



Cheam Alumni **NEWSLETTER**

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A King's Scholar at Eton

The best way to describe the life of a King's Scholar is to describe the average day. Early in my time at Eton, I would wake up to the bells of Lupton's tower striking 7:00 and throw on my striped trousers, shirt, waistcoat and tailcoat. Every boy has a starched collar attached to his shirt with studs, with a small linen strip of fabric as a tie for those without prominent positions and a bow tie for those with them. As time went by, my wake-up moment gradually shifted from the 7:00 bells to the 7:30 and 7:45 in-house bells, until eventually I used to be only just in time for Chapel at 8:30. Chapel was a part of almost every day, including Sundays, when we would wear white surplices over our uniforms instead of gowns. The Chapel is giant, and you can easily lose yourself in the vast stained-glass windows and grand interior pillars which stretch up to the ceiling.



Lessons start at 9:00 am and last for 40 minutes each, with 10 minutes in between to walk to your next classroom (or, if you're me, to sprint back to the house because you've forgotten something!). The school campus is very extensive, so, if you're sauntering along with your friends, you can easily find yourself rushing towards the end of your journey. I remember in my first term seeing only half the class show up for most lessons in the first week because it was so easy to get lost. They even give F-blockers (first-year students) a map in order to help with this problem, but for the most part it doesn't make much difference. After your first three lessons of the day there's a much-needed break, called chambers. This is an almost direct parallel with the biscuit break at Cheam, except there are often warmer and more filling options like hot dogs, pastries and bagels. From then on you have either two or four more lessons, depending on the day, and a break for games and music in the afternoon.

It isn't the lessons which make an Etonian's day so special, though, as what you learn from Eton comes mostly through the huge range of extra-curriculars offered to you. Beyond your lessons your time is completely your own, and nothing is compulsory apart from the occasional Assembly. You can choose exactly what you want to do, and not do; from drama to sport to martial arts to debating and academia, there is support for almost everything. Even as a scholar you are not expected to spend your whole life working – there isn't even a solid set of time allocated just for work. I would highly encourage any

prospective Etonians to make the most of this freedom, as it is a truly unique aspect of the school that makes it so enjoyable for those who engage with it. The only negative side of this lifestyle is that you can often tire yourself out and really 'crash' when you get home, especially around exams, when there is a quite intense pressure to perform well as a KS.

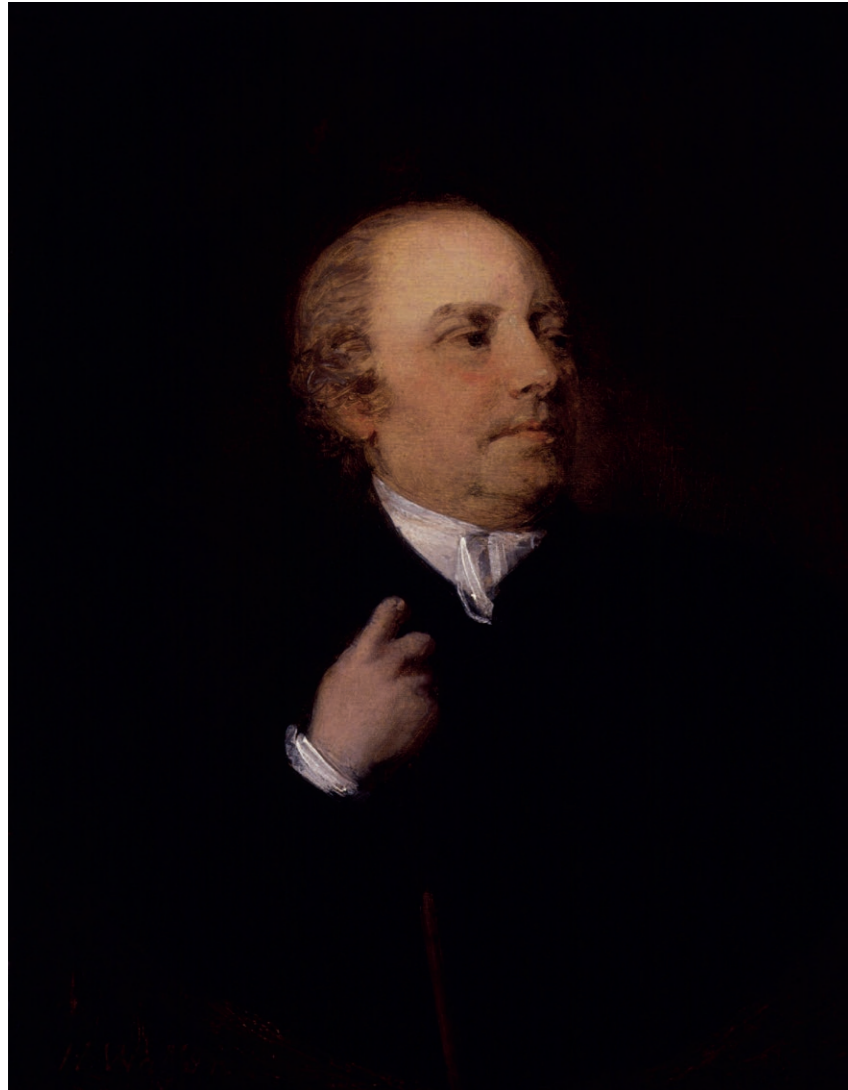
Life as a King's Scholar is different from that of Oppidan Etonians in many other ways than just academic (though we often deny it). Whether it be the gown we wear on top of our already layered uniform, or the fact that we live and work in the oldest and grandest part of the school, or even the dining hall provided just for King's Scholars, covered with paintings and family crests of former provosts, they all combine to make a truly unique experience. Our house identity tends to be stronger than that of the Oppidan houses, as we've all been through the same process to get there and we feel the same pressures. While every KS is a unique person, there is a great sense of community which unites this incredibly diverse group. The house is almost always very tightly knit, with everyone engaging in the same traditions and enjoying strong friendships throughout almost every year. Beyond that, you often mix with Oppidans, so there is no feeling of being ostracised from the community. Much like everything else, your social life is what you make it.

The house of College itself contributes in large part to this effect. Not only is it larger than all the others but it is also older, and hints of this age peek out from behind the restored walls, through the old windows and mostly from Lower School, a room for music, prayers and announcements, with aged wooden pillars, floorboards and benches, cluttered with the carved names of past scholars. The aesthetic of the house adds greatly to the experience of living there, with the exterior reminding you how fortunate you are to live in such a beautiful place and that you should share that experience not just with your peers but also with the people who came before you and will come after you. The life of a KS may be different, but it is one shared by many hundreds, all of whom will acknowledge that it is an unforgettable experience.

Charles Wolrige Gordon (08-15)

Charles Wolrige Gordon (08-15) became a King's Scholar at Eton in 2015 and now, five years later, has just left the school. Here he writes about his experiences.

CHEAM SCHOOL: 1645-2020



William Gilpin (1752-1777)

On 5th July 1947 Cheam celebrated its tercentenary with a gathering at the school, which also served as a farewell for the retiring headmaster, Harold Taylor. This event took place two years late owing to the fact that the year when it should have occurred clashed with the immediate aftermath of World War II. In this context it is interesting to note that the present school was planning, in June 2020, to mark the founding of the school 375 years ago, only to be forced to postpone the celebration owing to another global event beyond its control.

Maybe such a delay reflects the fact that it is unknown in exactly which year the school was founded. What is known is that the first headmaster was George Aldrich (1645-1685), who lived in a house called Whitehall at Cheam in Surrey, and that the boys may have been educated in the parish church across the road. We know little about Aldrich except that he was the school's founder and left the school in a flourishing condition, with its clientele gentlemanly and its academic success considerable. Indeed, his reign was the longest of any of Cheam's headmasters.

