



# KOSA NEWS



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### EDITORIAL...

Welcome to KOSA NEWS 25, which at the usual rate of two per annum, means that we have been producing the magazine for 12 years. Indeed, the first 8-page edition went out in the Spring of 1992. We've made some small amendments over the years, mainly in the typeface and layout, and the standard edition now runs to 28 pages, the maximum we can get away with for a normal 2nd class stamp! If you have any comments about the 'NEWS and ways in which it may be improved, please let the editor know. Our membership has grown to over 1,100 and now extends world-wide and I know from letters received that our overseas members look forward to the receipt of one of their links with the old country - KOSA NEWS.



We've made a quarter of a century in terms of the number of editions, so onward to our half-century, which at the current rate should be met in 2016. I wonder if we'll make it?

### DIARY DATES...

#### AUTUMN LUNCH

Lincombe Barn, Overndale Road, Downend has been booked for our popular Autumn Lunch for SATURDAY, 9th OCTOBER 2004. We meet at 12.30pm and sit down for lunch at about 1pm. Please put it in your diary now as an occasion where you can meet old friends over lunch with a glass of wine or a beer from the bar. COLIN PILLINGER (54-61), of Beagle2 fame, has agreed to attend and to let us know what he has been up to in the space field. Please complete the form enclosed and send it to our Treasurer, MARTIN HARRYMAN, 5 Brecon View, Bleadon Hill, Weston Super Mare, BS24 9NF Tel: 01934 812315

#### 1963-70 VINTAGE?

DAVID BRITTON and TONY PATTEMORE have arranged a reunion on 23 OCTOBER 2004, hopefully at the Tenniscourt Inn, near the old school. If you are interested, to find out current details please contact Tony on [tony@pattemore.demon.co.uk](mailto:tony@pattemore.demon.co.uk). Tony's address is 4 The Coppice, Burbage, Hinckley, Leic. LE10 2TF.

#### CANCELLATION

Would all 49ers please note that the reunion planned for 18 September 2004 at Tracy Park, Wick announced in the last KOSA NEWS has been cancelled due to lack of support. It would be nice to announce that it's just postponed, but it demonstrates that we can only continue with your support.

## **OBITUARIES...**

GORDON JONES (46-53) has written to record the passing of two personalities:

'It is with great regret, and my own personal sadness that I write to mention the death of my very good friend DAVID PETERS (48-52). At school he was a fit and strong sportsman and a humorous clown. His favourite pastime was cycling, which consisted of frequent trips of 100 miles or more with the Cyclists' Touring Club, and climbing mountains in Scotland, in the winter! He also played rugby for the school and continued playing into later life until the aches became a little too much, then he became a referee. He had a passion for music and choral singing (mostly of the 'Classical' variety) and his academic achievements were no greater than mine, (which are not to be boasted about.). After leaving school he joined the regiment of the Kings African Rifles as a 2nd Lieutenant and straightaway was posted to Kenya and jungle warfare against the Mau-Mau.

'On his return, and the termination of his commission, I was his best man at his wedding to Ruth, a young lady that he met whilst cycling (so he didn't have to give that up). After about a year or so he became totally disenchanted with civilian life, working as a salesman in East Africa with a firm called Olivetti, so he rejoined the Army as a trainer in the education section. He spent many years circulating around several stations in Europe and finally resigned with the rank of Major when Ruth was diagnosed with aggressive Multiple Sclerosis.

'Dave moved to Newport Pagnal and found employment as a Technical Author, but he had to take very early retirement to become a full time carer. By now, Ruth had become totally physically

incapacitated.

'A few years ago he had, what he called, a 'minor' stroke. At the end of 2003 it was realised that he had a severe brain tumour. He was eventually taken to a Nursing Home, but he retained the ability to communicate and show that he understood all that was happening by facial signs, and his irrepressible humour was displayed throughout. David died on 21st February 2004.'

**EUGENE ST. JOHN FILLITER (?-49?)**

'I found out recently, almost by chance, in the obituaries column of my "Retired Staff" news sheet, that GENE FILLITER had died quite suddenly on March 21st of this year.

'I knew very little about Gene but I remember very well his final act of defiance at the 'Presentation-of-Certificates' ceremony. Mr. Ridley had instructed the recipients, most severely, that they would shake hands with the presenter and thank him, (I cannot remember who it was) the audience of gathered pupils would warmly applaud, and their applause must be acknowledged with a bow. The latter instruction was carried out with a very embarrassed nod or ignored completely. Not Gene. He took his time. He received his certificate graciously, moved to a position directly in front of the headmaster, stopped, turned to face the intrigued waiting pupils, rolled up his certificate and bowed at 90° to them. By the expression on Mr. Ridley's face I gathered that he did not appreciate the gesture nor his final view of Gene.

'Gene joined the BBC in November 1961 as a maintenance engineer, later becoming a radio and television communications engineer and supervisor. During this period he also enrolled in the TAVR

where he rose to the rank of captain.

'He retired in 1991 when he took a part-time job repairing electronic amusement machines. He also drove the Yate Community Transport minibus taking the less-able to their hospital and clinical appointments. Gene also enjoyed tap-dancing and recently passed his Grade 2 examinations.'

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MARIE LENORA HARRIS (26-30) passed away on 1st May 2004. Marie was always interested in KOSA activities, even though an incapacity prevented her from attending any events.

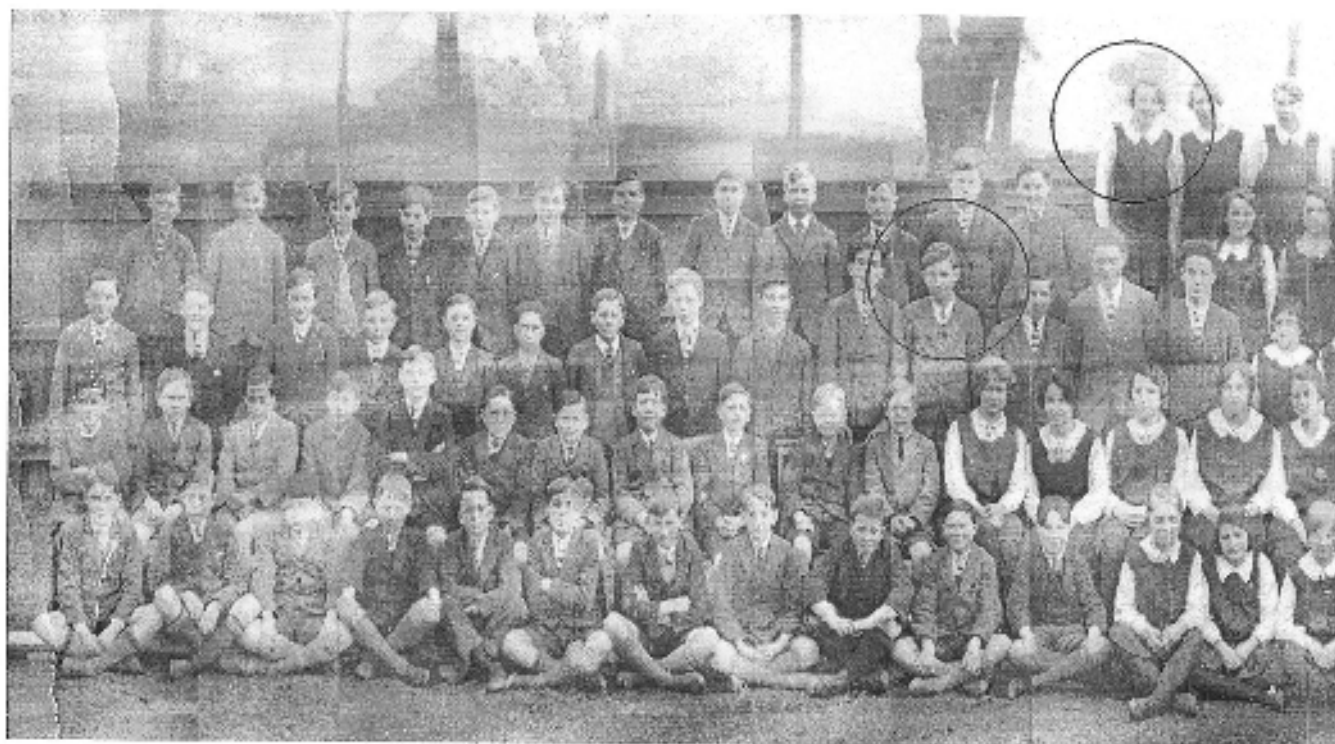
She was a veritable mine of information on the early years of KGS, a school of which she was very proud.

Although 89 years of age when she died, she retained a bright and active mind to the end, demonstrating an interest in many fields. She made donations to the renovation of Whitefield Tabernacle after the recent TV programme, supported the 'Great Britain' project and 'The

Friends of Cock Road Ridge', the latter subsequently providing a seat on the Ridge with the money which she donated. She deplored and campaigned against the local council's desecration of her beloved Ridge by their approval of what she regarded as the hideous entertainments centre. All to no avail, as the memorial to the folly of Kingswood Council's planning decisions is there for all to see.

