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This year has seen the establishment of regular lunchtime rehearsals in the music department and now, musical sounds emanate from Room 57 each day of the week between 12.20 and 12.55. The various musical groups have performed on several occasions during the year with great success.

The Christmas term culminated in a Carol Service in the school hall on the evening of 18th December. The Senior Choir, directed by Mr. Wild, and the Junior Boys Choir and Junior Girls Choir, directed by Mr. Moon and accompanied by Simon Parker, U6, sang carols interspersed by a sequence of readings devised and prepared by Mr. Phillips, Head of English. The orchestra performed David Stone's *Nocturne* as a prelude to the service. The Senior Choir's carols included a lively arrangement of *King Jesus Hath a Garden* by John Rutter and the Junior Choirs sang a carol sequence entitled *The Road to Bethlehem*.

During the course of the Easter term Mr. Moon and Mrs. Mather collaborated in a piece of music theatre entitled *A Temporary Diversion or The Monumental, Photographic and Zoological Umbrella Show*. This involved over 70 pupils who were transformed into: a Circus; Tourists; Workmen; a Town Band; and a Guild of Umbrella Makers. The plot revolved around the construction of a mysterious edifice in a town square and the speculation as to its use. The costumes and scenery provided plenty of spectacle and the exotic Umbrellas of the Guild and various Circus acts were particular impressive. The Tourists over-ran the hall photographing everything in sight and the Workmen behaved in the traditional workmen's fashion: stopping for tea every few minutes. The cast sang, played and acted superbly and the two nights of the production which took place in April were very successful.

The first half of the evening in which *A Temporary Diversion* was mounted consisted of music sung by the Senior Choir interspersed with performances by solo instrumentalists: Katherine Smith (3G) and Matthew Goffee (1R) (cornets); Simon Parker (piano); Joanne Hitch (5S) (flute); Paul Shead and Simon Sebright (L6) (guitars and vocals).

Music has also been very much to the fore at the two Speech Days. At Junior Speech Day on 11 February solos and duets were played by Elisabeth Smith and Colette Roberts (5B (flute and guitar); Sara Jones (2G) (clarinet); Amanda Riley (3R) (piano); Claire Barnes (3G) (tuba); Katherine Smith and Matthew Goffee (cornets). A woodwind trio of Ailsa and Elizabeth Seel and Emma Graham performed two 18th century dances; the Orchestra and Brass Ensemble played the theme music from *Star Wars* and the entire First Year played three rounds on descant recorders: the boys on the balcony, the girls in the body of the hall. This proved to be one of the highlights of the afternoon and received tumultuous applause.

At Senior Speech Day on 6 April Sarah McEvoy (L6) played a movement of Poulenc's Flute Sonata; Simon Parker played piano music by Frank Bridge; Paul Shead and Simon Sebright performed a song by Mark Knopfler and the Senior Choir, directed by Mr. Wild, sang pieces by Mozart and Matyas Seiber.

As we go to press, rehearsals for the Summer Concert on 9th July are well advanced and the concert will include the newly-formed Brass Quintet; the Brass Ensemble; the Orchestra; the Senior Choir and Junior Girls Choir and also solo performances on instruments ranging from flute to 'cello and electric guitar. It promises to be a fine culmination of the extra-curricular work done by pupils and staff this year.

J. G. Moon
Head of Music, June 1987

Longsleddale Weekend, May 1987

Friday

- 6.45 p.m. A party of 21 eager pupils, several of them off to Longsleddale for their second dose of torture, and 5 intrepid teachers with other crazy adult volunteers meet at Kay Street Carpark. Car suspensions are tested to the full as everyone sets off to the first stop, Kendal.
- 8.30 p.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers arrive at Kendal for emergency supplies of fish and chips.
- 8.50 p.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers set off for the three stone buildings in the wilderness that we would call home for the whole weekend.
- 9.10 p.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers arrive at the fore-mentioned three stone buildings leaving civilization several miles away.
- 9.45 p.m. Unpacked, 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers go on a short road walk to give the 21 pupils a false impression of the next two days which would be of hard, long, physical exercise.
- 10.15 p.m. Full of energy, 21 pupils stay up half the night while 5 teachers plus volunteers sensibly sleep, knowing what lies in store the next day.

