

# CHATTERBOX

THE MARY HARE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



JULY 1995

## A WELCOME FOR THE PRINCESS



The Mary Hare School was delighted once again to welcome its Patron, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret in May.

After speeches of congratulations on the successful appeal, the Princess unveiled a plaque to open officially the Wroughton Centre and Jean Carnarvon Hall for the sixth form.

Laura Ellison presented her with a bouquet (and later received a letter of thanks).

The smiling Princess then toured the school with Dr. Tucker and Mr. Ogus (Chairman of Governors) visiting the sixth form rooms when she met Head Boy, Stephen Dering and Head Girl, Cathy Woolley. She chatted to Louise Pitchers and Laura McQuillan in the computer room, and was shown how to make pizza by Ben Dobson, before listening to the band play "Tears in Heaven" and "Deeply Dippy".

After tea, when the Princess met some distinguished guests including Mrs. Askew, wife of former Principal, Jack Askew, and Mr. Mansell, a pupil of Miss Mary Hare herself, the whole school waved flags and cheered as Princess Margaret planted an acer tree before driving to her waiting helicopter.

We were pleased to see you Ma'am, see you again soon!  
You're always welcome.

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## REPUTED TO BE THE BEST

The Mary Hare School music department is rapidly establishing a reputation as the foremost school for deaf musicians in Great Britain.

Two recent pieces of news that have caused excitement are further top exam results and also a visit to The Albert Hall to star in 'Challenge Anneka'.

Six pupils achieved remarkable scores in their Associated Board exams:

Natalie Smith	Grade 1	Distinction on piano
Julia Spencer	Grade 1	Distinction on flute
Jennifer Hannah	Grade 1	Distinction on flute
Yvette Eyo	Grade 2	Distinction on flute
Ruth Montgomery	Grade 3	Distinction on flute
Laura Atherton	Grade 1	Merit on violin

The school band were whisked out of school one Friday to take part in a concert which is to be part of a challenge for Anneka Rice to be screened in September. The large contingent of Mary Hare musicians, together with Evelyn Glennie, were a major feature on the exciting bill, which celebrated deaf achievements in the Arts.



Successful musicians Yvette, Ruth, Laura and Jenny

## OFSTED

It's been quite a term. Just one week into May the team of twelve inspectors lead by Mr. P. Robson descended on the school.

From the early hours of the morning to late in the evening they observed all aspects of the life of the school and have declared the school to be "very good value for money" with a "justifiably high reputation". Teaching and learning throughout the school are good.

Copies of the full report are available from the school.

## TALK, TALK, TALK

Once again pupils in the junior part of the school were thoroughly conscientious in their preparation for the English Speaking Board exams and presented talks on many varied topics. Congratulations to the following . . .

### INTRODUCTORY LEVEL

**DISTINCTION:** Richard Fail, Michelle Holder, David Page, Matthew Semple.

**CREDIT:** Martin Berridge, Stuart Callan, Ben Dobson, Gordon Hay, Jonathan McGee, Trevelyan Nicholas, Kathy Walker, Kristin Wilson.

**VERY GOOD PASS:** Alicia Burzynska, Emma Gray, Steven McMahon, Adam Mears, Matthew Powe, Sean Richards, Iain Sutherland.

**GOOD PASS:** Emma Clayton, Laura Ellison, Ryan Hill, Gemma Smith, Bethan Stevens.

**PASS:** Semhar Beyenne, Damaris Cooke, Matthew Durant, Eoghan Fee, Ben Palmer.

### GRADE 1

**DISTINCTION:** Nicola Deverson, Emma Rawson.

**CREDIT:** Bryony Booth, Jonathan Evans, Yasir Haniff.

**VERY GOOD PASS:** Elizabeth Culver, Jonathan Nelson.

**GOOD PASS:** Deborah Cochrane, Julia Spencer.

### GRADE 2

**CREDIT:** Jordan Fenlon, Katherine Roach.

Turn to the Pupils' Pages for two of the talks given for ESB.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

The following pupils have been commended and awarded certificates for outstanding achievements in the house point competition:-

Stuart Callan, Krystle Carey, Emma Crowe, Michala Daly-Hedigan, Kathy Foden, Sarah Gallagher, Reena Guru, Clare Heaton, Anna McCabe, Caroline O'Neill, Louise Pitchers, Chalk Lai Wan.

Well done, keep up the good work.

