r) Mr. Cole, W. Conlon-Grant, D. Price, G. Jones (capt.), B. Dodd, K. Williams, Mr. Wright. **Front Row** (l-r): F. Rice, T. Carty, I. Marconi, G. Staunton.

1st XV

The season '93/94 started off with great confidence as the team coming through was a well balanced mixture of experience and newcomers to the 1st XV, but there was also an air of apprehension as the start of the season was an end to a great era, the "Cole's era". This year Mr. Cole decided to hang up his coaching boots and concentrate on the off-the-field matters and the development of the 2nd XV. Mr. Cole will be truly missed on the pitch for his experience and knowledge of the game. He put everything he had into High School rugby and I would like to thank him, on behalf of past and present pupils, for all he has done for the game.

The first match was against Newbridge College, away, which was a real test as Newbridge were a favoured side this season. The team, on paper, was a very impressive side, but if rugby could be won on paper it would be easier! The end result (5-18) was a real eye-opener and showed us a lot of work was needed. The team now had to face another challenge, CBC, Cork. The lads took up the challenge and gave it everything, but unfortunately the end result was 19-20 in their favour. At this stage we showed real potential with a pack full of talent including Alex McKee and Andrew Finlay in the second row and Warren Grant, Gavin Douglas and David Price in the back row. The front row took time to settle down, but were very consistent with Gareth Lyons, Gordon Dunne and Julien Caillabet giving the

power up front. The next task was to tackle the rivals, Wesley College, in a new league which was formed this season for the weaker sides of section B. Wesley got the edge this time, but there is always another day. In this league we didn't show our true potential and so decided to concentrate on the cup.

Again this season, like last, was very difficult because the team never had a chance to settle due to recurring injuries, so the team picked for each game had to start afresh and there was no real base to build on. The trouble started with an away match at King's Hospital where an injury led to a reshuffle of the pack and the captaincy, but under the circumstances the team rose above all these problems and put in some great performances. The reshuffle meant a new beginning. Gordon Dunne was moved from hooker to wing and Mervyn Butler, one of the big forwards from Sandford Park XV last year, came into the pack at second row. The backs at this time showed great patience and didn't let it affect their playing standards. The back line consisted of Gerard McCarthy and David Bell as the half-back combination, the Williams boys (not brothers) Keith and Mark in the centre, Bruce Dodd at full back and a mixture of John Green and Ian Marconi on the other wing. The team again settled down and put in some fine performances at a very tough part of the season. They lost 10-12 to a weakened, but still a very strong,

Blackrock College team, 10-24 to the cup winners, St. Mary's College, and a really brilliant 12-20 away to St. Munchin's College, Limerick, one of the hardest fixtures of the season. With the tour only around the corner, the team put in a win over a surprisingly good C.U.S. team (15-8).

The tour and the Christmas break seemed to do the team a world of good as the next matches before the big cup date were extremely good performances by the team (19-20) to C.B.C. and a win over Presentation College, Bray (8-3). This was very good preparation for the cup match which was against De La Salle at Templeville Road. The big day was a first senior cup match for many, but there were a few "old heads" in the team to calm the nerves. From the whistle the pack tore into the opposition and produced some very good, clean ball which was fed to the backs and used very well, with breaks at both wings which nearly ended in tries. After this first spell of pressure we seemed to relax and let De La Salle back into the game. They used the wind well and were 0-13 up at half-time. It could have been more only for some ferocious tackling by all team members. The match after half-time swung in our favour and we began to claw our way back into the game, through two hard, but well taken penalties by David Bell. The chase was on. We needed 7 more points in 12 minutes to save the match and like a dream come true, we managed to do so. A

long kick by Mark Williams into their 22 was followed up by his partner in the centre, Keith Williams, and won. This set up a good attacking platform, which we used well. The ball came back to Gerard McCarthy who instead of doing the obvious, a pass, sent a well placed kick over the opposition's heads and, like a bull, Bruce Dodd came charging through to score a try. A big pressure kick by David Bell made it all square and earned us a replay.

The replay was held a week later at the bumpy pitch of Terenure College. This game should really have been ours because we were 'on a high' after the second half performance of the last game, but we never really got going, partly because of the surroundings and again we were struck by injuries. The end result was a 0-15 defeat which was not a true reflection of the match and was a poor note to end on.

The season all in all was a very enjoyable one and I would wish to thank Mr. Wright for all his time and effort during the year and for arranging the tour. It is all truly appreciated by the whole team. I would also like to thank Colin Todd, a New Zealander, (don't hold it against him) who helped turn the side into a really solid team. We are all better players after a season of his coaching. David Price also deserves mention and praise, as he did a fine job leading the team during part of the year. I hope the 1st XV next year can build on this year's experience and so end in the better things. Unfortunately I won't be a part of it, but I wish them all the best.

Graham Jones (captain)

1st XV Rugby Tour

This year's tour was to the Isle of Man. We arrived on a Friday evening after travelling by plane, the film "Alive" kept flashing through our minds! We arrived safely to be greeted by weather which was a lot worse than we had left behind. The head rugby coach of the school we were playing picked us up and ferried us to the dormitories where we slept. It was an early night on Friday because of the match the following day, which was against N.F.H. Rugby Club, a tough but very enjoyable match which we won 18-10.

That night was spent in the capital, Douglas, where the lads settled nicely into a place called "Bushies" which seemed to be the local focal point. The Sunday morning was a cold and windy one and really a rude awakening for the team who played the second and final game against Castle Rusden. The game was a hard fought battle in severe conditions, and the team really deserved the 12-3 win.

During the tour it was clear to see that there was a real team spirit and everyone involved in the 1st XV seemed to get on very well. On the Sunday evening we flew home tired, but happy.

Graham Jones (captain)

Transition Year XV

I would firstly like to thank all the 5th and 3rd year contingent that contributed to the Transition Year Rugby team, though regretfully they will not be focused on for the rest of this article. None of them, that

is, except Simon McMullan our trouble man as he was better known, because that's what he was to an opposition line out, a 6 foot 3 inch man of trouble. Our strengths, though, remained throughout in our back-line in the shape of the following players: Patrick "the Model T" Ford, a fast winger who clocked up more tries than anyone else; Paul Campbell, a man whose height must surely be measured from his head to the sky. At out-half was Trevor "stir fry" McDonald, a player who was a constant help to me in the drilling of this most spontaneous of back-lines. First centre was Warren "ice-man" Swalbe, capable of disarming an opposition purely with his hands. Right-wing was Graham "built to last" Cadoo, a man of natural acceleration. At full-back was that wonder of creation and wizard of logic, Trevor Conlon-Grant.

Though I would love to waffle so effortlessly about the forwards I am unable as the personnel involved were so varied that the pack was described as a revolving door of rugby. Five players remained a permanent fixture, though, and are listed as follows:

Adam "Ronny" Whelan, a genius of 10 yards; Justin Brown, a man whose rugged intent to win often excelled the structural limitations of the team; and Johnny Nicholson a naturally aggressive and hot tempered prop of seismic dimensions. That leaves just one more player to mention. A man who was lucky enough to have been given a strong mandate from his coach and a wide berth from his players, myself Michael "Champagne" King. Through at times the team were a curious



TRANSITION YEAR SQUAD

Back Row (l-r): K. Byrne, G. Staunton, P. Forde, T. McDonald, F. Rice, S. McMullan, J. Brown, M. King, T. Carty, A. Cowie, S. Hartford. **Middle Row** (l-r): T. Grant, D. Haslett, I. Marconi, R. Brazil, R. McCulloch, J. Free, Mr. D. Cole. **Front Row** (l-r): P. Campbell, G. Hopkins, I. Ellis, A. Whelan.



J.C.T.

Back Row (l-r): Christopher Nicholson, David Kinsella, Gary McGouran, Daniel Manley, Mervyn Craven, Stuart Kenny, Hugh O'Connor, David Finlay. **Centre Row:** Mr. Mills, Derek Pemberton, Mark Nolan, Scott Wynne, Paul Kirwan, Patrick Tanner, Stuart Halligan. **Front Row:** Mikal Koya, Andrew Smyth, Ross Wynne, Van Gleeson.

handful I tried to ensure their safety and intent was fully realised. I suppose all I can do now is walk away from the season and allow the results to speak for themselves. So finally I must thank our coach, Mr. McMullen, for a thoroughly enjoyable and entertaining season of rugby.

Table of Results:

Wins	9
Losses	1
Drawn	0
Played	10

Michael King (captain)

J.C.T.

I have been coaching the present J.C.T. team for the last two years. Their dedication to the game of rugby was highly commendable. The amount of time they devoted to training was not surpassed by any other team in the school. This training involved fitness sessions early in the morning and training over Christmas and Summer holidays. Such a training regime was necessary in order for the team to compete against the top school teams in Leinster. The level of competition in schools' rugby is now extremely high.