In 1719 the school was successful enough for Daniel Sanxay (1711-1739), its fourth headmaster, to move the school to a site at the eastern end of Cheam High Street. Here was erected the building which, with subsequent additions, was to house the school for 215 years. Here the school grew, taking in children from some of the most illustrious families in the land. Here was created a school which, like many others around the country, saw its ups and downs, these often reflecting the abilities of the headmaster. One of Cheam's greatest headmasters was William Gilpin (1752-1777), who followed Daniel Sanxay's son, James (1739-1752). Gilpin was an exceptional man who transformed the school with his many educational ideas, especially on management and discipline. These ideas, many of which were printed in a document called *The Regulations of a Private School at Cheam in Surrey*, raised the standard of the school to a point where it became one of the foremost private schools in the country. After Cheam he took over the living of Boldre in the New Forest, where he continued to put his far-reaching ideas into practice in the parish school and generally throughout the parish.

The Tabor era (1856-1920), comprising another father/son duo, Robert and Arthur, lasted over 60 years and was a time when the demands of education in the Victorian era were paramount. Later in this period, however, the brutalities of World War I illustrated how the tragic loss of life had a destabilising effect on many of the great schools in the country; Cheam, for example, lost 129 old boys killed in action, with many more maimed and injured.

Harold Taylor (1921-1947) was the last headmaster of the school when it was in Surrey and oversaw its move to Beenham Court. This happened in 1934, and there are still a few around today whose schooldays coincided with this momentous decision. Taylor had to accept that the school needed to move owing to the spread of London's suburbs, but he then had to build up the school almost from scratch in the new environment of NW Hampshire. Like Arthur Tabor, he also had to preside over the running of a school during wartime, so his retirement in 1947 was well deserved. Peter Beck (1947-1963) and Mark Wheeler (1947-1959) arrived on the scene next as joint headmasters and oversaw the change from a privately-owned school to one run by an Educational Trust under a board of governors, which is how the school is run today.

Headmasters may be the focus of attention throughout the many years of the school's history, but there have also been plenty of other individuals who have made the school what it is over the years. Recent generations

of men and women who have served the school, together with the children they have taught, will always look back with their own memories, many of which will be of people who left their mark and helped mould their interests and future way of life. Cheam has much to be proud of during its many years of educating successive generations, and we are therefore justified in marking an important anniversary. Celebrating it is important, but in many ways it doesn't matter when that will be. The haziness surrounding the school's beginnings can be reflected in the uncertainty of the date when the school of today will be able to celebrate the occasion, but it is an event in which we can all rejoice.

Michael Churchill (84-16)



Top left: Whitehall, Cheam (1645-1719). Bottom left: Cheam School, Cheam (1719-1934). Right: Cheam School, Headley (1934-Present Day).

Archie Lloyd World Cup Football

Sunday 1st September 2019 saw around 200 players and friends descend on Cheam for an afternoon of football. With the grounds looking spectacular, former pupils, parents (both past and present) and staff gathered to remember Archie Lloyd.



This was the second Archie Lloyd World Cup, with a simple four-group tournament ensuring that all would have a decent number of matches before proceeding to the trophy or plate tournament.

In the main trophy tournament there was some wonderful football, with many clearly having benefited from the coaching they received during their time at Cheam. As the day unfolded, we could see a good deal of talent in the Mexico team (led by Teo Teniente) and huge amounts of determination in Nigeria (led by William Brookes-Ward). In the end the Mexican team held their nerve in the final and were worthy winners by two goals to nil.

Elsewhere, the plate competition had perhaps the widest range of footballing skills and ages on show. The final was hotly contested by Kuwait (Cheam Dads, led by Paul Bailey) and Ireland (the staff, led by Michael Shaughnessy). Normal time could not split them, nor could extra time, and so it was that we went to sudden-death penalties. Cheam's master in charge of football remained calm under pressure and slotted his penalty home, so, with the Dads unable to match him, the staff emerged victorious.

The real winner of the day was the Cheam community. This year the weather was kind, and it was an absolute joy to see so many old and new Cheam faces gathered together. It was a warm, happy and sociable day. Archie would have loved it.

The following played:

Former pupils: Oliver Brookes (10-15), William Brookes-Ward (10-15), Hector Butler (02-07), Daisy Chancellor (07-14), Albert Clark (05-10), Aubrey Clark (10-15), Jack Cleverly (10-15), Honor Cockcroft (06-14), Freddie Cordle (09-15), Tristan David (99-10), Kit Davidson (10-15), Jess Davy (08-13), James Duffield (11-16), Tom Duffield (09-14), Charlie Du Sautoy (04-14), Poppy Evans (10-16), Wilf Evans (10-15), Will Everett (05-10), Felix Fanshawe (10-15), Joe Gibbons (10-14), Owen Gibbons (10-14), Frank Gordon Clark (09-13), Louis Gordon Clark (10-15), Minna Hall (03-08), Cressie Higginson (02-10), Edward Imi (05-13), Tom Jones (10-16), Charlie Karsten (00-08), Miles Kellock (06-10), Oliver Konsta (01-07), Milly Lankester (07-14), Flora Lloyd (08-13), Hector Lloyd (99-06), Hugo Lloyd (99-08), Kitty Lloyd (08-13), Max Loup (07-16), Peter Marsh (05-10), Archie Mogg (11-16), Hubie Morant (02-06), Bertie Morley (02-07), Raef O'Brien (11-16), Nate Oppenheimer (07-14), Oliver Padovan (03-10), Sebastian Patrick (04-10), Lily Pratt (99-07), Will Punter (10-15), Diggers Rogers (02-08), George Rogers (01-07), Rory Rule (99-08), Tom Stewart (02-07), Rafa Teniente (06-15), Teo Teniente (07-13), Oscar Tosh (08-15), Charlie Turner (10-16), Rosie Turner (10-14), George Wallis (09-15), Henrik Wendin (11-16), Tatiana Wiggin (12-16), Max Williams (07-13) and Tara Wilson (06-13).

Staff: Coco Bartlett, Martin Harris, Harry Jennings, Noel Kehoe, Belinda Millar and Michael Shaughnessy.

Gappers: Marcus Jones, Stuart Roy and Josh Stals.

Parents: Paul Bailey, Charlotte Cockcroft, Max Davidson, Mark Durden-Smith, Christopher Eadie, Matt Gibbons, Giles Gibbons, Ed Gordon Clark, Stewart Harris, Josh Hughes, Henry Irwine, Jamie Jarvis, Ruaragh Kirkness, James Lloyd, John Mullins, Matt Nesbitt and James Ryan (plus a few friends).

Photograph: Tara Wilson, Frank Gordon Clark, Max Williams, Matt Gibbons, Ed Imi and Teo Teniente. Front: Rafa Teniente and Jack Hodgkinson (friend).

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The Archie Lloyd Memorial

FOR THE RECORD 2020

Here are the statistics relating to the 2020 leavers:

The leavers who had been in the school for the longest period of time were Harriet ALLEN-ELLIS and Charlie BAYS, who both started in the Nursery in September 2009.

The family with the longest Cheam association, having completed 20 years without a break, was the LANGLEY family. At the end of the Summer Term we said goodbye to Piers LANGLEY (10-20), whose brothers, George LANGLEY (00-09) and Charles LANGLEY (01-11), and sister, Zara LANGLEY (10-16), were also educated at Cheam.

The family whose children's total number of terms added together came out on top was also the Langley family, who totalled 105 terms between them.

We said goodbye to several families in July whose links go back through several generations. These include the following:

The DURDEN-SMITHS – Archie (14-19), Freddie (14-19) and Rosie (14-20) – had been at Cheam since 2014, but the family began their links with the school when their cousin, Charles DAWSON (06-11), entered the school. Since then Charles' brothers, Sam (08-13) and William (08-17), have also been through the school.

Harry WATT (11-20) had two sisters, Isla (07-15) and Florence (08-17), at Cheam, but they were a second generation as their father, David WATT (76-81), is also a former pupil.

Leila COURAGE (15-20) ends the Courage link with the school. Her sister, India COURAGE (11-16), and brother, Barney COURAGE (15-18), were at Cheam before her, and an ancestor of theirs, Godfrey Michell COURAGE, also spent two years at the school (1906-08). After Cheam Godfrey was educated at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. In the First World War he joined the 6th Battalion, Royal Berkshire Regiment, and became a Second Lieutenant. He died in 1916 in France and is remembered on the World War I Roll of Honour at Cheam.