At school she was a contemporary of SIR BERNARD LOVELL, and she avidly followed in the media the work of COLIN PILLINGER (54-61), pointing out the links between their respective space activities. She is shown on the extract from the 1927-28 School photograph below. A young BERNARD LOVELL is also circled.

Marie left very specific instructions about her funeral arrangements and her ashes are interred in the Garden of Rest at Kingswood Parish Church close to those of her lifetime friend EDNA BRAIN, later BLANN, who also went to KGS.



Marie was an accomplished writer of poetry, and her poem which she wished to be recited at her funeral was particularly appropriate:

'And now my feet tread not the earthly ground,  
Where by such love and beauty I was bound,  
But where my golden river meets the sea  
There lies my vision of Eternity.'

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JENNIFER BENNETT now ANGELL (52-57) has informed the 'NEWS of the death of JOAN ANGELL, later GOVER. JOAN, who started at KGS around 1942 or 43, was tragically killed in a car crash last November.

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Mrs Eileen Banfield has also written to inform us of the death of her husband: 'My husband HAROLD BANFIELD (41-46?) (Harry to his family) passed away on 2 May last year, 2003 aged 73 years. He was born in 1930.

'He attended KGS from 11 years of age and was always very pleased to receive and enjoyed reading KOSA NEWS and always kept the previous issue until the new magazine arrived, even when he was poorly. I, too, enjoy reading the magazine, although I didn't go to Kingswood Grammar School, as I know many people who did.'

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### **50 YEARS ON...**

JOHN BRYANT, who with DON BREDDY, arranged the 1944 reunion in May this year, reported proceedings as follows:

'The Diamond Reunion of the 1944 intake took place at the Kendleshire Golf Club, Coalpit Heath on Wed. 12th. May. 34 old scholars and 15 guests attended and there was unceasing chatter and reminiscing from 12 noon to around

4pm. The venue was ideal, the buffet lunch excellent and the weather fine and sunny which all combined to make a very enjoyable occasion. The 'Old Girls' were immediately recognised but the years had caught up with some of the 'Old Boys'. Subsequently, requests have been made to hold another reunion in 2009, the thinking being that a 'Platinum Reunion' might be a little optimistic.

'On page 5 are a few snaps taken at the event, just hope some are suitable for inclusion in KOSA NEWS.'

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### **THE GOLDNEY OLDIES...**

LAURA PALMER (40-47) now JONES writes:

'For many years I have been meaning to write and now I have an item that might be of interest in the 'hatches, matches and despatches' section, so I am actually putting pen to paper!

'JEANNE HICKS (40-48) now JONES celebrated her Golden Wedding to Don Jones on 17 April this year; they met while students at Bristol University. To mark the occasion they had a lunch party at Goldney Hall, Clifton. The happy couple insisted in their invitations to over 70 family and friends that 'presence' not 'presents' would be appreciated. They suggested, however, that it would please them if everyone wishing to do so would make a donation to the 'Save A Cow' charity that provides poor African communities with animals to help them survive. The total amount raised was over £1,650 - enough for a cow, two pigs, two pairs of goats and training three new farmers. A splendid result!

'Among the guests at the party were six of Jeanne's friends from KGS - Old Eastonians. Because of the war and clothing coupons we were probably one of



Above: The Guests



Left:  
George Warner,  
John Bryant, Edgar  
Lewis and Alan  
Tanner



Above: Signing on



Left: Barbara Wills,  
Joyce Perry (The  
Wick Owls), and be-  
hind David Henley,  
Nancy Leonard,  
Pat Yeoman and  
Ivor Powell

the last intakes for whom house shoes (flat, brown leather, with rubber soles and strap-and-button fastenings which had to be changed into on arrival at school) were compulsory. No trainers for us, though we did have 'daps' for gym. Brown gymslips and cream shantung blouses were still de rigueur, as were hats: panamas in summer, brown velours or cloth pull-ons for winter.

'Friendships started in the lower school were consolidated in the sixth form and many happy, sometimes hilarious, hours were spent in the Prefects' Room across the corridor from 'FLO' POWELL'S (later QUINNIE'S) study. We have so many happy memories and have kept in touch ever since, even though career and family commitments have taken us from Bristol.

'The photograph (below) shows some of 'The Goldney Oldies' at Jeanne's home in Coombe Dingle after the luncheon.

Maiden names - back row (l to r) Kathleen Wilcox, Esme Ridge, Joan Bridges, Ruth Stock. Front row (l to r) Mary Brain, Jeanne Hicks, Laura Palmer.'

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### THOSE LOVELLS...

In a sequel to his letter included in the last edition, GORDON JACKSON (55-62) writes:

'After my last article about the Lovell family I received a letter from PERCY LOVELL (31-37). He told me of yet another Lovell who went to Kings College, Cambridge - Madeleine, who in 1999 got a first in Music.

'By coincidence Madeleine was mentioned in the college publication King's Parade as having conducted Cambridge University Opera Society's production of a very rare opera, 'The She-Devil' by Galupp (1705-85).

'So the four Lovells who went to Kings are Percy (ex KGS), his son Bill and



Bill's children Stephen and Madeleine. Percy himself is still conducting amateur choirs and orchestras in Northumberland at the age of 85!

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### **KOSA AWARD...**

Our Hon. Treasurer, MARTIN HARRYMAN (51-56) reports on the new award:

In our Spring issue of KOSA NEWS the Committee mooted the possibility of a KOSA Award to be presented annually to a pupil of Kingsfield School. The idea received a warm reception at our AGM, so with your blessing we progressed the award both in committee and with DAVID LEWIS, Head Teacher of Kingsfield and our President.

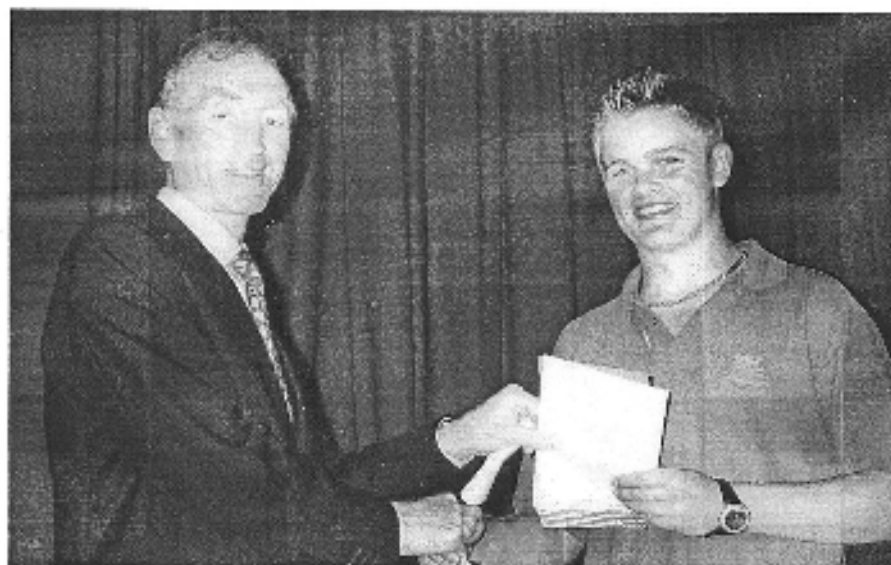
The name was arrived at easily. 'The KOSA Award', but the presentation posed three questions. Firstly, what form should the award take? Secondly, to which academic year should the award be made? Finally, what should the award be made for?

Considering these questions in reverse order we felt that the criterion of academic excellence was too restrictive and more subjective criteria such as enthusiasm for, participation in and commitment to school activities would open the award to every pupil at our old school. Broadly, we decided to look for a pupil who made the school a nicer place by their involvement. These ideas were discussed with David Lewis who undertook, with his heads of faculties, to make

a selection and write the citation.

In answer to the next question it was decided to make the award this year to what we knew as the fifth form, but is now known as year 11. This decision made the award easier because the cost of further education is high and rising, so we decided to make the award a cheque for £100.

I was honoured by the Committee in being selected to make the presentation of the inaugural 'KOSA Award'. David Lewis invited me to make the presentation at the 'Year 11 National Record of Achievement (NRA) Day' on Wednesday, 11 May 2004. NRA Day is the last time all the pupils in Year 11 meet together before breaking off to their individual GCSEs. Rod Wesson, Bristol Rovers Director of Administration was the guest speaker and the pupil selected by David Lewis and his team was a charming young man named REUBEN HOLT. Their citation read: 'This award is given in recognition of his outstanding contribution and support to the School in a wide variety of activities and for the enthusiasm with which he has approached every opportunity to develop himself and help others.' Reuben continues his studies into the 6th Form.



For my part I had a super day meeting a dynamic and engaging group of youngsters.