On a number of occasions during the season they had excellent results against elite schools, St. Mary's College and

C.B.S., Monkstown, being two such examples. Whilst not quite attaining the standard of the top schools, they nevertheless achieved a level of skill and team cohesion that put them above many other good rugby schools. Many players attained a skill level that will augur well for them personally in their future playing careers. More importantly they have achieved a high level of fitness which they should maintain through to their adult lives.

In the first round of the cup they lost 18-0 to St. Mary's College in Donnybrook. St. Mary's were deserving winners although the scoreline was not a fair reflection of the way that High School played on the day. In the overall context of what was achieved throughout the season, I would consider this result to be of little importance. To most other people looking from the outside this result is all they would judge the team by. However, I as coach, the players and their parents would be aware of all the other benefits gained during the season.

THE PLAYERS

The team was captained by **Scott Wynne** who played at out-half. Scott is a fine running back who scored some fine individual tries during the year. His outstanding individual try against Castleknock is one I particularly remember.

Kevin Egan played as scrum-half.

Kevin learned to pass well from both sides. Despite his small stature, he was a brave and tenacious tackler at the base of scrum and rucks.

Mark Nolan at inside centre was sure with his handling and quick with his passing. His strong left boot found many fine touches.

Derek Pemberton at outside centre was the quickest back on the team. His explosive pace carried him through the opposing defence to set up many tries.

Andrew Smyth on the wing is one of the finest, truest tacklers on the team.

Patrick Tanner moved from his normal wing forward position to play on the wing to accommodate the team. He adjusted remarkably well to this position given the short time he had to acclimatise. **Stuart Halligan** and **Van Gleeson** also played these positions very well during the season.

Ross Wynne played at full-back. His achievements in this position were quite remarkable considering that he is still U-13. He was very safe under the high ball and continually joined the line at speed, setting up scoring opportunities. **Hugh**

O'Connor also played very well in this position. The forward pack was led by **Alan Hilliard** who played in the wing-forward position. He was the only fourth year in the team and was a great example to the other forwards. He excelled in the line-out.

The front row consisted of **David**

Finlay as loose head prop, **Said Koya** as hooker and **David Kinsella** as tight head prop. Although this was a small front row they more than held their own in the scrum. **Daniel Manley**, who was out for most of the year with a broken arm, capably deputised as prop in the latter part of the season.

Paul Kirwan and **David Kennedy** played in the second row. David is a mobile forward whose aggressive style of play was much needed by the pack. Paul was without doubt the best tackler on the team. He was fearless in this respect.

Chris Nicholson and **Stuart Kenny** also played well in the second row. Chris is

an intelligent player who has an uncanny knack of always getting his hands on the ball in maul situations.

Gary McGouran returned to the wing forward position after a long lay-off with injury. Gary is a tremendous driving forward who is constantly the first man there at the break-down. His handling ability and general mobility are excellent.

Mervyn Craven played at No. 8. He is potentially the best forward in the team. He is a very strong runner who was always dangerous breaking from the back of the scrum.

Other players who trained with the team

over the season and contributed to its success were **Darragh Rice**, **Robbie Hamilton**, **David Power**, **Robert Kiernan** and **Derek Nicholson**.

I would especially like to thank Colman McCarthy and Duncan Cole for their help with the coaching of the team. The forwards learnt many specialised skills from these two experienced players who play for Trinity College and Irish Universities.

Finally, I would like to thank the players for their commitment to me as coach over the two years. I found it to be a very enjoyable and rewarding experience.

K. Mills



UNDER 14 SQUAD

BACK ROW (l-r): N. Smith, M. Harper, I. Pemberton, D. O'Toole, G. Fleming, J. O'Malley, R. Wynne, I. Wright, Mr. P. Irwin (Coach). **Middle Row** (l-r): S. Finn, F. Naughton, S. Norris, R. Douglas, R. Thompson, S. Gerathy. **Seated** (l-r): C. Nicholson, S. Hatfield, J. Collins, J. Fennell, I. McKee (capt.), B. Wardrop, N. Keenan, R. Slattery, D. Spier.

In Front: M. McEndoo, A. Somerville.

U-14 Rugby

The U-14 A's did not enjoy much success on the scoreboard this year. However, there was a noticeable improvement in the skills and standard of play of a number of individual players. The captain, Ian McKee showed good leadership abilities throughout the year. Two victories worthy of note were one against Blackrock early in the season, and another against Gonzaga towards the end of the season.

The U-14 B's were ably captained by Jimmy Robertson and enjoyed greater success than the A's. A problem for this team was getting enough players when injuries and absences hit the squad during the year.

Both teams were very fortunate to have the coaching expertise and enthusiasm of Rory Timlin. Ross Staunton and Richard Price also helped out with these teams during the year.

P. Irwin

Under-13 Rugby

1993-94 has been a good year for this age group. There are 95 players in this group which gave us the opportunity to field A, B and C teams regularly with a D team on a few occasions.

The season began well in mid-September for the A XV with a comprehensive 37-17 win over Blackrock and a 38-12 win over Mount Temple. At this stage the J.C.T. spotted that our captain, Ross Wynne, would be an asset to them, so we had to say goodbye to him for the remainder of the season. With a rearrangement of the back line we had a few close games, with Wesley 7-10, Terenure 10-18, St. Paul's 21-26 and Gonzaga 0-10. Then back to our winning

way again, King's Hospital 20-8, Newbridge 12-5, C.B.C. 15-15 and Castleknock 22-0. After Christmas the wet weather was a spoil-sport and many games had to be cancelled. But, however, we did get some good games played, Newpark 34-20, Wesley 12-5, and Templeogue 10-5.

The B, C & D XV's had some good games and showed great commitment and enthusiasm throughout the year. The development of the squad as a whole was noticeable. Many of this group should have a bright future as they move up the school and I look forward to their progress in the years to come.

The season ended on a high note with

JOHN SCOTUS 7-A-SIDE WINNERS

John Butterly, Mr. R.H. Fennell, Alan Figgins, Philip P. Loane, Daniel Downey, Ross McNally (capt.), Greg. O'Meara, Paul Bridges.



Form I winning the John Scotus 7-a-side trophy (Nick Popplewell International Jersey) and the Under-13's were narrowly beaten, 25-30 in the last seconds of extra time by St. Paul's College in the Benildus Leinster 7-a-side. On April 16th we had a most enjoyable trip to Carlow to celebrate 26 years of Carlow/H.S.D. rugby. In 1968

Co. Carlow and High School played the first recorded Under-11 Club rugby match. High School have presented Co. Carlow F.C. with the actual ball used in that match 26 years ago.

I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to all the lads in this year group

for a most enjoyable and productive season. Many thanks to my colleagues and especially to Alan Cole, Nigel Fennell and Ian Ellis for their willing help during the year. Finally I must not forget the faithful parents who came out in all weathers to give us support.

R.H.F.



UNDER 13

Back Row: Mr. R. H. Fennell, K. Singleton, S. Geraghty, M. Lynch, J. Butterly, A. Figgins, A. Day, J. Anglim, D. Downey. **Centre:** R. Collins, R. Wynne, G. O'Meara, R. Slattery (capt.), R. Douglas, D. Dunne, P. Loane. **Front:** P. Bridges, N. Stanley, R. Thompson, A. Dunne, P. Synnott, R. McNally.

Boys' Hockey, 1993-4



1st XI

Back Row (l-r): Mr. Miller, James Goulden, Peter Love, Simon McMullan, David Gould, Nicky White, Derek Moffet. **Front Row** (l-r): Glynn Foster, Gavin Cobbe, Ian Wilkinson, Ross Metcalfe (capt.), Graham O'Meara, Peter Johnson, Fintan McGrogan.

Senior XI

This season's boys 1st XI was one of the best teams the school has ever produced. Thanks to the arrival of Guy Donald and Ken Miller from King's Hospital, and the emergence of a talented junior team, we were able to field a strong senior team. Our first League match was at home to weak Newbridge College, whom we easily beat 9-0. (Mollins 4, Goulden 2, Metcalfe 1, Donald 1, Blain 1). We then played two friendly matches against St. Columba's College and King's Hospital II, winning 3-2 (Metcalfe 2, White 1) and 2-0 (Donald, Molins) respectively. We were invited to play in a centenary match against Trinity College, who played their first hockey match one hundred years ago against High School. We lost to the excellent Trinity side, but the experience and practice was worthwhile for everyone involved. We played Wesley College, one of the strongest teams in Leinster, in a friendly and drew 3-3 (Donald, Molins, Miller), with great performances in defence from Derek Moffett and Fintan McGrogan. Our second League match was against Kilkenny, running out easy winners 6-0. (Wilkinson 2, White 2, Miller 1, Molins 1). In the next League match against Sandford Park, all over pressure on the Sandford goal came to nothing as we lost to a late goal. We played two more friendlies, against Wesley College again

1-2 (Metcalfe, and Newpark 0-1. After only drawing with Newtown School 1-1 (Miller), we went into our semi-final League match with St. Andrew's College knowing we needed a win to go through to the semi-finals. But thanks to some dubious refereeing decisions, we lost 0-1, and St. Andrew's College went on to win the League. In the Cup we advanced to the quarter-final thanks to a 4-0 win over Sutton Park (White 2, Donald 1, Blain 1), with great performances from David Gould and Peter Johnson. In the quarter-final we met King's Hospital, the strongest team in the country. Thanks to Graham O'Meara and Ken Miller who were outstanding, we managed to bring the game into extra time, with goals from Donald 2, and White 1. But in extra time we lost and the score finished 3-5, with King's Hospital going on to win both the League and Cup.