## IN THE NEWS

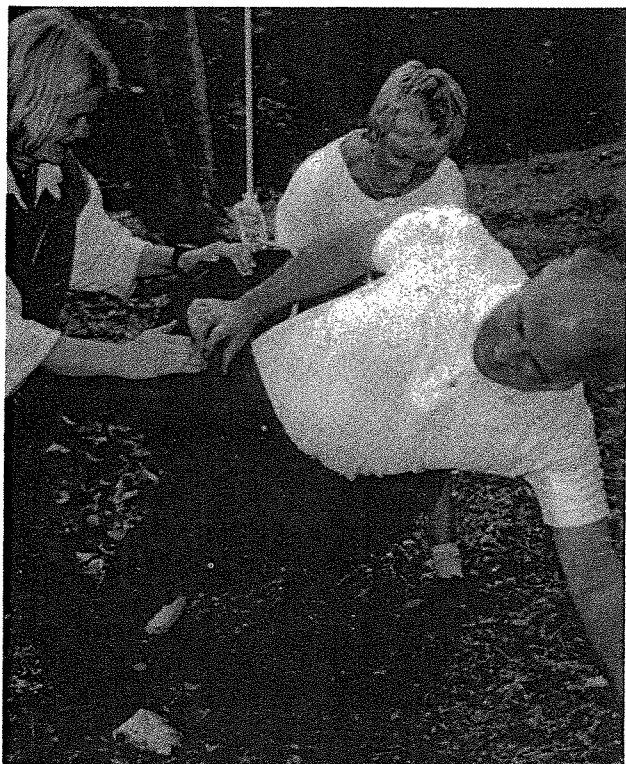
Carole-Ann McGinley is planning a career in the media, so she has been asked to edit a page of her own. So, for the debut of Carole-Ann in print, please turn to the Centre Pages.

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## GLORIOUS MUD

What could be more fun than spending a Sunday afternoon climbing obstacles and wading through mud? About 100 pupils plus some parents and siblings seemed to think it was a good idea as they joined in an assault course through the woods to raise money for Rwanda. Almost every obstacle involved tyres, which, Rebecah Taylor says, proved difficult for women's hips and also caused a problem for Peter Moran's trousers!

Thanks especially to Colonel Walker and Ray Wilson from The School of Military Survey, Hermitage, and to Rebecah, Philip and Emma for organising the event. About £100 was raised - well done to all the participants.



## GENEROSITY

After last year's mammoth effort to send food, medicines and blankets to Bosnia, this year has seen Mary Hare's children working to afford assistance to a range of charities.

Charity lunches, cake sales, sponsored swims, clambering over an assault course and bopping at a disco are just some of the many ways in which the pupils of Mary Hare, this year, have raised money for charity. And they have raised a lot of money!

In the course of the year they have raised £300 for the Duchess of York Hospice, at Reading, £200 for Alpha House, (a centre for helping young drug addicts), £200 for the Mayfield Hospital's new nursery for children affected by or infected with H.I.V., £500 for Comic Relief and £600 for relief for the children of Rwanda.

It's good to see the natural generosity of our pupils - expressed through the hard work they've put in, together with staff - bringing aid to the sick, the hungry, the poor and the orphaned both at home and abroad.

D. Savoury

## DYEING FAST



Former Mary Hare Art teacher, Margaret Block, returned to school to give an illustrated talk on natural dyeing. A large audience were intrigued to see the use of wood, daisies and crushed beetles to produce the beautiful subtle colours that Mrs. Block uses to dye her home spun wool and knit her own clothes. The combined event between the Textiles, Art and Science departments also included details of some of the chemical mordants used and Mrs. Leonard rapidly transcribed lengthy formulae onto the OHP.

Many thanks to Mrs Block - lovely to see you again.

## OPEN THE CURTAIN

Nastya Tverdova, a fourteen year old student from Sergier Posad (formerly Zagorsk) in Russia, visited the school for three days at the end of June. Merton Vaslet has made links all over the world through his interest in amateur radio and family friend, Nastya, was able to visit our transmission room and was welcomed to classes.

## BIEN VENUE



During June a group of students from the regional special school in Rouen, France, visited Mary Hare.

The pupils, all hearing-impaired, toured the school, visited Newbury, Stonehenge and the New Forest and made many friends in our Years 9 and 10. This is an on-going developing link. (Merci beaucoup to Mme. et M. Laurent).