Saturday

- 8.00 a.m. 21 dozey pupils with eyes half closed prepare their breakfasts, with 5 teachers plus volunteers wide awake and buzzing with enthusiasm.
- 9.00 a.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers set off on tortuous walks, rugged rock climbing and thrilling abseiling.
- 7.00 p.m. 21 very weary pupils make their convenience foods while looking longingly at the teachers' five course meal expertly prepared by Miss Bowden.
- 9.00 p.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers gather in the large barn for games where two fourth year boys, Darren Hamer and Paul Taylor, prove themselves to be good sports.
- 10.15 p.m. 21 pupils go to bed with aching legs and sore feet and again stay up half the night (plain insanity). 5 teachers, plus volunteers no doubt have a good gossip about the 21 pupils.

Sunday

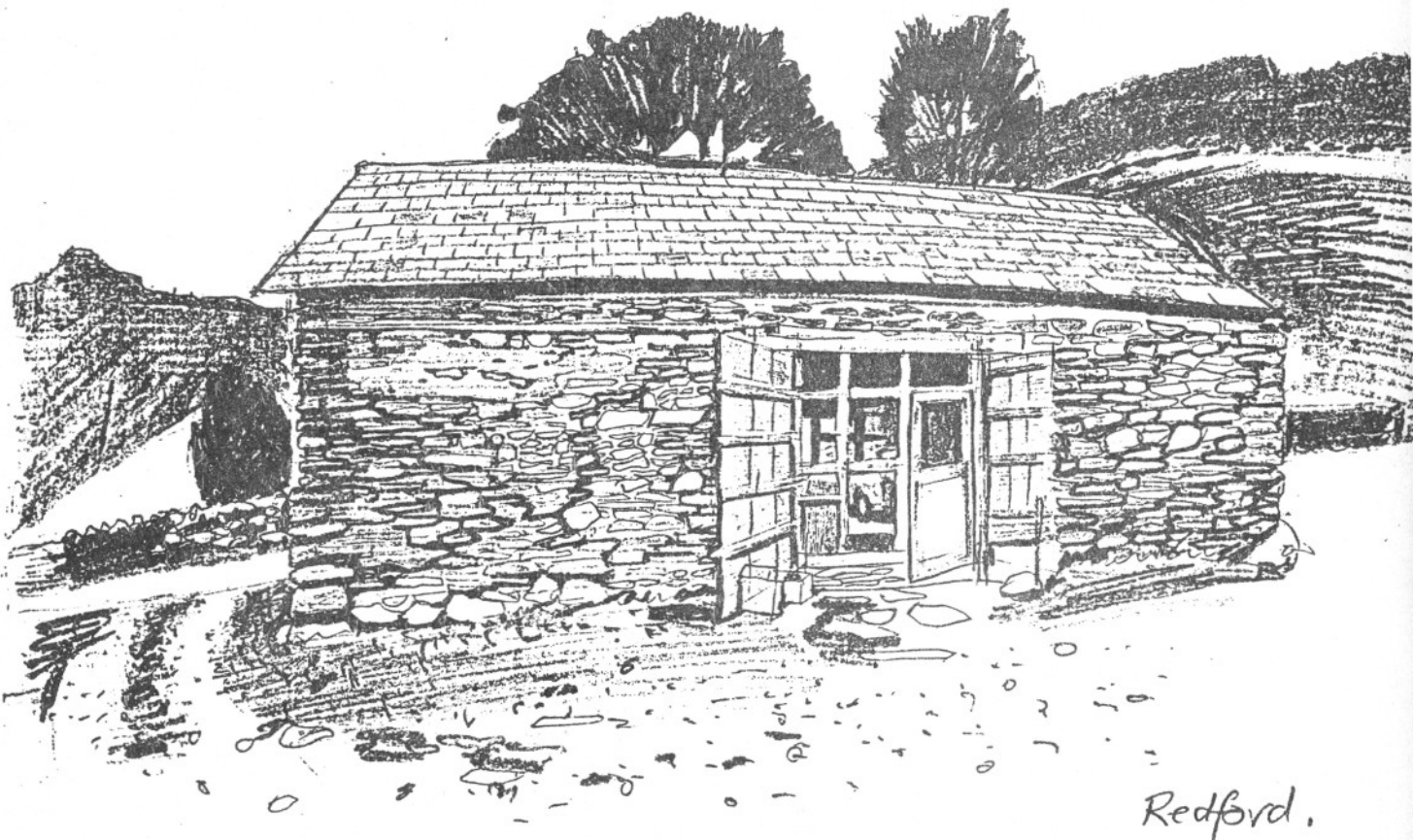
- 9.30 a.m. 21 pupils, 5 teachers plus volunteers attempt more walking, orienteering, rock-climbing and abseiling.