Congratulations to Gavin Miller who became the first High School player to make the Leinster team, who played in the Interprovincial Tournament in Blaris. Finally I would like to thank the squad, including Simon McMullan and Peter Love who were on the fringe of the team, for their commitment throughout the season. I would also like to thank Mr. Miller, on behalf of the team, for his organisation, dedication and patience.

Ross Metcalfe (captain)

Junior XI

We had a remarkably good year this year, reaching the semi-final of the League and the quarter-final of the Cup. We started off the series of matches with a friendly against Dundalk Grammar School. We won the match 2-0. We got the match practice we needed and went on to start the 'League Campaign'. The first League match was down in Kilkenny and we won 2-1. The next match was against Wesley College and they showed their superiority by beating us 6-0. We overcame that bad defeat and went on to beat Sandford Park 2-0. The final match of the League Table was against Newpark School, which we won 2-0. We had now progressed to the semi-finals and had to play Chanel College (whom we had played earlier and had been beaten 1-0). We were unfortunately beaten by one goal and that ended our League matches. Three players got Leinster trials: B. Hare, N. White, G. Foster, but nothing came of them. In the Cup we beat Dundalk Grammar School in the first round 5-0 with great performances by N. White, I. Gray, B. Hare, G. O'Meara, P. Johnston and S. Gould. We were beaten in the quarter-finals by Sandford Park 5-0. Thanks to Ms. Ritchie for arranging match practice and to Gareth O'Meara. Special thanks to Mr. Miller for his time and the effort he put into the team.

Glynn Foster (captain)



BOYS' HOCKEY J.C.T.

Front Row (l-r): Glynn Foster, Jonathan Pickett, Brian Hare, Ian Gray, Graham O'Meara, Peter Johnston, Mr. Douglas Miller. **Back Row** (l-r): Stuart Gould, Aaron Jewell, Owen Frazer, Nicky White, Colin Lowe, Trevor Gyves, Spencer Leptick, Justin Cramp.

Cricket Report, 1993

1st XI

The season began with a very successful tour to Cambridge House, Ballymena and Coleraine Academical Institution. The party was a combined one, The High School and Sandford Park School. Both matches were won and the team had a very enjoyable overnight stay in Portrush. Our hosts in both schools made us very welcome.

The 1st Eleven had a successful season with wins over St. Andrew's, De La Salle, Skerries, St. Paul's, before finally losing to Belvedere College, the eventual winners.

The second XI were not as successful, lacking as they did in depth. They lost to C.U.S., St. Andrew's, Wilson's Hospital and St. Columba's College and won at the King's Hospital.

R. McM.

J.C.T.

The season started very well, with a convincing win over St. Andrew's College by 92 runs (David Bell 95, Ross Whitney 4 for 31 off 8 overs, Graham O'Meara 3 for 20 off 5 overs).

Sandford Park were next to fall, as they were all out for 39, (David Bell 3 for 8 off 6 overs). We made the total with eight wickets in hand.

Next we played Gonzaga College, who were all out for 82, (Johnny Murphy 4 for 15 off 8 overs). We made 84 for 1, (David Bell 53 not out). We won by 9 wickets. Winning this match gave us our third chance against Belvedere College in the final.

We opened the batting against a very strong Belvedere bowling attack and reached 84 for 6 in 40 overs. (Ross McCulloch 25). Belvedere were given a very hard time at the wicket, but eventually reached 85 for the loss of 7 wickets in the third last over. Johnny Murphy bowled the best 12 overs by any High School player in a final, 11.5 overs, 4 maidens, 1 wicket for 12 runs.

The team would like to thank Mr. Fennell for all his help in getting us to another final.

David Bell (captain)

Under-14 Cricket

The League opened with a good 5 wicket win over C.U.S. at Bird Avenue. G. O'Meara was top scorer with 45 and P. Johnston took 3 for 14 and J. Cramp, 2 for 26.

Dundalk Grammar School were then

beaten by 107 runs, R. Wynne making 36 and S. Wynne taking 2 for 3.

We continued with a ten wicket victory over Sandford Park, G. O'Meara taking 3 for 11 and P. Johnston, 3 for 15, Scott and Ross Wynne making the necessary runs between them.

Our biggest win of the season was the 133 run defeat of Wilson's Hospital, the Wynne brothers making 94 for the first wicket supported by P. Johnston 31 and M. Nolan 17.

Out of 9 matches our only defeat was once again in the League Final to Belvedere College, who won by 9 wickets after our batting could only salvage 64.

Apart from reaching the League Final the highlight of the year was our tour to Cork where we beat Bandon Grammar by 68 runs and Midleton College by 89 runs. The weather for the tour was the best of the season and we really enjoyed ourselves.

We had a very enthusiastic team, everybody contributing in their own way; a special mention must be made of David Kinsella's fielding and Patrick Tanner's wicket-keeping.

Finally we owe a big thank you to Mr. Fennell for giving us so much encouragement during the season and especially for taking us on tour.

P. Johnston (captain)



J.C.T.

Back Row: R. Wynne, T. McDonald, M. King, D. Kinsella, J. Murphy, Mr. R.H. Fennell. **Seated:** J. Cramp, S. Wynne, R. McCulloch, D. Bell (capt.), G. O'Meara, P. Johnston, P. Tanner.



U14

Back Row: A. Somerville, D. Kinsella, M. Nolan, D. Manley, N. Keenan, Mr. R.H. Fennell. **Seated:** J. Cramp, S. Wynne, P. Tanner, P. Johnston (capt.), G. O'Meara, R. Wynne, H. O'Connor.

U-13 Cricket '93

The year started against St. Andrew's College with a disappointing defeat. But then in our second match we showed a much better performance against C.U.S. We bowled them out for 59, and got that total for the loss of just one wicket.

The next match against Headford School was not a great match which we lost. In the next match we played Castlepark School in the 1st round of the cup. With a brilliant score of 129 for 2 (G. O'Meara 67*, R. Wynne 43) we looked on top, which was proven when we bowled them out for 95. (G. O'Meara 5 for 5). Next in the second round we played Wesley College. We bowled them out for 59 (G. O'Meara 2-16, P. Campbell 3-9). We got the score quite easily and quickly. In the semi-final Belvedere College were the opponents and when we bowled them out for 100 the match was in our reach. After a quick fall of wickets we found our tail was batting and they didn't last long. We lost and were out of the cup. I would like to thank Mr. Quinn for all his work and help throughout the year.

G. O'Meara (captain)



U13

Back Row: Mr. Quinn, P. Burke, I. McKee, R. Murphy, B. Wardrop, Mr. Fennell. **Seated:** A. Somerville, N. Keenan, G. O'Meara (capt.), R. Wynne, R. Thompson.

Girls' Cricket

The 1st XI had a very short season and were unlucky to be drawn against some of the best teams in Leinster. The team, mainly consisting of U-15s, although

quite unsuccessful, gained experience and improved throughout the season and enjoyed their matches.

I would like to thank Mrs. Mellon for her

coaching, the team for their enthusiasm and the parents for lifts to away matches. Good luck to next year's teams!

Melissa Rance (captain)

1st XI CRICKET

Standing: L. Caulwell, S. Quinn, D. Govender, E. Fitzpatrick, R. Harley. **Seated:** Mrs. G. Mellon, Y. Maher, M. Rance (capt.), J. Gillen, S. Moody, E. Kinealy.





U/15 XI CRICKET 1992-'93

Standing (l-r): S. Moody, C. Wright, J. Carroll, K. Clarke, R. Glacken, D. Lunny. **Seated:** S. Coghlan, S. Moore, D. Govender, E. Kinealy, N. Mull, B. Jones, Miss C. Ritchie.



U/14 CRICKET 1992-'93

Standing: D. Lunny, S. Patterson, E. Rosenburg, C. McCullough, H. O'Neill, M. Murphy, N. Gray, Mrs. G. Mellon. **Seated:** J. Steedman, B. Mawly, K. Draper, D. Hill, S. Mellon, N. Hodgson.