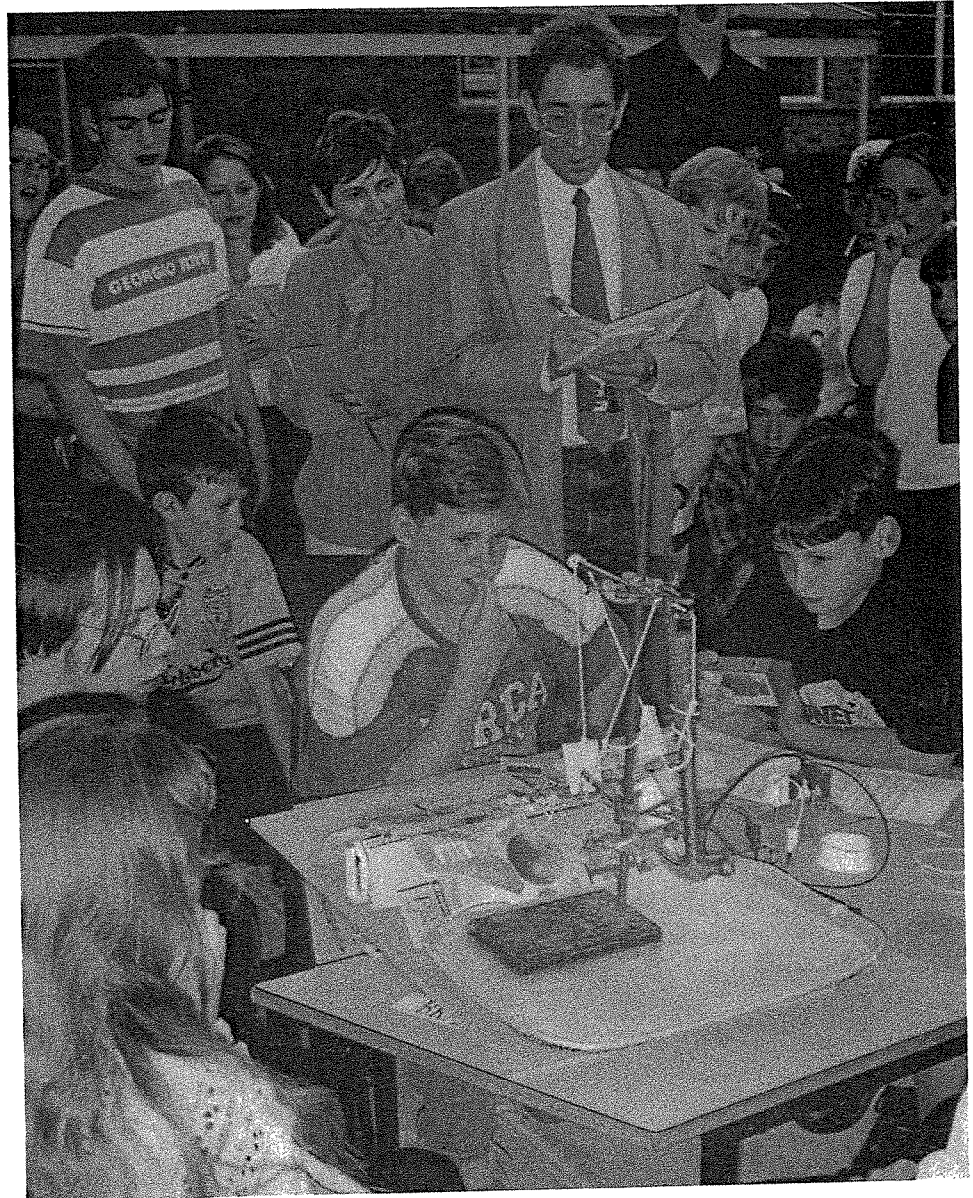
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## ALARMED

The third annual egg-race (science problem-solving competition) was won by BEVERLEY with BRAIDWOOD showing the best team work.

We were pleased to welcome visiting engineers from UKAEA, BAYERS, THAMES WATER and VODAFONE and we would like to thank the Education and Business Partnership for sponsoring the events.

Photo shows Braidwood Team in Action



## JUMPING FOR FUN

About 30 pupils, parents and staff are taking their lives in their hands on a sponsored parachute jump to be held near Gloucester in early September in aid of the Communications Room.

Details from David Gallagher (01905 831188).

A full report in the next issue.



## GUESS WHO?

For the answer,  
see the Back Page.

# PUPILS' PAGES

## SCIENTISTS ALIVE!

One day in May, Year 10 set off in a coach to Bayer. We all knew what was going to happen had something to do with Gerhard Domagk, Marie Curie, Sir Isaac Newton, Otto Bayer and Helen Sharman.

When we got to Bayer we sat down at the front of the stand with Year 10 pupils from St Bart's School behind us. I was surprised because I expected a boring old lecture from one person all the time, but instead Marie Curie came back (alive) to give a talk. Also Sir Isaac Newton.

It was not boring, it was funny especially when Sir Isaac Newton sat down and asked a pupil from St. Bart's to give the lecture for him. We were all given a pen and a 'Science Alive' folder pack with a questionnaire and information on all five people.

Thanks for taking us and thank-you Bayer for the presentation and I hope they do it again.

Peter Moran (Year 10)

(Following the event Year 10 students are planning a video on the life of W.H. Perkin who invented synthetic purple dye.)

## LIFE AFTER DEATH

If you were to ask me this question  
Time and time again,  
I couldn't give you a straight answer,  
It's the same problem with men.

It's hard to understand  
What happens when we die.  
People have different ideas  
But we want to know why.

Some believe  
In heaven and hell.  
What about you?  
... Well? ...

What is death?  
It's when you're out of breath,  
Your life is complete  
By the stamp of one's feet.

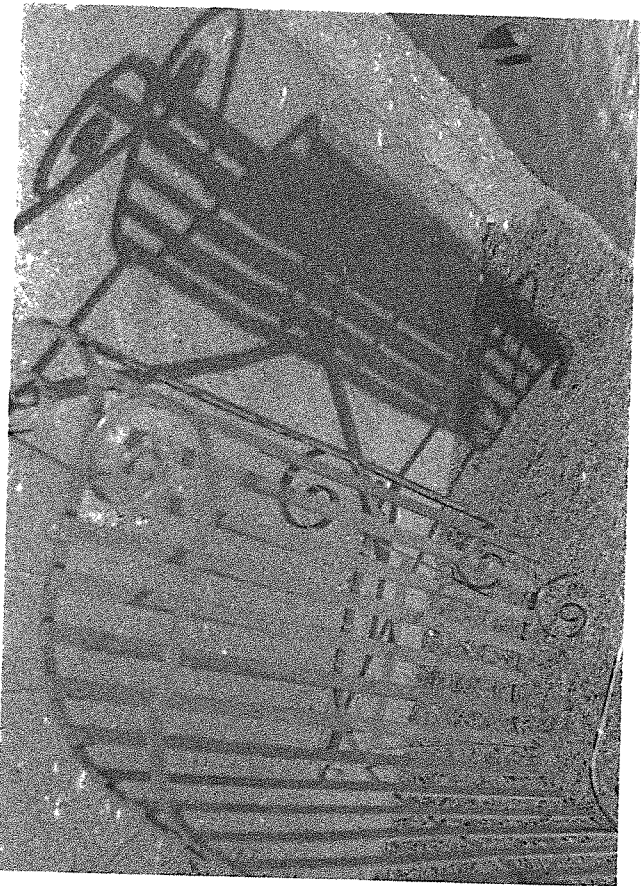
Old or young,  
Being shot by a gun,  
Dying in your sleep  
Or being murdered by a creep.