Finally, we have two pupils leaving whose links go back into the 19th century. Charlie CLAPHAM (17-20) and Toby CLAPHAM (16-20) are part of the Villiers family, who have sent more pupils to Cheam than any family throughout the years. Their connection with the school goes back to The Hon. and Rt Revd Henry Montagu Villiers, Bishop of Carlisle and Durham and brother of the Earl of Clarendon, who was Foreign Secretary for many years in Queen Victoria's reign. At one time, in 1909, five of the family were in the school together. Bishop Villiers had one son at Cheam, Henry Montagu VILLIERS (-1855), and he in turn had five sons at Cheam, who are not listed here. However, it was in another son of Bishop Villiers, Frederick Ernest Villiers, who was not educated at Cheam, that our interest lies. He had four sons, all of whom were educated at Cheam, the youngest being Evelyn Charles Arthur VILLIERS (1894-97), and he sent his son, Robert Alexander VILLIERS (1916-20), to Cheam. Robert's two sons, Michael Alexander VILLIERS (1949-53) and his twin, Charles Nigel VILLIERS (1949-54), were also at Cheam. Michael's daughter, Annabell, married Richard Clapham, and they are the parents of Charlie and Toby.



Team Exe Endurow

Spending six weeks at sea rowing round Britain for charity, Harry Lidgley (02-11) and Charles Bromhead (03-11) were two of a four-man crew that completed a challenge which even they must have wondered at times whether they were going to complete. Harry Lidgley writes as follows:

This summer, along with fellow Cheam old boy Charles Bromhead and two other friends, I rowed around mainland Britain as part of team Exe Endurow. We completed our circumnavigation in 42 days and 8 hours, becoming just the ninth crew to ever complete this challenge, as well as setting a new world record for the youngest team to do so.

On July 5th we rowed away under Tower Bridge in London at 2:30 am, full of energy and optimism, but that first afternoon we met our first major challenge – a Force 7 gale, which stopped us rounding Margate and instead blew us well out into the North Sea. The restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic had prevented us getting as much training on the boat as we would have liked, so we were still unsure how much the boat would be impacted by certain conditions. It was a steep learning curve, and we learned a lot that first day!

Our boat-handling skills, physical fitness and understanding of British weather and tides improved the further we got into our challenge, especially given the very difficult conditions we faced all the way down the south coast. This poor run of adverse weather meant it took us a week longer than expected to round Land's End, and, almost predictably as we rounded the headland, the wind shifted and we continued to battle headwinds going north. After sheltering in Padstow for a couple of days, we finally began to make some better progress, punching out across the Bristol Channel and over to the Irish coast.

Perhaps surprisingly, our morale remained high most of the time, but we always felt better when we were on the move. The difficulties in the south of England gave way to more consistent progress up the Irish coast and through the impressive western isles of Scotland. Constant wet weather (whilst the south was enjoying a heatwave!) caused us problems in running the electrics on board, which were powered by solar panels, but we still made fair progress up and around the top of Scotland, and we passed through the

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Above: Harry Lidgley, Oliver Dawe-Lane, Charles Bromhead and Arthur Chatto.



notorious Pentland Firth by John o' Groats without too much drama. Once on the 'home stretch', which still involved many hundreds of miles, the miles tumbled away as we could at last enjoy some stable high pressure and row at record pace back into England and round Norfolk into the Thames. If only we could have enjoyed such weather all the way round!

The team was frustrated to have been hampered by adverse conditions most of the way round but relished the experience of rowing back under Tower Bridge after six weeks at sea, filled with a sense of relief, accomplishment and exhaustion. It had been a lengthy test of our mental resolve as much as our physical endurance, teamwork and seafaring skill – and it was nice to get back on land for a warm shower and an uninterrupted night's sleep! It was heartening to have so much support from friends, family and strangers both on land and at sea, and with over £26,000 raised at the time of writing for our charities, Just One Ocean and the British Red Cross Covid-19 Response, our expedition had proved to be a fulfilling one. And not put off by our trials together at sea, we're already planning new adventures!

Harry Lidgley (03-11)

Three London Reunions

Over the past few years Charlie Carne (01-04), Harry Greene (98-04) and George Magill (98-04) have gone for biannual beers and pizzas in town. Every time they spend the majority of the evening discussing their time at Cheam and the truly epic year group they were part of, talking about all the people they had lost touch with and the ones they wished they saw more of, and wondering what weird and wonderful things everyone was up to. In 2019 they decided it was time to take action, so they set up a Facebook group and started adding away!

A reunion of 2004 leavers took place on 5th September 2019. It was organised by George Magill, who wrote as follows: 'We met at The Lamb and Flag in Covent Garden after work and found a spot in the courtyard outside the front of the pub. The atmosphere was great, and I was seeing faces that I hadn't seen for 15 years! Conversation flowed effortlessly; it was as if we had all seen each other the weekend before. Nobody had changed a jot. Everyone instantly recognised each other. There was a brief catch-up on what crazy things everyone was up to, and then we went straight into chitchat that lasted until 11 pm. 21 members of the year came and went over the course of four hours. Having spoken to all in very brief interludes, I can confirm that the Cheam leavers of 2004 are the best year ever and that off the back of such a special prep-school experience they are all absolutely smashing life in London'.

The following attended (l to r in the photograph): Ollie Harvey (99-04), Harry Dewe-Mathews (98-04), Sandy Cameron (99-04), Woolfie Thomson Jones (98-05), Robbie Cameron (99-04), Will Robson (97-04), Freddie Wells (99-04), Hugo Empson (98-04), Miles Jordan (98-04), Lettie Marsh (98-03), Bertie Schiff (01-04), Jack Palmer (98-00), James Webb (98-04), Jonathan Forrest (98-01), Charlie Carne, Harry Greene, Bertie Butler (99-04) and George Magill. Also attending were Rose Wallop (02-04), Hamish Musker (98-04) and Rozel Carrow (00-04).



Later, on 23rd November 2019, a reunion of 2009 leavers took place at The Barley Mow in London. The event was organised by Archie Sladen (01-07). As well as Archie, the following attended: Joseph Arber (99-09), Miles Arkwright (99-09), Edward Benney (04-09), Edward Biggs (99-09), Alexander Fanshawe (04-09), Tiger Foot (04-09), Harriet Fuller (02-09), Katherine Horn (99-09), Isabel Hunter (00-07), Jack Lidgley (00-09), Cameron Malby-Place (99-09), Saul Mallinson (04-09), Laura Manners (01-09), Harry Marsh (04-09), Anna Moorhead (04-09), Charlie Norman (04-09), Tom Owen (05-09), Edward Pickard (00-09), Felicia Puxley (00-07), Elizabeth Stewart (02-06) and Jack Woollett (00-09). We gather that a good time was had by all those who were there, many of whom had not met each other for several years.

A third London reunion took place on 20th February 2020. It was arranged by Ella Johnson (99-08) and Grace Robson (99-08) and consisted of 2008 leavers. Amongst those who attended were Harry Barrett (00-08), Millie Barrow (02-08), Will David (99-08), Eliza Hall (00-08), Ella Johnson, Charlie Karsten (00-08), Lexi Lazell (05-08), Lucy Orr-Ewing (06-08), Nick Parkins (99-08), Grace Robson, Diggers Rogers (02-08), Rory Rule (99-08) and Finn Walsh (00-08).

News of staff & former pupils

Richard BACKHOUSE (76-81) has been named Chair of the HMC (Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference) for 2021-22. The HMC is a professional association of heads of the world's leading independent schools. Richard is currently Principal of Berkhamsted Schools Group.

John BARNETT (50-54) wrote as follows: 'I have continued living in Perth, Western Australia, since originally emigrating in 1968. I finally retired from full-time work as a hydrogeologist in 2012, although I have continued to do some part-time consulting. Having ignored Peter Beck's advice in a 1952 school report ("I fear that too much thought is being devoted to geology. I hope he will try to fight against this unduly early specialisation"), I had a long and most enjoyable lifelong career in (hydro)geology, working in many interesting parts of the world. Since retiring, I have enjoyed several treks with friends and family, including Everest Base Camp and the Kokoda Track, and continue cycling and playing tennis. My three children, Andrew, Timothy and Belinda, all live in Perth and have collectively provided me with five grandchildren. Having all my family close by has been a great comfort since Gerardine, my wife of 46 years, passed away two years ago. I am fortunate to remain in good health, and I keep busy in the garden, as a member of the local Lions Club and playing with my three youngest grandchildren.'