4,00 p.m. The site is cleared until no evidence is left to prove that 21 B.R.G.S. pupils have been within a 5 mile radius. It's time to set off home.

6,00 p.m. Everyone home, probably bathing feet and relaxing.

21 pupils had a brilliant time and thanks go to the 5 intrepid teachers, plus crazy volunteers, who had to put up with those 21 pupils, especially to Mr. Archer, the bionic chief organiser.

Catherine Briggs, 4G



In May of this year the sudden, tragic death of ZØe Victoria Shadlock stunned the whole school. It is ZØe's companions in the third year who have perhaps been most shocked by the loss of one of their dearest friends. They would like this page to be their tribute to a lovely girl.

Memories

I never believed it would happen,
Not to someone that I knew,
But there it was, 'just one of those things'.
You never know when, you never know why.
I can't cry any more, I'm past that stage,
But I think about her all the time
And the place where she is now.
I wouldn't say we were really close
But she was always there, if I needed a friend.
She always cared and I'll remember that
Until we meet again.

ZØe brought happiness into all our lives, even if it was just with a friendly smile. She would always take the time to sit down and listen to your problems but never made a public issue of her own. She was loved by us all and her own loving nature has perhaps taught us a lesson - that is, to show our feelings towards one another before it is too late.

Though we shall never see her again, ZØe will always be with us and remain in our thoughts; each of us with our own personal memories of her. Remember ZØe, how she was, and learn from her. She wasn't perfect - who is? - but she was one of the most caring people around and instead of thinking "Why ZØe?", just be thankful for having had the pleasure of knowing such a wonderful person during her short, but extremely happy life.

One of our kindest, most thoughtful pupils, ZØe will be sadly missed and she will be with us, in our hearts, for the rest of our lives.

Lively, bubbly with a sense of fun,
Her smile that warmed like the summer sun,
So much love to give, and so much to spare
Of herself and her time she'd always share.

But the room is empty, she has left.
Without her laughter we feel bereft -
But no, not quite, for echoes remain,
Memories easing our aching pain.

ZØe, dear ZØe, you are so sorely missed,
Yet, deep in our hearts, you will always exist,
You are just in the next room, not too far away
The door's locked for us now, but not always -
we pray.

She will always be a part of our form and she will never be forgotten.
We will always miss her.

NEWS OF FORMER STUDENTS

Degrees, Honours, Appointments

- Councillor John I. Holt, Ll.B., appointed Chairman of North West Electricity Consultative Council. He was later awarded the M.B.E. in the Birthday Honours List.
- Paul Stephenson (Bacup) became, at 32, the youngest Lancashire Chief Inspector of Police.
- Dr. A. T. Howarth, Director of Chemical Pathology at Bradford Royal Infirmary, received the O.B.E. in the New Year Honours List.
- Dr. Michael Dyson (Cowpe) won the round-London boat marathon.
- Sandra Cruise (née Harvey) B.A. made Curator of Rossendale Museum.
- Angela Craven (née Clayton) appointed Head of Stacksteads C.E. Junior School.
- Rev. J. Anthony D. Roberts, B.D., A.K.C., ordained Vicar of Clitheroe Parish Church.
- Michael Keough, B.Sc. Combined Studies Hons. Class I, Manchester Polytechnic.
- John Egan (formerly Rawtenstall) Chairman of Jaguar, knighted in Birthday Honours List.
- Sergeant Anthony Dunbar (Rawtenstall) R.A.F. Electronic Operator's Brevet for excellence during training and Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award.
- Philip Rawstron (Newchurch) B.Sc. Hons. Physics, Class 2 Div. I, Imperial College, London.
- Paul Linnell, B.A. Hons. Class I, Sheffield Polytechnic.
- Wendy Porter (Stacksteads) B.A. Hons Library Studies, Class 2 Div. I, Loughborough, also prize for best student on course.
- Neil Tomlinson (Waterfoot) B.A. Honours Politics, Newcastle.
- Alison Caygill (Rawtenstall) B.A. Honours, Swansea.
- Carole Johnson (Townsendfold) B.A. Hons Modern Languages, Class 2 Div. I, Salford.
- Geoffrey Wood elected President of Rossendale Rotary Club.
- Neville Prior (Rawtenstall) B.A. Hons German & Italian, Bangor.
- Stephen Prior (Rawtenstall) B.Sc. Hons Electronics, Salford.
- Denise J. Wilkinson (Waterfoot) B. Ed. Honours, Edge Hill.
- Craig Howorth (Rawtenstall) B.Sc. Electro-acoustics, Salford.
- Philip Kershaw (Stacksteads) M.B.Ch.B., Manchester.
- Janet R. Barrie (née Watkins, Higher Cloughfold) M.B.Ch.B., Edinburgh.
- Marie Ashworth (Bacup) B.A. Honours Fine Art, Birmingham.
- Sheila Reddy (Weir) B.Sc. Pharmacy, Liverpool Polytechnic.
- Daniel Burton (Waterfoot), B. Theology Honours, Regent's Park College, Oxford.
- Alison Haworth (Edenfield) B.A.Hons. Accountancy & Financial Control, Sheffield Polytechnic.
- Angela Mills (Whitworth) B.A.Hons. Class 2 Div. I, French & German, Bangor.
- Richard Pitts (Ramsbottom) B.Sc. Hons. Physics Class I, Leeds.
- Julie Williams, Ll.B (Helmshore) has been called to the Bar.
- Sandra Whittaker (Waterfoot) B.Sc. Hons. Psychology, Lancashire Polytechnic.
- Anthony Fuller (Rawtenstall) Member of Institute of Civil Engineers.
- Paula A. Worrall, B.Sc.Hons. Physics, Class 2 Div. I, Leeds.
- Paul D. Young, B.Sc. Hons., Mathematics, Leicester Polytechnic.
- John-Paul Keane, B.Sc.Hons. Class 2 Div. I, Physics & Electronic Engineering, Manchester.
- Peter Lees (Cowpe) Second, with Distinction, in final year of O.N.D. in Agriculture; awarded Silcock Rosebowl, Lancashire College of Agriculture & Horticulture.