Basketball Report, 1993-4

Profile of Eamonn Gallagher

Eamonn is one of the finest underage basketball players in the country. When he completes his Leaving Cert. he hoped to go to America where he will study and play College basketball. He plays his club basketball for Delta Notre Dame basketball club and his school basketball for The High School. Here is a resumé of his career to date:

1987-88:

Notre Dame 13A Dublin Cup winners.
Represented Ireland at the U-11 European Mini-basketball festival in England.

1988-89:

Notre Dame 13A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Represented Ireland in U/13 European tournament in France, finishing third.

1989-90:

Notre Dame 13A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Represented Dublin U-13 in tournaments in France (eighth place) and Belgium (second place – best ever finish by an Irish team in Europe).

1990-91:

Notre Dame 15A Dublin League and Cup winners.
High School 14A Dublin League runners-up.
Represented Leinster U-15 inter-pro winners.

1991-92:

Notre Dame 15A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Notre Dame 17A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Captained Leinster U-15 inter-pro winners.
Captained Ireland U-15 four – counties winners.
High School 19B and 16B winners
(scored 50 points in final – a school record).
High School 15A runners-up.

1992-93:

Notre Dame 17A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Notre Dame 17A National tournament winners.
Leinster U-17 inter-pro winners.
Ireland U-15 four-counties runners-up.

1993-94:

Notre Dame 17A Dublin League winners.
Notre Dame 17A National tournament winners.
Notre Dame 17A Billy Kelly Tournament All-Ireland winners – named tournament MVP.
Notre Dame 19A Dublin League and Cup winners.
Notre Dame 19A National Cup winners (seen on RTE television).
Ireland U-18 squad member.
Dublin U-17 team.

U-15 Team:

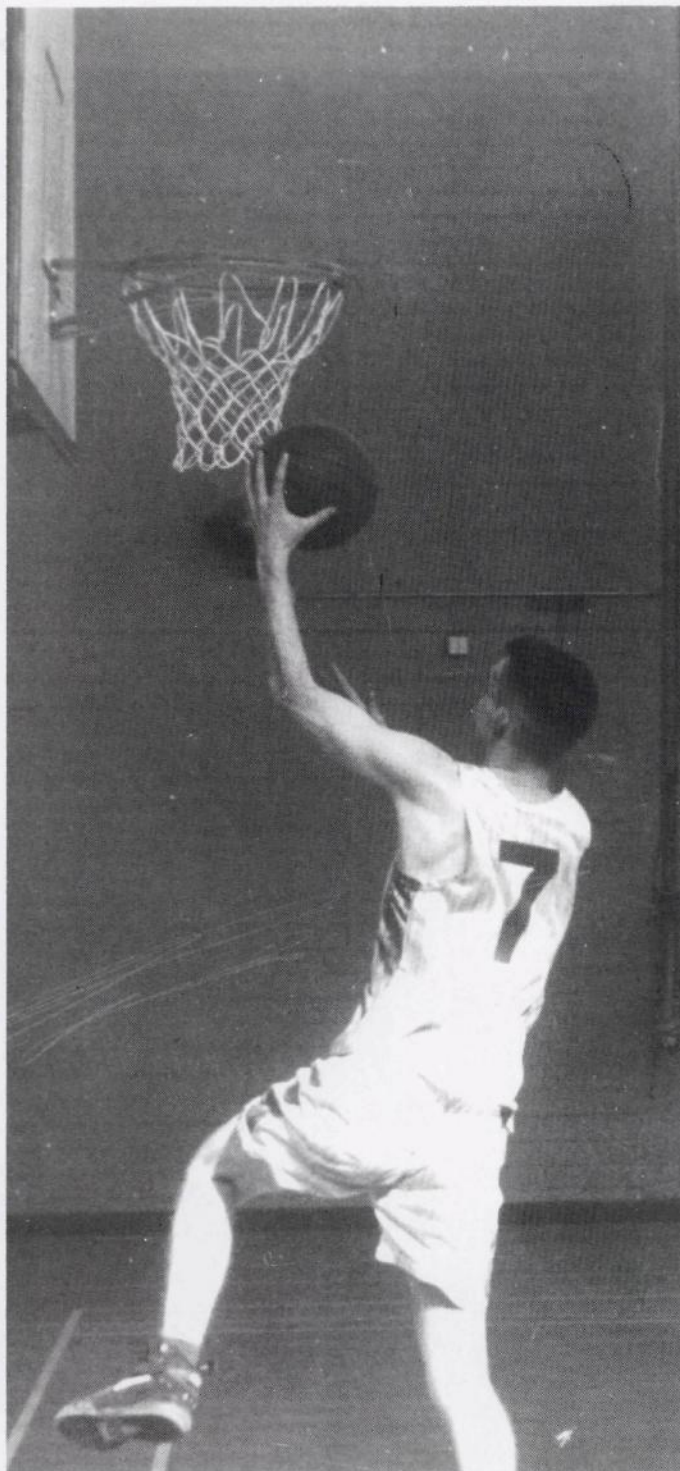
The u-15 school team played as a club team in the Dublin League. They finished second to Delta Notre Dame. This was a fine achievement considering the teams who finished below them. These included National League Clubs like St. Vincent's, Killester and Marian. This team were narrowly defeated by St. Vincent's in the

semi-final of the Championship. The team includes two players from outside the school: Stephen Butler (Newpark) and John Finan (CUS).

Four players from this team represented

South Dublin in the All-Ireland inter-regionals. Mark Nolan, Gary McGouran, Emmett Dunne and Stephen Butler were on the team that defeated Cork to win the inaugural inter-regionals in Waterford.

K. Mills



Eamonn Gallagher in action.



UNDER 13 BASKETBALL

Back Row (l-r): Alan Dunne, David Foster, Alan Figgins, Ian Carey, Clement Dirijabeau, Mark McCullough. **Front Row** (l-r): Andrew Bent, Adam Eager, Ross McNally, Greg O'Meara, Neil Stanley, Gary Black, Simon Smith.

JUNIOR B

Standing (l-r): Nicola Gray, Philippa Lock, Clare Dowd, Ms Bergin. **Seated** (l-r): Georgina Scott, Suzanne Mellon Valerie Creggy (capt.), Ciara McCarthy, Kate Harris.





JUNIOR A

Standing (l-r): Louise Pearce, Zoe McGeerey, Jenny Steedman, Ms. Bergin. **Seated** (l-r): Danielle Hill, Becky Keenan, Kate Draper (capt.), Julie O'Sullivan, Amy Warner.

CADETTE TEAM

Back (l-r.): Emma Kenealy, Gillian Palmer, Kirsty Clarke, Joy Beatie, Sally Walsh, Ms. Bergin. **Seated** (l-r.): Deirdre Lunny, Janice Duggan, Cleona Gray (capt.), Bev Jones, Vanessa Carswell, Sheera Dalton O'Neill.



Girls' Basketball

The past school year saw more girls than ever participating in basketball with a record three teams entered in the SSA league. Throughout the season the students involved displayed an eagerness to learn the skills of the game and a rare enthusiasm even when facing stronger and more experienced opposition. Noteworthy features of their performances were a reluctance to give up and an impeccable sportsmanship. For this, they deserve great credit. All players showed a marked improvement due in no small part to their commitment and perseverance.

T.B.

Swimming

Swimming continues to take place in Terenure College Pool every Tuesday evening from 6.00 to 7.30 p.m. in the Christmas and Easter terms. During the first session from 6.00 to 6.45 p.m. a number of Form 1 and 2 pupils attended regularly with some very promising young swimmers.

In the later session from 6.45 to 7.30 a group of senior students trained for Irish Water Safety Awards under the instruction

of Ms. Veronica Byrne. In December a visiting examiner came to assess 15 of these students who all reached the required standard and received their certificates in water safety.

Congratulations to Suzanna Coghlan, Scott Cooper, Colin McEndoo, Alex McKee, Simon McMullan, Vyonne Maher, Gillian Monaghan, Jonathon Nicholson, Susan O'Brien, Rachel Reid, Ross Staunton, Wendy Strong and Justin Walsh.

Unfortunately, after Christmas this class could not continue as Terenure Pool was closed for a considerable length of time. However, it is hoped to start a new class for Irish Water Safety Awards in September.

J.S.

Soccer

The past school year saw the return of soccer to The High School in the form of a non-competitive side, formed exclusively from fifth and sixth year students. While a number of noteworthy results were achieved, the main features of this group were a dedication to their sport and a loyalty to each other both on and off the field of play. With their skill, spirit and sportsmanship, they reflected a great credit

on the school. They are the most good humoured, courteous and uncomplaining group I have ever coached. Those who participated were: Stéphen Greene, Trevor Hughes, Stephen Sheldon, Austin Barrett, John Bridges, Tom Cooney, Niall Walsh, Gary Freeney, Nick Cogan, Scott Cooper, Brian Foley, Gordon Harris, Leo Byrne and Eamonn Gallagher.