Edward BENNEY (04-09) graduated as a BSc from Bath University in 2018 with a first-class honours degree in Business Administration. He is now working for Deloitte in London.

Fleur CHAMBERS (98-03), née Gibbs, married Nicholas Chambers on 25th July 2020 at St Matthew's Church, Midgham. They had been together for three years. It was a very intimate and special day, and they were so grateful to have been able to get married during such an uncertain time.



Fleur Chambers with her parents, Alan (61-66) and Francine Gibbs, and her brothers, Alfie (01-11) and Leo (96-03).

Toby CLOWES (98-04) married Olivia Shephard in September 2019.

Tilly DALY (07-12) has completed her second year doing Performance Costume at Edinburgh University and has recently set up a small business that makes personalised pillowcases. It is called My Matilda, which is on Instagram as mymatilda.

Garth DUDER (84-89) lives in Battersea and has been married to Samantha for 15 years. Their children are Jemima (11), Jack (9) and Jasper (6). Garth has been a shipbroker for most of his working life and currently works for Zodiac Maritime.

Guy DUDER (87-92). Having worked for a development and investment company called The Cherwell Group, Guy left to set up his own company, and later Porthminster Ltd was formed. Since then the company has been active predominantly in the South-West London market. In 2006 he married Hannah. They now have two boys, Milo (11) and Digby (9), and have recently acquired a puppy. Scampi is a fox-red Labrador and has been a good distraction during lockdown! He still keeps up with Dominic AKERS-DOUGLAS (87-92), Angy BENITZ (87-92), Henry BECKWITH (87-92), Piers BECKWITH (87-92), Nicholas BURDETT (89-92), Edward CARTWRIGHT (86-92), Edward

HAUGHEY (87-92) and William WRIGHT-MORRIS (87-92).



'Teddy' Denys ELLIOTT (40-46). A few weeks before his death, Denys enjoyed a conversation with the Editor, during which he mentioned that in the 1940s he lived in Sussex in the same house that he was living in today. His grandfather had bought the property as a fruit farm. His father took part in the First World War but was too old for World War II, so he took on the role of Captain of the Home Guard. Home was within what was known as the Invasion Zone, so Denys was sent to Cheam, aged seven. His cousin, John Sutcliffe (34-39), had recently left, but it was on his family's recommendation that Denys went to Cheam (John's mother, Muriel Sutcliffe, was the sister of Winifred Elliott, Denys' mother). They were also friends of the Taylors. Being at Cheam during the war years meant that many of his memories

were linked with that period of history, including the fact that the American Air Base at Greenham Common was nearby, which enabled American soldiers to visit the school and play baseball with the boys. He also remembered uncomfortable nights in the cellars, where there was no light and conditions were unsuitable for the odd upset tummy, and food rationing. 'The food was not good', he said. He recalled several teachers at the time, including Tiny Anderson, Jack Malden, the carpentry master and Maggie Morgan-Brownie, who was known as Maggie B by the boys and taught Music. He enjoyed following the Dennis lawn mowers and picking up grass cuttings, as well as playing in the woods. He remembers D-Day clearly, when the skies were full of aeroplanes, mainly Dakotas and gliders. In recent years Denys renewed his contact with Cheam as two of his grandchildren, Thomas (12-) and Martha (15-) Stanes, are current pupils.

Matthew FREDDI (94-99). After graduating for the second time from the University of Nottingham with a PhD in Pharmacy (Advanced Drug Delivery) in 2012, he has been in a variety of places, including the Medway School of Pharmacy, the University of California in Santa Barbara (for two months), and Derbyshire. He has now moved back to this area and is living and working in Basingstoke. He married his partner, Claire, whom he met during his PhD at Nottingham, in May 2019. Sadly, his mother, Fiona, passed away suddenly, also in May 2019.

Henry GALBRAITH (04-09) did an MEng in Chemical Engineering at Newcastle University and is currently a graduate trainee chartered accountant. He is good friends with Saul MALLINSON (04-09) and Eddie BIGGS (99-09).



Leo GIBBS (96-03) and Jessel Penano were married on 16th February 2018 at the Fairmont Hotel in Makati in the Philippines. They now have a son, Zedd Zion Gibbs, born on 29th April 2019. Zedd is a Hebrew name which means 'The Lord is Righteous', and Zion means 'Kingdom of Heaven'.

Brian HOLDEN (79-88) retired in July 2019 after spending 40 years in teaching. He began his career at Cheam and in 1989 joined the staff of Port Regis School, Dorset, where he was Head of English and in charge of cricket.



Charles HOPE (49-54) visited Cheam with his wife, Lynn, in October 2019. Charles was Head Boy at Cheam and then went to Marlborough College and Emmanuel College, Cambridge. He became a solicitor.

Lucy HUDSON (08-12) is studying Medicine at Exeter University.



Sally JARRETT (11-20), who taught in the Nursery at Cheam, retired at the end of the Summer Term 2020. She inspired the children she taught and shared her passion for Early Years with parents and colleagues. Her teaching always focused on the children and their needs, and she will be remembered especially for her visual displays. Her creative ideas led to walls being knocked down, floors laid and the outdoor areas turned into a garden and playground for the children to enjoy.

Thomas IRBY (07-13) left Sherborne in 2013. After a couple of gap years, he started at Bristol University in September, reading Biological Sciences.



Justin LYNAM (08-20), who taught at the Dragon School, Oxford, and Farleigh before coming to Cheam in 2008, left in July 2020 in order to return to Farleigh as Head of Classics. At Cheam he taught Classics and French, coached football, rugby, athletics and cross-country running, and sang in the Choir. Latterly he also generated the General Knowledge tests.

Harry MARSH (04-09) passed the third set of accountancy exams for EY in the summer, with his last big one in the autumn. He has kept up his Spanish, in which he is fluent, and is learning Arabic. He notched up a First in Geography at Durham University.

Lara MARSH (13-18) is loving her time at St Mary's School, Calne, and has coped well with online schooling. It suited her well during lockdown as she could ride more! There were also foster lambs and hound pups to look after.

Peter MARSH (05-10), after getting a 2.1 from Newcastle in Liberal Arts (English, Politics and Philosophy), got a job with an events company called Sportgate. Obviously 2020 has been a washout for them, so they created another company (there are only four of them) and now sell a fogging and disinfecting service for event-holders like theatres and hotels, as well as schools and offices.

News of staff & former pupils

Lorna MCLAREN (17-), a Pre-Prep teacher, and her husband Andrew have had a baby girl called Lillian Rosemarie, born on 23rd October 2019.

We congratulate **Richard (69-08)** and **Lynne (88-08) MOORE** on their Golden Wedding Anniversary. They were married at St John's Church, Greenside, Co. Durham, on 1st August 1970.

Anna MOORHEAD (04-09) is studying Physiotherapy at King's College, London.



Carrie OLIVER (07-20) worked at Cheam for 13 years, in the main as Head of Learning Support. She writes: 'It has been a real pleasure to work within this hallowed environment. Cheam really is a special place, and I have loved the challenge of driving the Learning Support Department, building it into the successful multi-disciplinary format that it now is. Helping children for whom learning is a challenge to produce their best effort and maximise their potential has been a privilege. I have so many brilliant memories, one of which is being King Rat in the surprise

staff Christmas panto for the children! My hobbies of painting and writing have waited in the wings, but now it's time to bring them to the fore. I leave the department in excellent hands and tuck Cheam safely in my heart.' She has now moved to North Somerset.



Neil STREETER (90-20) retired in July 2020, having taught drums and percussion at Cheam for 30 years. During his years at Cheam he inspired many children to enjoy a wide range of percussion instruments, helped to build up the Division Music Competition and the musicianship of the Orchestra, and involved himself in many musical productions. He will continue to keep busy with his music in retirement, playing in orchestras, bands and shows, and he also hopes to conduct a lot more. It is interesting to note that Neil's grandfather was head gardener at Beenham Court before it became Cheam School in 1934. From about 1919

he and his family lived at Porch Farm in Kingsclere, and when he left Beenham Court, he and his wife ran the Pheasant pub on the A343 between Highclere and Andover, where he died in 1945.