It can happen night or day,  
All you can do is pray  
That you'll always rest in peace  
When you're finally released.

You never know when death will strike,  
Only time can tell.  
Make the most of what's left of your life  
Before the final bell.

Katrina Tobin (Year 11)

## SHADOWS IN THE PARK



Photograph by Bryan Moore (Year 12)

## MURDER IN THE TOWER

We left to get to Warwick Castle. The first thing we did when we got there was to climb up to Bear Tower, and then climbed up the exhausting climb to Clarence Tower (the tallest tower in the Castle). When we got to the top of the tower we could see for miles around. We then went to Guy's Tower and then went down to the dungeons. The dungeons were all dark and musty and they had a stale type smell. We could see marks where chains have been to chain up prisoners. We also saw an oubliette and it was really small. We then came out into the fresh air. Afterwards we went to the Kingmakers display. It showed us how the Castle was prepared for battle. We saw lots of wax figures and the air smelt like what it would smell years ago. (I tell you it stinks!)

After lunch we walked down to the ghost tower. Some of the teachers stayed behind because they did not want to climb the steps. The tower has a story saying that a man was murdered by his servant there. We explored the tower and then went on to explore the State Rooms and the private apartments. The private apartments were decorated in the style of the Tudor and Stuarts. I liked the State Rooms best because I liked the colours and furniture they had.

Afterwards we had to make our usual visit to the gift shop! When we got back on the coach we were all relieved because it had been a hot and tiring day.

Krystle Carey (Year 7)

# CAROLE-ANN MCGINLEY'S PAGES

## CITY CHILD

The city child sits glumly at the window,  
Staring down upon the crowded street.  
The roar of traffic rushes up to meet him,  
The clouds seem to be nearer than the streets below.  
In the distance, the smoke from the factories dulls the view.

His skin is pale, his eyes are dead,  
He does not know the chirp of the birds,  
Or the smell of new-mown hay.  
Neon lights and diesel fumes fill his day.

## TRIBUTE TO DIZZY GILLESPIE

Born in 1917, South Carolina, he was once known as John Birks Gillespie. During his life he inspired many people with his trumpet and jazz. He was well known for his be-bop music, but he is remembered for his big cheeks and his bent trumpet. In 1939 during a concert he dropped his trumpet causing the horn to bend; did he stop? No, he continued to play. His friends later bought him a trumpet designed in the way the last trumpet bent. Dizzy loved the trumpet because he heard the sound quicker than before.

This man did a lot of good for his society. Sadly he died on the 6th January 1993.

Kirsty McMullan (Year 12)

## EMBARRASSING

I was on a date with a gorgeous Italian guy that I met. It was our first date, he decided to treat me to a meal so we went to a restaurant. Naturally I was being extra careful to ensure that I didn't drop any of my spaghetti bolognese on my lap or get sauce over my chin. All of a sudden I started sniggering when I felt a noodle creeping out of my nose. I ran out of the restaurant and haven't seen the guy since.

Anon

## SURPRISE PRESENT

In June 1993, my father slipped a surprise present into my hand, when I realised what it was I was thrilled as it was a ticket to the Michael Jackson concert in Leeds.

On that day my brother and I went in early into the stadium to avoid long queues, and to get a close up of our Superstar. We found a place fifty metres from the stage and we stayed there for one and a half hours. To pass the time other bands who were supporting Michael Jackson played. Tension and excitement began once the supporting bands' performances were over.

Silence came across the stadium and out of the blue jumped 'Michael Jackson'. Everyone went mad and screaming started. It all stopped once he started to sing. Lighters were flickering everywhere.

The whole atmosphere was amazing; so alive, so real, but very hard to believe but sadly it all died two hours later. Everyone was shouting for an encore, they could not accept that it was over. When it was all over I bought a Michael Jackson C.D. to keep my memories alive.

Bryan Moore (Year 12)

## IMAGES OF REFLECTION



Cartoon Drawing  
by Simon Bull (Year 13)

## CAROLE-ANN MCGINLEY'S PAGES

### FOCUS ON DIANA MARTIN - an interview by Carole-Ann

The country, Spain, is well known for bulls, flamenco and Monserrat Caballe. Our school has pupils of nearly all sorts of nationalities and we have a little taste of Spain. One Spanish pupil is Diana Martin, she came in September 1994, but her spoken language is English. So here we will find out a little about her and her background.

