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## EDITORIAL

A year that has shaken even the Presidency of the United States has left the school magazine basically unchanged. However, the suggestion that we have simply reprinted last year's School Notes is a vicious lie. If you actually read them — not glance down them — you will see they are about different things; they only appear the same. It may be to some extent true that this is the same editorial as two years ago. But can you prove it?

The requirements of the magazine, school notes, club reports, prize lists and team photos, make a very rigid framework for a magazine. As George K. Boardman, the editor of two years ago wrote — "The few annual refinements made within this rigid framework hardly scratch the problem of one school magazine looking much like another!" This is not only wise but true!

On the other hand routine, sport, sitting exams, and making literary efforts are very much what school life is like, and I think everyone must admit that the school magazine gives a faithful reflection of school life as it really is.

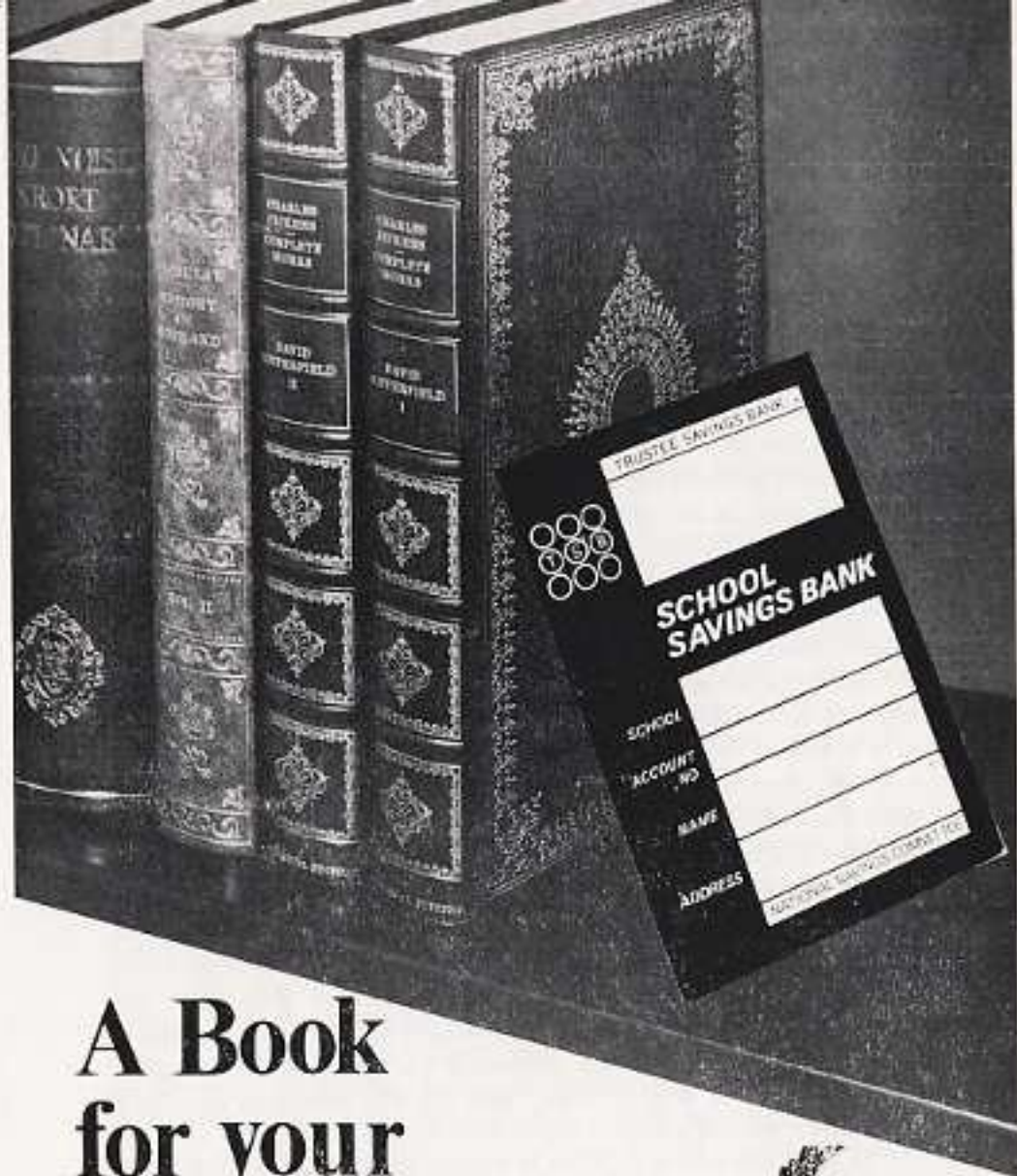
Two changes which make this an individual year are that we are all much cleaner and that we have a new swimming pool, or should I say we have a new swimming pool and are all much cleaner?

The building of the additional classrooms and canteen has meant that those in the study with little to do have been able to watch the builders having their 'elevenses' which they take at half-hour intervals from 9.30 a.m. It has been an education in itself. Who would have thought it needed a wheelbarrow to move a shovel from one end of the site to another? The indolent sixth year users of the study have been quite exhausted by such industry. Fortunately they have been saved from real over-exposure to this sort of thing by immersing themselves in the 'Press & Journal', 'Daily Record', 'Melody Maker' and similar publications.

The milling crowds in the corridors testify to the school's growing population and next year it will be worse because of the raising of the school leaving age. The editor proffers his sincere condolences to the teaching staff.

Finally, I would like to thank those in the school, and out of it, for all they have done to make this year's magazine possible.

JOHN A. S. ARNAUD, Editor.



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## THE HEAD'S MESSAGE

Motoring about recently, on my way to and from Edinburgh, Tomintoul and Crieff, I have been struck by the all-pervading greenness of early June in a season such as this one has proved to be. It is as if there were a multitone cover spread over the landscape,

"... Annihilating all that's made

To a green thought in a green shade."

Old Andrew Marvell expressed this idea so aptly, I always feel, illuminating it with the perceptive vision of the poet.

However infrequent the truly sunny days, however inadequate (or over-adequate) the rainfall, Nature varies no more than a few days this way or that in the never-failing presentation of her 'stupendous annual production', as if emulating the steadfast example of Mr Arnaud's team in the issue, June after June, of this Magazine. Long may they continue, each in their own way, of course, to herald the advent of high Summer!

This year, more than ever, the subtle variation of shade and texture seems to have caught my eye: an appreciation not unaffected perhaps by a personal shift of photographic interest from black-and-white to colour. Even in this present year, one landscape or glimpse of a view can vary dramatically from one weekend's journey to the next. Weather, time of day, one's own mood, even the addition of a week's growth on tree and hedgerow — all can contribute to an evolving and infinitely variable picture.

So it is with a school, and those most involved — the pupils and their teachers of today — may be the very ones least conscious of these evolutionary changes, just because they are themselves living them. Witness the absorption of the Swimming Pool into our scholastic way of life: already our youngest pupils would consider a timetable without its weekly swimming period almost unthinkable, yet Former Pupils of as little as a year ago will remind us wryly that just such a waterless regime was indeed their way of life.

It is of the nature of Former Pupils, specially when they make contact with the modern version of their own partly remembered schooldays, to express strong contrasts. None more strongly than one such from whom I heard recently, on his recurring theme of "that Marks & Spencers up the hill". As a Civil Servant concerned with educational development, he could have been expected to put aside his nostalgic memories of the old building and to see the greatly expanded potential of the new from the pupils of today.

Already the 'first' F.P.s of the new building, the leavers of summer 1965, remember their 'new' school as it was then, without the Swimming Pool, or the Medway and school garden, or the extended playing fields and embryo 'forest', or groundsman's store, or Guidance interview rooms, or naturally the latest—and as yet unfinished — Extension.

The last item on that already considerable list of additions is the key to the solution of the accommodation problem posed by ROSLA (The Raising of the School Leaving Age), which with the inevitability of the Law results in the return for next term of the whole of the present Third Year. A relatively small number whose sixteenth birthdays fall within that term will be entitled to leave at Christmas but the rest will have the next summer holidays as their leaving date.

Purpose-built to alleviate this problem of space, as well as to improve teaching facilities within the School as a whole, this Extension will house on the ground-floor the School Meals Kitchen and three dining or cafeteria rooms, while above the dining rooms are two Biology labs., with shared animal, plant and prep. rooms, and three other 'teaching spaces'. These consists of a Maths. Lab., and two multi-purpose classrooms, one currently allotted to Maths./Modern Studies and the other to English/French.

It will be realised how urgent is the necessity for early completion of this extra accommodation, when the consequent moves and conversions are listed: Commercial expanding into Room 13, Technical into Room 15 (with Miss Scott's 'O' Classes to M2), Art taking over the whole of the rear upper floor, when Music can fit to the present Dining Room duly adapted, alongside an additional Home Economics Room reconstructed from the present School Meals Kitchen, to compensate for further space in Room 4 ('The Flat') due for conversion to two more Guidance interview rooms.

All of which explains why my interest in the admirably sustained progress of the Contractors on the Extension is so close and so concerned. Autumn will demonstrate how fully the problem has been solved; those due to be vitally concerned when the new session starts may take some comfort from the fact that I have not as yet made any firm booking of marquees or other temporary expedients!

But before that, make the most of the summer days — and enjoy your reading of "DATA 1973".

ROBIN WINCHESTER.



# SCHOOL NOTES

## STAFF CHANGES

As usual the session started with new faces among the staff. In fact 1972-73 has brought ten new teachers to Keith Grammar School.

Mr Watson was appointed to the post of Principal Teacher of Guidance. He also assists the Physics and Mathematics Departments. Two other additions to the Mathematics Department were Mr Low and later in the term Mr John Bruce. Mrs A. M. Cattermole and Mrs Baird joined the English staff; Mrs Baird also teaches Latin. The Homecraft Department gained Miss R. Simpson and Mrs E. Geddes. Mr M. Cowie joined the Physical Education Department. Mr Donald Mackenzie took over from Mrs Doyle as teacher of Modern Studies during the first term, and Mr A. Coull was added to the strength of the Technical Department. In addition to this, Miss I. C. Goodall kindly came out of retirement to give temporary assistance to the Mathematics Department for the Christmas term.

## SCHOOL VISITS AND EXCURSIONS

As is widely known, the walls of K.G.S. cannot contain its pupils and they are accustomed to sally forth in dreadful hordes in search of culture.

Two buses went on the school's annual excursion to Haddo House to see a production of 'Much Ado About Nothing'. We were then enticed to Aberdeen to see a striking production of 'Hamlet' at the College of Education. The Keith contingent on this occasion amounted to four buses.

The Christmas Maths. Lecture in Aberdeen was again attended by enthusiasts from the Fifth and Sixth years.

During the second term a party watched a production of 'Blithe Spirit' in Fochabers and less than a fortnight later Aberdeen College of Education was again visited to see a performance of 'The Gondoliers'. A bus load saw 'Celebration' in Elgin town hall. Three Sixth Year boys spent four days in the Andrew Melville Hall of Residence while attending the St Andrew's Pre-University Conference. But undoubtedly the most popular excursion of the whole year was the mass exodus from the school to see Roman Polanski's daring and impressive version of 'Macbeth' at the Playhouse in Elgin. It had been a great year for the more Shakespeare minded among us.

## VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

We were all pleased to see that the school was not unused over the summer holidays as the British Diabetics held a camp here from the 14th to 20th July. On the 15th September Mr John Kynoch, the

first British medal winner at the '72 Olympics, gave a talk to the school on his visit to Munich and his hopes for change in future Olympic Games. A party from Balwearie High School, the school to which our former Deputy Headmaster, Mr O. McLauchlan, went, took part in competitions at a somewhat lower level on the 19th and 20th September.

The Schools to University conference was held in Keith this year and we were visited by representatives of Aberdeen University and College of Education plus parties of pupils and teachers from Banff and Buckie. During the same month we were entertained by a performance of the Pitlochry Theatre Company's play, 'Jonathan Wild'. Another entertainment in the first term was the Scottish Opera's 'Three Wise Monkeys'. On the last day of the first term Dr J. S. Stephen and Mr Winchester conducted a commemoration service for a hundred years of education (1872-1972) for the senior classes.