Oscar TOSH (09-15) left Marlborough College in July 2020, where he was Head of House (B1) and captained various school teams in rugby, cricket and football. He plans to take a gap year, working in Australia, before reading Economics and Politics at university in 2021.

Charles TWALLIN (95-01) welcomed Fredrika Caroline Backstrom-Twallin to the world on 13th May 2019.

William WORTHINGTON (09-16) entered his final year at Eton College in 2020. He has taught himself electric guitar over lockdown and has been developing a very fine mullet.

Isabel WORTHINGTON (09-18) entered Year 11 at St Mary's, Ascot, in September. She did so many household chores over lockdown that according to her mother she now has housemaid's knee and blisters!

News of the 2014 leavers

We have had news of many of the 2014 leavers, most of whom are now at university. Many of them had a gap year beforehand. We print below information that we have received.



Carlo AGOSTINELLI (13-14) was head boy at Harrow and matriculated at Stanford in Autumn 2019. He is a member of the football squad and has just started his second year.



Rosie AYLARD (04-14) has started her second year at Cambridge, reading MML (Modern & Mediaeval Languages). She is studying French, Spanish and Portuguese at Queens' College, which is next to St Catharine's, where her brother, George AYLARD (02-12) has just started his final year reading HSPS (Human, Social and Political Sciences). Rosie rows for her college (she'll be in W1 boat this year) and is also a Choral Scholar at Emmanuel College.



Benjy BAILEY (05-14) left St Edward's School, Oxford, in 2019 after studying for the IB. At Teddies he was head of Orchestra, played the saxophone in multiple bands and was deputy head of MedSoc. During Gaudy Week in his final year he played a Mozart flute concerto in the Sheldonian Theatre, with his old mentors from Cheam in attendance. In the picture he is seen with Samantha Moore (95-), Tim Bennett (00-) and Justin Pugsley (09-19). He is currently a second-year medic at Exeter University, with a particular interest in ophthalmology. He also plays tenor sax in the university jazz band.



Georgia BARTLETT (04-14). Having left St Swithun's with good A level results, Georgia decided to pursue her eventing ambitions with her horses. She had already represented Great Britain on several occasions and had won two team silver medals at

consecutive Junior European Championships in Fontainebleau, France, and Maarsbergen, Holland. She was also the reigning National Junior Event champion. As well as her top horse, Spano de Nazca, which will be competing at the Young Rider European Championships in Sweden in 2021 and the Blenheim International Horse Trials, Georgia has a string of exciting youngsters, for whom she is looking to form ownership syndicates.

Minnie BEDFORD (09-14) is in her second year at Leeds University, reading Fine Arts and History of Art.

Daisy CHANCELLOR (07-14) worked as a nanny and in the village pub to save money for travelling. She went off to South-East Asia and then made a mad dash to Australia to escape the pandemic. Unfortunately, however, the Australian leg of her travels was cut short as the Australian borders closed. She is now reading Geography at Newcastle University.

Honor COCKROFT (06-14) has started a three-year course at the School of Journalism in London after having a gap year.

Lucy CONSTABLE (04-14) is at Newcastle University, reading Philosophy. She spent the first few months of her gap year at Notting Hill Prep as a gap student, and then in January she took up an internship for the charity Stay at School in Nepal in the Himalayas, helping with the running of a boarding house and teaching a little English. After this she travelled in South-East Asia for two months with Daisy Head and two other friends, which included a spell in Thailand, but she had to return home early, spending the rest of her year as a home-tutoring nanny.

Rupert CURTIS (11-14) worked and travelled abroad in his gap year until March, and he then worked as a barman at the River Café. In October he started at Southampton University, reading Aerospace Engineering.

Milo DALY (09-14) was in Australia for five months from August 2019, working on an outback cattle station. He had an amazing time, managing to break in a horse, and finished by travelling down the east coast of Australia. He then worked in Val d'Isère until the lockdown. Since being home he has managed to run a lockdown marathon in 3 hours 50 minutes. He started at Exeter University in September, reading Business Management.

Joseph DE FERRANTI (05-14) has just started at Edinburgh University, reading Product Design. A year ago he started his gap year by inter-railing around Europe and then spent three months in France working on a building site, which is now a ski academy – Apex 2100. He returned to England before travelling to Mexico and then on to Peru, but he only lasted in South America for six days before having to return home due to Covid-19. On his return he managed to find work with a catering company.

Charlie DU SAUTOY (04-14) left Harrow and went to Austria for six weeks, passing the Anwärter Ski Instructor exams. He went to Bristol University in September to do a four-year degree course in Accounting and Management.

Thomas DUFFIELD (09-14) worked at Cheam during the Autumn Term 2019 as a gapper. He then went to southern Africa for a few months before coronavirus started spreading, travelling in Namibia and then going down to Cape Town before volunteering in Johannesburg for just over a month at a charity helping burned children. In October he started university at Lady Margaret Hall in Oxford, reading Economics.

Alice FANSHAWE (09-14). After leaving Dauntsey's School Alice went as a gap student to Geelong Grammar School near Melbourne, where she coached sailing and worked in the Adventure Education Department. She also cycled 600 kilometres from Adelaide to Geelong and travelled up the east coast of Australia during the holidays. In the summer she worked on a farm, before starting at Exeter University, where she is reading French and Italian.

Isabella FIENNES-COX (04-14) is at Newcastle University, reading English Literature and History of Art.

Freddie FLECK (08-14) is at Exeter University.

William GALBRAITH (09-14) gained A Levels in Maths, Physics and Chemistry. He rowed at Canford and took part in the Henley Royal Regatta in 2019. He has now finished his first year at Exeter University on his MEng course in Mechanical Engineering. He has taken up polo and clay-pigeon shooting and is involved in a couple of other clubs.

Joseph GIBBONS (10-14) did a ski season in Val d'Isère, working as a bar tender, and has now started at Exeter University, reading Philosophy.

Owen GIBBONS (10-14) took a year off, during which he did a ski season in Courchevel as a chalet host. He is now at Loughborough University, reading Business Analytics.

Freya GNODDE (05-14) is at Oxford University.

Emily GOLDSBROUGH (10-14) is at Manchester University, reading Business and Economics. She started her gap year by working at Bel & The Dragon in Kingsclere and then went out to Buenos Aires, from where she explored parts of Argentina and Chile in February and March before returning home. Her highlight while abroad was visiting the Villarrica volcano and the nearby town of Pucon.

Archie GRIFFIN (13-14) was included in the Wales Under 20 squad for the Six Nations campaign in 2020. He was a regular member of the XV at Marlborough throughout 2017 and 2018, and after completing his A levels in 2019 he took up the offer of a professional contract with Bath Rugby.

William HAMILTON-RUSSELL (06-14) had a gap year after leaving Radley. He spent the Autumn Term as a gap student at Scotch College, Melbourne, and then, after returning to this country, worked at Thomas', Clapham, for longer than expected as he was unable to travel during the summer. He is now at Durham University, reading Chemistry.

Arabella HARRIS (06-14) took a gap year after leaving Marlborough College and started at Durham University in the autumn, reading Classics.

Daisy HEAD (05-14) is at Leeds University.

Charlotte HELM (12-14) spent three months of her gap year travelling in South-East Asia and has now started at Exeter University, reading Sociology.

Rosie HUDSON (08-14) had a year off after leaving Sherborne Girls' and started at Oxford Brookes in September, reading Business and Marketing Management.

Hannah IRBY (06-14) left Sherborne Girls' in 2016 and completed her secondary education at Lord Wandsworth College. After a gap year she started at Oxford Brookes in September in the hope of becoming a primary school teacher in the long run.

Tom KNELLER (03-14) is in his second year at Reading University, reading Economics.

Archie KOE (10-14) is reading Architecture at the Bartlett School, UCL. His gap year included a visit to Australia and South-East Asia, including Thailand.

Bernadette LAM (10-14). Bunny graduated from Wycombe Abbey in 2019 with A Levels in Greek, Latin and Economics. She is now in her second year at University College, London, studying Classics. She is a member of UCL's tennis team, playing in the London Universities Sports League (LUSL), and is enjoying life in London.

Milly LANKESTER (07-14) is at Durham University, reading Anthropology.