Carole-Ann: "Where were you born?"

Diana: "Las Palmas - Gran Canaria."

Carole-Ann: "How long did you live there?"

Diana: "Four and a half years."

Carole-Ann: "Did you ever learn to speak Spanish?"

Diana: "A little."

Carole-Ann: "Why did you move to Northern Ireland?"

Diana: "Since I was deaf there was no suitable education for the deaf over there, whereas Belfast was able to offer me a better chance of education so my family all moved to Northern Ireland."

Carole-Ann: "Have you been back to Las Palmas since you left?"

Diana: "Yes, as my father is Spanish and my relatives live out there."

Carole-Ann: "Your name is pronounced in a Spanish pronunciation - (Dee-anna). Do you have any brothers and sisters with a Spanish name?"

Diana: "My brother has a Spanish name - 'Miguel', after my father, but my sister is called Rebecca which is not a Spanish name."

Carole-Ann: "Do you have any favourite Spanish foods?"

Diana: "Since I have been living in Ireland so long I have not been able to experience many traditional Spanish cuisines, but I dislike the popular Spanish dishes like tortilla and paella, but I do like chorizo. In my area there is a shop which sells some Spanish products in which my mother gets some things I like, such as chorizo (Spanish meats) and coke lao (chocolate powder)."

Carole-Ann: "Have you ever heard the famous band called Los Lobos which sung the song 'La Bamba'?"

Diana: "Yes, I have, is that the one that says:- 'La la la bamba una pora de gracia' etc.?"

Carole-Ann: "Yes it is. Would you like to live in Las Palmas or any part of Spain in the future?"

Diana: "No, but I would like to go there on my holidays."

Carole-Ann: "Thank you very much."

Diana: "Gracias . . ."

The Martin family at home in Spain



# PUPILS' PAGES

## MALAYSIA

Hello, my name is Michelle Holder and I am going to talk to you about Malaysia. My mum and I were born in Malaysia and I have relatives who live there. I have been to Malaysia so many times and I would like to live there.

Malaysia is a very hot and humid country. It is about 30-35 degrees C. all the year round. There are not four seasons. Malaysia has thirteen states. The capital of Malaysia is Kuala Lumpur. They have a King and Queen, but only one King and Queen reigns for five years.

There are lots of different races. Mostly Chinese, Malay Muslims and Indians. Each year there are three New Years because each race celebrate their New Year on a different day. The national language is Bahasa Malaysia. In school all subjects are in Bahasa Malaysia but there is also English. The people in Malaysia have to learn at least three languages.

There are also lots of mosques, temples and churches. Muslims go to mosques, Indians go to temples and Christians go to church.

You can get lots of different types of food because there are so many different types of races. People in Malaysia love to eat rice and eat it everyday. There are also lots of fresh seafood.

The houses in Malaysia are different. Each house has a gate and fence all-round it. The gate is always locked. The floor is not carpeted because it is too hot.

There are lots of rubber trees and oil palm trees. Rice is also planted in the villages.

There are nice seashores and beaches where the sand is very fine. There are also lots of outdoor swimming pools and slides.

In the rain forests, there are waterfalls, lots of different types of birds, flowers and animals.

There are lots of different types of clothes. The people always wear skirts and silks but some people wear shorts and T-shirts as well. The clothes are very bright and colourful.

In the city, there are lots of tall buildings about 3-40 floors. Malaysia is a beautiful country.

Michelle Holder (Year 7)

Colette Hogan (Year 12)

I'm a little tea pot, short and stout  
here's my handle and here's my spout!  
...when I get all steamed up  
hear me shout...tip me up and pour me out!!!!



Drawing  
by  
**ANDREW  
HEARN**

(Year 13)

## WHY AM I BLIND?

Why am I blind? Why am I blind?  
Why can't I see? Why can't I see?  
All I can see is blackness.  
I think I am stupid because I can't  
Do anything because I'm blind.  
What does house mean?  
What is television?  
What does time mean?

Why am I blind? Why am I blind?  
What do colours mean?  
What does football mean?  
What do the words mean?

Why am I blind? Why am I blind?  
What does blindness mean?  
I am frustrated that I can't do  
Anything because I am blind.

Why am I blind? Why am I blind?  
All I can see is blackness.  
Is there anyone else who is blind? Why me!  
I hate myself, I hate it so!  
Why AM I BLIND!? . . .

Stuart Callan (Year 7)



# PUPILS' PAGES

## ANGER

Anger has dark colours,  
Red, Black and Purple.  
Anger makes you go red in the face,  
To bust your brain out.

Anger makes you get  
Madder, Madder and Madder  
Like a thunder storm.

Anger always feels like  
Punching people.  
If you drink COLD water  
It will help you  
CALM DOWN.

Emma Clayton (Year 7)

## BLACK COUNTRY MUSEUM

I had been to the Black Country Museum many times before, but I had never had such a brilliant time as on the 14th June 1995. It must have been because we had a brilliant guide called Pat, who made it so clear for us, and there were places I had not been in before.