Peter Prendergast

Boys' Tennis 1993

The Senior Boys team beat St. Conleth's College and Belvedere College but lost to Clongowes Wood College. We didn't progress to the quarter-final stage of the competition, but the team put up some good performances. Ross Staunton won the school tournament and was an efficient captain of the team. He played well during the season, as did John Green, Greg Molins and Richard Price.

The Juniors had a good win over St. Mary's College, but lost to Castleknock College and Templeogue College. David Bell and Kevin Egan are the two players who impressed in the singles.

L. McClure

U/16 TENNIS 1992-'93

Standing: S. Sheppard, N. Mull, L. Harris, C. McCullough, V. Carswell. **Seated:** G. Palmer, M. Dorney, S. Moore, Y. Maher, Mrs. G. Mellon.



Athletics, 1993

The High School Sports Day was on the 12th of May. There was a good tournament for all the levels. There were some very good results achieved as the level of competition was high. A good day was had by all.

The cross country season opened in September. This year there was a noticeable lack of Juniors and Intermediate runners. However, there was a strong Senior team composed of a large body of 5th years. Training sessions this year were on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays after school, and for those willing to bear it there was occasionally one of Mr. Toomey's short runs at about 6-7 miles.

The first race of the season took place at St. Columba's College in early November. Apart from the Columba's team there was also a team from Blackrock College. As Columba's is at the foot of the Dublin mountains they have a habit of running mountain races. This race consisted of a short, but very steep, uphill run at the start to reach the summit. Once there you had to start your descent which took you flying through the woods along a very steep and uneven path which everyone found themselves sprinting down, hoping they didn't stumble as there was absolutely no way you could have stopped yourself. The members of The High School team who finished the race were Liam Noone (7th), Glenn Rainsford (8th), Richard Milne (15th), Shwan Henari (18th) and Mark Reid. The rest of the team, however, got so far behind that they thought it safest to get a bus back to Columba's.

Our next race on the 17th of November saw us back at St. Columba's but this time for a 3 mile league race on the flat, but as is usual for Columba's there were plenty of gates, walls and ditches to be jumped. It was while jumping down from one of the walls that Colin Walsh injured his knee. It was bad enough to see him out of the running until after Christmas. Despite this the team came 3rd in the team event with Glenn Rainsford finishing 8th, Richard Milne 9th, Liam Noone 13th and Robert Russell 18th.

The final race of 1993 saw us on a very cold and windy Saturday morning in December at St. Columba's once again. The race was 6 miles and involved running up one side of a mountain, around the top of it and then back down it to Columba's. It was probably the hardest race we ran during the season but also the most enjoyable. The participants range from 16 to 60 and the competition was strong but light-hearted. The High School team was joined by two past pupils Geoffrey Bradley (2nd), Richard Milne (3rd), Liam Noone (9th), Mark Reid and Robert Russell.

Afterwards everyone enjoyed a feed of chips thanks to St. Columba's.

The 31st of January saw St. Columba's team at High School. Running for the High School were Richard Milne, Colin Walsh, Liam Noone, Mark Reid, Robert Russell and Shwan Henari. We were narrowly beaten in the team event.

The first Leinster cross-country championships were held at St. Benildus College on the 9th of February. The number of participants from The High School this year was below average with no one competing in the Junior or Intermediate sections. However, in the Senior section there were some fine performances with Glenn Rainsford finishing 20th, Richard Milne 21st, Colin Walsh 22nd, Liam Noone 28th and Mark Reid 47th.

Unfortunately no-one qualified for the Leinster finals, which was disappointing as in previous years the results some of us achieved would have enabled us to qualify as individuals.

On behalf of all those involved in athletics I would like to thank Mr. Toomey for all the time, support, encouragement and training he has given to us throughout the year.

Cup Winners 1993

Boys

Taylor Cup	Senior 100m	Manus O'Donnell
Moore Cup	Senior 200m	Manus O'Donnell
Southern Cup	Senior 800m	Michael O'Dwyer
Walker Cup	Senior 1500m	Rory Timlin
Sloan Cup	Senior long jump	Karl Richardson
Travers Cup	Senior high jump	Sam Robinson
Whyte Cup	Senior field events	Manus O'Donnell
War Memorial Cup	Senior points	Manus O'Donnell
Mugill Cup	U-15 100m	Leo McKenna-James
Cunningham Cup	Junior points	Jonathan Allison
1st Form Cup		Ian McHugh

Girls

Taylor Cup	Senior points	Ruth Harley
Belgrace Cup	Senior 100m	Ruth Harley
Hughes Cup	Senior track events	Ruth Harley
Packenham Cup	Senior track events	Ruth Harley
Packenham Cup		Yvonne Maher
Hamilton Cup	U-14 high jump	Yvonne Maher
1st Form Cup		Kate Draper

Richard McCrae (athletics captain)

Caving

A CAVING TRIP TO YORKSHIRE

The caving trip was arranged for the Weekend of the 26th-29th March. Everyone had to be at High School at 8:45 on Saturday morning. We left High School at 9:00 and went to Dun Laoghaire. The boat was going to be at least two hours late so we went into town and had a second breakfast at McDonalds. After this we walked around Dun Laoghaire and then sat in the car park and waited to go onto the boat. Finally, we got on board and found a place to sit down. We played cards, did crosswords and generally lay around for the three and a half hour journey. The boat finally docked in Holyhead at about 6 o'clock.

The journey to the caving hostel took about two and a half to three hours. We sang songs, slept and stopped once or twice along the way to go to the toilet and to have something to eat. When we arrived in the village of Settle we had to wait for a past pupil of High School to arrive. Then we went on to the Hostel. We were shown to our rooms and then talked for a while until we finally went to bed. When we got up the next morning we had some breakfast and then got ready to go caving. Finally at about two o'clock we left for the caves. The cave we went to on the first day was called the Long Churn Cave. This consisted of a series of slides, some with

water and some without water, one of which was called Doctor Banisters. Some other cavers came along with us, Phil Waters and his imaginary friend Alfie Noakes. This was a very wet cave so by the time we got out we were tired, cold and hungry. We went back to the bus and had something to eat and got dried and changed. Then we headed back to the hostel. Here the water for the shower was warm and there was a fight for whoever got one first.

The next day we went to a cave called Browgill. This had a wet entrance up to your knees and then a short crawl to a larger cavern. Then we crossed some rocks. As the path started to narrow the sound of a waterfall got louder. We came to a climb and waited till it was our turn to go up. The rest of the cave was a crawl until we got into a small cavern where we were shown the entrance we would have come out of it we had gone the other way. We then turned around and went back the way we came.

When we got back to the Youth Hostel we packed and had our dinner. At about 9 o'clock we left for the boat. We finally got home to The High School at around 7.30 on Tuesday morning. I would like to thank Mr. Wright, Miss O'Sullivan and Ed. Wright for looking after us on this caving trip.

Other caving trips over the year were:

June '93 – 5th year trip to Clare. Gragen West and Polldubh.

March '94 – 4th year to Clare. Pollnagollum.
(2nd day bus broke down).

April '94 – 3rd year trip to Clare. Cullaun and Polldubh.

Clare McGrath (5th Year)

Caving Trip

LISDOONVARNA, CO. CLARE,
MAY 1993:

At the end of the year Mr. Wright took a group of 4th years to Lisdoonvarna for a weekend of caving. We left after school on a Friday and arrived late that night. Our first day of caving took us to a cave called Gragen West. We first time cavers were both nervous and excited. Once inside, we got used to the change in the atmosphere and we were able to enjoy ourselves and concentrate on the interesting sights like the stalagmites and stalagmites. Mr. Wright was up to his usual antics of pretending to be lost and approaching "very deep" water. We all left the cave extremely muddy, wet and hungry. The swarms of flies outside the cave and all around the mini-bus didn't help matters. Once we arrived home and had long hot showers and something to eat, everyone felt much better.

The second day, those who hadn't been put off by Gragen West, ventured down Pollduba. This time we were joined by students from St. Columba's' College. Outside the cave we all waited in anticipation while Mr. Wright tested the sling, which he found out quite nastily, was not safe; so we ended up climbing down with the help of Mr. Wright from below and Martin Scott from above. This cave was more interesting, the highlight being at the end when Mr. Wright sat on a small waterfall and let the water build up until an unsuspecting caver crawled out and then he stood up and let the water flow out on top of them with great force, leaving some very wet, disgruntled cavers afterwards. We had just enough time for a quick shower before we set off home.

All in all it was a very enjoyable caving trip and a good introduction to caving. I would like to thank Mr. Wright for introducing us to caving.

Rachel Clarke (5)

Canoeing

Canoeing is still a popular sport for many High School students, with over fifty pupils participating at different levels.