R. Jeremy Carne (Bacup) B.Ed. Hons., Liverpool Institute of Higher Education.
Paul G. Howarth, B.Sc. Hons. Class I Electrical & Electronic Engineering,
U.M.I.S.T.

Adrian Hill (Whitworth) B.Engin. Hons. Class I, Sheffield.

Janet North (née Morley, Bacup) B.A. Art & Economics, Open University. She
now trains instructors for Outward Bound programmes.

Dr. J. Clifford Jones (Waterfoot) is now lecturing at the School of Chemical
Engineering & Industrial Chemistry, University of New South Wales.

Nicholas D. A. Clark (Rawtenstall) selected for England Indoor Hockey Squad.

Stephen Speake (Ramsbottom) Ph.D., Kingston-upon-Thames Polytechnic.

Howard Parker (formerly Waterfoot) passed final examination of the Institute
of Chartered Accountants.

Craig Nuttall (Bacup) England Under-17 Basketball Team.

Timothy Greenhalgh (formerly Ramsbottom) B.A.Hons. III Manchester Polytechnic 3D
Design; is now at Fitch & Co. (Leading Firm of International Designers).

Heather J. Bowden B.Ed.Hons. Cambridge University; is now teaching at B.R.G.S.

MARRIAGES

R. Anthony Fuller (Rawtenstall) to E. Anne Carpendale (Rawtenstall)

Dr. Michael Dyson (Cowpe) to S. Hewitt (Dorling)

Andrew Sutcliffe (Whitewellbottom) to M. Lumsden (Edinburgh)

Anne Whittaker (Waterfoot) to G. Dow (Daventry)

Katherine C. Cant (Stacksteads) to P. J. Carey (London)

Andrew Hardman (Stacksteads) to Pamela Barnes (Rawtenstall)

Tanya L. Birtwistle (Waterfoot) to D. J. Barcroft (Waterfoot)

Gillian Cook (Waterfoot) to M. T. Holloway (Todmorden)

S. Craig Waddington (Newchurch) to J. B. Hoyle (Helmshore)

Michael J. Chapman (Rawtenstall) to S. J. Weymouth (Penrith)

Janet R. Watkins (Higher Cloughfold) to Dr. J. L. Barrie (Musselburgh)

Susan L. Knott (Bacup) to A. M. Harris (Bristol)

Dr. Bernadette A. O'Loughlin (Cloughfold) to Dr. M. A. Shelly (Coventry)

Alison L. Nuttall (Stacksteads) to J. E. Durrant (South Shields)

Tracy Dust (Bacup) to R. Perpete (Rawtenstall)

Jeanette Bayes (Crawshawbooth) to D. S. Wylie (Rising Bridge)

Elizabeth Bull (Stacksteads) to P. Howarth (Burnley)

Christopher J. Watts (Waterfoot) to Vanessa J. Crisp (Waterfoot)

