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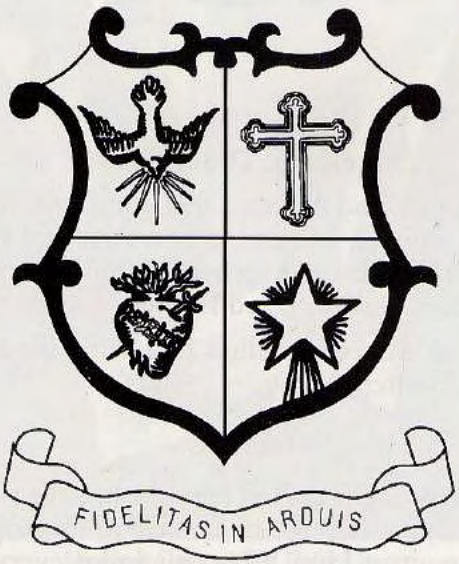

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The Arms of the College

Heraldic Description

On the Sinister base, on a ground Azure, a five point star, Argent, with emanating rays, Or. On the upper Sinister, a Cross, or; on a ground Argent. On the Dexter chief, the Dove of the Holy Ghost, Argent, descending rays, Or, ground Azure. On the Dexter base, Heart Gules; sword Proper; wreath, Or, ground Argent.

Shield: Quarterings Or; Scroll outline Or, with ground Argent. Lettering Gules. Entire shield of Escutcheon Or.

Symbolism

The Escutcheon is quartered. On the left base there is the unchangeable five point silver star with golden rays, symbolic of fidelity to its purpose of shedding light and guidance in the pursuit of Him Who enlightens every man and Who is the "Bright and Morning Star". (Apoc XXII.16).

The upper left bears the Cross, the emblem of trials and difficulties. It is in gold on a silver ground, symbolic of the precious outcome of trials well borne. These two symbols combine to produce the College motto: "Fidelitas in Arduis" (Fidelity in Difficulties).

On the upper right quarter there is the Dove in silver, symbolic of the Holy Ghost, from which descend seven golden rays, the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, essential in the practice of "Fidelitas in Arduis".

The right base bears a red heart transfixed with a sword and encircled with golden roses. This is symbolic of the Holy Heart of Mary, suffering – the supreme purely human type of "Fidelitas in Arduis". The golden roses symbolise the reward that come from such fidelity.

Dedication

Mr. Peter Quinn

Retired 1998

Mr. Noel Doyle & Mr. Peter Quinn

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Editorial

The dedication of this annual honours Mr. Peter Quinn, who spent so many years teaching at St. Mary's before his retirement at the end of this year. To all those who worked with him, Peter was the epitome of the old-style gentleman and teacher. We wish him a long and fulfilling retirement. In the staffroom and in the classrooms of St. Mary's, he will be sorely missed.

The year under review in this issue of the Annual was marked by a number of sad occasions. Fr. Martin Maiben, CSSp went to his reward after a lifetime dedicated to his Order and to St. Mary's. Among parents who have boys in first year, two shocking and sudden deaths occurred, of Mr. O'Driscoll and Mrs. O'Donovan. No words can console the two boys who lost parents. They can only be reminded that the prayers of the entire College community are with them. Requiescant omnes in pace Domini.

Last year's editorial defined this period as a golden age for sport at St. Mary's. While this year did not bring the same successes as last, nevertheless the sporting curriculum continues to be improved and deepened. One example of this trend might be found in the fact that St. Mary's are fielding no less than four Under 13's rugby teams – surely a unique record for a school our size.

This year saw success in the still-new area of Web Page design, with a St. Mary's team winning the national 'Spin-a-Web' competition. To Mr. Newell and Mr. Kirby, and to all the boys on the team, our congratulations.

Many people contributed to the production of this annual. Others helped with encouragement and advice – indeed for many weeks, the questions most often ringing in the editor's ears were, 'When is the Annual out?' and, 'How come Fr. Peter always got it out on time?' Without some people, notably Fr. Flavin and Mr. Wall, these inquisitors would never have seen this production, as it would not have gone to print at all. My appreciation and thanks to them both. My gratitude also to Mr. Byrne, Principal of the Senior School, and Mr. Dunne, Principal of the Junior School, for their help and encouragement; to Mr. James Maguire for taking the formal class photographs, and to Mr. Níall Funge of Elo Press for his patience and his expertise.

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SENIOR SCHOOL STAFF, 1997-1998

Mr Lacey, Mr Rossi, Mr McCarthy, Mr Foley, Mr O'Scannláin, Mr O'Gorman, Mr Brennan, Mr Naughton
Mr Hughes, Mr Kirby, Miss Jones, Mr D. Dunne, Mr Conlon, Mrs Manning, Mr Fitzsimons, Mr M. Dunne, Mr Wall,
Miss Kavanagh, Mrs Gordon, Mr Lewis, Mr Doyle, Mr Gillespie
Mr Newell, Mr Kavanagh, Mr Leonard, Fr Flavin, Mr Byrne, Mr Quinn, Mrs McCahill, Mr Guilfoyle

College Community and Staff

COLLEGE SPIRITAN COMMUNITY

Fr. Patrick Cleary CSSp *(Superior)*

Fr. F. Barry CSSp
Fr. M. Buckley CSSp *(Bursar)*
Fr. D. Curtin CSSp
Fr. J. Flavin CSSp
Fr. R. Lehane CSSp
Fr. J. McNulty CSSp
Fr. W. Maher CSSp
Fr. M. Maiben CSSp (RIP)
Fr. W. Nugent CSSp
Fr. R. O'Dwyer CSSp
Fr. N. O'Meara CSSp
Fr. S. O'Shaughnessy CSSp

COLLEGE STAFF

Fr. John Flavin CSSp *(President)*
Fr. M. Buckley CSSp *(Bursar)*
Mr. G. Cahill *(Assistant Bursar)*

SENIOR SCHOOL

Mr. Clive Byrne *(Principal)*
Mr. N. Doyle *(Deputy-Principal)*
Mr. M. Brennan
Mr. F. Conlon
Sr. I. Doolan SSL
Mr. D. Dunne *(Dean, 5th Year)*
Mr. M. Dunne
Mr. N. Fitzsimons
Mr. F. Foley *(Co-ordinator, TY)*
Mr. J. Gillespie
Mrs. I. Gordon *(Secretary)*
Mr. N. Guilfoyle *(Dean, 4th Year)*
Mr. R. Hughes
Mr. M. Hurley *(Dean, 2nd Year)*
Miss J. Jones
Miss B. Kavanagh
Mr. L. Kavanagh
Mr. J. Kirby
Mr. D. Lacey *(Dean, 1st Year)*
Mr. K. Lewis *(Guidance Counsellor)*
Mr. M. Leonard *(Dean, 6th Year)*
Mrs. C. McCabill
Mr. S. McCarthy
Mrs. J. Manning
Mr. L. Naughton
Mr. T. Newell
Mr. F. O'Gorman
Mr. A. O'Scannlain
Miss P. Rossi
Mr. S. Rossi
Mr. P. Quinn
Mr. B. Wall *(Gamesmaster)*

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Mr. Dan Dunne *(Principal/Gamesmaster)*
Mrs. F. Bane *(Dean)*
Mr. D. Breslin
Miss M. Corcoran
Mr. K. Donnelly
Mr. J. Fitzgerald
Mrs. M. Jennings
Miss E. McCallig
Mrs. M. McCoy
Mrs. P. McGee
Mrs. M. O'Donnell
Miss. M. O'Sullivan
Mrs. A. Priestley *(Secretary)*
Mr. C. Sweeney
Mrs. U. Wall
Miss N. White

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SIXTH YEAR A

Barry Cahill, Mark Brady, Jeremy Atkinson, John Daly, Jonathan Flynn, Barry Harte
Ronan Foley, Niall Cavanagh, Kevin Coakley, Cathal Keane, Mark Buckley
David Byrne, Eoin Fogarty, Edward Finn, Kevin Campbell, Brendan Donnelly
Damien Byrne, Mr. Leonard (Sixth Year Dean), Mr. Byrne (Principal), Donal Campion

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SIXTH YEAR A1

Colm McWeeney, Darragh Hughes, Gavin Hickie, Stephen McElwee, Gareth Murphy
Brian Mooney, Conor McNally, Ciaran McMahon, Jonathan Nolan, Kenneth McDonald, Kevin Norton
Alex Herriott, Ronan Lyons, Maurice Moran, Tim McLoughlin, Aaron MacRaighne, Ciaran Keane, Jonathan Leonard
Peter Newell, Mr. Leonard (Sixth Year Dean), Mr. Byrne (Principal), Robert Henson