On the 8th February the talented tenor Mr David Johnston gave a recital during the day and a concert at night. We were again visited by the uniformed services this year. Captain Watson of the Special Air Service gave a talk for the army. We were visited by the Navy on the 28th of March and the Royal Air Force gave a talk and films. We were visited several times by the local Police to give—I hasten to add—talks on such subjects as road safety and good citizenship. Another set of guests were the Metropolitan Police on a recruiting drive. On the 6th of April Mr Richards and Mr Taylor of the Forestry Commission attended an official tree planting ceremony for 'Plant A Tree Year'. Mr Malcolm Wood, the new organiser of the Scottish Schoolboys Club attended the school's S.S.C. reunion in March.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

At the end of last term the staff versus pupil football and cricket matches both rather fittingly ended in draws. After the vacation the school held a very successful 'At Home' on the 26th September.

The School Dance this year was enlivened by a staff band very kindly agreeing to entertain us while the hired band took a break.

The Rotary Quiz was won by a team of girls from the sixth year.

In the second term the school was used as a music centre on Saturday mornings. The Debating Society was surprisingly successful this year. Sandy Innes and Linda Sutherland reached the third round of the English Speaking Union Competition and John S. F. McInnes and John A. S. Arnaud reached the regional final of the Daily Express Debating Competition which was held in Blairgowrie. Later John McInnes received a special invitation to appear on the television programme 'Mainly Magnus'. He gave a very creditable



performance. The Rotary Public Speaking Competition was held again this year but Keith won no prizes.

The Sponsored Fast held this year was a huge success. Altogether £657 was raised by these dedicated people.

#### **SWIMMING POOL MATTERS**

The 1972-73 session was the first in which K.G.S. has had a swimming pool of its own. It is open to the schools, both primary and secondary, of Banffshire throughout the school week and systematic instruction in swimming is given. Unfortunately on two occasions this session the pool has had to be closed for repairs.

A very exciting swimming gala with races organised on a House competition basis with novelty events was held at the end of the first term for the 1st and 2nd years. An equally good, if not better, gala was held for the senior classes at the end of the second term. Thanks for organising these events are due to the staffs of both Physical Education Departments.

The building of a swimming pool in Keith has offered a chance to add a new dimension to the life of both the school and the town. That chance has not been neglected.

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Despite the fact that there have only been three Council meetings this session, this foothold of "pupil power" has proved a useful body of representation.

In one case, thanks to pressure through the Council, the long-suffering first and second year pupils no longer have to endure the rigours of rain and snow at intervals, but are allowed to stay in classrooms.

For another example, the Service Committee, elected from the Council, undertook the organisation of a "Sponsored Fast" in April. This raised the magnificent sum of £657.29. This money went mainly to help five Vietnamese orphans, and also to the R.S.S.P.C.C. and to the Oxfam Drought in India Fund.

As always, many pupils have levelled the criticism that the Council is a powerless, ineffectual organisation. I hope that the above examples show that the power of enthusiasm and persistent argument can achieve many things if councillors are prepared to take part in discussion.

On behalf of the Council I would like to thank Fiona Goodison, Anne Sloan and William Barron for their able chairmanship, and Mr Winchester, Mr Scott and Mrs Munro for their assistance.

Sandy Innes, Secretary.

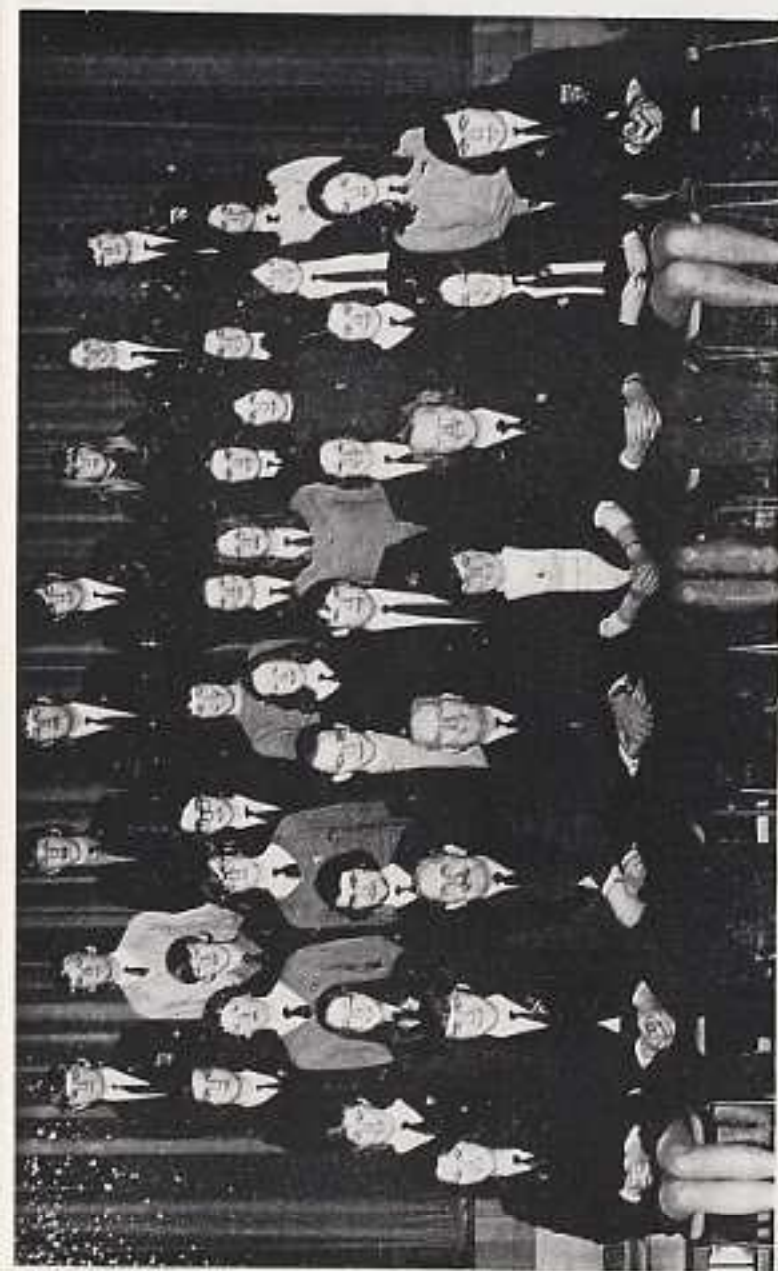
#### **SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT**

After an appeal to help Vietnamese orphans had been received by a member of the Service Committee, it was decided to hold a 24-hour Sponsored Fast. As a result, £657 was realised; £520 was donated to the Vietnamese relief fund and is enough to keep five orphans for a year; £50 was donated to the R.S.S.P.C.C. and Oxfam for Indian Drought Relief. The Service Committee would like to thank the members of staff who kept the 'midnight vigil'.

The Service Committee has also organised collections in Keith for the blind and helped to distribute 'Help the Aged' leaflets.

Fiona Goodison, VI.





#### SCHOOL PREFECTS

Back Row (l. to r.): Ian Anderson, Alasdair McGregor, John Forsyth, John Geddes, John Whitley, Pamela Will, Moira Smith, Linda Sutherland.  
 Fourth Row: John Smith, Eric Bowen, Trevor Whitley, Paul Henderson, Hazel Robertson, Anne Caldwell, Irene Edward, Beth McNicol.  
 Third Row: Andrew Herbertson, Ronald Mitchell, Jane MacPherson, Lucy Forsyth, Keith Robson, Linda Ross.  
 Second Row: Kathleen MacIver, Jennifer Wilks, James Petrie, Alexander Innes, Brian Thomson, Jennifer Watson, Susan McVean, Sandra Donald.  
 Front Row: Anne Sloan (Vice-Capt.), William Barron (School Capt.), Mr W. Scott, Mr R. Winchester, Mrs M. Munro, Mr N. Wilson, Fiona Goodison (School Capt.), John Arnaud (Vice-Capt.).

#### LIBRARY REPORT

Banffshire school libraries are fortunate this year to have been allocated the sum of 50p per pupil by the Education Authority. In Keith Grammar this grant is to be spent largely on the Reference and Adult Fiction Sections. The practice of buying only hard cover books is being broken because of their very high cost and, by way of an experiment, a considerable stock of paper-back fiction has been ordered and should be on the shelves early next session. We trust that, although paper-backs may be much cheaper than hard cover books, borrowers will treat them with no less care and respect.

We should like to thank the County Library staff for their very prompt response to our calls for assistance, Mrs Fraser for adding her copy of "The Guardian" to our own "Press and Journal", and all pupil librarians who have given up their own time to keep the books circulating.  
 Brian Thomson, VI.

#### THE SENIOR CHOIR

This past year the senior choir have taken part in many activities. They joined the Keith Philharmonic Society to perform Mr John Edward's "Nine Lessons" early in December. At Christmas, carols were sung in the St Rufus Church.

Recently the choir and choirs of Banff and Buckie gave a performance of Faure's "Requiem" and Puccini's "Messa di Gloria" at an evening concert in Banff.

Our thanks must be given to Miss Cadenhead and Miss MacPherson for their work in training the choir.  
 Moira A. Smith, VI.

#### BANFFSHIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL 1973

Since Keith was the venue of this year's festival the number of entries from the school in both the Verse and Drama and the Music sections was high. We commend all who tried and congratulate the following on their successes.

#### VERSE and DRAMA

- |                                |                                     |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Girls under 15 — English       | 3 Kevin Sloan                       |
| 1 Shelley Jamieson (90 points) | Open — Men's Dramatic Solo          |
| 2 Carol Howells                | 1 John McInnes (91)                 |
| 3 Lesley Morrison              | Duologue — Open — Female Characters |
| Boys under 19 — English        | 1 Anne Sloan, Jane MacPherson       |
| 1 John McInnes (90)            | 2 Linda Sutherland, Kathleen McIver |
| 2 Eric Barton                  | Duologue — Mixed                    |
| Girls under 19 — English       | 1 Jane MacPherson, John McInnes     |
| 2 Linda Sutherland             |                                     |
| 3 Anne Sloan                   |                                     |
| Boys under 15 — English        |                                     |
| 1 Gerard Doyle                 |                                     |



## VERSE and DRAMA (Continued)

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|--------------------------|--|
| Girls under 15 — Scots   | 2 eq. Jane MacPherson, Jennifer Bowie            |
| 1 Shelley Jamieson (92)  |  |
| Dramatic Solo Open—Women | 3 eq. Jennifer Kynoch, Anne Sloan, Estrid Barton |
| 1 Kathleen MacIver (91)  |  |

## DANCING

- |                               |                                   |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 13 and under — Sean Truibhs   | 2 Alison Watt (94)                |
| 2 eq. Caroline Fitzpatrick    | Sean Truibhs                      |
| Half Reel of Tulloch          | 1 eq. Alison Watt (95)            |
| 3 eq. Caroline Fitzpatrick    | Half Reel of Tulloch              |
| 16 and under — Highland Fling | 1 eq. Alison Watt (95)            |
| 1 Alison Watt (94)            | Classical Ballet, 14 but under 17 |
| Sword Dance                   | 2 Alison Watt (90)                |