There are many favourite places at the museum like the canal trip in the pitch black and eerie tunnel, or may be the creepy mines under the ground. One good favourite was the school which was hilarious fun, though the rules were very strict, we were an exception!

I felt that I was going back through to the old times, it was a thoroughly interesting day.

Bryony Booth (Year 8)

(All of Year 8 visited the Black Country Museum as part of their History work.)

## WHY AM I BLIND?

What is wind? What is sun?  
What is moon? What is snow?

What is hail? What is sleet?  
What is rain? What is water?

What is blue? What are clouds?  
What is sky? What is a rainbow?

What is cold? What is winter?  
What are leaves? What is summer?

What are flowers? What is puddle?  
What is blowing? What is air?

What is black? What is red?  
What is white? What is orange?  
What is green? What is grey?  
What is pink? What is purple?

What is everything? And why am I blind?

Laura Ellison (Year 7)

## EDINBURGH

Edinburgh is where I come from. Edinburgh is the capital city of Scotland. About half a million people live in Edinburgh.

The main street is Princes Street. From that street, you can see the huge Edinburgh Castle standing on the old volcanic rock. Every year during the International Edinburgh Festival, the world famous military tattoo is held on the castle foreground.

From the Castle runs the one mile long street to the Queen's Summer Palace called "Holyrood House". That street is known as the Royal Mile, covering the Lawn Market, High Street and the Canongate.

Edinburgh has also two other castles - Craigmillar, now in ruins, famous for its links with Mary Queen of Scots, and Lauriston Castle, which is about three miles north-west from Princes Street. Edinburgh has three cathedrals - St. Giles, St. Mary's Episcopal and St Mary's Roman Catholic.

The famous people born in Edinburgh were Alexander Graham Bell who invented telephones, Robert Louis Stevenson, author of 'Treasure Island' and 'Kidnapped', and Sean Connery, the first actor to play James Bond.

The world's first school for the Deaf was started by Thomas Braidwood in 1760 at Dumbie House in what is now called Dumbiedykes Road.

Edinburgh is truly a sporting city with three senior football clubs. Hearts playing at Tynecastle Park not far from my home, Hibs at Easter Road and Meadowbank Thistle at the Commonwealth Stadium. The Commonwealth Games was held twice in Edinburgh in 1970 and 1985. From my house I can see the massive Murrayfield Stadium where Scotland plays international rugby.

Gordon Hay (Year 7)

## REFLECTION



Photograph by Bryan Moore (Year 12)

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## SPORTS NEWS

This has been a very busy and active term for all keen athletes and sports players. The main events this term have been the school Sports Day and the Area Athletics Event.

Despite cool blustery conditions, there was a great deal of excitement and anticipation surrounding Sports Day. The morning field events went smoothly, plus timed hurdles' finals. In the afternoon, a sizeable crowd of parents and visitors saw several exciting races, particularly the 100 and 200 metre finals. There were no school records broken, partly due to conditions, but there are some pupils who could set targets for next year. For the record, individual trophy winners were as follows:-

1. Junior Victrix Ludorum - Yvette Eyo
2. Junior Victor Ludorum - Robert Childs. Robert was not credited with this on the day. We apologise to Robert for our error.
3. Senior Victrix Ludorum - Lisa Mingay
4. Senior Victor Ludorum - Alistair Dalziel
5. Kenneth Bayliss Trophy - Robert Childs for effort.

Many thanks to House Captains for organising the athletes in their respective Houses. Thanks also to all staff who helped on the day!

The overall House winner on Sports Day was Beverley with a comfortable margin.

Louise Pitchers beats Roanna Simmons to the line



## TOP ATHLETES

Once again we sent a good squad of competitors. We did well in several events. Alistair Dalziel and Duncan Rowley qualified for the County Championships, as did Yvette Eyo and Matthew Hearn.

Yvette Eyo: 3rd in long jump, 4th in 100 metres.  
Alistair Dalziel: 2nd in 100 metres, 2nd in county.  
Duncan Rowley: 1st in 400 metres, 2nd in county.  
Matthew Hearn: 2nd in 200 metres, U17 relay team - 2nd.

At the County Championships, Alistair came 2nd in the 100 metres with a personal best of 11.7 seconds whilst Duncan finished 2nd to an older competitor at U17 level. Well done to all athletes. Alistair and Duncan also formed part of the winning U17 relay team for Newbury.

The U13's had their own separate Area event. Again, we sent a number of pupils from Years 7 and 8. All athletes performed creditably, especially

Kathy Walker - 2nd in 800 metres,  
Michelle Holder - 1st in javelin.

These girls will be representing Newbury in the County Championships. We are very proud of them.