Ellie MAKIN (04-14) has completed the first year of a Computer Science degree at Selwyn College, Cambridge.



Johnny MARSH (09-14). After Harrow Johnny went to Darwin, Australia, via the Far East, and spent four months working on a pearling boat. He then bought a car and with another friend travelled around the coast to Melbourne, encountering adventures along the way, such as scuba diving, sky diving and bungee jumping. After two weeks in New Zealand with his parents in February, he flew

back to Queensland to work on a huge cattle station. When the world locked down, instead of coming home, he got a job at Darley Stud in New South Wales, where he worked until returning home at the beginning of July. His course at Exeter University is Liberal Arts, which comprises History of Art, French, Business Studies and Philosophy.

Ivo MAYFIELD (08-14) has spent a gap year cycling in France, racing with a French cycling team. Because of the disruption caused by Covid-19, he has decided to continue with his cycling for another year, thereby deferring a university career until September 2021.

Piers MUCKLEJOHN (06-14) and Lars MUCKLEJOHN (06-14) are both at Exeter University. Piers is based on the main campus, reading History, while Lars is on the Penryn campus, reading joint English and History.

Ian MUCKLEJOHN (06-14) started at Queen Mary's College, Basingstoke, in September 2020.

Nate OPPENHEIMER (07-14) is at Durham University, reading Computer Sciences, having had a gap year.

Felicity PRATER (04-14) had a gap year, during the first few months of which her work included nannying for some Cheam families. She then headed for the Far East and Australia but had to return due to Covid-19 after two months. She ended her year with three weeks in Italy, visiting Venice and Florence with Issie Fiennes-Cox. She started at Newcastle University, reading Geography, in September.



Raoul PULLELA (11-14) writes: 'My five years at Eton went by in a flash, and I enjoyed them, even though I sometimes felt

swamped by a wave of different activities and work. I carried on with sport through all my years, playing hockey and cricket for school teams and football internally in inter-house competitions. I was rewarded for my efforts by being made House Captain and was also involved in the Science and Medicine Societies in my last year. I then took a gap year'. In his gap year Raoul went to Austria, where he became a ski instructor. Later, during lockdown, he helped a friend with his start-up business and began playing the guitar. He was in Greece during the summer and then headed for Oxford University in October to study Biochemistry.

Sam SPARK (11-14) is at Edinburgh University, reading History of Art.

Livia TOMACELLI (10-14) has started at Exeter University, reading Psychology. This came after a gap year, which included travelling around parts of South-East Asia, such as Thailand, Vietnam and Bali, and doing a nannying job when she returned home.



Finlay TOSH (09-14) left Milton Abbey School in 2019 after achieving his Diploma in Countryside Management and Enterprise. He did gardening and tree surgery work to fund his gap year but had to cancel some of his plans, such as trekking the Kungleden Trail in northern Sweden, because of the coronavirus pandemic. However, he did manage to go hiking in the Swiss mountains in August. He started at the Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester, in September.



Mimi TOSH (09-14) left Sherborne Girls' in 2019 after A Levels in Maths, Economics and Art. While at Sherborne she completed the gold section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and attended the awards ceremony at Buckingham Palace. Mimi gained work experience with the United Nations overseas and during her gap year mainly worked for a catering company to fund inter-railing in Europe and travelling through South America (Peru, Bolivia and Chile) at the beginning of 2020. She had to cancel a later trip to South Asia because of the coronavirus pandemic. She started at Oxford Brookes in September 2020, reading Social Anthropology.

Rosie TURNER (10-14) is at Edinburgh University, studying History of Art.

Harry WALTHER-CAINE (04-14) is reading Geography at Bristol University and is particularly focused on Human Geography. He missed the Summer Term at Bristol, spending the three months of lockdown at home. During that time he worked part-time at the Co-op, which gave him some structure, a different perspective and, of course, some money.

Kiki WIGGIN (09-14) is at Manchester University, reading Geography. She spent part of her gap year in South America.

Alice WORTHINGTON (09-14) is at Bristol University, reading History of Art, having started there in September 2019.

Jessica YOUNG (12-14) is at Nottingham University.

The Jenny Godwin memorial bench made by her husband Andrew.



We Shall Remember Them

David Nelson Bates
(1936-2019, Cheam 1945-1949)

'Teddy' Denys Edmund Kenneth Elliott
(1932-2019, Cheam 1940-1946)

Teddy Elliott was born on 5th October 1932 and died on Christmas Eve 2019. He attended Cheam and then Harrow before joining the Corps of the Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers for his National Service, serving as a 2nd Lieutenant from 1950 to 1952. He then went up to Cambridge, where he read Engineering Studies at Jesus College. He had success in other areas, too, notably as a member of the Cambridge University rifle shooting team, and he won the prestigious Daily Telegraph Challenge Cup in 1954.

The bulk of Teddy's working life was spent in the world of thermoplastic systems technology at Plastic Coatings Limited, a fast-growing business later known as Plascoat International Ltd, of which he became Chairman and Managing Director. He retired to West Sussex in 1982 at the age of 50.

He was admitted to the Freedom and Livery of the Haberdashers' Company on 7th January 1958. In 1983 he joined the Court of the Company and served on the Schools Committee from then until 1987, acting as a governor at Monmouth School from 1986 until 1995. He was a member of the Charities Committee from 1985 until 2000 and also the Fine Arts Committee from 1985 until 1987. In 1988 he became involved with the Hall Redevelopment Team, which began the work of relocating their hall. He was elected Master for the year 1991-92 and finally, a decade later, he became a member of the Membership & Appointments Committee from 2001 until 2008.

He is survived by his wife, Sally, and their three children, Rupert, Lucy and Annabel. John Sutcliffe (34-39) was his cousin, and his grandchildren, Thomas (12-) and Martha (15-) Stanes, are currently pupils at Cheam.

Jennifer Annette GODWIN
(1959-2020, Cheam 2001-2020)

Jenny Godwin, born in 1959, was the wife of Andrew Godwin (88-) and mother of Jordan. She was on the staff at Cheam as Senior Matron. She died on 19th March 2020. Please see page 19.

Julian Dana Nimmo
HARTLAND-SWANN (1936-2020,
Cheam 1945-1949)

Julian Hartland-Swann was born on 18th February 1936. From Cheam he gained a scholarship to Stowe School and later attended Lincoln College, Oxford, on a scholarship. He became British Ambassador in Ulan Bator (1977-79), Mongolia (1979-82) and Burma (1990-95). In 1992 the Queen invested him with the Insignia of a Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George. He was the husband of Julie and the late Ann, and father of Piers. He died on 23rd March 2020, aged 84, in Brussels, Belgium, following a battle with Alzheimer's. Apart from his career as a diplomat he was a gastronome and yachtsman.

David Mackenzie KIRKE-SMITH
(1947-2019, Cheam 1955-1960)

David Kirke-Smith was born on 28th July 1947. After Cheam he was educated at Charterhouse. He died on 11th January 2019.

Terence Stuart MALLINSON
(1929-2019, Cheam 1939-1940)

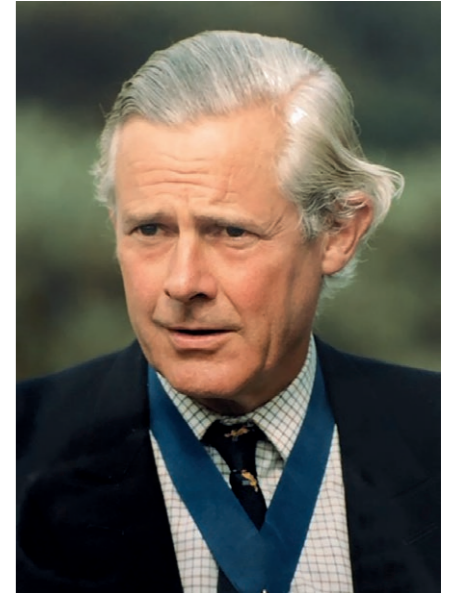
Terence Mallinson was born on 9th September 1929. His sons, Lawrence (65-70), Michael (67-72) and Roland (74-79), his brothers, Michael (29-33) and Justin (33-37), and his grandson, Saul (04-09), were all educated at Cheam. He was evacuated to the USA in 1940 and later educated at Marlborough College and Jesus College, Cambridge. He was a timber merchant. Please see page 19.