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SIXTH YEAR A2

Patrick Norton, John Faley, Ian Williams, John Snee
Mark Trundle, Paul Oppermann, Stephen Wade, Richard O'Dwyer
Robert Ryan, Ruarc O'Donoghue, Aonghus O'Reilly, Michael Quinn, John Burke, Paul Stenson
Michael O'Brien, Billy Sadlier, Mark O'Brien, David O'Kennedy, Damien Russell, David Rowland
Stephen Shirley, Mr. Leonard (Sixth Year Dean), Mr. Byrne (Principal), Colm O'Sullivan

FIFTH YEAR A

Colm Duggan, Joseph Doddy, Barry Corbet, Stuart Donnelly, Brian Brophy, James Coady, Karl Daly, Colm Fair
Naoise Culhane, Colm Barry, Philip Costelloe, Cillian Doyle
Mr. Dunne (Fifth Year Dean), David Barrett, Barry Coyle, Eoghan Dillon, David Fitzpatrick

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FIFTH YEAR A1

Ross Harrison, Kenny McArdle, Enda Flynn, Daniel Gallagher, Kenneth McAndrew
Michael Kerwin, Pierce Madden, Paul Madden, Kieran Lewis
Mr. Dunne (Fifth Year Dean), Shane Lonergan, Andrew Keane, Joseph Lavelle, Alan Hughes
Kevin McCabe, Neil Geraghty, Alan Hicks, Stephen Marry

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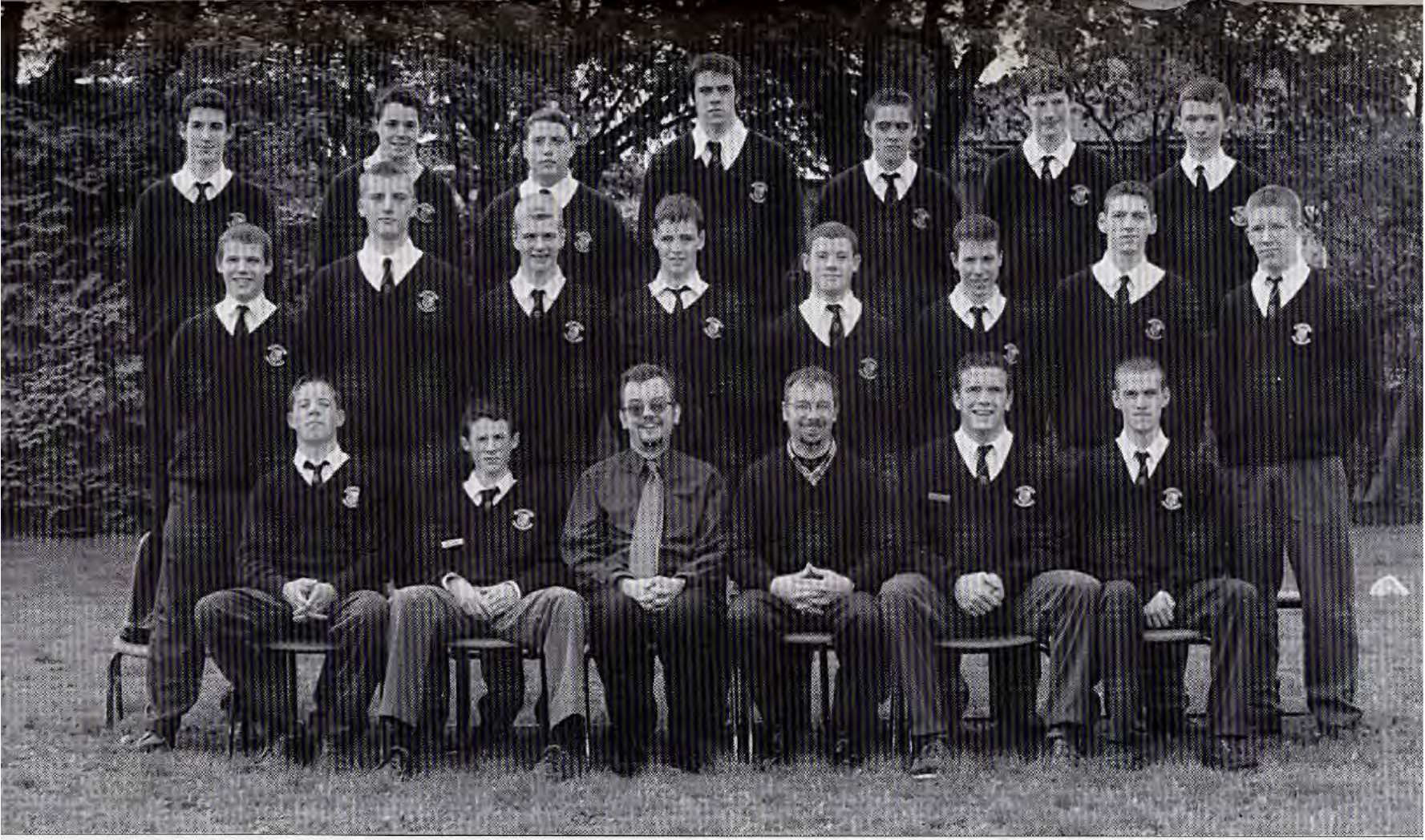
FIFTH YEAR A2

Philip Murray, Ross Wynne, James Norton, Ronan Murphy
Philip Murphy, Brian Moran, Gavin McGuinness, Jonathan Murphy
Mr. Dunne (Fifth Year Dean), Dermot Smyth, Tim Murray, Darragh O'Neill, Vivian Morris
David Well, Ronan O'Donnell, Michael Moriarty, Michael McCormack

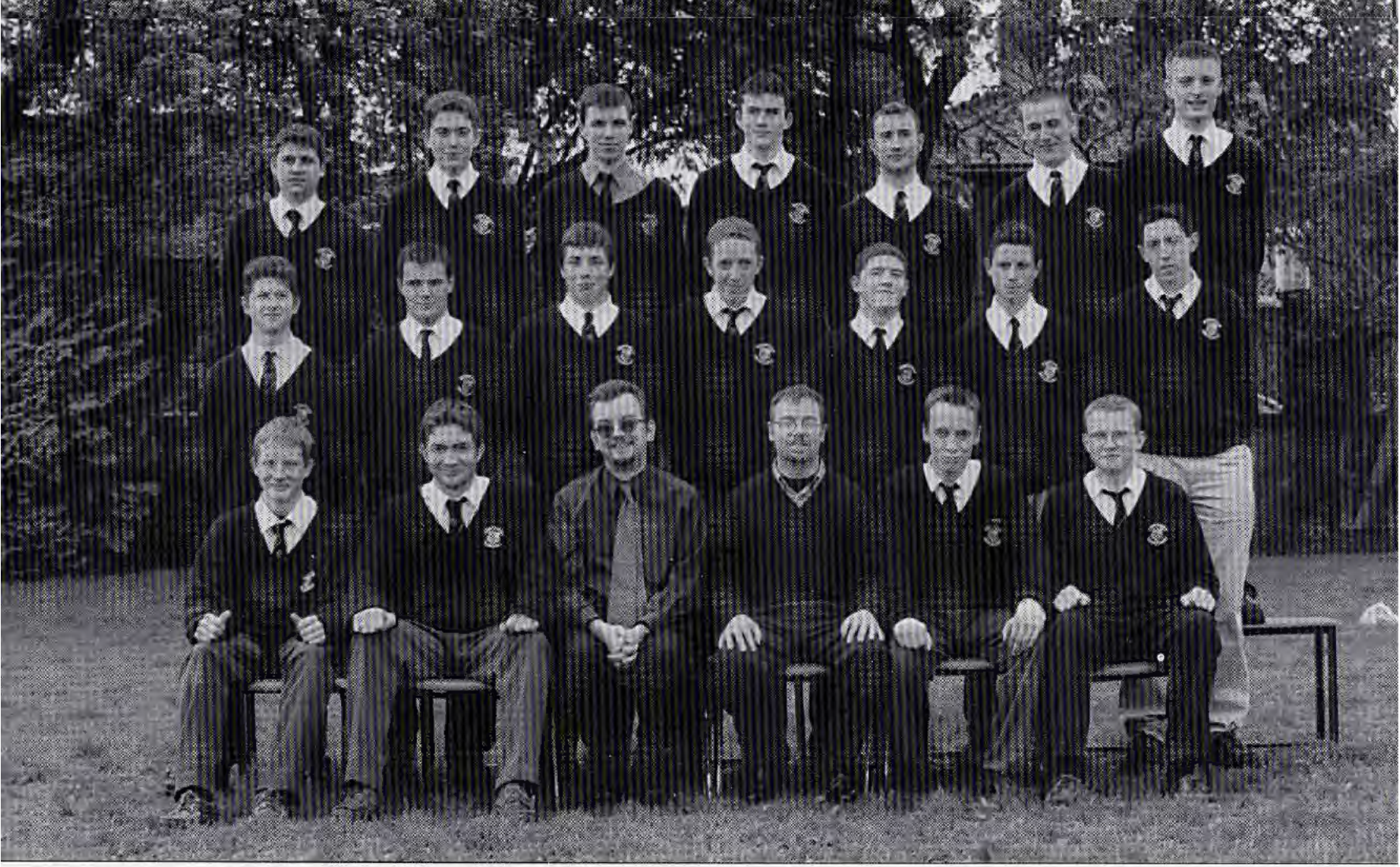
FOURTH YEAR A

Jeremy Boyle, Ronan Breen, David Ahlstrom, David Hendrick, Conor Brew, Thomas Fanning, Paul Diamond, Phelim Connolly
Roger Beatty, Gareth Davis, Adam Birmingham, Robert Collins, Michael Craig, Brian Fallon, Finnian Donnollan
Kieran Connaughton, Daniel Aspell, Mr. Foley (Transition Year Co-ordinator), Mr. Guilfoyle (Dean), Paul Ameroso, Richard Boyd