As usual, throughout the summer term a regular group of canoeists trained on the Liffey every Saturday morning in preparation for the Schools Liffey Race. Although High School did not take home

any trophies, congratulations are due to Catherine Wright, Diane Wright, Jamie Tanner, Garret Lyons, Scott Cooper, David Long, Abbie McHugh, Wendy Strong, Chloe O'Donovan who all participated in and completed the race.

In the Autumn term a dedicated group of Form I pupils learnt the basics of canoeing on the Dodder every Saturday morning. Many of these pupils quickly gained in confidence and when canoeing stopped for the winter, several of them were already very competent canoeists.

Also in the Autumn Term, canoeing again took place on the Dodder for Transition Year pupils. A small but regular group availed of the opportunity and improved their standard.

As well as canoeing within the school, several pupils have gone on to join outside clubs and are participating in canoeing events throughout the year.

J.S.

Mountaineering Club

HILL WALKING:

The magnificent week-end in Kerry in April 1993, was followed by only one other walk in that school year – a rather mysterious exploration of a part of the Wicklow Way towards the end of May.

Last year's *Erasmian* noted that we had broken with tradition by going up Lugalla instead of Lugnaquilla for the first walk of the then academic year. This year again we did Lugalla – but not by choice. While driving down towards Lugnaquilla, we decided that driving an extra two hours in order to walk about in exactly the same impenetrable mist as we could find much nearer home would not be worth it. This trip was more pleasant for me than anyone else. When we arrived in White's Gate, I found I'd left my rucksack (including waterproofs) in the car-park in H.S.D. Nothing for it but to drive home and get the gear while the others trudged on through the moist greyness. We rendezvoused with amazing precision on the very top of the mountain – not bad considering visibility was down to about 20 foot.

The First Year introductory walk which took place in Powerscourt Waterfall and Maullin was a great success in early October. The rain had stopped by the time we reached the waterfall, going in reverse direction to our usual route on this walk, and from then on, it was a pleasant day with good views.

The next walk was in November, and we decided to be very adventurous and attempt a peak which we have never included in our repertoire; Scarr Mountain. It turned out to be quite an interesting day – very sunny, but with strong cold winds. The summit was rather bland, but the views of places from new angles with spectacular light more than compensated. It is difficult

to organise a circular route here which would not involve losing all the height one had so laboriously gained. We were back at school a little earlier than forecast, even though much time-wasting tactics had been engaged in. We were very lucky that Derek Wynn was coming on this trip, as a sudden illness struck Mr. Cryan down that morning, and made it impossible for him to join us. Derek's considerable experience and in particular the fact that he had been on this very mountain only two weeks previously were invaluable in helping us locate the access roads and tracks which would otherwise have left us possibly scrambling through hedges and fences (only joking!).

The walk from Seaham to Corrig to Seafin to Seefingan was another day that would make anyone wonder "Why!" Drizzling rain/mist accompanied us virtually all the way as we trudged "personfully" through the soft going. Then to rub salt in the wounds as we were getting in the bus to come home we gave one last glance in the direction of the mountains only to see that our route was now clear, of mist at least. Our next walk in January of this year had us again try a new route on an old favourite of ours, Mullacleevann. Instead of starting from Ballyknockan, we began from the highest point of the road to the north of Black Hill and we took in Moanbawn on the way down. This time we were in luck and the mist on the highest part of Mull cleared off as we approached it and came down again as soon as we had left. This route provided a little bonus at the end – where we had parked turned out to be the base for a group of hang-gliding enthusiasts – three of whom were hanging stationary in the strong steady wind like 'roaring' humming birds as we approached our bus.

Attempts to organise two other walks since then have come to nothing due to an unprecedented lack of support from the students. Query why this should be so is puzzling and I hope we will find an answer before the next walking season.

I.B.

Rock Climbing

We can report another very successful season in Dalkey Quarry with only 1 out of 12 sessions having to be cancelled because of inclement weather. A huge thanks to the past pupils who gave up their time so willingly to instruct the present pupils on Friday and Saturday afternoons: Nik Price, Alex Fraser, Michael Lunny, Fred Gardner, Dermot Brosnan, Colin Kirkham, Tim Hawkins, Duncan Foster.

Sadly Fred Gardner has told us he is no longer available for future sessions. He will be missed for his company and his daring exploits on the rock face which never failed to produce a *frisson* in his admirers.

I. B.

NEWS OF PAST PUPILS

The High School Old Boys' Union

President's Letter

Dear Members,

LITTLE did I think when in 1965 I left the High School of the Clock room, Mick's pig and Josh Reynolds that I would ever be President of the OBU. For that honour I thank you all.

The annual dinner was, as usual, a great success. Harry Booker has really got the hang of it by now, ably assisted by Robin Miller and Wayne Sheridan. My thanks to them and to Maurice McDonough and the musical guests who entertained us royally. Frank Sowman proposed an excellent toast to Our Guests while our Principal Guest, Bill Hodges, received a standing ovation for his outstanding speech.

The London dinner, again impeccably organised by Harry Booker, took place on the eve of the famous Irish victory at Twickenham. A smaller gathering than usual enjoyed themselves thoroughly and it was encouraging to find a number of young people living in London at the dinner.

By the time you read this I hope that we will have finalised the arrangements for a new unisex Union, the High School and Diocesan Past Pupils' Union, and that the new Union will be in existence. I would like to thank Janet Edgely and her colleagues on the Old Girls' Association Committee for the friendly and positive way they have approached the discussions.

This letter marks the end of an era. Allan Brook retires as Headmaster. The genuine warmth and affection of all for Allan and all that he has done for the school was amply demonstrated by the standing ovations he received at both the Dublin and London dinners. We wish him and Jane many years of health and happiness together in retirement and we also wish his successor, Brian Duffy, all the very best in taking over Allan's mantle.

Finally, as I did both in Dublin and in London, can I ask you all to give Bill Tector that last push over the line by supporting the development fund?

Sincerely yours,

David Went.



David Went

Hon. Secretary's Report 1992-93

THE Annual General Meeting was held in the school on Friday, 15th October, 1993. The following officers and committee were elected for the year:

Patron: W.G. Booker; President: D. Went; President-Elect: H.R. Roberts; Vice-President: A.P.R. Brook; Hon. Secretary: R.J. Miller; Hon. Treasurer: E.W. Frith; Hon. Registrar: G.W. Keegan; Asst. Hon.

Secretary: W.M. O'L. Sheridan; Hon. Auditor: D. O'Maolchoille; Hon. Sports Secretaries: W.M. O'L. Sheridan (rugby); D.E. Dockrell (cricket); B.G. Priestman (golf); S. Taylor (hockey).

Committee: D.J. Cooke, T. Craven, R. Curtis, W.A. Ingram, T.H. Lloyd, L. Shaw, R. Timlin.

The Annual Dinner was held in the

School on Saturday, 22nd January, 1994. There were 274 members and guests present, and there was much praise for the speeches and the entertainment. The principal guest was Mr. W.J. Hodges who replied to the toast proposed by Mr. Frank Sowman. In his final speech at a Dinner as Headmaster, Mr. Brook referred to the many changes he has seen since he made his first speech in 1972. Congratulations are due to the President, Mr. David Went, for a most enjoyable evening.

The London Dinner was held at the Gloucester Hotel on 18th February, 1994, the eve of the England-Ireland rugby international. The President attended, along with 58 members and their guests, some of whom had travelled over from Ireland. The entertainment was organised in his usual excellent way by Mr. Maurice McDonough.

By the time these notes are read another Golf Classic organised by the Old Boys' Union will have taken place – weather permitting. This should raise more than £5,000 to add to the Union contribution to the School Development Fund. Because of this event, the Annual Golf Outing has been postponed from May to a later date – see notice below for details.

Financial support was given during the year to four pupils from the school to help them attend the meetings of the European Youth Parliament in Fontainebleau and in Berlin. The strong debating tradition in the school obviously produces good candidates who win selection as Irish representatives and acquit themselves abroad.

Discussions are at an advanced stage to merge the Old Boys' Union with the Diocesan and High School Old Girls' Association and so form a Past Pupils' Union for all the former pupils of both schools. When the details are finalised they will be put to separate meetings of the two existing unions. If there is approval from both, then the new Union will be formed – hopefully later this year.

Robin Miller
(Hon. Secretary)

The High School & Diocesan Old Girls' Association



Janet Edgely

President's Letter

BEST wishes and greetings to all Past Pupils, Diocesan and High School. It has been a very swift year and I look forward to another exciting year as President, as Diocesan and High School will be 20 years amalgamated in September 1994.

Last June, Noel Kerrison, the President of the O.B.U. at that time, joined me in The High School for the annual talk with the 6th formers, a task only undertaken by the President of the O.G.A. in the past.