## MUSIC

- |                                    |                                  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Violin Solo — under 16             | Piano Solo — under 19            |
| 2 Carol Mair                       | 2 Jackie Mair                    |
| Scots — under 14                   | 3 Susan Smith                    |
| 3 Karin Paterson                   | Bach Solo                        |
| Scots — under 16                   | 2 John Whittley                  |
| 1 Carol Mair                       | 3 Moira Smith                    |
| 2 eq. Karin Paterson               | Mozart Solo — Open               |
| Solo — under 15                    | 1 Susan Smith                    |
| 1 Carol Mair (92)                  | Recorder Duet — under 19         |
| Brass Solo — under 15              | 1 Estrid Barton, Eric Barton     |
| 2 Linda Cameron                    | Recorder Solo — Open             |
| 3 Flora Gray                       | 1 Eric Barton                    |
| Brass Solo — under 17              | 2 Estrid Barton                  |
| 1 Colin McDonald                   | Solo Treble Recorder — under 18  |
| Brass Ensemble — Open              | 1 Linda Cameron                  |
| 1 Keith Grammar School (90)        | Solo Descant Recorder—under 16   |
| Wind Ensemble — under 15           | 3 Violet Morrison                |
| 1 Keith Grammar School             | Duets — under 16                 |
| Military Bands — Open              | 3 Ruth Morrison, Violet Morrison |
| 1 Keith Grammar School (90)        | Recorder Ensembles — Secondary   |
| Orchestras — under 16              | under 16                         |
| 1 Keith Schools                    | 2 Keith Grammar School           |
| Piano Duet — under 14              | Recorder Ensembles — Open        |
| 1 Wilma Rennie, Maureen Rutherford | 1 Keith Grammar School           |
|                                    | Instrumental Ensembles           |
|                                    | 2 Jackie, Carol, David Mair      |

## VOCAL

- |                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Solo under 19 — Soprano | 2 Hazel Robertson         |
| 2 Moira Smith           |                           |
| Open — Operatic Aria    | Aria from Oratorio (Open) |
| 1 Moira Smith           | 1 eq. Moira Smith         |

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 Fourth Row: Mr A. Watson, Mrs I. Baird, Miss G. Cadenhead, Mr P. Fleming, Mr A. MacLachlan, Mr R. Low, Mrs C. Purves, Mrs W. Fraser, Mrs M. Sadler.  
 Third Row: Mr J. Barnetson, Mrs A. Cattermole, Miss M. Grant, Miss R. Simpson, Miss M. Coggis, Miss P. Eadie, Mrs M. McPherson, Miss M. Addison, Miss H. Cruickshank, Mr I. Mair.  
 Second Row: Mrs A. Smith, Miss C. Cameron, Mrs J. Horne, Mr I. McV., Mr W. Rennie, Mr C. Lamb, Mr A. Smith, Mr P. Mitchell, Mrs S. McAllister, Miss P. MacPherson.  
 Front Row: Mr E. Barton, Miss K. Scott, Mr W. Paterson, Mr W. Scott, Mr R. Winchester, Mrs M. Munro, Mr N. Wilson, Mrs M. Sabiston, Mr J. Arnaud.

## KEITH GRAMMAR SCHOOL PRIZE LIST SESSION 1972-73

### Subject Prizes in Common Course Classes

#### CLASS I

English—1 eq. Anne A. Meldrum IG, Barbara Richardson IR.  
 History—1 Ian Allan IR, 2 Gwen A. Reid IG.  
 Geography—1 Gwen A. Reid IG, 2 Gordon McLure IR.  
 French—1 Gordon McLure IR, 2 Gwen A. Reid IG.  
 Mathematics—1 Roy Jamieson IR, 2 Barbara Richardson IR.  
 Science—1 Judith Doyle IY, 2 Anne Meldrum IG.  
 Art—1 Colin Barclay IY, 2 Roy Jamieson IR.  
 Home Economics—1 eq. Anne A. Meldrum IG, Gwen A. Reid IG.  
 Technical Subjects—1 Roy Jamieson IR, 2 Michael Stewart IR.

#### CLASS II

English—1 Jill C. Sutherland IY, 2 Joy Stuart IIR.  
 History—1 Kay P. Jackson IIR, 2 Joy Stuart IIR.  
 Latin—1 Margaret A. Johnston IIG, 2 Gerard Doyle IIG.  
 Geography—1 Karin A. Paterson IIG, 2 Peter D. Cruickshank IIG.  
 French—1 Joy Stuart IIR, 2 Kay P. Jackson IIR.  
 Mathematics—1 Peter Watson IY, 2 Gerard Doyle IIG.  
 Science—1 Gerard Doyle IIG, 2 Thomas Duncan IIR.  
 Art—1 Joy Stuart IIR, 2 eq. Kay P. Jackson IIR, Judith M. Milne IIB.  
 Home Economics—1 Lesley Morrison IIB, 2 eq. Muriel Munro IIG, Shirley M. A. Whyte IY.  
 Technical Subjects—1 Thomas Stewart IIB, 2 James Stewart IY.  
 Subject Prizes in Third Year S.C.E. Courses

#### CLASS III

English—1 A. Gordon Shaw, 2 eq. Michael J. Barnetson, Alexander R. Mackay.  
 History—1 Jennifer Duthie, 2 Kevin Sloan.  
 Latin—1 Patricia M. Reid, 2 A. Gordon Shaw.  
 Geography—1 Alan I. Phillips, 2 Neil McWilliam.  
 French—1 Patricia M. Reid, 2 Graham D. Dev.  
 German—1 Lesley A. Forsyth, 2 Helen M. Proud.  
 Mathematics—1 Helen M. Proud, 2 Alexander R. Mackay.  
 Statistics—1 Mary Campbell, 2 Carol A. Harper.  
 Chemistry/Home Economics—Patricia A. Mair (Supernumerary prize in recognition of 1st place in both subjects in Third Term examination [after absence during First Term examination]).  
 Art—1 Jean Auchinachie.  
 Technical Subjects—1 David G. Gray.  
 Commercial Subjects—1 Mary Campbell, 2 Carol A. Harper.  
 Rural Science—1 James Wiseman.



### CLASS III S.C.E. PLACES

1 Helen M. Proud, 2 Patricia M. Reid, 3 Alexander R. Mackay.

#### Class Places

IO—1 Gillian F. Shanks, 2 James Bruce.

IIO—1 Anthony S. Pirie, 2 Philip Christie.

IIIBG—1 Kathleen M. Greig, 2 Janette C. Duncan, 3 Esther E. Law.

IIIO—1 Alexander J. Coutts, 2 Donald Strathdee.

IIIRY—1 James R. Bonnyman, 2 George Angus, 3 Ian C. Thain.

### SUBJECT PRIZES IN CLASS IV

English—1 Margaret D. Arnaud, 2 Catherine A. Steel.

History—1 Margaret D. Arnaud, 2 Catherine A. Steel.

Latin—1 Margaret D. Arnaud, 2 Anne E. McLennan.

Geography—1 Eric E. Barton, 2 Anne E. McLennan.

French—1 Margaret D. Arnaud, 2 Alisdair E. McLure.

German—1 Estrid A. Barton, 2 Margaret D. Arnaud.

Mathematics—1 John A. Watson, 2 Eric E. Barton.

Arithmetic—1 eq. John A. Watson, Alisdair E. McLure.

Statistics—1 Richard N. McKenzie, 2 June Maxwell.

Art—1 Henry W. Duncan, 2 Estrid A. Barton.

Physics—1 Eric E. Barton, 2 Alisdair E. McLure.

Biology—1 Catherine A. Steel, 2 Lynda E. Smith.

Chemistry—1 Eric E. Barton, 2 John A. Watson.

#### Class Places

IV—1 Eric E. Barton, 2 Margaret D. Arnaud, 3 Alisdair E. McLure.

V—1 P. Michael Stooling, 2 eq. John Forsyth, Jennifer Wilks,

4 eq. Linda Ross, George Sandison.

### SPECIAL PRIZES

Gray Prize (best non-language pupil in 1st year) — Gillian F. Shanks IO

Australian Prize (best pupil in 1st year) — Barbara Richardson IR

Jane Laing Prizes (best Home-craft pupils in IIW/Z and IIIBG/RV) — Linda J. Cameron III  
Janette C. Duncan IIIBG

The Currie Prizes (best Technical pupils in IIIBG/RV) — James R. Bonnyman IIIRY  
Charles A. Davidson IIIRY

Jane Gordon Prizes (best pupils in IIIrd year Science)

Physics — Alexander R. Mackay

Chemistry — Helen M. Proud

Alexander R. Mackay

Biology — Ian Jackson

Patricia M. Reid

Allan Gray Prizes for Scots Vernacular (I-VI)

— Albert Dey IV

Blanche Roy IIV

Alexander R. Mackay III

Catherine A. Steel IV

Linda J. Ross V

S.S.P.C.A. Essay Prizes

— Shelley M. D. Jamieson IV

Judith M. Milne IIB

Patricia A. Mair III

National Bible Society Prizes, 2nd year

— D. Stuart Andrew IIB

Judith M. Milne IIB

Peter D. Cruickshank IIG

Anthony S. Pirie IO

Carol W. M. Howells IIR

Blanche H. Roy IIV

Mrs E. MacConachie's Prize in Music, 3rd year

— Lesley Wright III

Headmaster's Prize for Dux of S.III

— Helen M. Proud III

Special Prizes for Commercial Course, Class IV

— Alison M. Gauld IV

Anne Murray IV

Chas. A. McHardy (Keith) Ltd. Prize for Homecraft, Senior Classes

— Hazel M. Robertson V

German Embassy Prize for German, Class IV

— Estrid A. Barton IV

German Embassy Prize for German, Class V

— Moira A. Cannon V

Special Prize in Art

— Mary Bell V

John G. Robb Memorial Prize for Modern Studies

— Ian M. Boardman V

Special Prize in Technical Subjects (Metal Work) (Engineering Drawing)

— William A. Law V

— Leslie S. Simpson V

Mr Arnaud's Memento to Editor of 'Data'

— John A. Arnaud VI

Special Prizes for Post Certificate Work:

in English — John A. Arnaud VI

in History — John A. Arnaud VI

in Geography — Kathleen M. McIver VI

in Mathematics — John D. Whitley VI

in Modern Languages — Valerie M. Gauld VI

German Embassy Prize for German, Class VI

— Valerie M. Gauld VI



# Gordon-Grant Prize for Science.

Class VI	Physics	— John Whittley VI
	Chemistry	— Fiona Goodison VI
The Rhoda Laing Memorial		— William J. Barron VI
Prizes for meritorious service to the school		Irene H. Edward VI
		Fiona Goodison VI
		Paul R. Henderson V
		Anne Sloan VI
The Ella Lobban Prizes in Music:	Singing	— Hazel M. Robertson V
	Piano	— John D. Whittley VI
	Violin	— Heather Reid IR
	Woodwind	— Shelley M. D. Jamieson IV
	Brass	— Lesley Wright III
Wm. Greig & Co. Prize for Dux in German		— Lindsay F. Scott V
Ogilvie & Ferguson Prize for Dux in Science	Physics	— P. Michael Stirling V
	Chemistry	— P. Michael Stirling V
	Biology	— Margaret R. Bonnyman V
Collingwood-Kynoch Prize for Dux in Mathematics		— P. Michael Stirling V
Prize for Dux in History		— eq. Bryan A. C. Murray V
		Brenda M. Gordon V
John Mitchell & Son Prize for Dux in Geography		— Linda J. Ross V
The Wilson of Montgrew Prize for Dux in Latin		— Linda J. Ross V
Brown Prize for Dux in French		— Brian J. Mair V
Town Council Medal for Dux in English		— Jennifer M. Wilks V
Headmaster's Memento to Captains of the School		— Fiona Goodison VI
		William J. Barron VI
Dr Grant Memorial Medal for Dux of the School		— P. Michael Stirling V

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K.G.S. pupils were placed as follows:

John D. Whittley 33rd; Linda M. Sutherland 60th.

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# Clubs, Societies and Activities

## DEBATING SOCIETY

The Society has done very well in competition this year as will have been obvious from reading the School Notes. However that is only one side of the society. The most meaningful and enjoyable debates usually emerge from the ordinary meetings.

The first of these was to debate the motion "That the admission of the Ugandan Asians is in the long view in the best interests of the country". The speakers for the proposition were Linda Sutherland and Eric Barton and for the opposition John McInnes and Jackie Mair. The motion was defeated.

The next motion was "That the future is not safe in the hands of the youth of today". Speakers for the proposition were Estrig Barton and Drew Herbertson and for the opposition Jennifer Kynoch and Michael Watt. The motion very properly was defeated.