FOURTH YEAR A1

Rory Madden, Alex Mathews, John Paul Lynch, Eoin Higgins, William McCauley, Kevin McCarthy, Philip Lea
Stephen Hicks, Conor Queenan, Robert Lavelle, Niall MacRaighne, Fionan Henry, David Horgan, Paul O'Doherty, David Kilbride
Aiden Kelly, Edward Lyons, Mr. Foley (Transition Year Co-ordinator), Mr. Guilfoyle (Dean), Shane Jennings, Brian McCarthy



FOURTH YEAR A2

Dinash Vather, Conor O'Briain, David Peakin, Brian McLoughlin, Stephen McCormack, James O'Reilly, Daragh Queenan
Colm McGetrick, Keith Rynhart, Mark Quinn, Maurice O'Dea, David O'Sullivan, Martin O'Brian, Nick Mulcahy
Alex Mullins, Simon Nagle, Mr. Foley (Transition Year Co-ordinator), Mr. Guilfoyle (Dean), Barry Muldowney

THIRD YEAR A

Des Burke, Edward Farrell, Richard Andrucetti, Philip Conway
Owen Farrington, Niall Buckley, Fionan Collins, Daragh Farrell, Cathal Connolly
Ruaidhri Donnelly, David Cryan, David Brady, Mark Delaney, Owen Condron, Maurice Davin
Mr. O'Gorman (Third Year Dean), Garrett Banahan, Stephen Blake, Paul Byrne, Gavin Cullen, Aidan Collins

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THIRD YEAR A1

John Loughman, Richard McArdle, Jack McInerney, Michael Leahy, Niall Flynn, Tim Jones
Stephen Hutton, Tony Gallagher, Daniel McGill, Graham Larkin, Rory McKenna
Niall Marsh, Ruaidhri Hughes, Michael Mehigan, Michael McDonnell, John Loughney, Rory Kinsella
Mr. O'Gorman (Third Year Dean), Stuart Lynch, Barry McCormack, Caolan Flanagan, Evan Farrell, Niall McDermott

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6th Year Prizegiving May 1998

Gold Medal for General Excellence
COLM O'SULLIVAN

Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies at Leaving Certificate presented by the P.P.U.
BRIAN MOONEY

Gold Medal for General Excellence in Studies at Junior Certificate presented by the P.P.U.
ANDREW WADE

Gold Medal for Excellence in Studies
JONATHAN FLYNN RONAN LYONS
KEVIN NORTON AONGHUS O'REILLY
STEPHEN SHIRLEY

Gold Medal for 1st Place in Gaeilge
BARRY CAHILL

COLM O'SULLIVAN
School Captain 1997-98
Gold Medal for
General Excellence

ROBERT HENSON
School Vice Captain
Sports Person
of the Year

THIRD YEAR A2

Kevin Reid, David O'Brien, Ciaran Potts, Ian O'Herlihy, Gordon Whittaker, Bryan Pepper
Andrew Wade, Donagh Ryan, Gary O'Brien, Owen Murray, Mark Sullivan
Diarmuid Tierney, Richard Pyne, Paul O'Reilly, Andrew Rowland, John Williams, Sean O'Reilly
Mr. O'Gorman (Third Year Dean), Darrel Purcell, Evan O'Reilly, Colin O'Sullivan, James Murphy, Mark O'Duffy

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INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Daniel Duffy Trophy for Art
PETER NEWELL

Silver Medal for Best Speaker in English Debating
JONATHAN FLYNN

President's Cup for Outstanding Mary's Student
DAVID BYRNE

Sports Person of the Year
ROBERT HENSON

STUDENTS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED AWARDS FOR ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE:

In Athletics
PAUL OPPERMANN

In Motor Racing
NEIL SHANAHAN

BRIAN MOONEY
Gold Medal for General Excellence
in Studies at Leaving Certificate

ANDREW WADE
Gold Medal for General Excellence
in Studies at Junior Certificate

BARRY CAHILL
Gold Medal for 1st Place
in Gaeilge

SECOND YEAR A

Paul Byrne, Niall Conway, Rory Corcoran, Donal Garry, Ronan Doherty, Stephen Brennan, Stuart Fergus, James Clarke
John Gallagher, David Michael Delahunty, James Gaffney, Joseph Connolly, David Fanagan, Rory Dillion
Mr. Hurley (Second Year Dean), Wesley Cuddy, Stephen Quinn, Jamie Coffey, Ivor Ashe, Stephen Bishop

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MERIT LIST:

Students who scored an averaged of 8.5 or higher over 8 sets of Notes i.e. 68 or higher out of a possible 72.

Barry Cahill
Barry Harte
Colm McWeeney
Colm O'Sullivan
Edward Finn
Eoin Fogarty
Gareth Murphy
James McGetrick
James Salisbury
John Daly
Jonathan Leonard
Kenneth McDonald
Kevin Campbell
Kevin Coakley
Mark Buckley
Niall Cavanagh
Peter Newell
Robert Henson
Timothy McLaughlin

PETER NEWELL
David Duffy Trophy
for Art

JONATHAN FLYNN
Best Speaker
in English Debate

DAVID BYRNE
President's Award for
Outstanding St. Mary's Student

SECOND YEAR A1

Shane Kinsella, Paul Griffin, Alex Murphy, Ciaran Lennon
Darragh Good, Oliver McCormack, Enda Kelly, Richard McDonald, David McNally
Simon Murphy, Eoin MacAodha, Stephen Doherty, Brian Higgins, Ken Gilbride, Eoghan O'Briain
Mr. Hurley (Second Year Dean), Paul Hanlon, Simon Gibney, Paul Horan, Gavin Moloney, Jonathan Hayden

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Senior School Roll 1997-1998

SIX A

Atkinson, Jeremy
Brady, Mark
Buckley, Mark
Burke, John
Byrne, Damien
Byrne, David
Cahill, Barry
Campbell, Kevin
Campion, Donal
Cavanagh, Niall
Coakley, Kevin
Daly, John
Donnelly, Brendan
Faley, John
Finn, Edward
Flynn, Jonathan
Flynn, Jonathan
Fogarty, Eoin
Foley, Ronan
Harte, Barry

SIX A1

Henson, Robert
Herriott, Alex
Hickie, Gavin
Hughes, Darragh
Keane, Cathal
Keane, Ciaran
Leonard, Jonathan
Lyons, Ronan
MacNally, Conor
MacRaighne, Aaron
McDonald, Kenneth
McElwee, Stephen Paul
McGetrick, James
McLaughlin, Timothy
McMahon, Ciaran J. P.
McWeeney, Colm
Molony, Jonathan
Mooney, Brian
Moran, Maurice
Murphy, Gareth
Newell, Peter
Nolan, Jonathan
Norton, Kevin

SIX A2

Norton, Patrick
O'Brien, Mark
O'Brien, Michael
O'Donoghue, Ruarc
O'Dwyer, Richard
O'Kennedy, David
Oppermann, Paul
O'Reilly, Aonghus
O'Sullivan, Colm John
Quinn, Michael
Rowland, David
Russell, Damien
Ryan, Robert
Saldlier, Billy
Salisbury, James
Shanahan, Neil
Shirley, Stephen
Snee, John
Stenson, Paul
Trundel, Mark
Wade, Stephen
Williams, Ian