Jacqueline T. O'Loughlin (Cloughfold) to P. G. Taylor (Ramsbottom)

Helen Tomlinson (Waterfoot) to J. W. Woodruff (Faversham, Kent)

Janet Morley (Bacup) to J. P. North (Sheffield)

Jane Tempest (Loveclough) to P. D. Lynsky (Haslingden)

P. Gareth Ford (Bacup) to K. A. Yapp (Bacup)

Elaine H. Lord (Stacksteads) to P. Swarbrick (Nelson)

Janet Crook (Bacup) to J. Coyle (Greenock)

Anthony J. Spencer (Waterfoot) to S. E. Wilson (Killingworth)

Lindsay M. Pilling (Lumb) to T. Heys (Ramsbottom)

Nicholas D. A. Clark (Rawtenstall) to R. Mason (Barnard Castle)

Simon C. Butterworth (Rawtenstall) to L. A. Manning (Rawtenstall)
Tracy A. Garvey (Rawtenstall) to A. G. Preston (Rawtenstall)
David Swift (Haslingden) to K. McKee (Doncaster)
Geoffrey Pickup (Crawshawbooth) to Karen A. Parrott (Rawtenstall)
Jean Riley (Crawshawbooth) to Ian Jeffrey (Whitewellbottom)
Terrance Lord (Stacksteads) to C. A. Austin (Helmshore)
John M. Sutcliffe (Whitewellbottom) to M. S. Jackson (Doncaster)
Janet Gray (Rawtenstall) to G. M. Dawson (Haslingden)
Janet Stansfield (Bacup) to A. J. Doyle (Whitewellbottom)
Christine Scaife (nee Heyworth, Rawtenstall) to N. Harris (Haslingden)
Sgt. Anthony B. Dunbar (Rawtenstall) to J. E. Barlow (Ramsbottom)
Andrew B. Tomlinson (Cowpe) to Y. Wearing (Burnley)

DEATHS

We have learned with deep regret of the deaths of the following:

Clarence Partington, died Morecambe.
Patricia Wood (née Burke) died Southport, June 1986.
James Fox (Waterfoot) aged 42, died Waterfoot, June 1986.
Edna Lowe (née Dewhirst, Edenfield) aged 75, died Ulverston, June 1986.
James Taylor (Newchurch) aged 59, died July 1986.
Frank Greenwood (Higher Cloughfold) aged 74, died Lytham, July 1986.
James Popple, M.A., M.ED. (Bacup) aged 59, died Nanaimo, Canada, July 1986.
Sylvia Wild (née Tonkinson) aged 65, died Brixham, August 1986.
Leslie Mitchell (Bacup) aged 87, died Rochdale, September 1986.
Kathleen Beeby (née Hindle) aged 65, died Weston-super-Mare, October 1986.
Ethel Wilson (née Disley, Rawtenstall) aged 77, died Stockport, October 1986.
James H. Rothwell (Bacup) aged 70, died Rochdale November 1986.
George Bertram (Bert) Pidsley (Newchurch) aged 70, died Langho, December 1986.
Dorothy Butterfield (née Wetherill) aged 72, died Baxended, January 1987.
Frank Pilling (Rawtenstall - former Head Boy) aged 82, died York, January 1987.
Margaret Schofield (née Lambert, Bacup) aged 64, died Rochdale, February 1987.
Betty Croft (nee Driver, Cloughfold) aged 56, died Westhoughton, February 1987.
Alice Pidsley (née Hamer, Rawtenstall) aged 70, died Rossendale, February 1987.
Martyn Voisey (Edenfield) aged 29, died Slaidburn, February 1987.
Victoria Zoë Shadlock (Rawtenstall) aged 13, died Booth Hall Hospital, May 1987.

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'Midge' Mechanics Club

next term



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DEPARTMENT

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STOP PRESS

What I'll miss most

boys playing cricket in the bottom yard - as I never quite had the courage to ask for a knock.

the silent safari at 8.10 in the morning from the bus in Waterfoot.

generations of young companions waiting for the bus at 'The Shepherds' at ten to eight in the morning ... the Ellis boys, Craig Weir, the other Clarks, Suzanne and Tracy Lord, Janice Murray, Rachel Edwards, Kevyn Jonas, Adam Hudson, etc., etc.

autumn mornings with 50 on board a coach heading for a hockey match through Rolls Royce country on the way to King's School, Macclesfield.

umpiring House cricket matches - in the days when we had them.

teaching American Studies to generations of beautiful young ladies in the Sixth Form.

... and all of you

... or rather all of you with the following exceptions