In memory of ...

Mrs Lucas - Deputy Headteacher

(late 1960s - to early 1990s)

Mrs Lucas, who was Deputy Head, alongside Mr Howard and Mr Stringer, until the early 1990s sadly passed away on Sat, 2 May. She was 90.



She was in a nursing home and we have been informed she passed away peacefully. She was also a Maths teacher at Priory with a reputation for being quite strict but her pupils knew how much she cared too.

We are trying to find some better quality photos of Mrs Lucas and also establish her exact term at Priory in order to write an obituary. Former pupils have added some really emotional, humorous and reverent comments to the post in the Alumni Facebook group. Here's a selection:

A superb maths teacher, very strict but every now and again she would let her guard down and reveal in wicked sense of humour!

She was fierce and had true gravitas but a real genuine kindness. I remember her walking down the queue for lunch making all us girls pull our socks up (which were neatly scrunched round our ankles). Always fondly remembered.

She was strict but you knew not to get out of line! Wish there were more like her still.



She always used to shout, pull your socks up!!

Very strict, but she had great sense of fun when you got her talking. She was an excellent maths teacher, really took her time to explain things - I would not have passed my O level without her.

I remember she ruled the roost, and hated rolled down socks!!

Pull your socks up!!! RIP Mrs Lucas.

Mrs Lucas taught me from '81 to '83 and by my recollection the most inspirational teacher that I have ever been taught by. I have a much to thank her for. RIP

Class of 1988, Remember her well, she never failed to spot socks rolled down, especially on the "fast walk" to the dinner queue. RIP Mrs Lucas x

I do remember her well. Always had her bag on her shoulder with her hand through the strap. She didn't walk, she marched along and confronted you head on! Brilliant lady.

She was a very well respected teacher and senior level management leader. Such a shame to hear of her passing and on behalf of the 1989 leavers I would like to pay our respects to Mrs Lucas and her family at this time. May she rest in peace.

Do you have any memories of her to share?

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