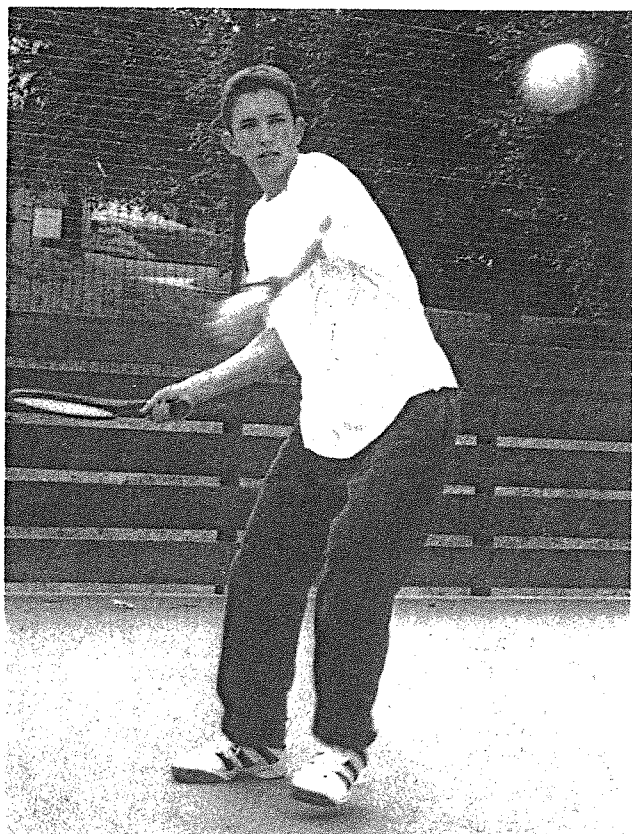
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Members of the Mary Hare 1st XI Soccer squad recently fielded two teams in the Southern Deaf 5-a-side Championships. The "A" team actually won the tournament, whilst the "B" team lost in the semi-finals. Well done boys . . . I know that some of you are knocking on the door of your National Deaf Teams.

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## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

We have not had much opportunity to practise or develop our tennis. Next term (September - October) we shall continue with tennis. However, not many of you will be aware that Nicky Beese was runner up in the Men's Final of the B.D.S.C. Tennis Championship in Nottingham. Although Nicky lost the final (to Britain's No. 1 deaf player) he was selected for the Great Britain Deaf Tennis Squad to play in Florida at the World Deaf Tennis Championships. Congratulations Nicky . . . you deserve it.



Rebecah Taylor and Jamie Wilson also made their debuts. Rebecah reached the Women's Doubles Final, whilst Jamie lost in the Men's Singles Quarter Finals. With more experience, both Jamie and Rebecah can reach greater heights. Well done.

There are also many promising young players. Eoghan Fee, Jonathan Evans, Davina Davies and Lucy Clark have demonstrated special potential. Hopefully we can arrange some tennis matches during the September term to test our potential.

## CHALLENGING FOR HONOURS

In the last Chatterbox Edition, news was promised on our performance in the Area U16 grass Hockey tournament. We played 4, lost 2, won 1, drew 1, but did not qualify for the semi-finals. However, the staff were proud and impressed with our team performance. What talent we have in the team, from Thomas Beattie in goal to Peter Moran, Andrew Reid, Greg Beedie, Henry McDougall and even young Nicholas Gregory. As we become more experienced we can expect to be challenging for honours. Well done to all!

## CAUGHT OUT

It is a real pleasure to note how much improvement there has been in our performances and results. We have been boosted by the arrival of Peter Moran who shows exceptional all-round cricket talent. However, cricket is a team game and we have had excellent contribution from Andrew Reid, Daniel Webster, Greg Beedie and Lee Stickings. Most significantly our fielding has tightened up and the bowling is far steadier and consistent.

At U13 level, Year 7 pupils show great enthusiasm and willingness to learn. The U13's are ably led by Henry McDougall and Daniel Webster, our "experienced" cricketers. Jonathan Evans has proved to be a good batsman, along with Nicholas Gregory. Matthew Powe, Eoghan Fee and Trevelyan Nicholas are also excellent fielders. To date we have won two of five losing the other three matches. All games have been quite close, but played in good spirit and with much enthusiasm. To date the U15's have won all their matches.

### U13 CRICKET: END OF 1995 SEASON ANALYSIS

PLAYED	WON	LOST
7	4	3

We beat: Kennet, Clere, Shaw House and John O'Gaunt.  
We lost to: St. Barts, Park House, and the Downs.

### Bowling Figures

Total Runs : conceded as extras/wider = 172

Name	Overs bowled	Runs conceded	Wickets	Strike/rate
D. Webster	26	121	9	17.3
B. Baz	19.2	84	2	57.6
M. Powe	12	43	5	14.4
H. McDougall	18	58	6	18.0
N. Gregory	26	122	8	19.5

### Batting Figures

Name	No of Innings	Top Score	Total Runs	Not Out	Average
D. Webster	6	16	32	2	8
N. Gregory	7	17	62	1	10
G. Beedie	4	22	42	1	14
H. McDougall	4	46	67	1	22
B. Baz	6	13	34	-	5
J. Evans	7	35	134	2	26
M. Powe	6	13 not out	24	2	6
T. Nicholas	3	8	10	1	3

This has been a very successful season. Our fielding has been excellent, particularly from R. Hill, T. Nicholas and M. Powe. This team has been well led by McDougall, Webster and Gregory. Overall this has been a very good team effort. Well done and thank you for your efforts.