PAUL OPPERMANN
Achievements
in Athletics

NEIL SHANAHAN
Achievements
in Motor Racing

SECOND YEAR A2

Robert Sweeney, James Ryan, Niall O'Faolain, Fergus O'Sullivan
Niall Redmond, Paul Spillane, Barry Walsh, Mark Quinn, Alan Treacy
Richard Moloney, Stuart O'Flanagan, Michael Ryan, Marcus Spring, Robert Timmons, Anthony O'Riordan
Mr. Hurley (Second Year Dean), David Rutherford, Ian Temple, Edward Smith, David Williams, Alan Steedman

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FIVE A

Barrett, David
Barry, Colm
Brophy, Brian
Burke, Louis
Campbell, Eoghan
Coady, James
Corbet, Barry
Coyle, James
Culhane, Naoise
Daly, Karl
Dillon, Eoghan
Doddy, Joseph
Donnelly, Stuart
Doyle, Cillian
Duggan, Colm
Fair, Colm
Fitzpatrick, David

FIVE A1

Flynn, Enda
Gallagher, Daniel
Gately, Paul
Geraghty, Neil
Harrison, Ross
Hicks, Alan
Hughes, Alan
Keane, Andrew
Kirwan, Michael
Lavelle, Joseph
Lewis, Kieran
Lonergan, Shane
Madden, Pierce
Madden, Paul
Marry, Stephen
McAndrew, Kenneth
McArdle, Kenny
McCabe, Kevin

FIVE A2

McCormack, Michael
McGuinness, Gavin
McParland, Sean
Moran, Brian
Moriarty, Michael
Morris, Vivian
Murphy, Jonathan
Murphy, Philip
Murphy, Ronan
Murray, Philip
Murray, Timothy
Norton, James
O'Donnell, Ronan
O'Neill, Darragh
Philip, Costello
Smyth, Dermot
Wall, David
Williamson, Peter
Wynne, Ross

FOUR A

Ahlstrom, David
Amoroso, Paul
Aspell, Daniel Joseph
Beatty, Roger John
Bermingham, Adam
Boyd, Richard David
Boyle, Jeremy
Breen, Ronan
Brew, Conor John
Collins, Robert Gerard
Connaughton, Kieran
Connolly, Phelim
Craig, Michael
Davis, Gareth Paul
Diamond, Paul
Dounellan, Finnian
Fallon, Brian
Fanning, Thomas
Hendrick, David

FOUR A1

Henry, Fionan
Hicks, Stephen
Higgins, Eoin
Horgan, David
Jennings, Shane
Kelly, Aidan
Kilbride, David
Lavelle, Robert
Lea, Philip
Lynch, John Paul
Lyons, Edward
MacRaighne, Niall
Madden, Rory Stephen
Mathews, Alexander
McCarthy, Brian
McCarthy, Kevin
McCauley, William

FOUR A2

McCormack, Stephen
McEnroe, Mark
McGetrick, Colm
Muldowney, Barry
Mulcahy, Nicholas
Mullin, Alexauder
Nagle, Simon
O'Briain, Conor
O'Brien, Martin
O'Dea, Maurice
O'Doherty, Paul
O'Loughlin, Brian
O'Meara Wallis, Matthew Shane
O'Reilly, James
O'Sullivan, David
Peakin, David
Queenan, Conor
Queenan, Daragh
Quinn, Mark
Rynhart, Keith
Vather, Dinesh Patrick

FIRST YEAR A

Michael Finley, Patrick Carroll, Stephen Gallagher, Declan Flynn, Niall Brew, Eoghan Donoghue, Paul Butler
Masa Futigami, Reese Flinter, Stephen Beatty, Barry Connaughton, Rudi Casari, Gerard Costelloe, Darran Byrne
Mr. Lacey (First Year Dean), Colm Breathnach, Colm Dalton, Ross Dawson, Killian Delaney, Cormac Doddy
John Cormody, Michael Dillon, Philip Brophy, Richard Breathnach, David Costelloe, David Corbet

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THREE A

Andreucetti, Richard
Banahan, Garrett
Blake, Stephen
Brady, David
Buckley, Niall
Burke, Desmond
Byrne, Paul
Collins, Aidan
Collins, Fionnan
Condren, Eoin
Connolly, Cathal
Conway, Philip
Cryan, David
Cullen, Gavin
Davin, Maurice
Delaney, Mark
Devereux, Brian
Donnelly, Ruaidhri
Farrell, Edward
Farrell, Darragh

THREE A1

Farrell, Evan
Farrington, Eoin John
Flanagan, Caolan
Flynn, Niall
Gallagher, Tony
Hennessy, John
Hughes, Ruaidhri
Hutton, Stephen
Jones, Timothy
Kinsealla, Rory
Larkin, Graeme
Leahy, Michael
Ledwith, David
Longhman, John Peter
Loughney, John
Lynch, Stuart
MacDonnell, Michael
Marsh, Niall
McArdle, Richard
McCormack, Barry
McDermott, Niall
McGill, Daniel
McInerney, Jack
McKenna, Rory
Mehigan, Michael

THREE A2

Murphy, James
Murray, Owen
O'Brien, David
O'Brien, Garry
O'Donovan, Gareth
O'Duffy, Mark Peter
O'Herhily, Ian
O'Reilly, Evan
O'Reilly, Paul
O'Reilly, Sean
O'Sullivan, Colin
Pepper, Bryan
Potts, Ciaran
Purcell, Darrell
Pyne, Richard
Reid, Kevin
Rowland, Andrew
Ryan, Donagh
Sullivan, Mark
Tierney, Diarmuid
Wade, Andrew
Whittaker, Gordon
Williams, John

TWO A

Ashe, Ivor John
Beirne, Peter
Bishop, Stephen
Brennan, Stephen
Burke, Mark
Byrne, Paul
Clarke, James
Coffey, Jamie
Connolly, Joseph
Conway, Niall
Corcoran, Rory
Cuddy, Wesley
Delahunty, D. Maxwell
Delahunty, D. Michael
Dillon, Roy
Doherty, Ronan
Donovan, Mark
Fanagan, David
Fergus, Stuart
Forrest, Peter
Gaffney, James
Gallagher, John
Garry, Donal

TWO A1

Gibney, Simon
Gilbride, Ken
Good, Darragh
Griffin, Paul Simon
Hanlon, Paul
Hayden, Jonathan
Higgins, Brian
Horan, Paul
Keegan, Dermot
Kelly, Enda Leo
Kelly, Ian
Kinsella, Helen
Kirby, Darragh
Lennon, Ciaran
MacAodha, Eoin
MacNally, David
McCormack, Oliver
McDonald, Richard
Moloney, Gavin

TWO A2

Moloney, Richard
Murphy, Simon
Murphy, Alex
O'Briain, Eoghan
O'Doherty, Stephen
O'Donoghue Smith, Edward Smith
O'Faolain, Niall
O'Flanagan, Stuart
O'Riordan, Anthony
O'Sullivan, Fergus
Quinn, Steven
Quinn, Mark
Redmond, Niall
Rutherford, David John
Ryan, James
Ryan, Michael
Spillane, Paul
Spring, Marcus
Steedman, Alan
Sweeney, Robert
Sweeney, Brian
Temple, Ian
Timmons, Robert
Treacy, Alan
Walshe, Barry Michael
Williams, David
Williamson, Gareth

FIRST YEAR A1

Kenneth Mooney, Stephen Grissing
Simon McGee, Philip Keegan, Alex Hutchinson, Tony Glynn, Cian Lucas, Patrick McDonnell
Mr. Lacey (First Year Dean), Michael Houlihan, Conor Kelly, Robert McDonnell, Eoin Mansori, Oisin Kelly
Caolan Lynch, Ross Mulvey, Eric McGrath, Patrick Lynch, Eoin Lernihan, Colm Maguire
Brian Kinsella, Evan Kane, Conor Lane, Vincent Hammond, Hugh Kearney

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ONE A

Beatty, Stephen
Breathnach, Colm
Breathnach, Richard
Brew, Niall
Brophy, Philip
Butler, Paul
Byrne, Darren
Carmody, Jon
Carroll, Patrick
Casari, Rudy
Connaughton, Barry
Corbet, David
Costello, Gerard
Costelloe, David
Dalton, Colm
Dawson, Ross
Delaney, Killian
Dillon, Michael
Doddy, Cormac
Donoghne, Eoin
Finlay, Michael
Flinter, Reese
Flynn, Declan
Futagami, Masaomi
Gallagher, Gerard
Gallagher, Stephen

ONE A1

Glynn, Tony
Grissing, Stephen
Hammond, Vincent
Houlihan, Michael
Hutchinson, Alex
Kane, Evan
Kearney, Hugh
Keegan, Philip
Kelly, Conor Gregory
Kelly, Oisin
Kinsella, Brian
Lane, Conor
Lernihan, Eoin
Lucas, Cian
Lynch, Patrick
Lynch, Caolán
MacDonnell, Robert George
Maguire, Colm
Mansori, Eoin
McDonnell, Patrick
McGee, Simon
McGrath, Eric
Mooney, Kenneth
Mulvey, Ross
Nash, Paul

ONE A2

Nolan, Daniel
Norton, Joseph
O'Brien, Jonathan
O'Brien, Mark
O'Connell, Sean
O'Connor, Iain
O'Connor, Rory
O'Dea, Niall
O'Dea, Rory
O'Doherty, John
O'Donovan, John-Paul
O'Driscoll, Edmond
O'Kelly, Brian
O'Toole, Nicolas
Peakin, Joseph
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THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS . . .

A look at the 1997-1998 School Year

Monday 1st September
Second class boys in the Junior School, and First Years in the Senior School, began their new school careers. We extend a warm welcome to them all.

Monday 8th September
Twenty players from different years began the newly-organised squash training in the Mount Pleasant club.

Saturday 20th September
The first competitive rugby matches of the season. After last year's tally of cups from the Under 13's, the Juniors and the Third Seniors, expectations run high. The Seniors duly obliged with a 30-14 victory over Castleknock, traditionally the first rivals of the new season. The Seconds also did well, winning 24-8. The Fourths and Fifths entertained King's Hospital at home; King's Hos. scored 24 to the Fourths' 17, and 0 to the Fifths' 46. So, day one of the rugby season over, and three out of four ain't bad.

Tuesday 23rd September
The first meeting of this year's Vincent De Paul Conference took place. Members are David Ahlstrom, Paul Amoroso, Daniel Aspell, Ronan Breen, Rory Madden, Simon Nagle, Daragh Queenan and Keith Rynhart. Officers were elected: Daragh Queenan became President, Daniel Aspell Vice-President, Simon Nagle Treasurer and Paul Amoroso Secretary. The decision was made to send two members to Friends of the Elderly every Tuesday from today until the 21st October.

Wednesday 24th September
The Senior Thirds and Fifths travelled to Stradbrook to face their Blackrock counterparts. The Thirds pipped their opponents 15-12, while the Fifths scored an impressive 39 points while maintaining their clean sheet.

At Kenilworth, the Juniors had their first outing of the year, beating De La Salle 45-12.

Brian Heavey

David McGann goes for the corner

Bryan Campbell

Form 2

Saturday 27th September
The Seniors had a disappointing day, beaten 17-12 by De La Salle. Fortunately the Seconds were in better form, overcoming their hosts 40-11. The Juniors had another good game, beating High School 39-10 at Kenilworth, while the Under 13's beat R.B.A.I. 27-0 at the same ground.

Wednesday 1st October
A day of very mixed fortunes on the rugby field; while the Third Seniors beat Terenure 32-24, the Fifths went down 24-20. The Under 15 C's were accompanied to Malahide Road by Mr. Rossi, and were beaten 41-19 by Mount Temple. It was a bad day for the First Years, with the Under 13 A's, B's and C's all beaten by St. Michael's, 42-12, 27-24 and 40-15 respectively.

Saturday 4th October
Fortunes improved for the school teams. Two Senior teams visited Presentation Cork; the Firsts winning 22-11 and the Seconds 46-8. Back at Kenilworth, the Under 14 A's beat Roscrea 17-14 while the Under 14 B's went down 28-5.

Tuesday 7th October
Meeting of Vincent De Paul Conference. The organisation's newsletter was received by the Conference, and two members were dispatched on Friends of the Elderly business.

Wednesday 8th October
The Second and Third Seniors were in action against Blackrock at Templeville Road. Both did well, winning 25-13 and 20-15 respectively, despite being refereed by Mr. Byrne and Mr. Wall. The Junior League Team (Under 15 B's) beat C.U.S. Under 15 A's 37-7 at Bird Avenue, while the Under 14 A's had a day they would rather forget, losing to their Blackrock counterparts by an unmentionable score! The Under 14 B's also lost, in their case by the somewhat more respectable margin of 20-10.

Saturday 11th October
As S.C.T. captain Robert Henson remarked, the Templeogue College jinx continued to haunt the Seniors, with an 11-9 defeat. The Thirds made amends, winning 17-3. The Juniors had mixed results against Newbridge, with the A's losing 18-13 and the B's drawing at 12 apiece.

Six teams from First and Second Year were scheduled to play Terenure College, but with torrential rain turning the pitches into marshland, the games had to be called off.

Ronan Good

Darragh Hughes consoled by Mr. Wall

William Andreucetti watched by Niall Dalton

Kieran Lewis leads the pack

Tuesday 14th October
Meeting of Vincent De Paul Conference.

Wednesday 15th October
The three Senior teams visited Roscrea; the Firsts won 27-25, the Seconds were pipped 31-30 and the Thirds lost 19-13. The J.C.T. had a rough time with Terenure, being beaten 31-5, and the J.L.T. fared little better, losing 27-15. It was left to the Junior Thirds to salvage some pride with a 26-20 victory. The Under 13's played an 'away' game at Castleknock and won 26-6; the Under 13 B's lost 21-10.

Saturday 18th October
The S.C.T. had a good game against an admittedly injury-stricken Newbridge, winning 35-3. The Thirds and Fourths played R.B.A.I. in Belfast; the Thirds won 7-3 while the Fourths lost 24-14.
The J.C.T. beat King's Hospital 23-5 and the Under 15 C's overcame the same school 27-17.
Four Under 13's teams visited Willow Park, meaning that virtually every boy in First Year represented his school this morning. A large crowd watched as the A's lost 34-15, the B's won 55-15, the C's lost 34-10 and the D's won 27-24.

Tuesday 21st October
Meeting of Vincent De Paul Conference.

Wednesday 22nd October
Seven rugby games today, ranging from Senior Fourths to Under 14 B's. From the top - the Fourths were squeaked 30-27 by C.B.C. at Templeville, with the Fifths winning their game 34-15. The J.C.T. had a good outing against Castleknock (35-7); the J.L.T. a better one (48-0) and the Under 15 C's completing the treble (36-21). The Under 14 A's lost to Belvedere 51-39; the Under 14 B's 50-0.

Friday 24th October
The Under 14's departed the school at 9.00 a.m. for an overnight trip North to play Dalriada.

Saturday 25th October
A busy day's travelling for the rugby teams. The two Senior teams were up early to take the 7.40 train to Belfast, and on to Coleraine by bus. However, Coleraine's well-drilled pack took the day for the hosts with a 20-15 victory. The Seconds ran out 60-22. On the way home, the teams stopped to see the Under 15's in action against Ballymena. The J.C.T. did well, winning 43-0, while the J.L.T. also broke the 40 point barrier, winning 41-17.
The Under 14 A's played their match against Dalriada and scored 15 to their opponents' 12. At Kenilworth, the Under 13 A's ran riot against C.B.C. Cork, winning 72-5; the Cork visitors had more joy

Tim O'Brian

Paul Griffin, Mr. O'Gorman and Niall O'Faoilán

David Rutherford

Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dunne, Mr. O'Donnell and Mr. Levins

with the B's and C's, winning 15-7 and 12-10 respectively. Afterwards, the Cork teams were entertained and dined at St. Mary's.

Monday 27th October
The night of the 'Debs'. After a reception in the school hall for last year's Sixth Years and their guests, the company adjourned for their meal in the Mont Clair Hotel. Not to be left out, the parents of the boys organised a gettogether in the Rugby Club. Over seventy parents attended; congratulations and thanks to Mrs. Henson who organised the event.

Tuesday 28th October
Meeting of Vincent De Paul Conference, at which discussion centred around the organisation of the annual cake sale.

Thursday 30th October
John Fisher School arrived in Dublin for their annual visit and met their hosts. The Campions, McWeeneys, Maddens, O'Neills, Murphys (Gereth) and Murphys (Ronan), Berrys, Quinns, Ryans, O'Sullivans, Queenans, Sadliers, Hensons, Burkes and Connaughtons all kindly hosted a visiting player.

Saturday 1st November. All Saints Day
St. Mary's Senior Firsts played John Fisher School at Kenilworth. St. Mary's won 43-11 in a classic display of running rugby. Afterwards, the teams had a meal in the College followed by presentations to both team captains.

Sunday 2nd November
Mass in the College for the visiting team.

Monday 3rd November
The draws for the cup campaigns are published. As luck would have it, one half of the Senior draw contains traditional heavy-hitters St. Mary's, Castleknock, Belvedere, Newbridge, Clongowes and Blackrock, while in the other half, Terenure and St. Michael's appear to have relatively easier campaigns ahead. St. Mary's face a tough opening match against Belvedere at Donnybrook on February 1st.