Another item issued to each student at the ceremony was a 'Leavers' Book'. I mention this because the traditional £100 annual donation made by KOSA to the School helped to fund this document. It is a splendid book that contains the whole year broken down into tutorial groups. Each group is preceded by a collage of photos covering the year's social activities followed by individual photographs accompanied by a short caption written by each individual.

David Lewis and his team, along with the students in year 11, are to be congratulated on the production of this lovely memento. We at KOSA should be pleased that our donation helped to fund it.

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### **MADLINE'S LINES...**

MADLINE ELVINS now WILMOTT (54-59) dropped the 'NEWS an e-mail after being given a copy:

'My sister Mary was 3 years behind me and I have been passed a copy of KOSA NEWS by a friend (10 years younger!) - how time flies.

'Good to see pictures in the current issue of people I knew. ROGER BEESE was an old boyfriend, TREVOR WHEELER used to be a friend of GEOFF MACKAY. Geoff's sister Pam was a friend of mine in our single days and as teenagers we used to dance on Sunday evenings in the MacKay's front room in Peache Road. There was ROGER EVANS, 'TITCH' WHEELER and another chap whose name escapes me. We all went to the Colston Hall to see Marty Wilde! Went there last week to see Jamie Cullen and I think they still

have the same seats!

'The class photo with KEITH BOWIE (Biology) shows people I remember well - that must have been the A stream I think, because I was in with most of that group in year 4 and 5. WENDY BRYANT sadly died 2 years ago. When we first married and moved to Hanham in 1969 she was already living in the house next door to ours. I am her son's god-mother and her husband lives in Kingswood now. The Cynthia? is CYNTHIA BARNES now BRAIN who lives in Hanham and attends the same church as me (Christchurch). Some of the other names may come back to me later. Hope this isn't too much information!

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### **DAVID'S MEMORIES...**

DAVID GIFFORD (53-60) remembers his early years and time playing rugby with Kingswood Old Boys Rugby Club and others:

'I started at KGS in 1953 on the same day and in the same form (1W) as MARGARET BENSON. On the first day at KGS, MISS WATTERS, who taught English, sent me out of class for talking. I also lived in fear of her, especially as my handwriting was of a debatable quality and many assignments had to be repeated in detention. Sitting in alphabetical order the REV JOHN "TWEEDY" HARRIS sat in the seat in front of me.

'One of the highlights of the week were the cartoons shown by 'SCRUFFY' MORRIS in the geography room at lunch time, for which there was a small charge, I think 1d.

'MR ASHWELL, who was also a Geography master, (who later became Professor of Geography at a Canadian University and has since returned to Bristol



in retirement - Ed.) showed some slides of Iceland at an after-school Geography meeting, and it became an item on my must do list. This was realised some years ago with a holiday which included geysers, waterfalls the volcanic Hekla and the Blue Lagoon. I was also fortunate to return to the North of Iceland to inspect a prawn factory at Akureyri.

'During my final years at Kingswood I played several times for the Old Boys when they were short of players. During the season 1959-60 I was captain of the School's 1st XV and we played the Old Boys twice, winning the match in December but losing the return at the end of the season. I did not finish this game, having limped off with what turned out to be a torn cartilage.

'After University I moved to Kings Lynn and joined West Norfolk RUFC. The captain of the club, and Chemistry Master at King Edward VII High School Kings Lynn, was none other than JOHN TOBIN (47-54), who as a prefect frightened the lives of first formers like me in 1953. His "mellow" tones of encouragement drifted a long way over the local marshes.

'Several years later BRIAN YOUNG (56-61?), who lived in Overndale Road, Downend, and whose father was a missionary and whose sister was a presenter on BBC West TV, also played for West Norfolk, so there were three ex KGS players in the club.'

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### **'TWEEDY' WRITES AGAIN...**

By a coincidence, JOHN HARRIS (53-60), now Superintendent Minister in Leicestershire with the Methodist Church, has written to KOSA:

'The latest KOSA news is being read with a great deal of admiration for you/ we somehow maintain an astonishingly high standard for issue after issue. I am even absorbed in the life of the school in the era before we went there and have some interest in the time after it - Kingsfield and all that. I don't often see a mention of my sister ANNE HARRIS who is ten years older than me, so I leave it to you to work out her vintage, or her late first husband, KEITH THORNE, who was a friend of BRUCE CARPENTER and who went on to become Head of Art at Bembridge Public School on the Isle of Wight and then at Rendcomb in the Cotswolds, the school run for the children of Wills employees. Sadly, Anne's second husband has just died. I know that Anne enjoys the magazine as I do and she occasionally gets the joy as I do of seeing articles and photos that relate to our time at the school.

'It was good to see that RICHARD HOLLOWAY, Mike's brother has linked up. Richard lives, as you probably know at Northampton, and he came to accompany a concert in our town some time ago. I went to the concert and was able to see him for a few brief moments - he was greatly surprised to see me, as you can well imagine! Also ROY WILCOX, who I presume is 'Josser', the best sportsman of our year, whose name brings back many memories of someone who was bigger than most, could run faster than anyone, who more or less everyone was afraid to tackle on the rugby field, and so on.

'Maybe I am biased, but I feel we have not yet done Music Master ERIC HILTON justice in what has been written about him so far, good though that has been. This may be a bit serious for the magazine, but he had a profound influ-

ence on my life, and I believe the lives of a lot of musical students over a considerable number of years. I well remember the day when he came in to a Geography lesson that MR. MORRIS (SCRUFFY) was conducting and announced that the following would be doing Music next year - the third year (now year 9). I think of what happens now and how the tables have turned and children and parents choose what subjects they want to take, not the teachers. I don't know what Mr. Morris will have made of it all either (unless he had been informed), but that too would not have gone down well in the secondary education that I was part of for 29 years. I was one of those names read out, and ironically it meant that I never had another geography lesson at the school after that year, as Geography was pitted against Music in the timetable.

'I couldn't put hand on heart and say that Eric's style of teaching was inspiring for the non-musician. Those who were taught by him in the junior years remember learning a song by tonic solfa and French time names one lesson of the week, and then having to sing the song solo in the other lesson by solfa or time, for which we were given a mark. Fine for those with aptitude and a good singing voice! His lessons leading to 'O' and 'A' levels consisted of dictated notes, punctuated by musical examples played on either 78 rpm. records or the new, exciting LPs that were coming on the scene in the mid 1950s. If we or he got behind, then there were notes delivered to our door during the school holidays that we copied as quickly as possible and then took to the next person on the list, hoping that everyone in the group had completed them by the end of the holidays, involving us in journeys to deliver them all over the school's catch-

ment area.

'For us who had some music in us, it was the 'drive' of the person that was appreciated and the knowledge that behind the bushy eyebrows and gruff Lancashire accent and manner there was a person who supported us and cared, even if we were afraid of him at times. I went to him for piano lessons on entering the 6th form. He charged 6 shillings and 3 pence an hour! I think Frank Dobbins and Paulette Viney went to him too, amongst others. These were lessons my family could not have afforded, but I had an aunt who wanted to see me progress, and so I was able to take advantage of her generosity. My former teacher, Harvey Punter, had not believed in piano exams, but Eric pushed me on to take the upper grades, and then more or less chose which universities I should apply for. At the end of each piano lesson he would lend me one of his music history books from his excellent collection to read and this, with everything else, gave me the grounding that I am grateful for now, even if some of it hurt at the time. I probably deserved it. As I started teaching Music myself I used his famous notes from time to time and probably still have some of the music theory exercises and exam questions with his almost illegible comments at the bottom of them. Every now and again, I would have the urge to get children working on tonic solfa, but generally found that if they had not done any before they come to secondary school, even the more musical children found it difficult to start.

'Many will be able to say most of what I written -I certainly would not have 'done' music if it had not been for him, and therefore life would have turned out completely differently for one person, for

good or for ill -I can only look back and be grateful that he had that sort of influence on me.'

P.S. You mentioned *The Bartered Bride* in a recent issue. I saw the dress rehearsal of the opera, which was held one afternoon in school time. Someone came round and got it announced in MISS DIPROSE'S Maths lesson that it was about to start if anyone would like to go. I expressed an interest, but didn't have enough, perhaps any, money. It cost one shilling. There then followed a chaotic scene by which anyone who had any loose cash gave it, just about threw it at me. The collection amounted to 11 pence halfpenny, so I took it along and gave it to whoever was on the door and saw *The Bartered Bride* for 11 pence halfpenny! Happy days.