D. Galbraith

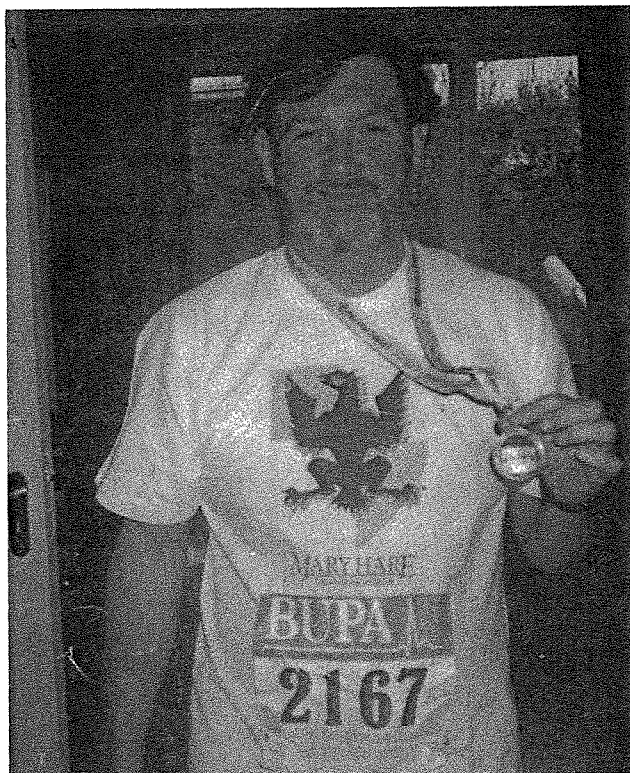
## ROUNDERS

We have a number of school and house matches to play this term. All results will be published next term.

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## MARATHON EFFORT

Many thanks to Bob Edwards (pictured) for his valiant and painful effort in completing the London Marathon to raise £710 for the Communications Suite the P.T.A. are collecting funds for.



## SISTER SCHOOL

Mr. Alan Gomes, a technician from the Oral School for the Deaf in Calcutta, India, was in Britain recently on a course to study hearing aids, but took the opportunity to spend two days at Mary Hare with our technicians looking at group aid maintenance and developments.

## OUT OF SCHOOL

Year 7 pupils were fortunate towards the end of term in spending two days out. A very hot Thursday was spent at Warwick Castle, climbing hundreds of steps and absorbing the living History. The following Tuesday in the early hours they set sail for a day trip to France and studied Boulogne and La Cite d'Europe. The pupils can never claim life is boring at Mary Hare.

## SINGING OUT OF TUNE

"Sources of noise I most often hear" include:-

- Traffic
- General chatter
- Music
- T.V. in the background
- Birds *signing*

(Year 10 Physics Prep.)

## PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

The Rutherford Appleton Laboratory (DRAL) at Harwell provides yearly science awards to a range of schools in Oxfordshire and the surrounding areas, last year this was expanded to include schools in Berkshire.

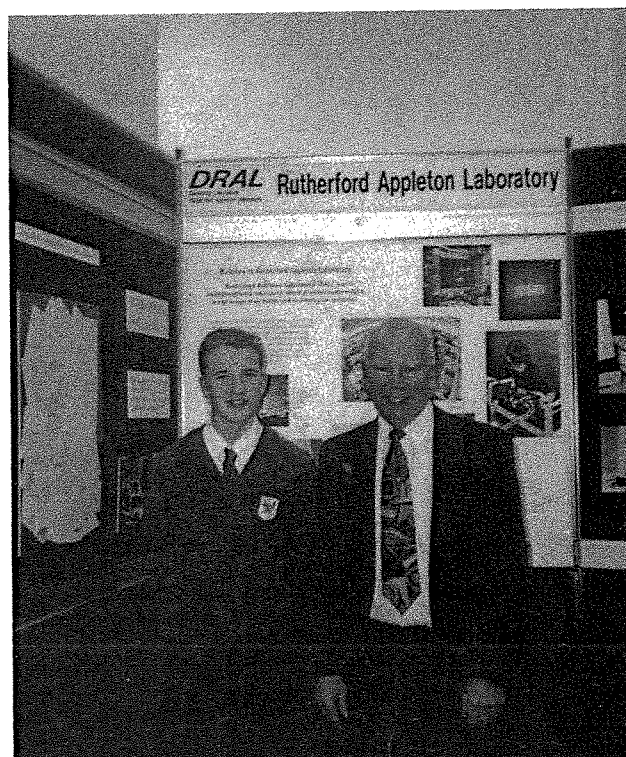
Richard Higgins, who passed his City & Guilds amateur radio exams and obtained his novice call sign ZEICUS, was chosen to receive the award on behalf of Mary Hare Grammar School from the Director of DRAL, Dr. Gordon Walker.

Each prestigious award to the twenty-five children present consisted of a set of science books, a certificate and photograph to mark the occasion.

During the evening, following an excellent video presentation of what happens at Rutherford, the children were given a conducted tour of parts of the establishment. At the same time parents, teachers and friends were given an insight behind the scenes of a special high power laser and the particle acceleration operational area. The other highlight of the evening was an excellent buffet.

This year we are pleased to announce that Yvette Eyo has been awarded the prize for progress over the year.

M. Vaslet



## PUZZLE

Did you guess who was sitting under the umbrella?

Answer: Mrs. Rocca

Chatterbox Editor: Mr. K. Wright  
Producer: Mrs. C. Ward