The Junior draw is more evenly balanced, with St. Mary's meeting Gonzaga at Donnybrook on February 17th.

Wednesday 5th November
The Under 13 A's and B's were the only rugby teams in action today. Both had hard games, with the A's losing 12-0 and the B's losing 36-7 to Belvedere. Senior and Junior matches had to be cancelled due to waterlogged pitches.

Paddy Norton

Gareth Williamson, Niall Redmond and Mark Quinn

Sean Connolly

Supporters at Lansdowne

Four Under 14 squash teams and two Senior teams began their participation in the Leinster Schools Squash League.

Saturday 8th November
Six games today, with four wins and two losses. The S.C.T. beat Belvedere 33-3, although it must be noted that due to injuries to the Belvo pack, both teams played their second's pack. The Seconds lost 12-8 to Belvedere, while the Under 15's travelled to Monkstown. The J.C.T. were overcome 20-0, and the J.L.T. scored an impressive 64-0.

The Under 13 A's beat Blackrock 24-10, and the under 13 D's beat Willow 27-24.

Sunday 9th November
A single, solitary rugby match today which necessitated the Under 13 A's travelling to Rockwell, where they emerged 26-3 winners.

Wednesday 12th November
Ten teams in action today. The Second Seniors beat Kilkenny 23-17; the Third Seniors beat Belvedere 20-10, and the Fourth Seniors beat their Belvo opposition 36-32. The J.C.T. played Kilkenny away and won 15-0, but the Under 15 C's lost 12-10. The Under 14's entertained Clongowes at Kenilworth. There were two emphatic results, one for, one against: the A's won 44-8 and the B's lost 51-14.

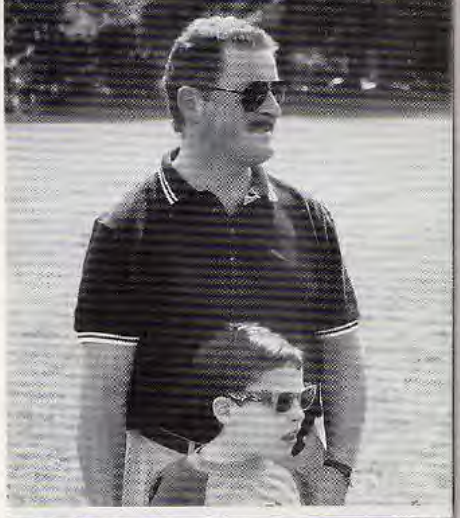
The Under 13's played away to Clongowes. The A's won 21-5; the B's lost 29-5 and the C's lost 38-0.

Saturday 15th November
A good day for the school, with six teams in action and enjoying victories. The S.C.T. beat Rockwell 19-3 in a tough, physical game, while the Fourths and Fifths beat Gonzaga 27-0 and 42-12. Three Under 13's teams played Wesley, they won 22-12, 57-7 and 63-21 respectively.

In the afternoon, Ireland played New Zealand at Landsdowne Road, with no less than four St. Mary's players on the field: Conor McGuinness, Denis Hickie, David Nowlan and John McWeeney.

Monday 17th November
Just three games today: The Seconds and Thirds beat St. Michael's 17-14 and 12-3, while the J.C.T. lost 19-5 to Blackrock.

Friday 21st November
The Annual Dinner of the St. Mary's College Union. An excellent turnout, as always. Mr. Liam Birkett was a capable and witty Master of Ceremonies. The toast to St. Mary's College was proposed by PPU President Mr. Robert J. Hughes and the reply given



Mr. O'Donnell and Barry

Vincent Hammond (Under 13s scrum; semi-finals)

Gareth Redmond, Patrick Larchet, Jack Buggy, Jack Ardagh and Neil Cowhey

Richard Boyd, Barry Muldowney

by Fr. Flavin. The toast to the guests was proposed by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. John Whelan. The reply was given on behalf of the guests by Mr. Victor Brophy.

Saturday 22nd November
The week's heavy rain cleared in time for the Saturday matches. The S.C.T. visited old rivals Terenure and enjoyed a 13-0 victory, while the Senior Seconds went down 37-7. The Under 15's in action emerged 'honours even' with Blackrock: 'Rock had the better of it with the J.L.T. (12-5) but lost the C's match 25-0. Likewise the Under 14's with Monkstown: the St. Mary's A's won 12-5 and the B's lost 27-22.

Four Under 13 teams visited Templeogue College and all four posted victories: the A's by 32-5, the B's 22-0, the C's 25-21 and the D's 44-0. Congratulations to all involved; it is an enormous achievement for a school the size of St. Mary's to put out four teams representing First Year.

Wednesday 26th November
Only matches ontside the Pale went ahead today; eight scheduled games had to be cancelled because of the waterlogged state of the pitches. The Under 14 A's visited Newbridge and won 20-13; the B's scored 17 to Newbridge's 33.

Friday 28th November
The Annual Vincent De Paul cake sale. The entire Transition Year generously agreed to take the day off classes to help run the event. There was a huge response from parents in contributing cakes. The final tally for the day was £2,500.

Saturday 29th November
The bad weather continues. Twelve matches had to be cancelled. Only visitors Ballymena, down for the weekend, got a game against the Senior Seconds, which St. Mary's won 22-14.

Sunday 30th November
The Irish rugby team beat Canada at Landsdowne Road.

Wednesday 3rd December
The Third and Fourth Seniors played Belvedere 'away'; the Thirds lost 22-0 while the Fourths won 25-21. The J.C.T. lost 24-17 to Wesley, while their colleagues on the J.L.T. posted a 77-0 victory. Both the Under 14 A's and B's were beaten by Belvedere at Kenilworth, 15-12 and 37-10 respectively. The A's will have particular cause to remember this one for a last-minute try scored by their opponents.

Vincent Timmons

Richard Andreucetti, Philip Conway, Gareth Banahan and Stephen Hicks

Stuart Donnelly

Mr. Malachy Dunne and Kenneth McAndrew

Saturday 6th December
Aaron and Niall MacRaighe and Mark Brady represented the College in the schools swimming championship.

Wednesday 10th December
Transition Year students volunteered to help St. Michael's House with the pre-Christmas trip to the cinema.

In the last set of matches of 1997, the Under 13's rugby team defeated their counterparts in Willow Park 10-7, the first time the St. Mary's players have won their match since they began at Under 8's level. The Under 13 B team lost 56-5, while the C's won 15-12 and the D's drew 10 apiece. Another excellent turn-out from the first years.

The Under 14's lost their games against Terenure 27-7 and 49-5, but more happily the Under 15 B's and C's outscored St. Michael's 27-10 and 60-5. The most senior teams in action today were the Thirds and Fourths, both of which had a good day against Newbridge (25-10 and 37-19).

Thursday 11th December
The squash league came to an end with the Under 19's in action against Ard Scoil Ris at Mount Pleasant.

Friday 12th December
The Christmas Carol Service was held in the Chapel.
The result of the 'Kavanagh Stakes' was posted; Mr. Lewis emerged top of the list, while at the other end a wooden spoon was solemnly presented to Mr. Lacey. Mr. Lacey spotted Robert Henson of the S.C.T. and couldn't resist passing on his prize. Robert, gentleman always, resisted the temptation to tell him where to get off! Perhaps buoyed up by his success on the turf, Mr. Lewis gathered the Sixth Years and explained how to fill out a C.A.O. form.

Monday 15th December
Christmas examinations start for all classes.

Tuesday 16th December
Exams continue...

Wednesday 17th December
And continue...

Thursday 18th December
And continue...

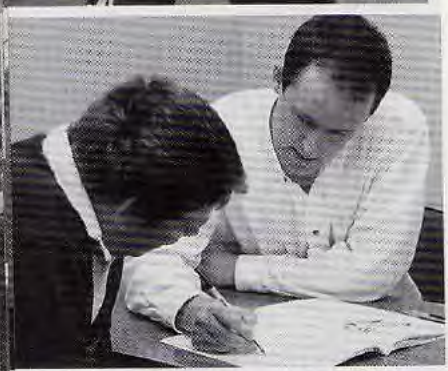
Friday 19th December
...Before coming to a welcome end. Christmas holidays begin, in a departure from the previous practice of ending the term with three schooldays.