Sandy Innes and Linda Sutherland reached the third round of the English Speaking Union, travelling to Aberdeen twice to speak at Rubislaw Academy and Robert Gordon's.

The team for the "Daily Express" Debating Competition, John S. F. McInnes, this year's president of the Debating Society and John A. S. Arnaud travelled as far as Blairgowrie to take part in the Regional Final.

Later John McInnes was flown to Glasgow at the BBC's expense to take part in the television programme "Mainly Magnus". Let us "say no more" than that his excellent performance was seen and praised in sitting rooms all over Scotland.

Another Debating Society "Happening" was held this year. The former pupils gave their customary display of profound wisdom and dazzling wit.

The Kei'h team unfortunately failed to win back the shield in the Rotary Public Speaking Competition.

The final event of the Debating Society's year was the annual staff pupil debate. Mrs Purves and Linda Sutherland spoke for the proposition and Mr Watson and Michael Watt for the opposition. The motion, "That children are an oppressed minority", was enthusiastically supported.

As usual the Debating Society would like to thank Mr Arnaud for his support and guidance throughout the year.

John Arnaud, VI (Vice-President).



## K.G.S. BADMINTON CLUB, 1972-73

For the badminton club, in general, season 1972-73 will only be remembered for that tedious stage of development where results fall in between near misses and successes, therefore, as a season of supreme runner-upmanship.

Happily, however, a large proportion of the successes came from the younger ranks, and this will therefore stand the club in excellent stead for the future, once their less successful elders move over to make way for their higher scoring apprentices.

In an inter-school competition, results fell just below the optimum in most divisions, the senior mixed doubles team blemishing their 100% successful scorecard, having beaten Milne's High School, Pochabers, twice (9-7 and 13-5) and Buckie once, 5-4, by slumping in a most unexpected and unusual fashion to a strong Buckie team in the return match, by 4-5. The junior boys' doubles team then emulated the feats of their more experienced counterparts at this level of competition, when, having beaten Milne's High twice, 8-1 and 7-2, and Buckie High once, to lose (in other words, 9-0), they managed to trip over the last hurdle, Huntly, and eventually ran out 11-5 losers (they haven't stopped running since). In the minor competitions, the boys did not quite realise their potential, falling 4-0 twice at doubles, and 4-0 and 3-1 at singles, to what we were assured were their counterparts from Buckie. The minor girls, however, showed much promise (to win next year) and proved their worth when they beat Buckie High 9-7 and 15-1 in a glorious ending to their season.

The Banffshire tournament, however, although proving to be of good value to both the successful and unsuccessful younger players, unfortunately only served once again as an incentive for senior badminton players to leave school, when once again the undoubted potential in these ranks failed to even emerge from the surrounding cocoon, and successes were even worse than being few and far between; they were non-existent. However, this was more than compensated for by the hard hitting youngsters in the minor divisions, where Jimmy Simpson and Jeff Hermiston were runners-up in the boys doubles, and in the girls section, Keith achieved the grand slam, Brenda Stuart winning the singles of her own accord, and, partnered by Flora Gray, defeating their allies, Maureen McKenzie and Kathleen Porteous in the final. In the junior section, also, women's lib, again triumphed, when Allison Maxwell came a close second in the girls' singles, and, partnered by Allison Gould, made amends by winning the doubles.

Once again, however, the highlight of the year was the annual clash of champions of today with champions of yesterday, in which the staff, mainly because of successful propaganda and other unfair tactics, managed to salvage a 9-9 draw from this highly talented badminton team.

This year, again, thanks are due to Miss C. Cameron, without whose help and coaching, the teams could not have competed so successfully in inter-school and individual competitions, and failed so dismally in the staff match. Billy Malcolm, VI (Captain).

## CANOE CLUB REPORT

Over the past year, canoeing on the whole has been restricted to the rivers Spey and Isla, the main exception being in June when the Keith Club had the pleasure of acting host to teachers and pupils from Wick High School. This was a very entertaining weekend of canoeing. However, I am sure that all club members would agree that the highlight of the year's activities came on the river Dee at Potarch in October.

During these two days 15 members of the club participated in slalom events, i.e. the covering of a set course through gates in as short a time as possible.

We did not have the greatest of success in the team event but in the open novice event we had better luck with J. Watson receiving a small plaque for being 1st lady and Mr Gilchrist, Mr Wilson, I. Anderson and Mr Coull coming within the top 17.

In a schools event I. Anderson, J. Watson, S. Purves, F. Johnstone, J. Petrie and I. McPherson all competed and did well.

The junior members of the club have had a lack of canoeing this year as there has been no baths course over the winter session. It is to be hoped that the club can obtain the use of the pool this coming winter. Unlike previous years there has been no fund raising this year as the financial situation is reasonably comfortable at the moment.

We look forward to a full year's canoeing and particularly to the first weekend in June when the club pay a return visit to Wick, which should complete the events for this term. J. Watson, V.





#### SENIOR HOCKEY

Back Row (l. to r.): Barbara Hendry, Stella McLeod, Beth McNicol.  
 Middle Row: Judith McVean, Elizabeth Stalker, Helen Penno, Sandra Donald, Susan Dey.  
 Front Row: Wilma Gray, Irene Edward, Jennifer Wilks, Susan McVean.

#### ANNUAL HOCKEY REPORT

During the past hockey season, the K.G.S. Senior Hockey XI has become extremely skilful in the art of persuading people to get out of their beds on a Saturday morning. Unfortunately, the amount of time spent on this activity left little time for practice and consequently the standard of play suffered somewhat. This is evident from the results, which unfortunately we were totally unable to locate at the time of going to press. However, any skill and stamina which we lacked was made up for by our wholehearted enthusiasm and unflagging courage in the face of the enemy.

The long standing reputation of K.G.S. was tarnished a little by the achievements of the 2nd Year XI and Under 15 XI who managed to win the majority of their matches. 'Nuff said! It was so obvious that they would have won the Banffshire Under 15 seven-a-side tournament that the other teams involved turned yellow and cancelled the tournament altogether.

Once again a bus load of hockey players and ever enthusiastic fans travelled to Meadowbank Stadium in Edinburgh to see the international hockey match between Scotland and England. The devastating effect of their support was made obvious when Scotland was slaughtered 4-0 after having previously defeated England in an away game at Wembley.

On the whole, although the season's hockey has not been completely successful for everyone concerned, it has been rewarding and enjoyable, and spirits have remained unbelievably high all round.

It only remains to thank Miss Cameron for her unfailing support and encouragement in the face of dismal prospects, because without her help none of this would have been possible!

Valerie Gauld and Irene Edward, VI.

FOOTNOTE: As nobody seems to want a basketball report, we will just take this opportunity of telling you anyway—We won the lot!

#### CRICKET CLUB

With the help of Messrs P. Fleming and A. Smith of the History Department and our Games Master M. Cowie, the recently revived cricket team has entered its second season.

Again a team is to participate in the North of Scotland Schools' League, facing stiff opposition from Elgin, Buckie, Fochabers and Gordons, and are also drawn against Elgin in the K.O. cup.

We hope to improve on last year's league position, but we are suffering greatly from lack of experience. Many of our old hands have left school, but some interest is being shown from younger members.

It is proposed to enter a team in the local seven-a-side Trades League which proved fairly successful before. Team members include R. Mitchell, G. McIntosh, D. Milne, P. Barr, J. McInnes, D. Herbertson, A. McClure, M. Watt and J. Park.

We would like to thank Keith Cricket Club for their co-operation during the season and hope that perhaps in years to come they will benefit from our interest in the sport.

Ronald Mitchell, V.





#### SENIOR FOOTBALL

Back Row (l. to r.): Neil Ledingham, Gordon McIntosh, Paul Henderson, David Rodger, Malcolm McDonald, Ronald Gauld, Alistair Strachan, Donnie McKay.  
Front Row: Sandy Duncan, Drew Herbertson, Billy Malcolm (Capt.), Brian Ross, Ian McCulloch.

#### K.G.S. SENIOR FOOTBALL CLUB, 1972-73

At the end of another hard fought football season, yet another captain finds himself burdened with the delicate task of justifying, or attempting to justify the inconsistency which seems to be a regular feature in the play of the recent senior football teams. Another unfortunate trend in the senior team is the recent necessity of the aforementioned captain to be as subtle of pen as he is of foot, to be able adequately to glorify the team's better, and even GREAT, performances in such a way as to obscure its less memorable moments. It is therefore with much hesitancy and caution that my pen continues to scribble through this report.

To begin at the beginning, the team's potential was always obvious (if only to ourselves), but the big question was:—Did we have the necessary understanding, method and training to realise this potential? Well, the only real answer, discounting even White lies, is no, we did not: training, for potential world beaters, was far

too irregular and poorly attended to realise this all conquering dream. Therefore, the first few results were disappointing, although apart from a couple of disappointing "slumps", (5-2 at the hands of Nairn Academy, 3-1 at the hands of Mackie Academy in the first round of the North of Scotland Cup) no team could be confident of wresting points from our grasp (viz. 3-0 defeats by Inverness High School and Inverness Royal Academy, two 1-1 draws with Buckie High). However, these disappointing results did not affect the spirit of the team which persevered in playing enjoyable, good football, even when results (discounting defeats) were hard to come by.

BUT, midway through the season, the team hit a purple patch, meting out full revenge on Nairn Academy in the form of a 5-1 football lesson, then scoring a 5-0 (run) away victory over Banff for double points, followed by a 6-0 friendly walkover against Fochabers. With this hat-trick of glorious successes behind us, the purple patch faded temporarily to a weaker shade of pink, during which time we still, however, managed to cover ourselves in glory, when under strength teams nearly pulled off the impossible, going down finally 6-5 to the eventual league winners, Lochaber High, at Fort William, and losing by another odd goal(!) to Elgin Academy, again for double points, by 2-1. For the last game of the season, however, the relevant colour which immediately springs to mind is a deep, dark shade of indigo (the colour of bruises) and the team finished the season on the highest note possible (a strained C sharp minor) by denying Inverness High School the chance of a play off for the league title, inflicting a crushing 4-2 defeat on the much fancied(!) league contenders.

Finally, thanks are again due to Messrs Fowlie, Smith, Cowie and Coull without whose coaching, experience, and home bias, the team must surely have failed.

Players who represented the school are as follows: A. Strachan, I. Boardman, S. Duncan, B. Malcolm, B. Ross, I. McCulloch, G. McIntosh, D. Herbertson, R. Gauld, P. Henderson, D. MacKay, A. McDonald, C. McDonald, M. MacDonald, B. Green, N. Ledingham, D. Rodger, R. Mitchell, K. Robson.  
Billy Malcolm, VI (Captain)

#### VOLLEYBALL AND BASKETBALL

The Volleyball and Basketball activities have attracted a tremendous interest from the boys in the school. Inter-house competitions have been held at all age levels and successful matches have been played against Milne's High School, Fochabers.

It is hoped to develop and expand this field next session with further inter-house competitions and matches against other schools in the county.

M.C.



## SKI REPORT

Because of lack of snow the skiing was very poor this year, but in spite of this, groups of pupils went up at Christmas and Easter to the Outdoor Centre at Tomintoul.

Trips were made up to the Cairngorms on a few occasions at weekends, transport being provided by the 82nd Army Youth Team.

Thanks must be given to the Army Youth Team for transport, Mr and Mrs Lester who instructed us very well and also to Miss Cameron who arranged and took a very active part in making our outings a success.

Judith McVean, III.

## SAILING CLUB REPORT

The Sailing Club started the session with a healthy recruitment of new members and the membership now stands at twenty-two third year and fourth year pupils. We were once again given the use of the Wayfarers at Cullen Outdoor Centre and twice weekly outings continued until bad weather brought the season to a close. During the winter our energies were devoted to fund raising by a quiz sheet and whist drive. The final sum reached was £100 and our especial thanks are due to Mrs Sabiston for her efforts on our behalf. The money has been used to equip the club with life-jackets. Sailing at Cullen began again at the beginning of May and the club members are increasing in confidence and, we hope, skill under the able tuition of Mr Fowle, Mr Innes, Mr Mair and Mr Sabiston.