Robert Edgar Arthur NEWBERY
(1932-2019, Cheam 1943-1945)

After Cheam Robert Newbery was educated at Canford School. He later became a farmer in Kingsclere.

John Vernon SUTCLIFFE
(1925-2019, Cheam 1933-1939)

John Sutcliffe was born on 21st August 1925 and died on 29th September 2019. Educated at Cheam, Marlborough College and Jesus College, Cambridge, he then took up a career in hydrology. He was married to Fiona Forbes for nearly 62 years, and they had four children, of whom Sean (72-77) and Michael (72-77) are former pupils of Cheam. Please see page 18.



'Teddy' Denys Edmund Kenneth Elliott (1932-2019, Cheam 1940-1946)

We have also heard of the following deaths:

May 2019

Fiona Freddi
mother of Matthew Freddi (94-99).

September 2019

Heather Lemon
mother of David Lemon (86-91).

April 2020

Timothy Gwyn-Jones
father of Rollo Gwyn-Jones (95-00).

Robert Maitland
husband of Sarah Maitland (94-02).

May 2020

Zaria Duder
mother of Garth (84-89) and Guy (87-92) Duder.

August 2020

Juliana Mallinson
widow of Justin Mallinson (33-37).

Terence Vosper
husband of Margaret Vosper (89-16).

We Shall Remember Them

JOHN VERNON SUTCLIFFE

The text below is taken from the reflection on John's life given by Simon Goodman, his son-in-law, at the Service of Thanksgiving in St Mary's Church, Streatley, on 14th October 2019.

John Sutcliffe was born on 21st August 1925 and died on 29th September 2019. His understanding of himself as Irish was fundamental and well known, as depicted in his Irish sense of humour, his commission in an Irish regiment, his support for the Irish rugby team (and his claiming of squad members as distant cousins), his love of Irish literature and theatre and of traditional Irish music, his idyllic holidays there, and his delight, continuing into old age, in finding out ever more about his Irish heritage and in visiting ancestral sites.

After a period in Shanghai, where his father was sub-dean between 1929 and 1934, with its associated holidays and travel, John began at Cheam at the time it moved to Hampshire. From his time there he recalled the only boy who might regularly beat him in exams, later killed after the Normandy landings. He went on to Marlborough, having gained two scholarships, and Cambridge, but not before a spell in the Army. At 17 he enlisted in the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and was training in India when news of the Japanese surrender came through. He then took up his place at Jesus College, having won a Rustat Exhibition. Here he read Maths for Part 1, switched to Geography for Part 2 and also took up rowing.

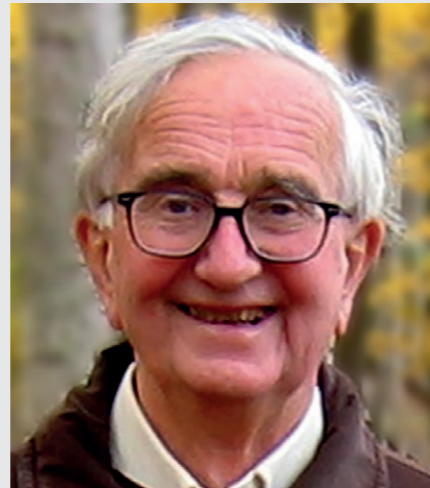
After his first trip to Sudan, John returned to Cambridge for his PhD, where he met and married Fiona Forbes, and they were to be together for nearly 62 years. After an initial opportunity to study water resources between Tehran and the Caspian Sea, John began his long and distinguished career in hydrology at the Sudd swamps on the River Nile, in order to tackle an enigmatic problem which had challenged hydrologists for many years. His PhD involved surveying the Sudd swamps in the 1950s. He mapped the species of vegetation and correlated this with the seasonal flooding patterns, looking at the potential impacts of the proposed Jonglei Canal on the Sudd.

After his PhD, John's first work was for Sir Alexander Gibb & Partners, which took him and Fiona to Tehran, Kenya, New Zealand and Pakistan. In 1961 he joined the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research and was there at the start of the Hydrological Research Unit of the Hydraulics Research Station, where he led the Flood Studies team. In 1970 they came up with the Nash-Sutcliffe model efficiency coefficient for assessing the goodness-of-fit of hydrological models. The HRU published the Flood Studies Report in 1975, and John became the Assistant Director. They worked on the next study of the Jonglei Canal initiative and developed a model of the Sudd swamps.

In retirement, John didn't slow down, publishing *The Hydrology of the Nile* (1999) and *A Question of Balance* (2004). He wrote several papers on ancient water resources and dams of India and also on Nile hydrology. His final paper, *Water Losses from the Sudd* (2018), took him back to where he had started 60 years previously.

John loved his family, encouraging and supporting their academic and subsequent careers and never missing a chance to support their sporting and other endeavours. He attended every match at Cheam when his sons, Sean (72-77) and Michael (72-77), were there and enjoyed watching the sporting successes of his daughters, Brigid and Moira. John had great language skills and enjoyed motoring, whether in a Morgan or in the family car with a desk in the back and four children cowering under and around it all the way back from Ireland! He had a dry wit, a strong Church of Ireland faith and a great love of rowing, participating in the sport himself for some 70 years and never missing Henley.

Having been invited to join the committee of the Cheam School Association, John later became President, a position he held until his death.



JENNIFER ANNETTE GODWIN

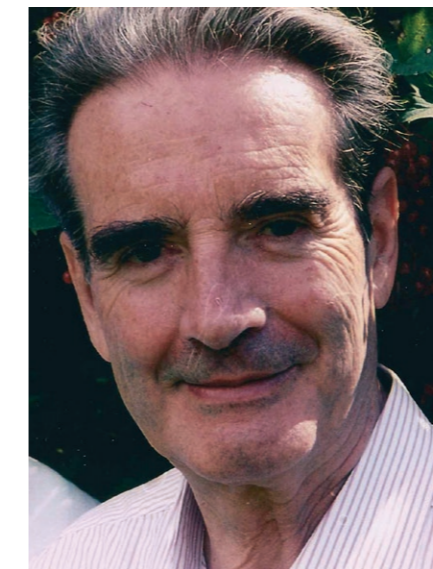
Jenny trained in paediatric nursing at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, and then started a nursing career, which eventually saw her working at the Royal Berkshire Hospital in Reading. Later she lived at Courtfield Cottage with her family, and it wasn't long before she realised that a walk across the road to the school was far preferable to a daily commute to Reading, so, when a nursing job at Cheam came up in 2001, she not surprisingly jumped at the opportunity, becoming Senior Matron. She had already become acquainted with the school through her husband, Andrew, occasionally involving herself in work in the kitchens and every summer cooking for the foreign students attending the Vacation Studies courses that took place at Cheam. The long and somewhat inconvenient hours of a matron played havoc with family life, but she and Andrew worked out a satisfactory plan to look after their son, Jordan, who had been born in 1994. She enjoyed her work and the company of her colleagues, especially the many matrons who worked at the school during her time there. She and Judi Legon

(Head Matron) were a good team, standing no nonsense but maintaining a caring environment in the boarding community. The occasional call of help during the day from other areas of the school was always answered with great understanding and sympathy; indeed, she was always on hand to help staff with medical problems and come to their rescue if they had a child in their care looking off-colour (but I hasten to add that I would never allow her to stick a needle into me when the annual flu jabs took place!). Away from her official duties, Jenny always loved to be involved in the occasional outing and a few leavers' activities. Boarding had its fun side, and all the parties over the years gave her an opportunity to relax amongst the children and enjoy herself. Jenny died unexpectedly on March 19th, and naturally our thoughts and sympathies have been with Andrew and Jordan, but all of us at Cheam have lost a much-valued member of the school family and someone whom it has been a privilege to know and work with.

Michael Churchill (84-16)



TERENCE STUART MALLINSON



Terence Mallinson was born on 9th September 1929 to Stuart and Marjorie. He attended Cheam School for four terms before the Blitz saw him evacuated to the USA in 1940, where he was looked after by the Lane family and educated at Altavista High School for 3½ years. Returning in 1943, he went to Marlborough College, and this was followed by Jesus College, Cambridge, where he studied Economics and Law. Later, when he sent his three sons, Lawrence (65-70), Michael (67-72) and Roland (74-79), to Cheam, he was Chairman of the Cheam School Association and commissioned Edward Peel to write the school's history from 1645.