### **RUTH'S FORM...**

Having added DAVE HENLEY (44-48) to the KOSA list, we received a letter from his wife RUTH SHEARS (45-50):

I remember particularly ANNE HODGES, MAG POWELL, JANET LEES and MARY 'TICH' DENT among others. We had one year when we had 14 in the class and were in MISS PRI-

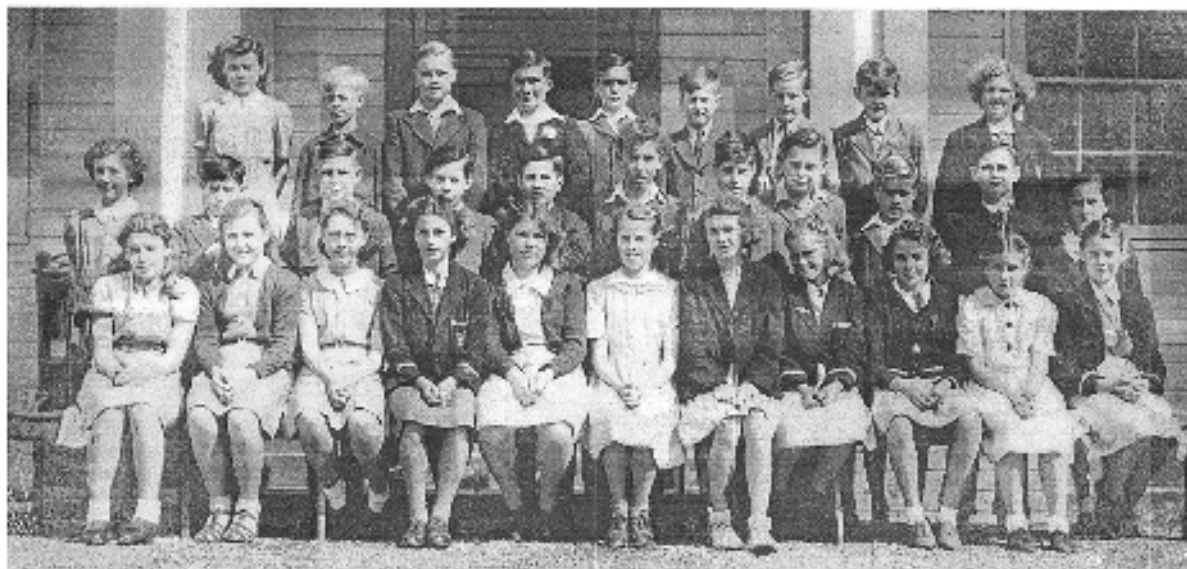
CE'S Biology Lab for our form room - it felt private and we were older, so it was good.

'Reading of MISS QUINTON (Quinnie) reminded me of an occasion during one of her RE lessons she was quoting from the scripture, 'Now, according to Schofield...'. Well, my dad had a Schofield Bible...so of course during one lesson when we had to find something I stood up and said (with Bible in hand), 'Now according to Schofield...'. She was not amused and I got a detention, but it was worth it!

'My brother ROGER SHEARS also attended KGS (48-53) and played truant for 3 months before anyone found out! Two of my grandchildren are at Kingsfield at the moment. Sarah Henley will be in 2nd year 6th form in September and James Henley will be taking GCSEs next term.'

Ruth enclosed the photograph below of her form in an unidentified year. Anyone any ideas of the form and date? The members are (all nicknames supplied by Ruth):

Back row: Pauline Carter, Terry Milton, Colin Milward, Johnny Croucher, Reg Green, David Rosevear, Douglas Ed-



wards, Leslie Hibbs, Margaret Nicholas. Middle row: Christine Drew, Tommy Anstey, Brian Mumford, Brian Harding, Morris Bird, Bryan Arthur, ? Jefferies, ? Pulford, Eddy Frith, Royston Harris, Mary 'Tich' Dent: Front row: Joyce Welch, Beryl Jefferies, Anne Hodges, Mavis Nicholls, Sheila Barnard, Olive Taylor, Vera Roach, Doreen 'Doggy' Toghill, Mag Powell, Janet Lees and Ruth 'Woofy' Shears.

### **MORE FROM THELMA...**

We publish two more photos from THELMA BEDDOE now GOWERS (36-41) after the shots of '1066 and All That' printed in the last edition. On the 38-39 1st XI Hockey Team the first and third players in the middle and front rows are René Williams, Thelma Beddoe, Betty Tydeman and Jean Shearn. Can anyone identify the others?



On Sports Day, probably 1947, BILL DIDHAM wins one of the longer races. MR TICKNER is on the far right and MISS MORRISON and MISS WYCHERLEY are also on the right.

### INSIDE KGS...

DEREK BAILEY (49-53) has sent us some fascinating shots taken inside the school in 1969 and 1973, including in-





side Headmaster RIDLEY'S study, no less! Derek says that the corridor photo was taken towards the steps and the boys' cloakroom. 'It makes me recall the rumble of footwear as classes changed during the day' writes Derek.

### **MERV'S PRESERVES...**

MERVYN POWELL (49-57) has kindly sent us his photographs of KGS activities of his era which he has preserved for posterity. These are featured on this page and on page 15. Below: En route to

PARIS, Easter 1956.

Mervyn Powell, John Cole, Roy King and Derek Harvey decide to take the two-wheeled transport to the French capital. The photo on the top of page 15 confirms their safe arrival to join the others (in uniform?) and the staff.





Above:  
**PARIS - 1956**  
 Standing: Derek Harvey, 'Tom' Moody, Roy King, Marilyn Harvey, Bruce Carpenter, Heather Pomphrey, Mervyn Powell, M Lapadu, John Cole, June Dicks. Front: Terry Short, David Church



**THE GONDOLIERS - 1956**

Above: The Principals  
 Vic Jordan, Mary Gibbons, Ted Young, Margaret Hayes, Roger Carroll, Maureen Griffin, Dickie Barlow, Eileen Matthews, Roger Cromwell

Right:  
 Roger Carroll, Margaret Hayes, Ted Young, Maureen Griffin, Dickie Barlow.



### **RON'S RESPONSE...**

RON ILES' (45-53) letter in the last edition raised some interesting comments on his view of life at KGS during his spell there. Here are some extracts from another long letter from RON:

'I would like MISS DAVID'S address to drop her a line to tell her I was in her class, also MR. BRITTON to say thanks for his kindness in giving me the English Prize and how it influenced me when I needed. He's probably dead but listening.

'In the KOSA NEWS 24 the photograph on page 22 was of my namesake uncle, a worried serious looking guy but like all of us beautiful underneath. It was the first picture I have ever seen of him! He was the youngest of my very many uncles now all dead. They suffered the Depression Years and were marked for Life by their experiences. He died from Diabetes before I was born. He was regarded as a brilliant pupil destined for greater things, highly spoken of afterwards by my family and KGS Staff. Regarded as having similar potential, I was expected to do better but my teenage reaction to HEADMASTER RIDLEY'S "Colditz" regime and his unappreciated ironies, even sarcasms, sardonics, and dictations made me a nonconformist in everything on principle, and implode throughout with negative consequences eventually becoming elusive at worst or invisible at best.

'In contrast I experienced MAJOR EATON as a Gentleman for whom I had great respect. I remember the whole School being marched to the Kingswood Cinema to see Henry Vth and one boys sniggered during a tender scene with Kate. The next morning Major Eaton assembled the whole School and ex-

pressed his disgust that this should happen as he most graciously said "during that most gentle and delicate piece of Love Making". Yes a noble Gentleman, a compassionate listener, always speaking slowly, quietly, softly, with firm appeal never by hard dogmatic dictation, greatly liked and respected by his supporting Staff....He had been gassed in WW1....he truly knew how human beings felt and ticked...

'I came to KGS four years after being orphaned, two years after TB Hospital, at nine I was awarded a Special Scholarship Award to QEH but lacked the "Preparatory School" Latin, Greek and French credentials, only being able to do long division and square roots and read and write English Classics sufficiently well... Previously to KGS Major Eaton offered to get me a free place at Rencombe College but my foster family declined and I was happy at KGS until the arrival of Ridley thereafter I spent 90% of my time as a fugitive from being "taught", frittering away 95% of my time outside of School Programming. I ended up in the Sixth Form threatened with expulsion not a year ahead but a year behind my year group, an unconstituted de-tribalised morasse but primed to metamorphose after I got parole to go to the farthest University, Kings, that had rehabilitation facilities.

'By 1953 after I left maybe Staff Quality was beginning to evolve, I should have left prison even later and "taught teachers" properly there as I ended up doing elsewhere. "Colditz" seemingly mellowed and relaxed and more and more of those who earlier might not have done, stayed to go into the Sixth Form and University. But the period just after and maybe during WW2 coincided with the employment of male teachers straight



out of the army with "emergency" teacher training, of variable quality often notable for their J.B. Priestley "greyness" lost in the fogginess of my search for rainbows. I remember the better ones I could relate to and who gave me kindness, sometimes staying at KGS briefly, as well as the bad tempered, disturbed and brutal.