This gave the 6th formers visual evidence of the reality of the pending amalgamation. We have been meeting regularly with the "Old Boys" and we are very optimistic that a joint Past Pupils' Union will be formed by September 1994 in time for the school celebrating 20 years of the girls in green and white with the red and black boys. I would like to thank David Went, President of the O.B.U., for unofficially chairing the working party set up to co-ordinate the amalgamation.

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The Prize Distribution was an evening of mixed feelings for me. I sat on the platform with my knees knocking wondering would words ever come out of my mouth, but as I thought of Miss Jean Scott and recalled my days in Adelaide Road, I silently laughed to myself and wondered what she thought of me now! It was a pleasure to present the Jean Scott Memorial Rose Bowl to Aoife

Davey who was Head Girl 1992-1993.

May I take this opportunity to extend to Mr. A.P.R. Brook every good wish on his retirement and to welcome Mr. Brian Duffy and trust we will have the opportunity to meet with him in September 1994.

I would like to thank the committee for their willing time and hard work over the past year. To June Leach a special thanks

for quietly getting things done and for keeping me on the straight and narrow.

My personal thanks to David Benson who is well used to my early morning phone calls and to Gene Draper for his always cheerful assistance throughout the year.

Janet Edgely (nee Brown)
(President)

Hon Secretary's Report – 1993-4

NO one quite knows how the committee decided to cater for 80 at the Welcome Supper. Some thought it very optimistic if not a little unrealistic but on the night it was a case of CHB (committee hold back) as we served a buffet fork supper to 76 members, old and new.

It was a tremendously encouraging start to the season and the success was undoubtedly due to the idea which came from last year's AGM – to send a target letter to the girls who had left school between 1974 and 1984, very few of whom had joined the Association.

The committee undertook to do this but in fact it was Jane Williams, former teacher, who volunteered to collate and update names and addresses for this mailing. It was a mammoth job but Jane, as one would expect, completed it with

remarkable accuracy considering most of the information had to be gathered through the grapevine.

October's meeting was a Beetle drive which was great fun. If laughter is the best medicine then we certainly all went home healthy that night.

Taney Dramatic Society entertained us in early December with their presentation of *Murder in the Vicarage*. Those who attended from the Association thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

The Orwell Nursing Home once again welcomed us in December to sing carols to their residents and to partake in a glass or two of fruit punch which seemed to have a hidden kick! All but one of the residents was able to join us in the sitting room for our harmonious rendition of all the popular Christmas carols – some were requested a second time round. The one resident who wasn't well enough to join us

downstairs was treated to a very special treat – 14 ladies in his bedroom bringing Christmas cheer to him. We suspect that next year none of the gentlemen will be well enough to join us downstairs but will all expect their own private serenade.

The brains of members and friends were dusted off for the Table Quiz in January. We were pleased to send a cheque for £250 to Childline – the charity selected this year to benefit from the Table Quiz. We hope that next year more members will support this annual event which enables us to help at least one of the many deserving charities.

Ruth Carnegie, a former Adelaide Road "Girl in Green", and now a qualified aromatherapist, gave a talk on the benefits and properties of aromatherapy oils while Dawn Valentine, also a qualified aromatherapist, demonstrated the art of

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aromatherapy massage on the body beautiful of one of our members. This was a very interesting evening and I am sure some of our members have made appointments with Ruth to experience first-hand the benefits of aromatherapy massage. If you would like to contact Ruth, she is contactable at 2833767.

Vegetarian Cookery was the topic for our Cookery night in March when members heard Mary Hickey, Catering Manager of the Adelaide Hospital, talk about the benefits of vegetarian cookery and also received many sample recipes. How did we come to have the Catering Manager of the Adelaide Hospital? – no other reason than the gentle persuasive powers of the Association's President, Janet Edgely, who works in the Social Work Department of the Adelaide. Mary's vivacious personality and enthusiasm for cooking left us all inspired with vegetarian cookery.

The Annual Dinner in April was held for the third year in the Doyle Tara Hotel, Dublin. We had an enjoyable evening of good food and conversation.

We were pleased during the year to be asked to contribute towards the costs for four of the present pupils to attend sessions of the European Youth parliament in Fontainebleau and Berlin. We are always delighted to help financially whenever possible.

The amalgamation of the Old Girls' Association and the Old Boys' Union is well under way and we look forward to continuing our activities under the new name of The High School and Diocesan Past Pupils' Union. We hope that the change in name will not in any way discourage our existing members from continuing to support the events throughout the year but will in fact encourage many more past pupils to join in the activities during the year, thereby ensuring the growth of the Union.

My personal thanks to Janet Edgley for endless encouragement and enthusiasm; to Sandra Watkins who, in chairing our meetings, ensured that we stayed with the items on the agenda; to Helem McMahon who, in her first year as Hon. Treasurer, has kept the finances finely balanced; to Carole Bardon and Gillian Smith who between them have updated and computerised our membership records; to the other committee members, Sandra Byrne, Alison Hunt, Hendrikje Mahon and Hilary MacDonald who have all carried out their duties in a cheerful and willing way which made my life very easy during the year.

No Secretary's Report would be complete without thanking David Benson and Gene Draper for their continual help throughout the year which is always appreciated.

June Leach, Honorary Secretary.

NEWS OF PAST PUPILS

Maurice Carey (1936-1945) has retired from his position as Dean of Cork, and is now in charge of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Sandymount.

Liadin Cooke (1969-1975) received a post-graduate award from the Arts Council in 1993. She held an exhibition of her paintings in the Autumn of 1993, and in April 1994 her exhibition "Two Worlds" opened in the "Green on Red Gallery" in Dublin.

Glynis Dunbar (née Kirby) (1996-1972) trained in Microbiology at the Royal Free Hospital in London, and having passed the Fellowship examination she worked as a Chief Technician for several years, and is now working in a Comprehensive School.

Karen Eppel (1974-1981) has received her 'A' International Umpires' Award from the Irish Ladies Hockey Union. She was the first Irish Hockey Umpire to officiate at the World Maccabiah Games in Israel.

Garret Hampton (1978-1984) did research with the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, after graduating from T.C.D., for which he received a Ph.D. in Genetics from London University. Since then he has done two years post doctorate work in the Salk Institute in San Diego, California. On 1st July he will take up his new appointment as head of the section of Tumour Biology in the Human Carcinogenesis Laboratory at the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research in the University of California.

Euan Kevelighan (1973-1981) has been awarded membership of the Royal College of Gynaecologists.

Linda Landsman (née Cornick) (1960-1966) is head of the Middle School at St. Helen's College, Northwood, Middlesex, and is teaching Senior Mathematics.

Mary McCaughey (1978-1984) is one of a team of Irish election observers, recruited and trained by the Agency for Personal Service Overseas (A.P.S.O.), to help ensure that South Africa's first democratic elections are free and fair.

Lionel Mackey (1953-1965) was ordained in 1993 and is at present curate-assistant in the parishes of Raheny and Coolock.

Peter Murtagh (1964-1972) has been appointed Editor of the *Sunday Tribune*. He had previously been Home Editor of *The Guardian*.

Denis O'Brien (1970-1976) is chairman of ESAT Telecom, the new private

company for international business calls.

Grace O'Donovan (1970-1976) is lecturing in Biology in University College, Cork.

Bruce Pierce (1968-1976) was appointed to be rector of the parishes of Lucan and Leixlip, in March 1993.

Ken Sherwood (1950-1954) was ordained as an Auxiliary Minister in the Church of Ireland, and now serves in Malahide Parish.

Eva Slack (1984-1990) graduated in 1993 with a B.A. (Hons.) degree in Languages, Business & Information Technology from the University of Wolverhampton.

Sam Smith (1972-1980) has been awarded membership of the Royal College of Gynaecologists.

Frank Sowman (1960-1965) is Manager of the Irish XV to tour Australia in May and June, 1994.

Derek Tyney (1944-1951), Rector of Groomsport, Co. Down, has been appointed Canon of the Cathedral Church of Saint Anne, Belfast.

David Went (1958-1965) has been appointed to the newly-created post of chief executive of Coutts Bank. Since 1988 he has been chief executive of the Ulster Bank.

John Wynne (1958-1965) is Freight Manager in Ireland for Stena Sealink.

Deaths

Balbirnie, James Robert Dundas (1938-43), December 31, 1993, in Dublin.

Burchill, Herbert (1918-23), July 23, 1993, in New Jersey, U.S.A.

Butler, Norman Stanley (1951-55), February 19, 1994, in Dublin.

Chillingworth, Thomas Henry (1924-33), February 24, 1994, in Isle of Wight.

Good, Judge Donal Bernard Waters (1915-25), October 19, 1993, in London.

Jarrett, George Henry (1937-38), February 12, 1994, in Dublin.

Love, Rev. Canon Hector William (1919-26), November 9, 1993, in Belfast.

Northern, Patrick Donald Henry (1946-47), March 20, 1994, in Dublin.