M. A., IV.

## SCOTTISH SCHOOLBOYS' CLUB, 1972-73

Once again the end of another hectic S.S.C. year merits some lyrical glorification of the unique experiences of the past months, although obviously no amount of prose (no matter how excellent in quality) can hope to convey the high degree of enjoyment and pleasure in the enthusiast's year with anything like the realism of first hand experience.

Now, 1973 will always be looked back upon by S.S.C. members as is the year 1791 by the French, and the year 1776 by the Americans i.e. as a year of great change, a year which has seen the passing of some great age old institution: in this case, the centuries-old institution which disappeared from the S.S.C. world

in 1973 was the Louis XVI of the Scottish Schoolboys' Club, your friend and mine, David Sinclair, who happily gave up his crown more readily than that French monarch, obviously feeling his sanity to have been jeopardised by his many years of close contact with the thousands of screaming schoolboys in the club during this time. It is hoped, however, to have Mr Sinclair preserved in the near future as a monument of national and historical importance. His successor as organiser of the S.S.C., Mr Malcolm Wood, although suffering from the severe handicap of English nationality, has, happily, showed much ability and prowess in this same field (the Bruar camp site) and will no doubt lead the S.S.C. choir singing all the way to Heaven. Once again, however, S.S.C. Camp lived up to all it was expected to be (hence the need for great pessimism in new members, to avoid disappointment) and Mr Wood's pilgrimage North again served as a suitable excuse to hold that dreaded fiasco known as S.S.C. night—this one containing the added incentive of ignorance and innocence in the new guest and prospective victim. It is hoped, however, that Mr Wood will recover enough to make an appearance at the 1973 summer camp at Bruar, towards which Mecca all members already find their faces turning at least three times daily (mealtimes?) in Mohammeden-like reverence.

Billy Malcolm, VI.

## CHESS

Since the formation of a Chess Club, a year ago, the interest in chess in the school has grown considerably. The two divisions in the League have now grown to three, with a total of about 30 players. The club meets after 4.00 p.m. every Tuesday, but those that cannot come can play their games during their dinner hour.

Competition is very keen in the League, players in the lower divisions fighting for promotion and those in the first for the coveted first place. The winner of all the League competitions this year has been Fraser King, although he has had to share the title once with me.

Also this year we took part in a Chess Competition with other schools in the North-East. In this competition we gave a good account of ourselves, not doing too badly for a relatively new club. The results of our matches are shown below.

Buckie 3, Keith 3; Keith 2, Huntly 4; Turriff 1, Keith 5;

Keith 2½, Banff 3½; Keith 1½, Elgin 4½.

Won 13, drawn 2, lost 15. Final placing — 4th.

In connection with this competition I would like to thank Jean Auchinachie and Valerie Willox for making the tea for both teams when we were playing at home.

James Petrie, VI.



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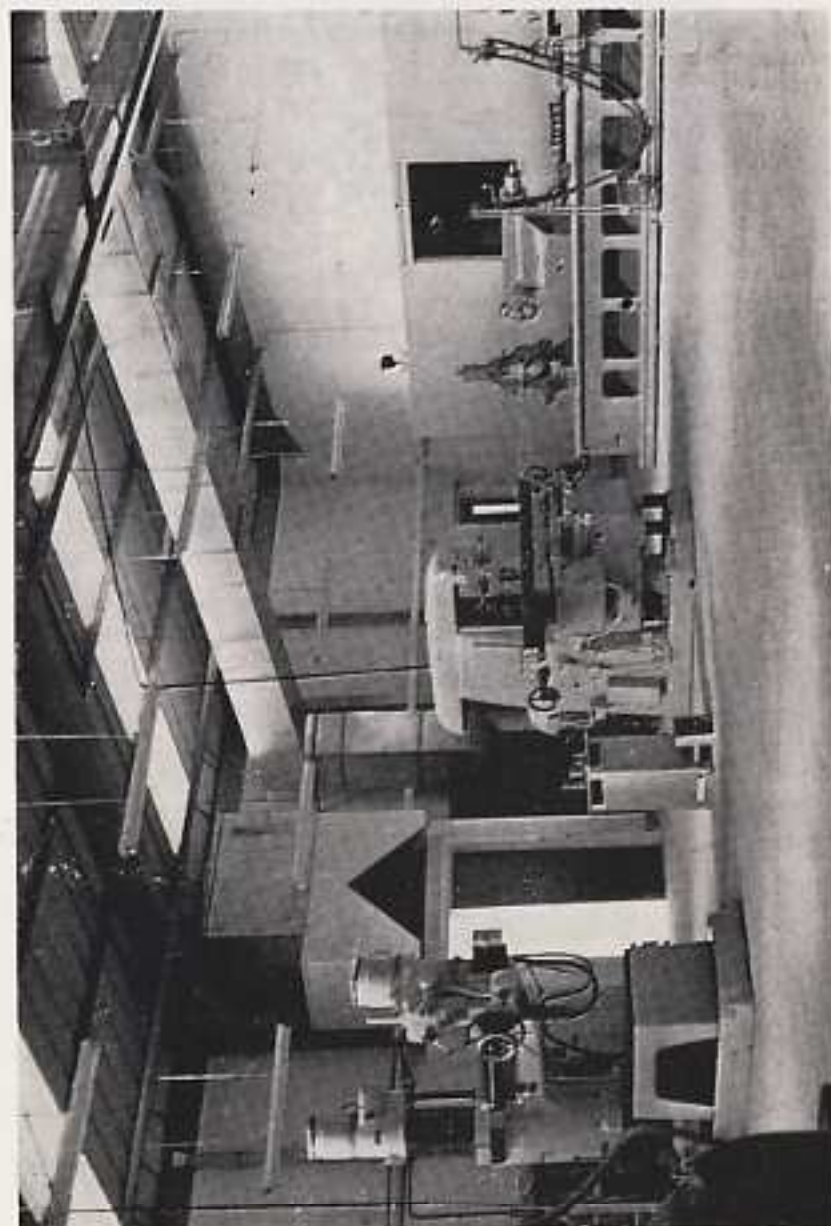
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## Literary Section

### SNELL DAYS

Douce burghers  
of Auld Reekie  
Chitter in snell winds  
Frae ayont the Forth,  
As day maks an end  
Haar creeps in  
Up ilka vennel  
And close  
Cowering by the crown  
of Giles,  
And drouthie souls  
Seek the snug,  
Tae wash awa  
The dreich  
And dreary  
Darg.

Catherine A. Steel, IV.

### APOCALYPSE

The end draws near,  
And now the clock breathes death in every movement.  
They didn't want it all to end this way,  
But it's too late, the button has been pressed.  
A proud race — too proud perhaps to  
Realise those magnificent ambitions,  
Now within seconds of finding a new world to conquer.  
The final horizon appears in a blinding second,  
And all that remains is the large mushroom  
Spaceship heading for an unknown destination.

Ronald Mitchell, V.



BADGERS

Ian Hendry, IIB.

### PRAYER FOR PEACE

Can there be nae end tae war?  
Can there be nae peace?  
Sae mony a brave lad's life's been ta'en—  
Will it ne'er cease?

They send oor men awa' tae fecht  
In Ireland's bloody land,  
An' mony a mither's heart's been broke  
When her son ne'er returned.

They say they fecht for freedom,  
But this I canna see;  
When man wid kill his brither  
He's nae richt tae be free.

Ilka day anither bomb,  
An' aye anither death—  
They blame it on religion,  
But whar, then, is their faith?

Maun this war gang on langer?  
We pray ye, Lord, for peace.  
God, show them a' that they dae wrang,  
An' bring a' wars tae cease.

Linda Ross, V.



### "NOBODY'S INDISPENSABLE"

At an Education Office somewhere in Scotland a meeting was in session.

—Well gentlemen what are we to do about these K.G.S. pupils? A total of 9 S.C.E. passes gained from 126 presentations is not what we expect from a Grammar School. It's a disgrace!

—Flog them!

—No, something rather more humane than that, Mr Foglamp.

—Stop their Playboy subscriptions, then.

—Mmmm—that might be the answer. Let's put it to the vote, gentlemen . . . It's decided then. This ought to bring those long-haired layabouts to their senses.

At that moment, or a few seconds after that moment, a masked man strode into the room, armed with arms and carrying a sub-machine gun.

—What's the meaning of this?

—According to the New English Dictionary it's a pronoun which denotes a thing or person near.

—You have no right to barge in here.

—Yes, I have. I have reason to believe that you gentlemen are infected with swine vesicular disease.

—But that only affects pigs.

—Exactly!

—Why you impertinent rascal. If I were 60 years younger.

—You'd be drawing your Old Age Pension—ha ha ha!

—You—

—Quiet! Now stand up with your backs against that wall and face me

—Surely you've made some sort of mistake?

—My parents may have, but I assure you, I haven't.

Haven't I seen your face somewhere before? What's your name?

—Get stuffed!

—I only asked—

—The name's Harold Eugene Getstuffed.

—Not Harold Eugene Getstuffed, the most wanted criminal in Britain?

—Yeah, that's me.

—My god! What was it you did?

—Parked a car in a pedestrian precinct.



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- Are you sure? That's not very serious.  
 —But remember, it contained a 500 megaton atomic smartie which exploded, killing 5 people.  
 —Only 5 people killed?  
 —It was in Newmill.  
 —My god! The whole population completely annihilated!  
 —Enough of this stalling for time. I have my duty to perform.  
 —Who sent you?  
 —The Ministry of Education. They are not pleased with the recent results of K.G.S. in the S.C.E. exams and so feel that you gentlemen ought to be —er— replaced.  
 —You mean?  
 —Yes.  
 —Can we have one last request?  
 —Okay.  
 —We want to sing. Ready gentlemen—1-2-3 “25,000 green bottles sitting on the wall. If one green bottle should accidentally fall, there would be 24,999 green bottles sitting on the wall. 24,999 green bottles—”  
 —That's enough! You will have all the time you like to sing, with harp accompaniment, in a few moments.  
 With that, he lifted his machine gun, lined it up in front of the committee and pulled the trigger. They all slumped to the ground, dead!  
 —Okay Fred, roll in the computer!

Brian Murray, V

### MA BONNIE JEAN

I maun gang doon tae the sea I'day.  
 The sun is shinin' bricht.  
 Ma feet are mucky wi' the yird  
 An' ma face is needin' a dight.

There's a bothy dance at the Mains toon  
 Whaur I hope tae see ma Jean,  
 An' if I want tae dance wi' her,  
 I maun look unco clean.

Oor last dance was at Dykie's fairn,  
 I hadna time for a sweet.  
 A'boday else was spick and span,  
 An' Jean danced wi' the orra chiel.

Sandy McKay, III.

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## THE CLOCKWORK GRAPEFRUIT

He ran through the dark, dingy backstreets, his lungs bursting with the effort, his feet slipping and slithering on the cobblestones. Sweat glistened on his contorted face, twisted up with pain and fear, he dodged through an alleyway, his feet kicking a can as he did so. They had been after him for ten minutes, hounding him, all eight of them. His brain rumt eg over a hundred thoughts a second on how to get rid of them, which way he should go, backtrack or melt into the darkness of numerous alleys in this labyrinth. Breathing was painful and erratic, coming in short wheezy gasps. He stumbled and fell heavily on the hard slimy cobbles, he listened for a sound and he heard the harsh thumping and clip-clopping sound of their steel toe-capped boots. With a superhuman effort he propped himself up against a wall and shuffled and shambled along it. He knew he would be caught and glimpsed over his shoulder to see them charging and stampeding down the alley shouting gang-slogans and whooping with triumph.

Big Mac was at the head of the "pack". The victim could now hear bottles being shattered for an obvious reason. Now he knew what it was going to be like on the receiving end of it. He steeled himself for the onslaught. His heart was thumping in his ears, his eyes were fixed on the sharp, jagged, broken bottles. They glinted menacingly in the light of a gas-lamp. Suddenly a boisterous voice shouted, "Cut, cut, cut; stop the cameras; call yourselves actors; you couldn't scare a bunny rabbit. The gang and victim looked at each other in disbelief. "Well, come on, snappy, snappy, let us do it again, I'm paying you guys good money, anybody would think you're at a tea party."