'Specifically I remember the humanity and humour of MR. KEATS who came for a while then came back blind to visit but with a Guide Dog. Kindly MR. SPEARS tortured by Classes, suffering pedagogy greatly ending up I heard in a Psychiatric Hospital, MAJOR JONES a brilliant but intimidating Maths "instructor" with the war damaged arm he used for pounding the blackboard. I learned most from MR. BRITTON but I hardly ever spoke to or looked at most other teachers. The beautiful MISS PRICE tragically left after a term and ended my wonder about School Biology forever but drove me into a more aesthetic and sensual Wonder about Life. Dissection and other necrology was forever after Dead and at Kings Zoology was about skeletons and things so I settled for Human Practical Work and a Second! MISS RICKETTS, an obvious and aptly named Scientist left for New Zealand after I swore at her not because of me but to marry a Mr. MacDonald. Most were to me just Teachers to whom I meant nothing or less to be ignored, so tragically I reciprocated.

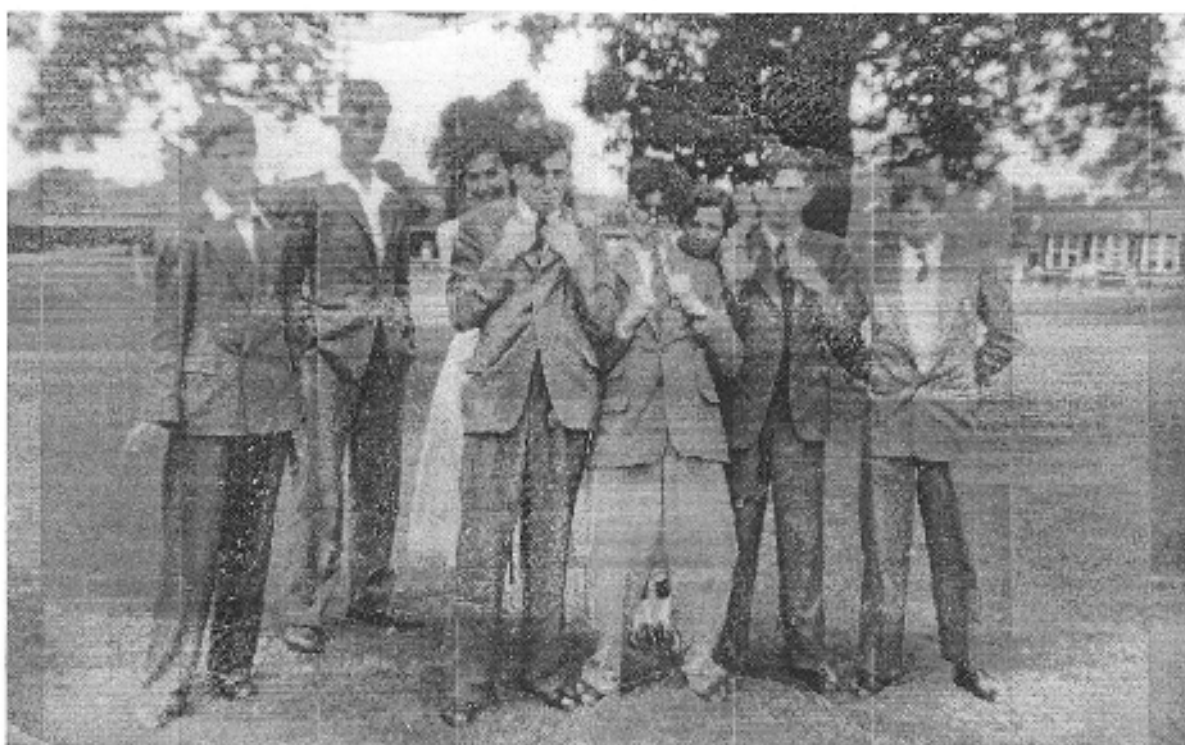
'Chemistry? MR. SAMMONS used to leave the Lab door open during Lunch. Some made Mercury fulminate and poured it over the floor to dry and it exploded when it dried. DAVID ROSEVEAR was the only other "Non-Prefect". We used to be on duty for "latecomers" to the penal establishment,

thereby escaping assembly tedium but unbeknown to the Prison Staff we had "sympathetic working arrangements" with those fellow non-conformist persecuted inmates. Together during lunch David and I used to do our own Chemistry Cookery, like making, mixing and lighting oxygen and hydrogen, splinters of glass apparatus everywhere, nobody hurt, volcanic fireworks, brown smoke, purple fumes, brilliant white flames before test tubes exploded and made terrible mess of the ceiling. We were lucky to escape undeafened, unblinded. unmaimed. Such was the frustration of dictation teaching without due place for originality and exploration. Where is David Rosevear now? Sammons never noticed when he returned, predictably, he was too concerned with filling the blackboard with the copious information we were suppose to need to copy and commit to memory in his "lesson" as he grinned manically and talked about other things through his bulging eyes behind thick glasses. In the Upper Sixth I said I could learn more quickly on my own and didn't go any more so didn't get the Chemistry Prize.'

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By one of those coincidences which can only happen with KOSA NEWS (well, maybe not), DAVID ROSEVEAR (45-52) has sent us a copy of a group taken in 1953 taken under the oak on the last day at school (next page).

We can identify David Rosevear, Peter Knight, Ann Slater, David Hilling and Phillip Dent, both striking academic poses, the next two we have not identified, but there on the end on the right is our voluminous correspondent, Ron Iles! At least three of them can use the epithet 'Doctor', so they've all come a long way since the blasted oak!



The last day at KGS - July 1953

### **ESMIE REMEMBERS...**

ESMIE EVERY now RICKS (34-41) who appeared in the last edition in the photograph *1066 And All That* in August, 1940 has been in touch:

'Many thanks for sending me copies of KOSA NEWS which filled me with nostalgia. I have not been good at keeping in touch with past events, preferring to look to the future - now, alas, a less favoured activity.

'I remember so well the production of *1066 And All That*. As you know there was a lull at the beginning of the war and the bombing, I think, didn't start until 1941. We were kept at school that summer and I can only imagine that it was to keep a check on the whereabouts of children in the event of air raids; some occurred in the midst of exams when we had to go down to the shelters. I also recall seeing the German planes at the time of the daylight raid on the Filton aircraft factory.

'I remember THELMA BEDDOE now GOWES (36-41) very well. She was Queen Elizabeth and I was a Crusader's wife taking advantage with a troubadour of my husband's absence at the Crusades. I was also amazed to see myself on the school photo on page 20 of KOSA NEWS 22, next to my dear friend JOAN BATEMAN, with whom I'm sorry to have lost contact. We were a lively and sometimes naughty pair playing up teachers whose discipline was not severe, 'BONEY' BRITTON, for example. Yet I loved English and remember so well being introduced to Jane Austen, Conrad, Auden etc by him. We did a reading of *The Ascent of F6* in the Vth form.

'I recall that we were given 'assignments' for English homework, ie a block of work to be done within a certain time, so giving us the opportunity to organise our work ourselves. This has struck me since as quite a modern idea.

'My first love was French and indeed I did win a State Scholarship to Lady Mar-

garet Hall where I read French. I cannot honestly say that I was 'inspired' by either of my French teachers. Who knows what Gallic passion lurked beneath the spinstery exterior of MISS PERRY? And MR DAVIES was fond of saying that he was 'casting pearls before swine', which was not very endearing! A little frisson of excitement occurred when his niece Yvonne, who had joined us in the VIth form, was found to be having assignments with a boy during the lunch hour. Shock horror!

'Who was the glamorous assistant who joined us, again in the VIth form? Does anyone remember her name? She taught us an Hungarian folk song which I believe she had recorded herself. She was like a creature from another world. I remember her words: we were not to say 'I know my own faults' but 'I am open to the suggestion of my own illimitability.' Powerful stuff!

'I lived somewhat in fear of MISS (FLOSSIE) POWELL who tore strips off me (I was a very diffident Head Girl at the time) for wearing winter uniform instead of a summer dress, because my parents didn't want to go to the expense of buying new ones in my last year. Incidentally, our dresses were made of shantung, which was really rather posh!

'Pity I was so bad at Maths, but MR BROWN had not really found his vocation. He seemed to turn a blind eye to our writing lurid stories (write a sentence and pass it behind you) to relieve the tedium. But he was, I gather, great friends with the great BERNARD LOVELL (24-31), with whom he could discuss Science and Communism.

'For me, Headmaster MAJOR EATON

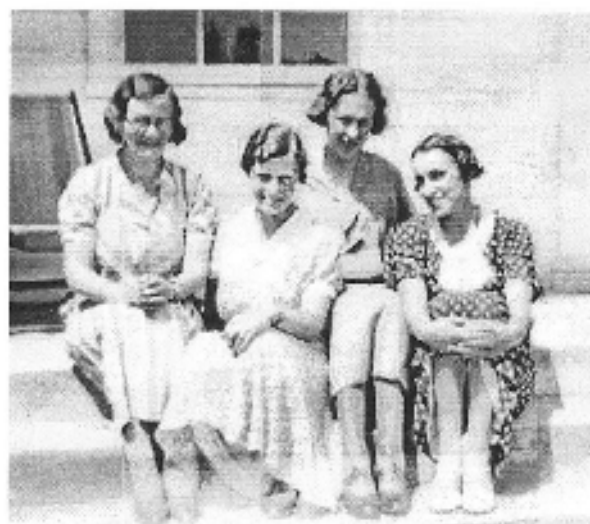
was not a great disciplinarian, but someone who helped foster my love of English literature in those VIth form sessions reading *Hamlet* etc...and then there was the slightly eccentric MISS QUINTON, a real enthusiast for her subject, called 'Scripture' but really a history of ideas.