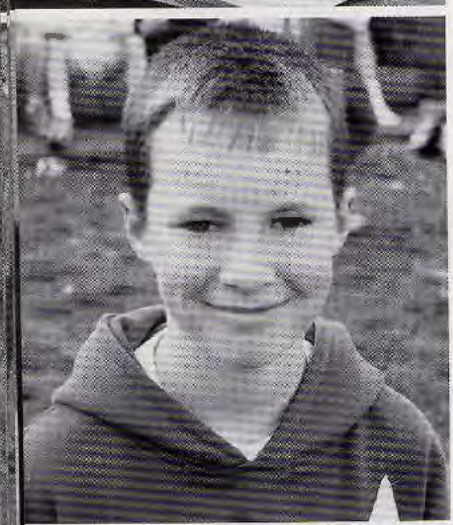
Gareth Murphy

Michael Houlihan, Colm Dalton, Niall Brew

Stephen Turley.

(l to r) Matthew O'Meara Wallis, David Kilbride, Philip Conway, Daniel Aspell, Desmond Bourke and Maurice O'Dea





Wednesday 24th December
The annual Christmas Eve Mass for the Sixth Years and their parents. A packed house, as always. One young gentleman perhaps wished he hadn't sat with his parents in the back row where Mr. Leonard could ask him for a light.

Monday 5th January
St. Mary's appear on *Blackboard Jungle*. Mark Buckley (Captain), Cillian Doyle and Jonathan Leonard acquitted themselves well, even if they did not progress to the next round. Perhaps it was the mascot that was the problem - a strange, baldy beast named 'Brian'.

Wednesday 7th January
The school term resumes with the Sixth Year parent-teacher meetings.

Thursday 8th January
The second school day of 1998, and this time the turn of the Third Years to bask in the afterglow of a parent-teacher meeting.

Friday 9th January
Classes resume for all. The thoughts and prayers of all in St. Mary's are directed towards Donal O'Flynn, a member of the Belvedere S.C.T. who received a serious neck injury in a recent friendly game.

Saturday 10th January
Six rugby teams were due to be hosted by Campbell College: all six matches fell victim to waterlogged pitches.

Monday 12th January
Mr. Davis Barry spoke to the Sixth Years about the issue of alcohol abuse.

Tuesday 13th January
The P.P.U. President's Library Initiative: a meeting was held at 6.00 p.m. to move it forward. Later in the evening, the First Aid course began for the Transition Year students.

Wednesday 14th January
The squash shield began, with four teams from different years competing.

The Senior rugby teams hosted King's Hospital and Temple Park at Templeville. Both matches brought victories, of 41-15 and 20-3 respectively. The Under 14 A's and B's played St. Michael's at Kenilworth: the A's won 24-12, the B's lost 39-14. The four Under 13 teams were due to play Terenure; in the event, unplayable pitches meant that only two matches went ahead. The A's were shaded 26-24, the D's 13-5.

Marc McDonnell

Niall Marsh and Mr. Kavanagh

Gregory Murray

Donal Campion

Thursday 15th January
A meeting of the School Council was held at 1.45.

Saturday 17th January
The S.C.T. played their last friendly game before the Cup Campaign. Two Wesley teams visited Kenilworth; the Mary's Firsts won their match 20-11, the Seconds 39-12. The Fourths played and won 'away' at Sandford Park, 25-0, while the Fifths visited Blackrock and won 36-26. The Junior Cup Team scored 27 points to Presentation Cork's zero. The visitors had more joy against the Mary's J.L.T., winning 35-5. Afterwards, the Cork players were hosted and dined at the College before departing on the evening train. At Under 14 level, two teams were beaten by Templeogue College: the A's 19-12 and the B's 58-0.

Wednesday 21st January
The Senior Seconds began their League Campaign with a 39-3 defeat to Blackrock. The Senior Fourths, playing now in the Thirds League, lost 55-10 to the same opponents. Under 13 C and D games against Belvedere had to be cancelled because of the familiar problem of waterlogged pitches. The only other teams in action today were the Under 13 A's and B's: the A's lost 20-19 to Belvedere, the B's drew 12 apiece.

Thursday 22nd January
Mr. O Scannlain posts congratulations to Stephen Hicks, Alex Matthews and Colm McGetrick on claiming first, second and third prize respectively for projects in Irish which traced the origins of their surnames.

Friday 23rd January
Vive la difference! Fourth Years took on St. Louis in a table quiz - conducted through French.

Saturday 24th January
Mr. Dunne, Mr. Lacey and Mr. Levins travelled to Kilkenny with the Senior Seconds and the Under 13 C's. Both matches saw whitewashes: the Senior Seconds were beaten 42-0, and were revenged by a Under 13 score of 32-0. Fr. Flavin and Mr. Rossi brought the J.C.T. and the Under 15 C's to play the Royal School, Dungannon. The teams won their matches 12-8 and 21-0 respectively.

Back in Dublin, the Senior Thirds, playing in the Seconds League, beat Templeogue 58-0. The Under 14 A's lost 44-26 to Blackrock, while the Under 14 B's won 17-7.

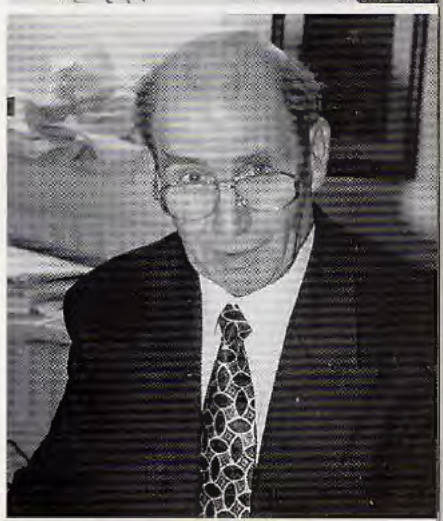
Tuesday 27th January
Mr. Foley and three of his Fourth Year charges spotted a bicycle-theft in progress and gave hot pursuit. Unfortunately, the thieves showed them clean pairs of heels.

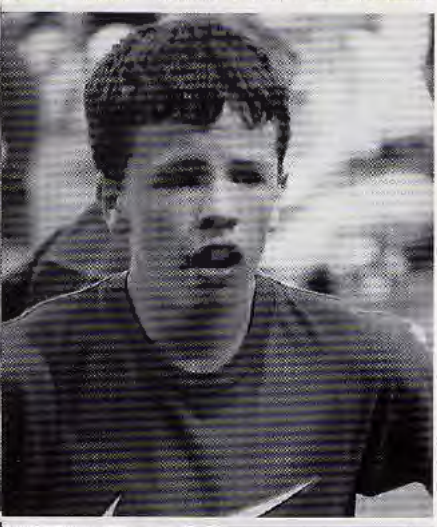
Conor Brew

Ken McDonald and Aaron MacRaighne

Mr. Leonard

Ciaran Traynor





Wednesday 28th January
The squash shield ends, with the Under 16 team finishing at the top of the league. Congratulations to David Corbet, Stephen Hutton and Mark Sullivan.

Two Under 14 rugby matches: the A's beat Gonzaga 17-13; the B's lost 54-42.

Thursday 29th January
Mr. Frank Foley makes another Diary appearance this week - this one merited by appearing on the stage at the Point with Barry Manilow. Honestly!

Friday 30th January
Mr. Byrne announced that the good reports posted throughout the year about the Fifth Years should not go un-rewarded. Therefore, the Fifth Years appeared this morning in civvies, and spent the afternoon bowling at the Tallaght Leisureplex.

Saturday 31st January
The Fifth Seniors, playing in the Fourths League, lost by a one point margin to King's Hos. The J.C.T. enjoyed a 17-15 victory over C.B.C. Cork. The J.L.T. lost 13-0 to the Cork visitors. The Under 14 A's beat Wesley 19-9; the Under 14 B's lost 31-20. The Under 13's played the first match of the Provincial's Cup. Fr. McNulty and Mr. Hughes accompanied the team to Rockwell, where they posted a comfortable 27-0 victory.

Sunday 1st February.
The First Round of the Leinster Senior Cup. St. Mary's College 23: Belvedere 0.

The opening of the Senior Cup Campaign at Donnybrook. A crowd of over 6,000 enjoyed the unseasonably fine weather and watched St. Mary's beat the pre-match favourites Belvedere by 23-0. Scores came from five Campion penalties – one from fifty yards out - a Quinn drop-goal, and a Burke try.

After the match, the players, their parents and the coaches enjoyed a meal in the College.

Monday 2nd February
Today's papers record yesterday's emphatic victory. 'St. Mary's star in power-packed performance', according to the Irish Times, while the Independent goes for the more colourful, 'Hail Mary's as boys in blue go on the rampage'. The Times noted that 'Victory was as emphatic as the final scoreline suggests: speed of thought, clarity of purpose and basic speed were primary factors in explaining St. Mary's College's disregard of the form book at Donnybrook yesterday'. However, the writer warned that, 'Despite yesterday's

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Joey Connolly and Ciaran Lennon

Darragh Queenan, Kevin McCabe, Joseph Doddy, Kenneth McAndrew, David Hendrick and Ross Wynne

Graham Keegan

Joseph Doddy, Ronan O'Donnell

victory, Mary's face an equally-tough hurdle in the second ronnd, if, as expected, they face Newbridge College, winners of the schools' league.'