He dedicated most of his professional life to the family timber company, the Mallinson-Denny Group, managing several manufacturing units before becoming marketing director of the global corporation. The company was bought in 1981 by Brooke Bond (more famous for tea!), and when Brooke Bond in turn was bought by Unilever, Terence was part of a very successful management buy-out team (in 1985 the largest ever in the UK). Terence retired in 1991 after the business was acquired first by Hilldown Holdings, then by Wickes and finally by Travis Perkins.

After retirement Terence remained very involved in the world of timber. He was a Forestry Commissioner from 1989 to 1995, was the founder of the Carpenters' Company's Wood Awards championing the use of timber in buildings, and his Forests Forever campaign in conjunction with the Timber Trade Federation took him over the world advocating sustainable forestry policies and standards for the worldwide timber trade. He established the Epping Forest Centenary Trust (and supported many similar forest trusts) to encourage children's interest in and love for forests. Throughout his adulthood (over 60 years) Terence had been the Chairman of Wadham Lodge Sports Ground Trust, now a thriving centre for soccer excellence in North-East London that includes David Beckham as one of its alumni! He was awarded a CBE for services to Forestry in 1995.

Terence died on 11th December 2019, aged 90. He married Anne Butler-Wilson on 4th June 1955 and is greatly missed by her, his four children, Lawrence, Michael, Sheila and Roland, his 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Lawrence Mallinson (65-70)

The following scholarships were gained at public schools:

Yasmin Aird

Downe House
Art Exhibition

Harriet Allen-Ellis

Wellington College
Academic Scholarship

India Britton

St Mary's School, Calne
Choral Scholarship

Leila Courage

Wellington College
Academic Scholarship

Lola Goor

Bradfield College
Sport Scholarship

Tabitha Miles

Marlborough College
Academic Scholarship

Eliza Miller

Canford School
Academic and Sport Scholarships

Jayne Parkhouse

Bradfield College
All-Rounder and Design & Technology
Scholarships

Isla Reid

St Mary's School, Calne
Drama Scholarship

Alexander Rennie

Eton College
Music Scholarship

Charlotte Trew

Downe House
Academic Scholarship

In addition, the following Year 8 children left Cheam for their future schools:

Tommy Arnott
Cosima Atkinson

Jonno Balding
Emma Basden

Charlie Bays
Oscar Bearman

Emily Betts
Saskia Blacker

Xan Brookes
Andrew Buckingham

Alessandro Casula
Charlie Clapham

Toby Clapham
Lydia Compton-Burnett

George Copcutt
Dulce Davison

India Del Mar
Jonathon Dolby

Rosie Durden-Smith
Harry Edwards

Camilla Fincham
Arlo Fitzsimmons

Albert Foster
Archie Fox

Tallula Fuchs
Tommy Gordon Clark

Fergus Haigh
Geordie Heaton-Ellis

Milo Hoffmann
Aggie Jones

Nancy Jones

Jojo Kiggell
Piers Langley

Basile Mallinson
India May

Harry Miners
Olivia Mitchell

Rory Moran
Oliver Mullings

Oscar O'Donohoe
Wilf Prest

Rhea Pullela
Olivia Reeve

Lucas Remnant
Lucy Standish

Tatiana Stephenson
Caiden Stubberfield

Daisy Vincent
Harry Watt

Maddie Winton

Eton

Wellington

Radley

Wellington

Radley

Harrow

Marlborough

Wellington

Canford

Bradfield

Marlborough

Pangbourne

Pangbourne

Wellington

Cheltenham

Wellington

Marlborough

Harrow

Bradfield

Radley

Marlborough

Sherborne

Bradfield

Bradfield

Marlborough

Eton

Cheltenham

Radley

Winchester

Marlborough

St Helen & St Katharine,

Abingdon

Marlborough

Sherborne

Wellington

Marlborough

Wellington

St Mary's, Ascot

Bryanston

Sherborne

St Edward's, Oxford

Bradfield

Wellington

Wellington

Radley

Bedales

Marlborough

Bradfield

Downe House

Eton

Wycombe Abbey

Senior School Visits

During 2019-2020 I visited a number of senior schools and met former Cheam pupils. It was wonderful to see them clearly thriving in their respective schools.

Cheam pupils go on to some of the best public schools in the country, and the quality of education and opportunities provided are always apparent on my visits. I am normally lucky enough to have former Cheam pupils leading me on school tours, and they are always very keen to hear about the latest developments at Cheam. I can also safely report back that the quality of lunches is exceptional in all schools, with St Mary's, Ascot, perhaps taking the top spot this year!

Schools visited this year have been Abingdon, Bradfield, Lord Wandsworth, St Edward's, St Mary's Calne, St Mary's Ascot, St Helen and St Katharine, and Wellington.

Noel Kehoe (03-)



St Mary's, Calne

Standing: Lara Marsh (13-18), Tallulah Mackenzie-Smith (12-18), Amelia Morris (09-17), Zara Langley (10-16), Noel Kehoe, Megan Harley-Martin (06-16), Annabel Edgington (15-18). Kneeling: Georgie Wyrley-Birch (12-17), Eliane Wilmott (11-16), Aoife Reid (11-16).



Wellington

Annabel Power (10-15), Maddie Power (10-16), Noel Kehoe, Arabella Spraggs (10-16), Phoebe Sunley (10-16), Harry Williams (07-15).

THE CHEAM FOUNDATION

Marking 375 years of Cheam by extending educational opportunities to more children

The Cheam Foundation has had a strong second year thanks to the leadership of the Headmaster, the support and hard work of the Foundation Trustees, and the generosity of philanthropists within our school community.

With the school celebrating its 375th anniversary in 2020, the Foundation's focus has been to mark this special jubilee by building up its life-changing bursary fund in order to extend the opportunities at Cheam to a broader range of children. Bursary provision resonates more now than ever; as low social mobility and the gap in educational opportunities present arguably the greatest social challenges of our time. The transformative effects of education are well recognised, and independent schools have a vital role to play in extending world-class educational opportunities to more children.

There are many different routes by which bursary applicants come to us, including through trusted educational partners such as The Royal National Children's SpringBoard Foundation. SpringBoard is the UK's largest boarding school charity and has been providing life-changing

opportunities for children since 2012. The charity introduces children from economically and socially disadvantaged backgrounds to boarding schools which can provide fully-funded bursaries. SpringBoard identifies suitable candidates through a network of partner organisations, commonly charities working within local communities providing educational support to young people. SpringBoard then matches a child to a school, and an active programme of visits is undertaken to ensure that the child will be able to cope with both the transition into boarding and the expectations of the particular school. SpringBoard pupils have high aspirations and come from households where education is highly valued; we believe that these pupils not only benefit from but also bring much to school life.

After a lengthy assessment process, we were delighted when Cheam was accepted as an accredited SpringBoard partner school earlier this year, making us one of the few prep schools to be on the list, and thanks to the generosity of Cheam alumni and supporters we welcomed our first 100% fully-funded Foundation bursary recipient, via SpringBoard, in September 2020.

Sadly, a number of Foundation events had to be postponed this year due to the pandemic. It was particularly sad to postpone the Cheam 375 Day, scheduled for 27th June 2020, as we were hugely looking forward to welcoming so many of you back to Cheam for a dedicated Chapel service, tours of the school and lunch.

We look forward to rescheduling this special 375 celebration as soon as possible, and the joy will be all the greater when it happens.

Given the challenges of the last few months, we have been especially grateful for the financial support we have received from so many of you, enabling us to still move ahead with the SpringBoard programme and welcome our first SpringBoard child to Cheam this autumn. We can't thank you enough for your support. To find out more about how to help change the lives of more young people, please do explore or contact Victoria Edgington by email (foundation@cheamschool.co.uk) or telephone (01635 268242). We are always so delighted to hear from you, and, if possible, please do let us know your email address as the world becomes increasingly digital.

Victoria Edgington (18-)



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