'I am grateful to all of them, grateful for a relaxed and open-minded education in small-scale buildings among green fields.'

### STAFF FROM THE 30s...

MURIEL BRITTON now BROWN (31-36) has sent in the photograph of some of the mistresses from 1935. Muriel writes:

'Needless to say, we of the old school (31-36) can appreciate any snippets of news from that era. I recently found the enclosed snap and thought that it may be of interest to those of us who have attained the ripe old age of 80+.



'Firstly, MISS WATTERS (my favourite mistress - English Lit. etc), then MISS EYRES (Biology - a very good teacher with no room for inattentive pupils and who had a very good aim with a piece of chalk!), then MISS PERRY (French -

who needed a lot of patience with beginners) and MISS BIGGS (Domestic Science).

'We were so lucky to have such a wonderful staff at KGS. I'm sure that we all appreciated their dedication to the teaching of so many of us, in later years. All the best to the Association.'

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### FROM OZ...

ANNE HODGES now WARREN (46-50) writes:

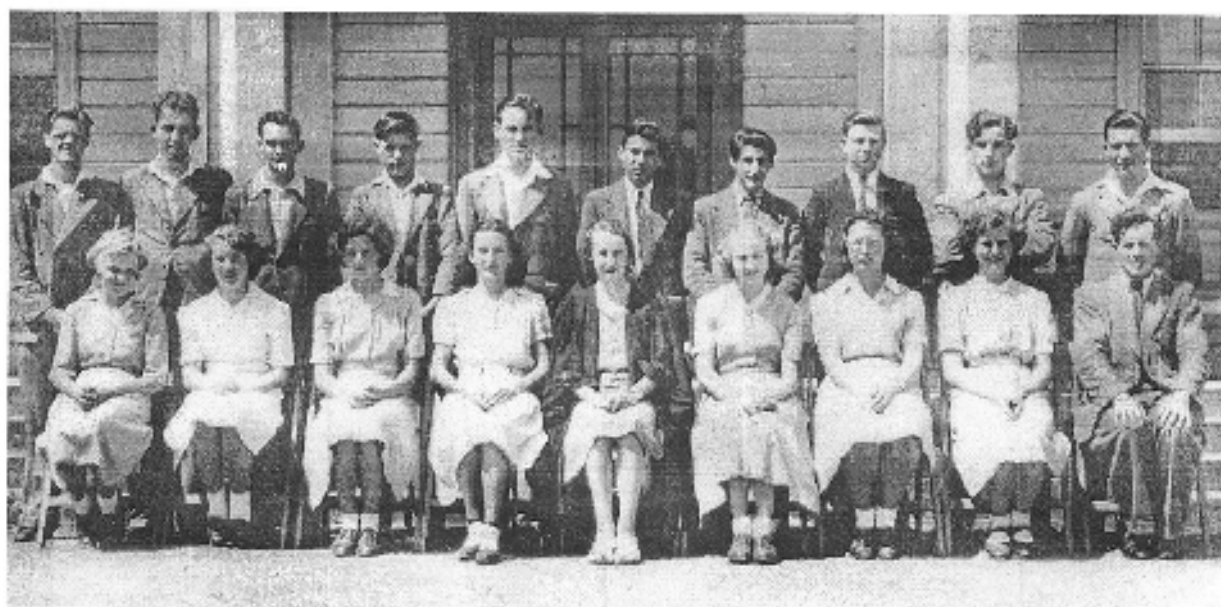
'I enclose a class photo of about 1948. I think MISS PRICE is the Form Mistress. The copy, unfortunately, did not come with the names on the reverse, and the original is now 'out-back' and not likely to come into my possession again.

intercontinental meeting sometime. As you can see we have enlisted the help of BRIAN MUMFORD (45-52), who appears on the photograph, to provide any missing names, and he's done a very good job, too.- Ed

The names are:

Back row: Dave Gowing, Brian Arthur, Reg Green, Bill Flew, Gus Hiscox, Maurice (Dickie) Bird, David Otlet, Brian Mumford, John Croucher, William Peacock.

Front row: June Francis, Rita Parker, Christine Drew, Mary Dent, Miss Price, Nesta Jefferis, Anne Hodges, Ruth Shears, Brian Harding.

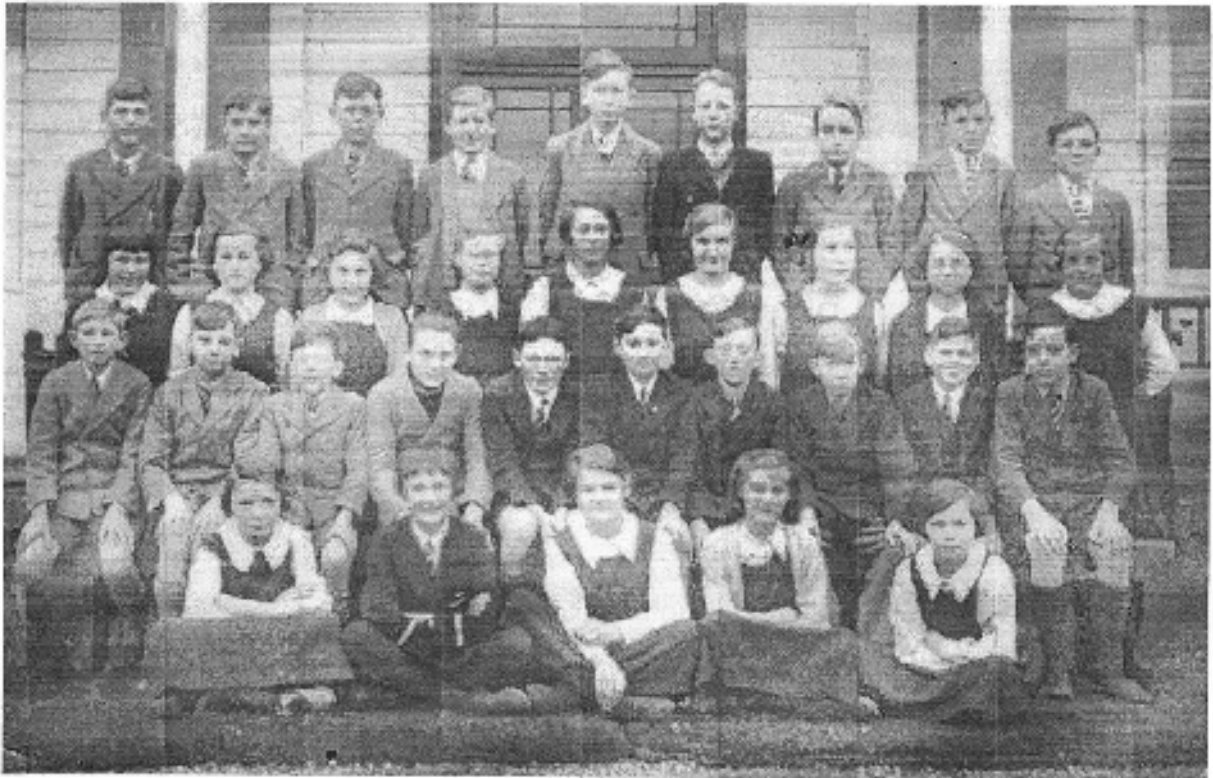


'I enjoy KOSA NEWS and the memories it evokes, especially of the staff. News of the small and large reunions leads me to consider an Austral-Asian reunion. If anyone out there is interested, please get in touch. My address is 3/2 Schregel Place, Nowra, New South Wales 2541, Australia.'

Well, Anne, we look forward to our first

JACK BURNHAM (35-39) sent KOSA a copy of his form 3A in 1937, shown at the top of page 21. 'Can't help thinking what a different world it used to be when 'BONEY' BRITTON (English) could tip a bag over a head with impunity!

Am enclosing a photo which may be of interest. I think only HAZEL CANNARD is missing. Of course, I'm the good looking lad.'



JACK BURNHAM'S 3A - 1937

'I have listed names, left to right starting at top row. I may have difficulty remembering all first names and will indicate where I have any doubt.

E.Hicks ? John Kidd Frank Darling  
 Leslie Gallop Arthur Brace Arthur White  
 Jack Burnham John Bowden Paul  
 Malein Peggy Pearce Janet Gready  
 Margaret Barnes M.Morris? Joan Can-  
 dlin Peggy Iles Rosemary Willets M.  
 Amos? Esme Drake John Tazewell  
 Geoffrey Kidd Raymond Banfield Des-  
 mond Jefferies Richard Burt Geoffrey  
 Rowlands Claud Hireson Ronald  
 Crocker Peter Rogers Ernest Veale  
 Joan Price Anne Vospur Barbara Bran-  
 ton Thelma Singlehurst Dorothy Baker

I have amazed myself at the number of first names I remembered, but confess the surnames are on the back of the photo!