Anon.

## DEATH IN THE SNOW

I walked alone,  
Not knowing where to go,  
Stumbling and groping my way in the swirling  
mass of snow,  
The stinging hail hurt my face and clawed deep  
into my body,  
All I wanted was to lie down and sleep in the cold snow.  
But instinct told me to keep going; would this  
nightmare ever end?  
Could I survive the snow warriors with their tingling  
cold spears that bit into my dying body?  
A sleeping death crept over me and I fell into the cruel  
arms of my enemy and knew no more.

Sally M. Gray, IV.

## OLD MEN

Nobody cares about the old men.  
They shuffle through wrinkled leaves with worn out shoes  
And watch with watery eyes the sinking sun.  
Remembering the mornings of their youth.  
"I remember", says one, pointing a gnarled finger  
Towards a happy couple by the dried-up pond,  
"When I walked with my love by that lake;  
But she's long gone now, bless her soul."  
"And when the snow fell in the winter", laughs another,  
"We skated on the frozen water, my love and I.  
But now the pond is dry, and  
She, sweet girl, can walk and skate no more."

The couple rise, and wander off.  
She clutches his arm, he laughs into her eyes.  
They do not look at the old men;  
They are young — old age is far away.  
But I turned my head at the park gate  
And watched them, lit up by the sun's dying rays,  
And looked into your eyes, full of love and hope,  
And thought, if one day you are old, and I long gone,  
My love, who will care for you then?

Jennifer Wilks, V.

## SAXPENCE THE DIZZEN

There wis once a housewife wha lived on a farm and she kept a  
puckle hens. Noo, there wis a grocer in the nearest toon fa she selt  
her eggs tae. Yin day she wint in tae the shop.

"Foo much is yer eggs the day, Maister Gordon?"

"Saxpence the dizzen," he said.

"Whit," she said, "that's an awfu wee price for my eggs."

"Weel, ye see, the grocers o' the toon had a meetin' and we a'  
agreed to pay nae mair than saxpence a dizzen for eggs."

So she handed over the eggs and pocketed the sixpence. Next  
week she called as usual: "Fit's the price for yer eggs the day,  
Maister Gordon?"

"Saxpence the dizzen."

"That's an awfa' wee price for eggs, Maister Gordon, bit here's  
a dizzen."

"These are awfa' wee eggs the day, are they no?"

"Ah well, ye see, a' the hens in oor district had a meetin' an'  
they a' agreed that they wadna' rax themselves for saxpence a  
dizzen."

Albert Dey, IV.



## "IT WAS JUST ANOTHER CHAPTER IN AN ENDLESS CIVIL WAR"

In a city station a British soldier stood. He watched the people file past, some looking at him in hatred, others in pain. A lonely soldier stood wishing he was back home.

He had seen various posters in his native town—written in bold capitals—Join the British Army—see the World. To him the army was better than the dole.

In Ireland, where he was posted, he saw the flying bottles, the shattering of glass and the killer petrol-bombs.

Upon the floor there lay a bomb, and the crowd of people—mothers with crying children were quickly scattering. But the lonely soldier remained. He yelled out: "Take cover." The soldier moved towards the bomb. Why did he have to be part of this endless civil war? He bent down on the package, murmuring a last farewell to those he had left at home.

He remembered all the beauty of life in these, his last few minutes—the swans on the lakes, the girls in the park, the birds floating freely in the sky. Soon it would all be gone.

There was a muffled explosion. The soldier had been blown across the floor. Nobody had heard his cry or shout. They just turned away from the sight.

A crowd soon gathered round the body and an ambulance came to carry it off. The crowd clapped and jeered and sang their rebel songs. What did they care?—Just another life, that is all. He did not belong here anyway. What did it matter?

He was just another chapter in an endless civil war.

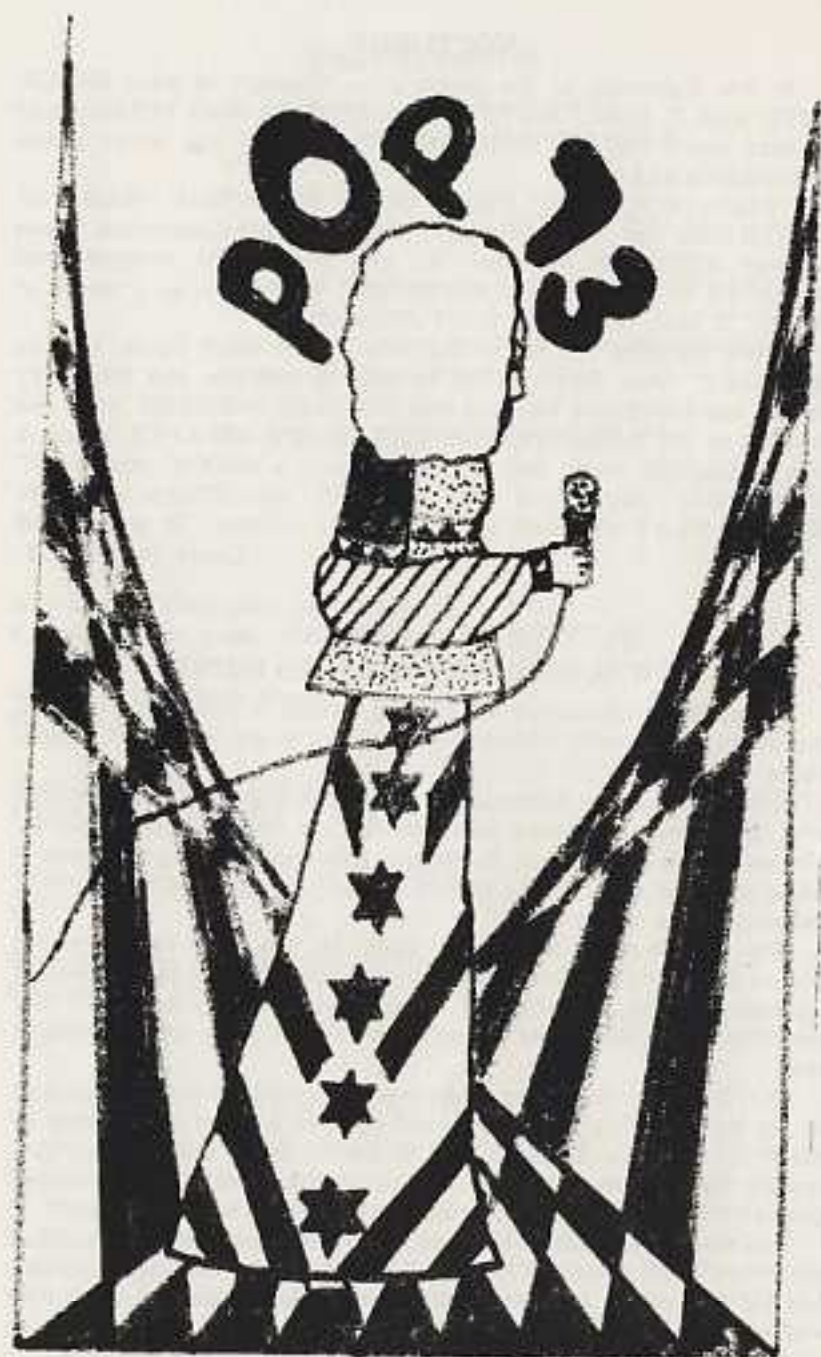
Anon., Class V.

## "FANTASY"

Sitting alone deep in thought,  
Dreaming of those wondrous things.  
Animals talking, flowers walking,  
Purple birds with yellow wings.

Fantasy figures floating around,  
Fairies with magical powers.  
Skipping, dancing and singing,  
Adorned with garlands of flowers.

Hazel Jamieson, III(1)



Carol Howells, IIR.



## NOCTURNE

It was lights-out at the grocer's — "Enough of your SAUCE, OLIVE, said T. BAG. "You're ill BREAD. If you don't POLISH your manners, you'll find you DETER GENTlemen like me. SOAP please do EGGSactly as I say."

"You're CRACKERS!" Replied OLIVE with SPIRIT. "HAM a lot BUTTER than you, so mind your TONGUE. OIL be surprised if you can ever KETCHUP with me. All this STUFFING yourself with SAUSAGES is making you FAT, HONEY. Let me do as I please at YEAST." T. BAG shrugged. "SUET yourself!"

It was LIGHTS out at the butchers—"Hello, SIR LOIN, how do you VEAL?" "Just OFFAL. Not to MINCE matters, Mrs BRISKET brought her CHOPping bag and was just about to FILLET when she saw dust at the bottom. Imagine! Take HEART, SIR LOIN. I took a cloth to RABBIT clean. But it gave me such a SHOCK, you know." "What a silly GOOSE you are. GAMMON, let's STEAK a trip to VENISON MEAT STEWart and see what's cooking." It was a load of TRIPE.  
Laura Jeffrey, IIV.

## MUSINGS OF A MADMAN, or HOW SCHOOL DROVE ME TO DRINK

I suppose it all started at Primary School. I think that is when I began to dimly comprehend that teachers might be Machiavellian sadists.

However it was at Secondary School, with the horror of irregular verbs, that mental athlete's foot and dry rot really began to set in. It is not unfair to say that Pythagoras' theorem stunted my growth and an intimate study of the human digestive system led me to reject solid sustenance of any kind.

The discovery of something nasty in the fume-cupboard did little to delay my mental and moral disintegration, while a request to summarise the character of the second gravedigger in not less than fifty thousand words brought me to the edge of the critical abyss.

The discovery that what Gladstone said in 1892 was untrue and that he may possibly have been dead by then anyway did nothing to reduce my hysteria. Eventually, I might be seen, a shambling, dishevelled figure wandering the school corridors, singing in broken Ophelian tones, "The cosine is connected to the Mendelian Theory."

The walls are closing in on me now, and I only hope the padded van arrives before the full horror of the saccharine request for a few lines for the school magazine drives me to the ultimate degradation — using a left back as a tee for the netball.

Conjugate Boyle's Law to the power of the fourth declension.

"Kirstie," Class IV.

## BROTHERHOOD

My brother and I, we never get on,  
I'm always right and he's always wrong.  
Why? You may say,  
Why can that be?  
The answer is simple, I am bigger than he.

But when something is broken, big brother gets  
the blame,  
And in every other family it is always the same,  
He gets all the attention,  
And the first choice,  
But I get my revenge by hiding his toys.

G. Dey, III(1).

## RIDDLES

Why was the Chinaman buried behind the wall?  
Because he was dead.

Who invented knock knock?  
Two chaps.

What has one wheel and hums?  
A barrow load of dung.

What is green and white and has 22 legs?  
Celtic.

What is yellow and black and goes zzub?  
A wasp flying backwards.

David Mitchell, IV.

## THE PERFECT CRIME

He held the blood-stained knife by the tip of the blade and looked at the stagnant pond. It was green and slimy, weeds floated on the surface, and the banks were wet and muddy. He thought: "I only have to throw the knife into the pond and I have committed the perfect crime. Nobody ever comes here and so the murder weapon will never be found. He took a step forward to throw in the knife, slipped on the muddy bank and fell into the slimy depths. There was no one to hear his cries and the weeds soon pulled him down. He was right; nobody ever went there.

Jennifer A. Bowie, Class IV



## DYING LIFE

I breathe the air of progress —  
The fumes are choking me;  
I drink the waters of industry —  
The chemicals poison me;  
I see the world of technology —  
Machines are weakening me;  
I live in a world of learning —  
But knowledge is drowning me.

Man has harnessed Nature —  
He pollutes the air and sea;  
Man has split the atom —  
So the world cannot be free;  
Man is reaching for the stars —  
He is searching for the key;  
Man is destroying our world —  
He is killing me.

Linda Ross, Class V.