Tobias, Oliver Mathew Peter (1933-40), March 11, 1994, in Edinburgh.

Warwick, Dr. James Wilfred Green (1922-30), July 29, 1993, in Dudley, U.K.

Woods, Stanley (1915-20), July 28, 1993, at Castlewellan (former World Champion motor-cyclist).

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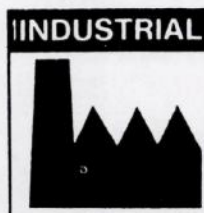
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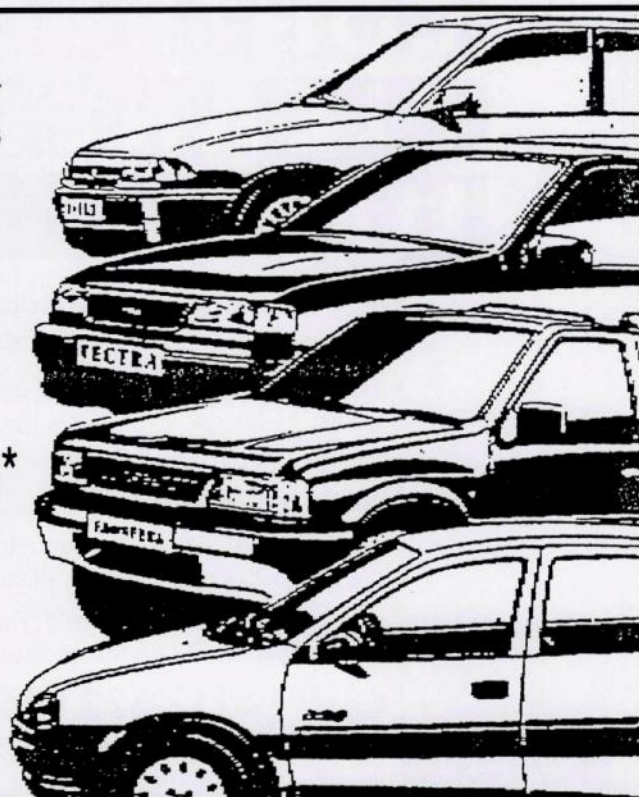
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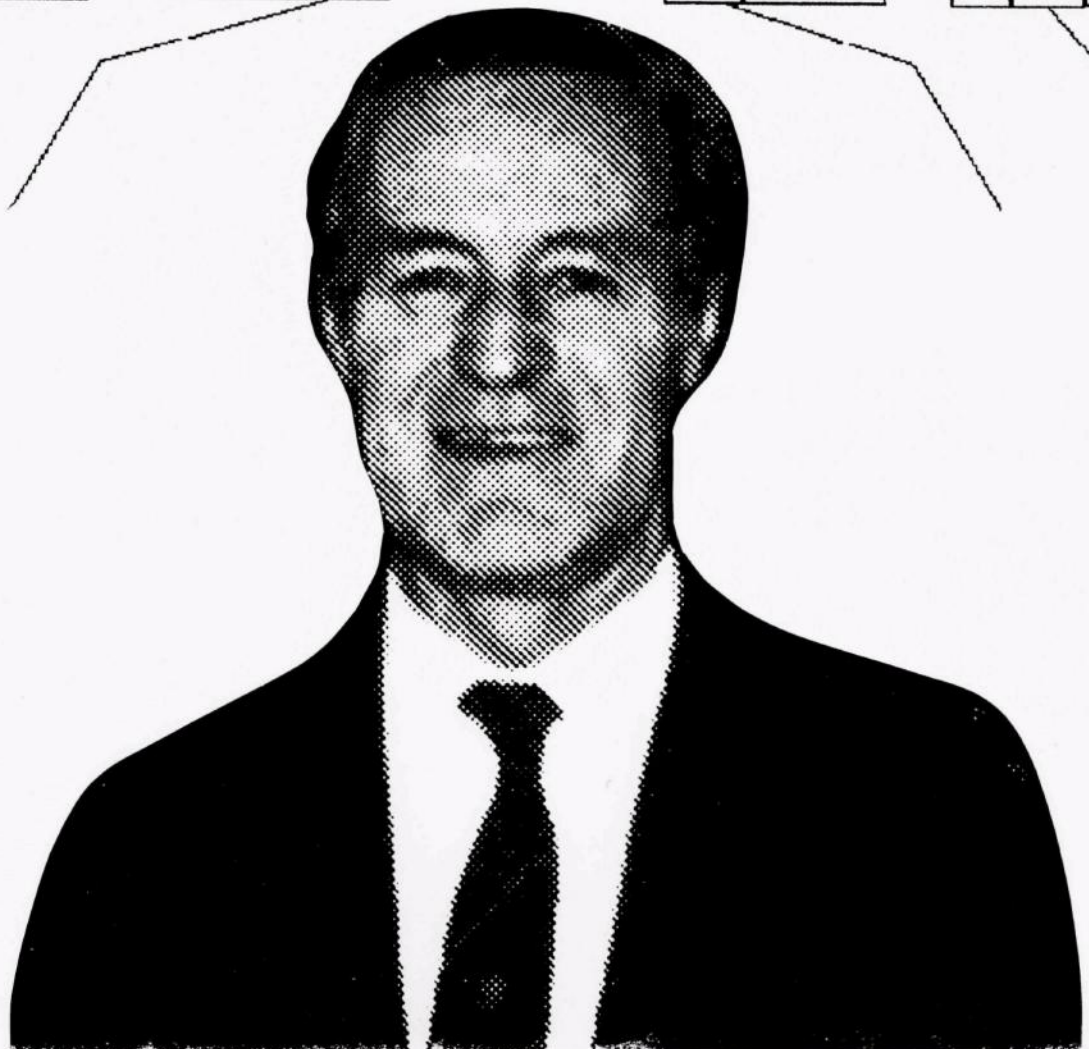
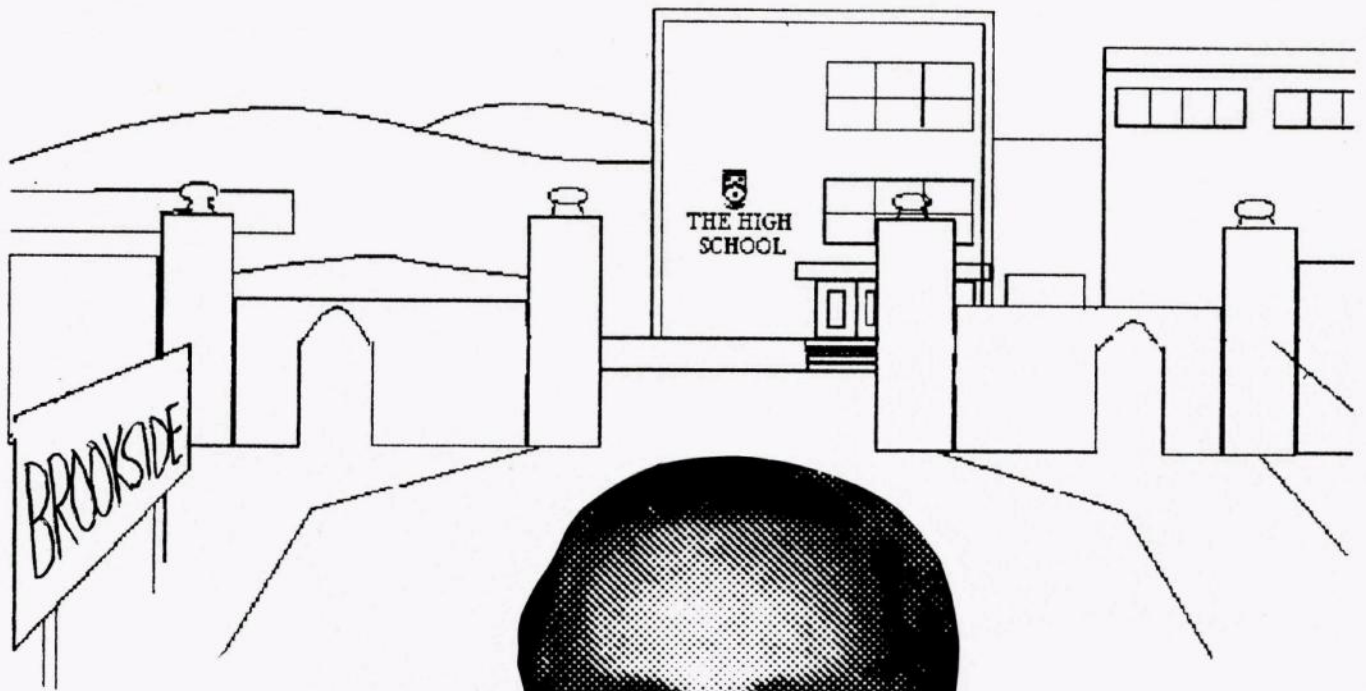
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