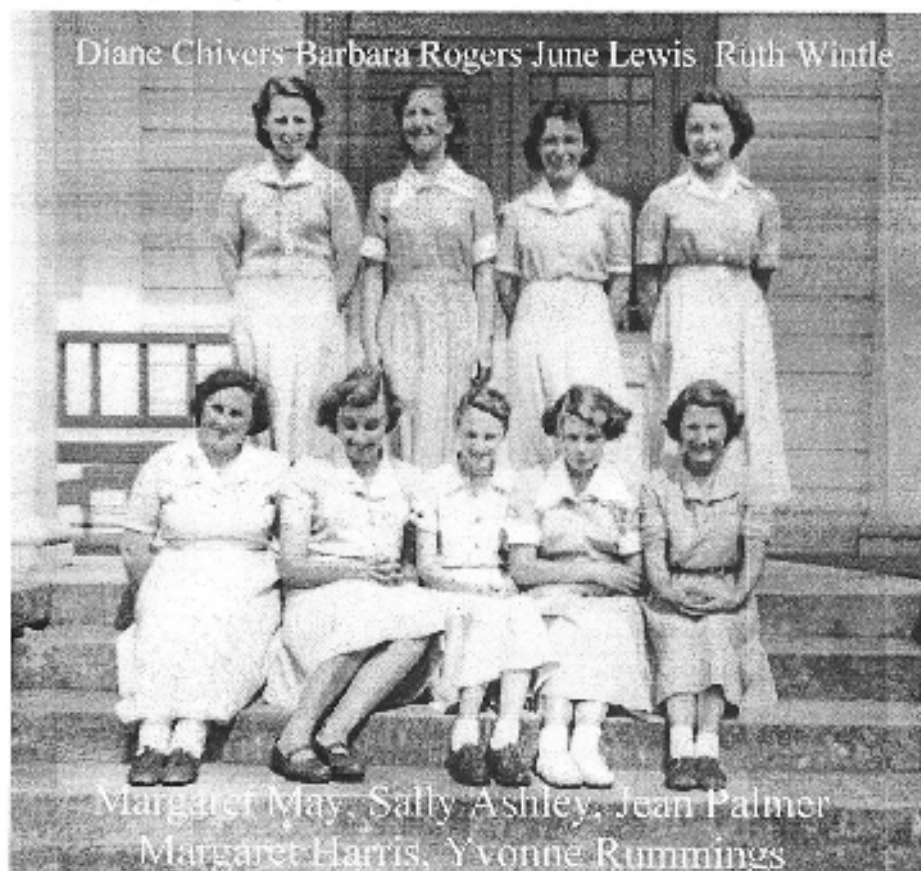
ROSEMARY WILLETS (see above) came back to KGS after she had attended university especially to introduce me to French in my first year. Where is she now?

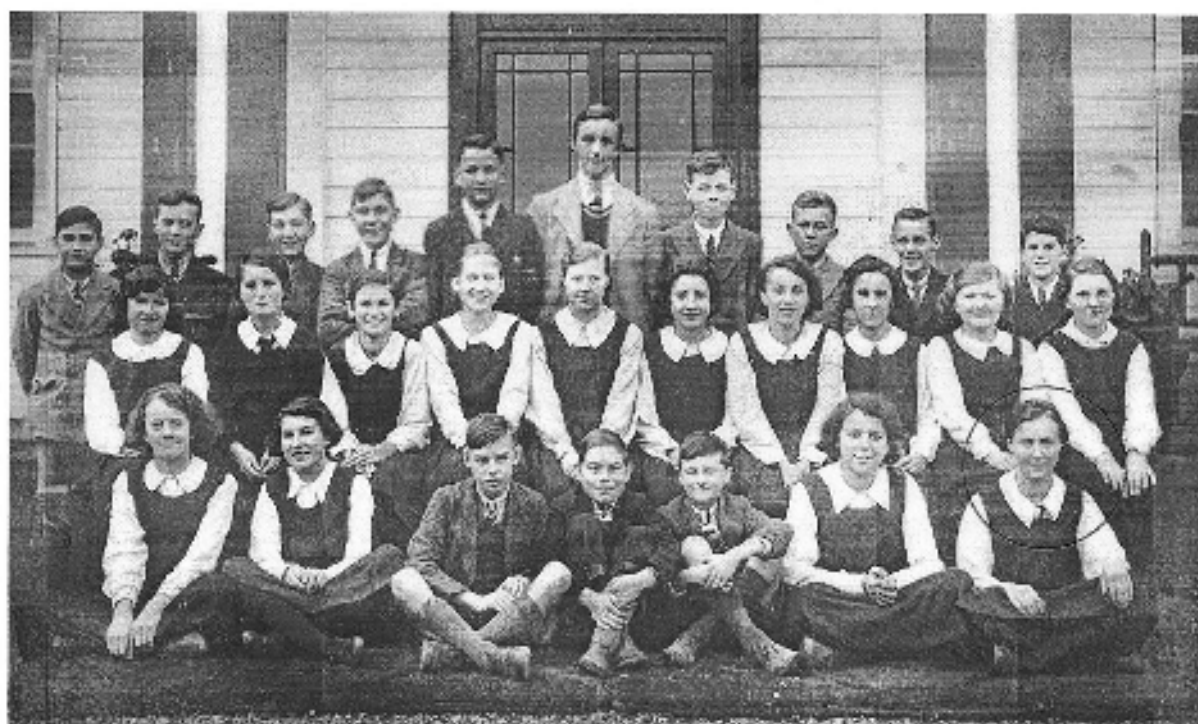
DAVID KERSHAW (49-56) would also like to know the whereabouts of contemporaries JOHN GOLDSMITH and PETER HEMMENS, the latter also having returned to teach at KGS for a while after university.

If you know where any of these are, please contact KOSA NEWS. For that matter, if you know of any KGS folk who might like to receive the 'NEWS' regularly please let us know. We have over 1,100 on the list now, and we'd like to get to 1,500 asap.

We even had a sister who ordered the 'NEWS' only to be told that her brother had been receiving it for many years! If you have friends or relations who went to KGS please spread the news - the KOSA NEWS! - Ed.

DIANE CHIVERS now JONES (48-53), now living in Australia, has sent us these informal photographs of herself and her friends at KGS





### **IN THE FAMILY...**

At the top is a photograph of KATHERINE HILL'S form in about 1936. Katherine is circled, front right. Katherine married JACK LEONARD (28-33) and they had a son BOB LEONARD (67-74) who was in Form 1H in 1968, also shown above, circled back right. The members of Bob's class are, from back left:

Alan Preece, Mark Bond, Steve Cook, Billy Inwood, Clive ?, Steve Powell, Bob Leonard.

Mike Peacock, Andy Williams, Adrian Kingscote, Stan Thomas, Louise Williams.  
Lynn Burgess, Pamela Billing, Karen Hulbert

Paul Lifton, Gary George, Dave Harding, Andrew Philips.

Corrine Davis, Jacqueline Dix, Ruth Press, ? Blackmore, Mrs Evans, Christine Stenhouse, Karen Button, Linda Aspinall, Janet Hooper

### MERV'S POEMS...

MERVYN POWELL (49-57), some of whose photos you will see on pages 14/15, has published a small volume of verse called *Travels in Verse*. Mervyn started writing verse in 1994 whilst on holiday in Ireland. Virtually all the poems are written about a geographical location he has visited at some time.

By permission, we reproduce a topical poem below:

Bristolian

If you want to speak Bristolian really well  
And all your critics swiftly quell,  
It's an easy rule, clear as a bell,  
To words ending in a vowel, simply add  
an 'l'.

It will seem strange at the beginning  
With comments rather stinging.  
But you will soon get the ideal,  
As your way you feel.

When I was a teacher in school,  
I believe they thought me a fool,  
When I taught things geographical  
About Americal and Africal.

Their spelling became quite absurd.  
They didn't know the correct word.  
Was it Zambial and Gambial,  
And Ghanal and Nigerial?

Their learning made me cry  
As the years rolled by.  
Their work became abysmal  
When studying Abyssinial.

It really got much worse,  
As indeed is this verse,  
Because then I taught Australial  
With its capital, Canberral.

Some countries were not changed by  
my tongue,  
Germany, Holland and Belgium,  
To get a good testimonial,  
I avoided Albanial and Estonial.

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### BITS & PIECES...

WILSON BARRETT (44-48) wrote from France, where he now lives, to say that he was interested to note another KOSA Ghanaian in BILL WALDRON, whose passing was announced in the last edition. 'I was a Ghanaian during the period 1965-70 and I met by chance in the bookshop of the University of Ghana (Legon) DAVID HILLING (47-54)' wrote Wilson. Small world.