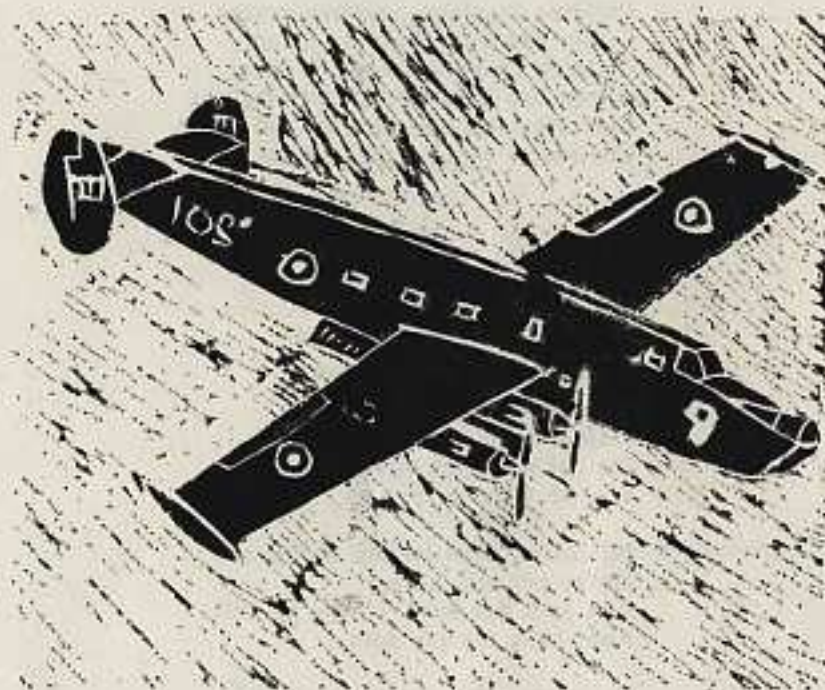
## BELFAST

The shattered glass sparkled in the sunlight helping to illuminate the now distorted building towering high among the smoke. From some distance off came the roar of engines rushing to the scene. By this time the building was alight with flames surging through the air. The heat scorched my skin and the smoke stung my eyes making them water. With great reluctance, I stepped back several yards as the troops fanned out to clear the area.

Suddenly, through the polluted air the sharp crack of a rifle and the steady thud, thud of a machine gun sent a tinge of horror up my spine. I stood rooted to the ground while the smell of cordite wafted its way across the square. Then, from further up the street, came the cries of an angry crowd weaving its way among the debris towards the troops. I was in the horns of a dilemma. If I stood where I was I risked being shot; if I joined the crowd I might get trampled to death. I hesitated, my mind in a state of confusion. Then it happened, the sharp hot searing pain of a bullet struck my arm.

For the rest of that night and for several others I was safe in hospital. Far away from the terrorist warfare which had lost all the glamour it once held for me.

—III(2).



"SHACKLETON"

by M. Beattie, IHS.



### COMPASSION

Children loving, children sharing,  
Grown ups hating, so uncaring,  
Children running, children walking,  
Grown ups serious, always talking,  
Children joyful, children glad,  
Grown ups worried, always sad,  
Children laughing, children crying,  
Grown ups killing people dying,  
Children glad that they are living,  
Grown ups hard and unforgiving,  
But children's eyes just do not see,  
The horror seen by you and me.

Elizabeth Craib, IV.

### THE WASP

Ye puit wee craeturs  
I didna mean it at a',  
It's jist ma hand sort o' slipped,  
Fie ye were on the wa'.

I'll lay ye doon on the windie sill,  
Maybe yer still alive,  
And ye'll flee awa', I hope ye will,  
Awa' back tae yer hive.

Ye winna sting me, waspie?  
If ye div, I'll surely greet,  
An' throw ye oot the windie,  
Tae be stamped upon in the street.

But I'm sure yer lookin' better,  
Yer staunin' up again,  
An' noo ye've taen tae fleein',  
An' flown richt doon the glen.

Blanche Roy, IIV.

### KILL OR BE KILLED

There he stands!  
The regal beast,  
'Pon dripping flesh  
He yearns to feast.  
Hunger burns,  
Saliva drips,  
Red, raw tongue  
Licks hot, wet lips.  
Ears attentive.  
"What was that?"  
A moment of hope  
For a hungry cat.  
Stomach yearns,  
Saliva slithers,  
Jungle King's  
Resistance withers.  
Senseless images  
In myriads spin,  
Around the aching  
Mind within...  
First law of jungle  
Now transgressed,  
As death brings peace  
And eternal rest.

Graeme Jamieson, IV

### PROTEST

Protest, loud protest,  
The little tyrants sang,  
Through corridor and cloakroom  
The mournful anthem rang.  
To the teacher who had belted them  
Close to his desk,  
The monsters yelled their protest  
Their loudest and their best.

Anon, Class VI



## SONG

Sitting, watching raindrops, 'cause there isn't any sun;  
Crying on my own because I'm not with anyone,  
Nothing I can do now 'cause everything's been done,  
Once, love, there were two of us; now there's only one.

I haven't got much money, 'cause I don't have any more,  
Ain't feeling too happy, 'cause I'm feeling kinda sore.  
Don't have a chair to sit on so I'm sitting on the floor,  
Ain't looking at the window 'cause I'm looking at the door.

Walking down the road now, 'cause I can't afford a train,  
Can't say I feel dry now, 'cause I'm wrapped in tears of rain,  
Don't feel any different, 'cause I'm feeling just the same,  
Knowing how I'm aching, love, to have you back again.

J. Wilks, V.

## EPISTLE TO THE MAG.

MARY MORISON was a highland lassie who stayed in TAM GLEN. Now, one summer she wrote a LAMENT TO JAMES, EARL OF GLENCAIRN, because her dog had just died, but in those days there wasn't a postie to be found so Mary gave her letter to TAM O' SHANTER who was the proud owner of TWA DOGS. Tam, however was a bit old so he decided to give the letter TO A MOUSE who stayed near and liked long walks in the hills. At the top of one hill the mouse met DUNCAN GRAY, he was carrying a RED, RED ROSE for his NANIE 'O, who stayed at the foot of the hills beside the BANKS O' DOON.

Half way down the hill the mouse ran out of puff so he passed on the letter to a RANTIN' ROVIN' ROBIN who just happened to fly past at that moment.

Of course the robin knew some short cuts to Glencairn, and one was up the gully of GALA WATER where the DUMFRIES VOLUNTEERS and WANDERING WILLIE sometimes stayed in the winter.

At the end of the gully was Glencairn and the robin soon found James who was just back from seeing a play called 'THE DEIL'S AWA WI' TH' EXCISE MAN'.

As the robin handed over the letter James said, "If you see MY BONNIE MARY on your way back tell her I'll be over with a present TO A HAGGIS she keeps in the garden.

My Apologies to Rab.

Jennifer Watson, V.



"MANDRILL"

by K. Cowie, IIB.

## "THE PRICE OF PEACE"

The old man leant against his stick  
And remembered his war-time days,  
Those buildings of mortar and brick;  
Gone, for now and always!

Pensively he looked around the graveyard  
To the mossy turf where his wife now lay,  
Fifty long years since fate dealt out her last card  
And oh, how he mourned that day!

It was on an autumn day he remembered,  
He had been given a forty-eight hour pass  
When he found her body dismembered,  
Shattered, like particles of glass!

M. Connon, V.



### SIMON PETER'S SONG

My Lord, what can we do now?  
They've taken You away.  
They killed You on their gory cross;  
You've been in the grave three days,  
You did say once You'd never die  
But it seems that You were wrong.  
There go the women to the tomb  
To sing the Requiem song.

My Lord, we weren't much help to you;  
We couldn't face that day.  
Judas betrayed and I denied,  
The rest they ran away.  
You said You gave eternal life  
So I don't understand  
Why one who was the Son of God  
Died in such evil hands.

My Lord, here come the women back  
But why do they laugh and sing?  
What did they find at the tomb today  
What is this news they bring?  
That One who died now lives again  
The Cross was not the end,  
You're with us till the end of time,  
Our Saviour and our Friend.

J. Wilks, V.

### TESTING TIME!

Our knees are knocking,  
Our teeth as well,  
We all line up, when we hear the bell.  
Walk smartly in,  
And sit at our places,  
Exam starts!  
You should see the faces!  
Groans and moans echo through the room,  
It's almost certain this is our doom.  
The teacher stares,  
We shuffle our chairs,  
Then sit and look blankly down,  
And then at the teacher standing there,  
In her long black gown.  
An hour past,  
The end at last.  
The bell rings again,  
We put down our pens,  
The exam. ends.  
It would be great, if exams. were rare,  
This would be an answer to MY prayer.

Carol Howells, IIR.

### MEMORIES OF A TRIP TO THE BALTIC

The Baltic sea is lovely and calm. It is a beautiful dark green colour. The waves slightly ripple as you glide through the water. The surrounding countries Norway, Sweden Finland and Denmark are also very beautiful. Bergen is famous for the fruit and flower markets with lovely fresh fruit. Visby has a gorgeous countryside with lots of big wooden houses. Helsinki is a very busy place with trams rattling up one street and down the next. There are plenty of tall important buildings and friendly people. Copenhagen was the loveliest of the four places. It is famous for its Tivoli Gardens. Statues are plentiful and show up a mile away.

Heather Stephen, IIE3.





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### MA GARRETT

Come up and see ma garrett,  
Come up and see it noo,  
Come up and see ma garrett,  
It's a' furnished noo,  
An auld broken table,  
A cheer wi'oot a back,  
A door wi'oot a han'le,  
And a windae w' a crack.

Paul Rutherford, IR.

### TO THE HAGGIS

The Haggis is our National beast  
It's always seen at every feast  
It's often grey and sometimes green.  
Upon the hills and glens it's seen.  
Though at the butcher's they can be bought  
A Haggis never has been caught.  
There is only one way to explain  
They must be forged for capital gain.  
If you're drunk or its very dark  
You can sometimes see them in a park.  
Never a Haggis attempt to catch  
I never saw one that had met its match.  
They'll dance on your roof or in your hall  
Making not a sound at all.  
Then at dawn they will return  
To their homes beside a burn.  
Where they never can be found  
Except of course by the Haggis hound.  
So do not this myth scorn,  
From pure fact it was born.

James Stewart, ILY.



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### RED

Red is danger,  
Or leaves twirling and swirling,  
And also a leaping squirrel,  
Red is the vase of flowers,  
And a fruit, so sweet and tasty,  
It is the colour of poppies.  
Chimney pots puffing out smoke  
Or a hungry fox racing for its tea.

S.A., P.4(1)

### MINS AND TATES

I like Mins and tates. I like to play at haoses.

S.D., P.1s

### EXECUTION

Brave and calm the queen steps forward,  
Gazing at the wooden block,  
Axe glints in the light,  
Deadly,  
Heavy,  
Hostile faces frown.  
Solemn  
Unfriendly,  
Her head lies on the block,  
Fearless, calm, cool,  
The axe strikes.

L.I., P.5(2)

### MY CAT

I have a cat it likes milk and ham.

B.G., P.1e



## SPRING

In the garden,  
Purple crocuses awake,  
The days are longer,  
Crimson-tipped daisies,  
Peeping,  
Here and there,  
In the green grass,  
Snow-white,  
Fleecy lambs,  
Are skipping to and fro,  
Birds are singing their merry songs.

J.A., P.5(2)

## DO IT YOURSELF

My daddy is going too make sum littel cofy tabls and I am  
going too help him too night and I am going too do one too my self  
in the shed.

M.G., P.2s

## THE TIGER

Stealthily,  
Solemnly  
Silently,  
Pounding through the jungle,  
Quickly,  
Cunningly,  
Slyly,  
Searching for human flesh.

A.M., P.6(1)

## THE MOUNTAIN

The King of the mountains stands,  
Soaring up to heaven,  
Jagged, snow-capped summit,  
Unfriendly, silent, beautiful.

E.E., P.5(2)

## THE FROG

He dives in the pond  
His lumpy, bumpy skin  
Leaping, jumping all the time  
As if has grabbed something  
When he is young, he is a black  
Wriggly thing.