MARGARET COUSINS now FLOOD (56-63) has recently joined KOSA after having been sent some past copies by her cousin, COLIN WATKINS. Margaret writes 'I left to read English at the University of Wales, Cardiff, and then took my teaching qualification at the University of Exeter. I have always thought that I entered the teaching profession because I was so happy at KGS and liked and admired the teachers there - well, there was MR GLENN and Physics, but I'm sure that I was an infuriating fourth former! I am among the 1962 Prefects photograph on the website.'

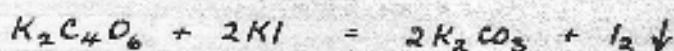
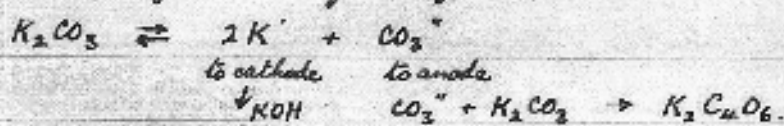
STELLA EVERY now GRANDISON (29-35), sister of ESMIE (see earlier letter on page 18), writes 'I still feel sure that we got the best education at KGS and it compares well with today. I think I was well ahead of teaching existing in that period. For instance, when I went to college at the age of 49 I was the only one out of nine in my group who had any experience of the Sciences. It all came back and was invaluable in teaching Home Economics.'

KEN ROBINSON (36-39), who now lives in New South Wales, became a Pupil Apprentice at Douglas when he left school. His wife, MARY JONES, transferred to St George Secondary School in 1938.

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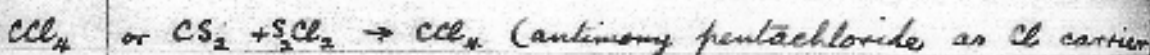
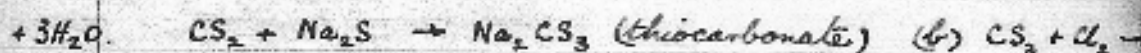
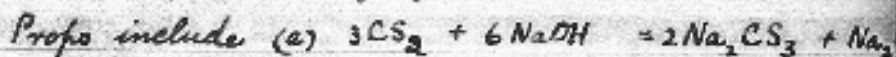
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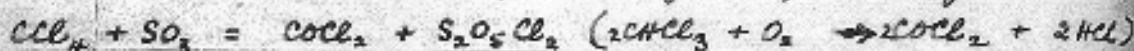
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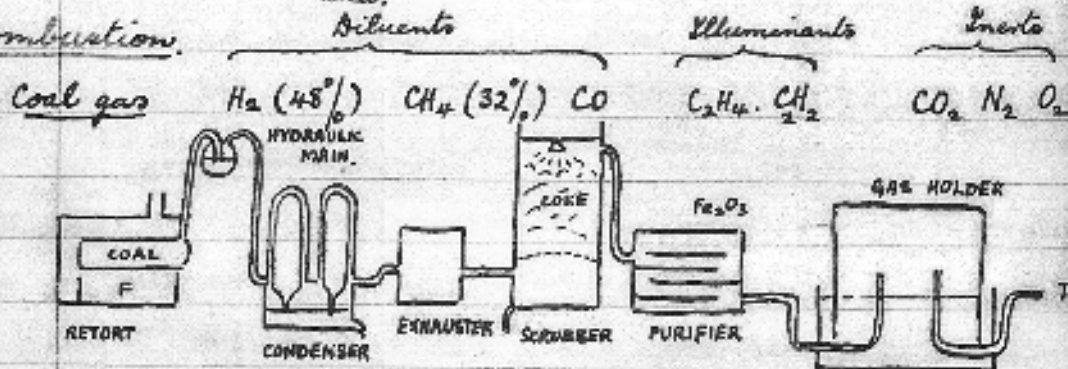
Good insecticide & solvent for sulphur, phosphorus, rubber & fat. Highly inflammable



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Combustion.



Condenser collects coal tar - coal tar products (benzene, toluene, cresols, xylenes, anthracene, thiophene, pitch, pyridine)

Scrubber removes ammonia - ammonium sulphate fertilizer.

### FISHY'S NOTES...

JIM WITHEY (45-53) has sent to KOSA a book of Chemistry notes. He writes:

'I came across these inorganic chemistry notes when I was clearing out

some stuff from my storage area and thought you might like to add them to your collection of KGS memorabilia. In case you did not recognise it immediately they are in BRIAN SAMMONS' impeccable handwriting. I have no idea how I came by these, although 'Fishy'

may have loaned them to me for a lesson or two that I missed.'

For those who never knew BRIAN SAMMONS, he joined the school as a pupil very early on, left to attend Bristol University and returned as a teacher, eventually head, of Chemistry until he retired. The notes consist of 67 pages in his very distinctive handwriting which those of you who were pupils of his will instantly recognize.

To give you a flavour of the contents, we reproduce a page of his notes which include those on production of coal gas. Your Editor remembers assisting in the setting up of such a model, workable plant for the benefit of parents visiting the school on an open day around 1953 or 1954.

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### **OTHER NOTES...**

JOY ALLEN now TONKIN (43-48) wrote in to ask for the address of JEFF NIELSON (44-50) (see KOSA NEWS 23, page 17) 'I remember him well, in fact his successful career in Medicine may be due in some small part to my Biology notes he borrowed!'

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### **CORRS & ADDS...**

CAROLE LOVELL now PITSON wrote from Dunblane in Scotland to correct our names on the 1956 - 2B photo on page 11 of the last edition. They should have been:

'Back row (boys): Robin Smith, Robert Stone, ??, David Wheatley, Stanton, Dulborough, Caines, Whitchurch

Front row (boys): ??, Colin Pillinger, Richard Strange, Frank Dobbins, Harris, Richard Hayes, Paul Lear, Lionel

Matthews

Back row (girls): Pat Murphy, Dawn Martin, Margaret Chell, Valerie Stocombe, ??, Cynthia Barnes, Freda White, Jean bridges, Angela Charters, Susan Birchley, Wendy Bryant

Front row (girls): Margaret (Bunty) Johnson, Rosalind Cameron, Molly Woodington, 'Gabby' Hayes, Form Master, Keith Bowie, Wendy Allan, Mary Carr, Carole Lovell, Linda Davies.

'I haven't yet hazarded knocking on the door of the 77 year-old ex-KGS lady who lives about 200 yards from me. Don't want to give her a heart attack!'

MOLLIE JARRETT now TOGHILL (50-55) names two more of the 54-55 Hockey team shown on page 13 of 'NEWS 24. The girl on the far left is Jennifer Lacey and on the far right is Pauline Bennett. ESME RIDGE now BRITTON (41-47) adds the unknown names from the JACK WHITE'S form on page 25 of the same edition: Front row: left 3 Iris Purnell, left 5 Rosemary Edgeley. Middle row, left 1 Joyce New, Left 2 Eileen Gibbs, 3 boys then Hazel Harris and on the end Mona Owen.

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Apologies for all the omissions and errors which creep into the 'NEWS from time to time. If you do spot any misspellings, particularly of names, please let us know. Similarly with your name and address labels. We do check every time we get any correspondence and forms from you, but we still have many members for whom we do not have a correct post code and their years at KGS. If your address label is wrong, please let us know.

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### WELCOME...

Additions since last time are below. Maiden names are given in most cases, and the starting year in brackets, if given. When contacting the 'NEWS' it would be helpful if you give your first name, maiden name (if appropriate) and your years at KGS. Many thanks. If you know of anyone who might like to receive the 'NEWS', just let us know.

David Small (59), Geoff Womer (44), John Garrett (55), June Francis (44), Sheila Francis (42), May Davey (40), Mollie Jarrett (50), Margaret Cousins (56), Maud Harraway (26), Esmie

Every (34), Tim Arthur (67), Richard Lucas (52), Valerie Woodington (??), Colleen Byrne (47), Jill Britton (53), Olive Ford (39), David Gifford (53), Jackie Yewdall (44), Colin Feltham (50), Joyce Chivers (44), David Henley (44), Ruth Shears (45), Geoffrey Barnes (44), Norman Golding (55), Alan Dulborough (54).



### SPORTS DAY - 1955

Above: TERRY SHORT completes the high-jump Left: DEREK SMITH wins the mile. Derek won it again the following year and in both years was the Champion Boy for Haskins House.



SGS July, 1973

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If you would like to take part in building up an archive of KOSA members and their achievements, please fill in the form below. Please feel free to leave any questions unanswered. Thanks for your help.

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIDEN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR SCHOOL PRIOR TO KGS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE LIST ANY FORM-MATES' NAMES (continue over):

Do you have a form photograph you would be willing to lend KOSA? yes/no

ACTIVITIES:

Were you in any teams (sport, chess etc)? If you recall any dates and results, please give them. Were you in any plays, etc? Give details.

LEAVING KGS:

What qualifications did you obtain at KGS?

Where and what did you study after leaving KGS?

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