A.H., P.5(1)

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## THE WICKED GIANT OF STONE

Once upon a time there lived a wicked giant called Sinulu. His body was made of stone but his feet and eyes were human. One day a tribe of hunters, who did not know about Sinulu, were going towards his cave. Sinulu spied them coming up the hill and stamped and danced with rage. "No one ever dares to come up to my hill," he roared. He stamped and danced so hard that the mountains split in half and there was no way of escape.

C.J., P.4(1)

## A STORY

There was once a boy who wanted to go to the park. His Father said no you can't go to the park I will give you munny instead of going to the park he boat a toy the toy was a car and they lived happily ever after.

A.M., P.2e

## GRACE DARLING

Once upon a time a Keeper of a lighthouse lived with his doted one night there was a hurricane and Grace Darling could hardly sleep and did the Keeper There was a shipwreck beside a rock Grace ran to tell her daddy it was too late because it was dark for them to see the ship there were nine men to rescue She said lots rescue them in the morning they went in their boat and away they went to rescue the shivering men and Grace Darling got a medal.

P.B., P.2s

## OUR PET

This is our cat our cat likes milk He has a kitten he is black and white.

L.H., P.1e

## RED

Red is blood  
Or the red sun at night,  
And also the cheeks when  
Some people are blushing  
Red is the fire  
And a carnation,  
It is the holly berries,  
The Aberdeen football team running  
And Father Christmas coming on Christmas Eve.

E.R., P.5(1)

## LAZY BONES

To-day we saw a little man called lazybones he was a skeleton man. He sang all about food that was good for bones, then he fell fast asleep.

M.C., P.2e

## A VISIT TO THE SEASIDE

Once upon a time there lived a very nice boy and he lived near the sea side. One day he went to the sea for a swim he thought he would get some fish. Though his uncle was a fisherman he some times did not get fish. His uncle took him in the boat and off they went out to the very deep water. When they came back they had got some fish and I must say that they did get a very nice supper after that. Some time after that they went to a fish monger and they saw fish there too. They went to lots of shops and saw fish every where.

A.R., P.3s

## A HILL-WALKING EXPEDITION

Down the hill we went, avoiding the scree slopes and gulleys. We were so excited about our recent adventure that we never noticed that the daisy-starred turf and purple heather had changed to bog myrtle, bog cotton and clumps of reeds. Suddenly there was a squelching sound as I felt my feet give way beneath me.

D.B., P.6(2)

## THE WIND

"Where has the wind gone?"  
Asked the small delicate fairies,  
For he used to make us cool,  
But now he is gone.

"The wise owl may know",  
Suggested the Queen Fairy,  
One fairy said. "I will ask him."  
The fairy tiptoed away that night  
And found the Wise Owl.

She asked and begged of him  
To tell her where the wind was,  
"He has gone for a holiday  
And will be home soon," replied  
The Old Wise Owl.

P.F., P.5(1)

## SNOW

The cold snow came,  
Twisting,  
Turning,  
Spiralling,  
Down.  
Eventually the wind came  
And started whistling  
His own merry tune.

P.F., P.5



## SNOWFLAKES

The large  
White  
Crisp  
Snowflakes which fall  
On the wet  
Twisty road  
And the roofs of houses  
Or on the  
Silhouetted  
Skeleton  
Tree which  
Stands  
All alone in the street.

M.P., P.7(1)

## THE FAIRY HORSE

The winged horse was snowy-white with a black mane and tail. He belonged to Fairy Queen Thumbelina. He was a thorough-bred horse and very cunning too! He had gold shoes. He is a very good horse. He liked her very much. One day they went out riding together when they found an old dwarf. He said "I want to give you three wishes". The fairy Queen said, "I'd like to give my horse to you" "What for?" said the dwarf. "Because you have to trudge about the countryside" she said. "Oh all right then, but in exchange for this diamond," he said. It was a beautiful one and they all lived happily ever after.

K.E.H., P.3c

## HIGHLAND CLEARANCES

We are on our way to Skye.  
With no money, furniture or clothes,  
They burned our homes to make room for sheep.  
And never cared for their tenants.  
It will not be the same when we reach Skye.  
No hens to feed, no cows to milk.  
I wish we could turn and go home to  
the highlands.

G.R., P.7(2)

## WHITE

White is the soft snow  
Or an Arctic hare running  
And cold ice cream cone  
White is the snug igloo of the Eskimo  
And the cross on our flag  
It is the colour of some rubber  
And paint on black paper  
Or some patterns on the Greek vases.

I.M., P.4(2)

## KEITH GRAMMAR SCHOOL SPORTS 1973 RESULTS — BOYS' EVENTS

### UNDER 13—

100m — 1 N. Rodger (G); 2 S. Glennie (G); 3 I. Adam (S).  
200m — 1 I. Adam (S); 2 S. Glennie (G); 3 A. Dey (O).  
800m — 1 C. Goldie (G); 2 G. McDonald (S); 3 M. Stewart (S).  
High Jump — M. Stewart (S); 2 C. Goldie (G); 3 C. Barclay (O).  
Long Jump — 1 C. Goldie (G); 2 G. McDonald (S); 3 G. Glennie (G).  
Shot — 1 J. Law (G); 2 C. Goldie (G); 3 A. Stephen (S).  
Relay — 1 Ogilvie; 2 Grant; 3 Smith.

### 2nd YEAR—

100m — 1 C. McLean (G); 2 A. Milne (M); 3 P. Cruickshank (G).  
200m — 1 P. Watson (O); 2 C. McLean (G); 3 P. Cruickshank (G).  
400m — 1 P. Cruickshank (G); 2 P. Watson (O); 3 D. Henderson (O).  
High Jump — 1 eq. D. Henderson (S); C. McLean (G); 3 M. Sims (G).  
Long Jump — 1 D. Mitchell (S); 2 A. Milne (M); 3 G. Branigan (G).  
Shot — 1 D. Henderson (O); 2 P. Watson (O); 3 A. Milne (M).  
Discus — 1 I. Goldie (G); 2 D. Henderson (O); 3 R. Stewart (S).  
Relay — 1 Mair; 2 Grant; 3 Ogilvie.

### UNDER 15—

100m — 1 I. Hendry (O); 2 B. Smith (M); 3 G. Reid (G).  
200m — 1 I. Hendry (O); 2 B. Smith (M); 3 J. Fraser (G).  
400m — 1 M. McDonald (O); 2 A. Edwards (S); 3 J. Wiseman (G).  
800m — 1 I. Hendry (O); A. Edwards (S); 3 eq. J. Wiseman (G) and G. Rodger (M).  
High Jump — 1 J. Fraser (G); 2 B. Smith (M); 3 A. Edwards (S).  
Long Jump — 1 J. Fraser (G); 2 M. McDonald (O); 3 G. Shaw (S).  
Shot — 1 C. Whyte (M); 2 G. Shaw (S); 3 D. Henderson (O).  
Discus — 1 A. Phillips (M); 2 R. Stewart (S); 3 M. McDonald (O).  
Javelin — 1 M. McDonald (O); 2 C. McLean (G); 3 S. McGingle (M).  
Relay — 1 Ogilvie; 2 Mair; 3 Grant.

### 15 Plus—

100m — 1 N. Ledingham (G); 2 N. McWilliam (O); 3 S. Duncan (M).  
200m — 1 A. Strachan (G); 2 S. Duncan (M); 3 M. Theodoreson (O).  
400m — 1 N. McWilliam (O); 2 S. Duncan (M); 3 J. Petrie (G).  
800m — 1 M. McDonald (G); 2 D. Herbertson (O); 3 C. McDonald (S).  
High Jump — 1 N. Ledingham (G); 2 D. Michael (M); 3 G. McIntosh (S).  
Long Jump — 1 G. McIntosh (S); 2 A. Strachan (G); 3 eq. B. Malcolm (M) and L. Simpson (O).  
Shot — 1 P. Henderson (G); 2 R. Gauld (O); 3 D. Milne (M).  
Discus — 1 R. Mitchell (M); 2 A. Strachan (G); 3 D. Morrison (S).  
Javelin — 1 J. Gray (M); 2 J. Morrison (S); 3 P. Henderson (G).  
Relay — 1 Grant; 2 Mair; 3 Ogilvie.



## RESULTS — GIRLS' EVENTS

### UNDER 13—

- 100m — 1 B. Sims (O); 2 R. McCombie (S); 3 E. Thomson (M);  
4 S. Dean (O).  
200m — 1 L. Harper (M); 2 J. Doyle (O); 3 M. Paterson (O);  
4 H. Riddell (S).  
High Jump — 1 R. McCombie (S); 2 eq. J. Doyle (O), C. Fitzpatrick  
(G); 4 L. Jack (G).  
Long Jump — 1 S. Wilson (G); 2 L. Green (S); 3 S. Dean (O);  
L. Harper (M).  
Cricket Ball — 1 B. Sims (O); 2 S. Pirie (S); 3 G. Shanks (G); 4 L.  
Henderson (Y).  
800m — 1 Mgt. Patterson (O); 2 C. Fitzpatrick (G); 3 L. Harper (M);  
4 A. Meldrum (G).  
Relays — 1 Mair; 2 Ogilvie; 3 Smith Disqualified; 4 Grant  
Disqualified.

### UNDER 15A—

- 100m — 1 eq. P. McNicoll (O), C. Howells (M); 3 B. Stewart (G);  
4 C. Mair (M).  
200m — 1 C. Howells (M); 2 P. McNicoll (O); 3 K. Greig (S); 4 F.  
Binnie (S).  
High Jump — 1 C. Howells (M); 2 S. Mearns (S); 3 M. McKenzie (O);  
4 J. Stuart (M).  
Long Jump — 1 J. McVean (G); 2 C. Mair (M); 3 B. Stuart (G);  
4 M. McKenzie (O).  
Discus — 1 J. McVean (G); 2 D. McBain (G); 3 eq. P. McNicol (O),  
J. Stuart (M).  
800m — 1 M. McKenzie (O); 2 V. Morrison (O); 3 K. Porteous (S);  
4 F. Gray (M).  
Relay — 1 Mair; 2 Ogilvie; 3 Grant; 4 Smith.

### UNDER 15B—

- 100m — 1 B. Wood (G); 2 H. Weakley (G); 3 J. Sutherland (O);  
4 W. Milne (M).  
200m — 1 M. Lawson (M); 2 A. Duff (G); 3 I. Bell (S); 4 B. Wood (G).  
High Jump — 1 C. Mair (M); 2 F. Binnie (S); 3 K. Porteous (S);  
4 M. Whyte (M).  
Long Jump — 1 M. Stewart (G); 2 D. McBain (G); 3 J. Sutherland  
(O); 4 F. McGregor (M).  
Discus — 1 K. Patterson (G); 2 E. Reid (G); 3 F. McGregor (M);  
4 B. Roy (O).  
800m — 1 B. Stuart (G); 2 P. McNicol (O); 3 D. Eadie (S);  
4 S. Clark (M).  
Relay — 1 Mair; 2 Grant; 3 Smith; 4 Ogilvie.

### OVER 15—

- 100m — 1 J. McNicoll (G); 2 K. Duff (G); 3 J. Auchinachie (O);  
4 J. Findlay (S).  
200m — 1 J. McNicoll (G); 2 J. Green (G); 3 J. Findlay (S);  
4 I. Wasilenska (S).  
High Jump — 1 R. Webster (G); 2 J. Green (G); 3 M. Brown (M);  
4 eq. G. Smith (O), P. Fitzpatrick (S).  
Long Jump — 1 A. Bruce (O); 2 J. McNicol (G); 3 L. Bentley (S);  
4 H. Proud (S).  
Discus — 1 S. McVean (M); 2 E. Robertson (G); 3 L. Wright (O);  
4 H. Jamieson (M).  
800m — J. Green (G); 2 J. Findlay (S); 3 S. Smith (G);  
4 P. Fitzpatrick (S).  
Relay — 1 Grant; 2 Mair; 3 Ogilvie; 4 Smith.  
Final Results—Mair 140 points; Smith 113; Grant 229; Ogilvie 164.

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