In the Independent, Tony Ward gave full credit to Belvo for the manner in which they threw everything at Mary's in the final phase of the game. However, he noted that this was Mary's day and Mary's game. 'They are strong in almost every sector not least up front. Certainly, if there is a better-drilled pack in the competition I look forward to seeing it. Each and every one of the eight looks at ease with ball in hand. However in Gavin Hickie, Robert Henson and the entire backrow of Louis Burke, Robert Ryan and Shane Jennings they possess real quality... Mary's Louis Burke was my man of the match in a team which looks to have the potential to go the whole way. Particularly so, if Campion continues to strike his goalkicking opportunities as cleanly as he did yesterday.'

Tuesday 3rd February
This afternoon, a stndy seminar was held for the Fifth Years.

Wednesday 4th February
The Leinster Squash Championships began. The Under 14's team of David Fanagan, David Rutherford and Alan Steedman beat St. Michael's B team and now face the Michael's A team in the second round. The Under 16's beat Blackrock and will play De La Salle. The Second and Fourth Senior Rugby Teams continued their league campaigns with victories of 15-5 and 34-27 over St. Michael's.

Thursday 5th February
The Fifth Years were off-site this morning, attending a careers seminar. In Second Year, the 'Sticks & Stones' theatre company presented their anti-bnllying programme. In the staff room, serious accusations of 'phone-hopping' were levelled at and emphatically denied by Mrs. Manning.

Friday 6th February
Tony Ward's Schools Rugby Week in the Irish Independent. 'Best Kicking Performance: St. Mary's left wing Donal Campion with five pressure penalties kicks out of five against Belvedere. Coolness personified.' 'Inspired moment of the week: Came in the 53rd minute of the Mary's v Belvedere clash of the titans when Mary's outside half Michael Quinn hit as sweet a left footed drop goal as you will see anywhere.' 'Match to watch: Newbridge v St. Mary's on Tuesday next at Donnybrook. Get there early.'

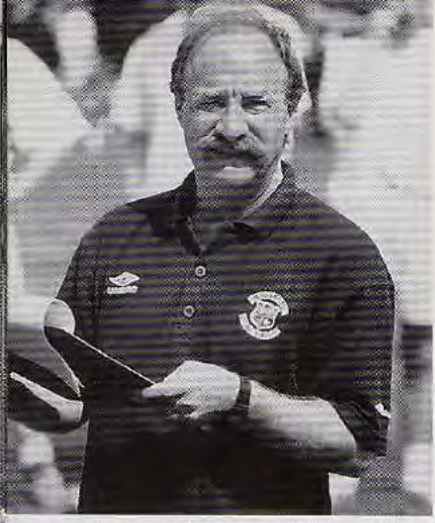
Saturday 7th February
Fr. Redmond from Templeogue College asked for a Mary's Third Senior team to play Wydness. St. Mary's were delighted to oblige and won the match 21-5. The J.C.T. played their last match before

Ross Dawson

Ciaran Ardagh

Rory Madden

Oliver McCormack



the Cup Campaign, and ended the friendly season in style with a 41-7 victory over Rockwell. The Under 14's hosted Dalriada for the weekend. Today's match went Mary's way by 12-10.

Sunday 8th February
Con Houlihan, writing of last Sunday's game, described Donal Campion's decision to go for goal from fifty yards out. 'When Campion indicated that he would kick at goal, I thought that he was being romantically optimistic. He was essaying from over 50 yards from the endline and close to touch on his left. I didn't know that his right foot is a rocket launcher; the oval sailed away in a beautiful arc and came to earth just beyond the crossbar.'

Monday 9th February
Fourth year parents evening.

Tuesday 10th February
The Second Round of the Leinster Senior Cup. St. Mary's College 23: Newbridge 22.

Message left on school mobile, 5.15 pm. 'Brian, just to say I don't think that I have ever experienced anything like that, this afternoon. Congratulations to everyone involved. It certainly restores faith in Irish rugby. I hope I can adequately express it in tomorrow's paper. It was fantastic' - Tony Ward.

Wednesday 11th February
'This was a majestic game of rugby - one of the all time greats. Six sensational tries, with the lead changing hands five times. Pressure kicking of the highest order. Excitement from first whistle to last but, most of all, rugby played at a pace and a quality that truly had to be seen to be believed. This match had it all.
Just when it looked as if Newbridge had done enough to go through, up stepped Donal Campion to strike as sweet a long-range pressure kick as you will see anywhere. Pure theatre.' Tony Ward, Irish Independent.

'The Leinster Schools' Senior Cup has conjured exceptional contests that have graced the competition through the ages. Yesterday's game at Donnybrook bears favourable comparison with any selected from history, an intoxicating amalgam of tension and quality that shrouded the result in doubt until well into injury time.

Newbridge appeared to have snatched a famous victory with a superb individual try from full-back Ronan Murphy, who ricocheted from tackler to tackler, somehow maintaining balance and direction, before crossing halfway between the posts and the touch line.

Out-half Patrick Noble, with the sides tied at 20-20, clamly posted a fine conversion to nudge his side in front: two minutes remained and St. Mary's hopes seemed futile. Even when referee

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Mr. Hughes

Eoghan Hughes, Simon Emerson

Michael Craig, Richard Boyd, Brian Fallon, Simon Nagle and Damien Russell at Donnybrook

Fergus O'Sullivan

Tony Redmond penalised Newbridge with nine seconds left, St. Mary's chances of redemption appeared slim as the award was some 45 metres from goal.

Left wing Donal Campion, brother of former schools international out-half, Fergal, had posted a mammoth kick against Belvedere from an even greater distance. Given the nature of this opportunity, the pressure involved, expectations must have been minimal. The young Campion struck the ball magnificently and St. Mary's scented deliverance.' John O'Sullivan, Irish Times.

'Without doubt this was one of the greatest games of rugby that it has been my privilege to see.' Declan Downs, Evening Herald.

Perhaps inspired by yesterday's classic, the Under 13's played their second match of the Provincial's Cup campaign, winning 15-10 against Blackrock.

The Under 14's squash team received a bye from St. Michael's and will proceed to a third round game against Blackrock. The Under 16's defeated De La Salle. The Under 19B's were beaten by De La Salle.

Friday 13th February

Tony Ward's Schools Rugby Week. Best Match: St. Mary's 23, Newbridge 22. There have been many great games down the years but I cannot recall a more complete one that this. And not an unsavoury incident in seventy action-packed minutes. Respective coaches Paddy Butler, Declan Corbett (Newbridge), Denis Hickie and Ciaran O'Donnell (St. Mary's) take a bow.

Most Spirited Moment: The prolonged applause from every spectator present for both sets of players following the final whistle at last Tuesday's classic.

Most inspired moment: You will go a long way to better the drama and tension of the moment when Donal Campion stepped up to strike the ball that would win or lose the game on Tuesday. Courage and composure in abundance.

Would I Like to be a Fly on the Wall at the Team Talk: When Mickey Quinn senior instructs Messrs Melvin and Rennicks (the Castleknock flankers) how to 'deal' with Michael Quinn junior at outside half on the St. Mary's team when father meets son in the Castleknock/ St. Mary's quarter final on the 25th.

Saturday 14th February

James Norton became the first member of the S.C.T. in living history to be run over by the Kenilworth scrummaging machine.

Perhaps encouraged by the prowess of the S.C.T. pack, the Senior Thirds defeated Belvedere 44-7, and the Under 15 C's beat the same opponents 25-10.

Monday 16th February

Mr. Lacey began the Under 13 rugby league.

Philip Conway

John Burke, Cillian Doyle, John Daly and Eoin Fogarty

Paul Nash

Sam McArdle at Kenilworth

Tuesday 17th February
First Round of Junior Cup: St. Mary's College 39: Gonzaga 3

Wednesday 18th February
'Gonzaga are calmly blown away' and 'St. Mary's are well equipped' read the headlines. According to Tony Ward, 'Days like this are made for St. Mary's. Pity poor Gonzaga, they must have almost choked when they woke up to such a balmy day.

In glorious conditions there could be but one result in this Coca-Cola Leinster Schools Junior Cup. And so it proved.

Certainly on the evidence of this, their first outing, it looks a potential cup winning outfit.'

Des Berry in the Irish Times wrote, 'Like a dog with a bone, St. Mary's College are reluctant to give up their Leinster Schools Junior crown and at Donnybrook yesterday their taste for success buried Gonzaga almost without trace.

Four players - centre Cathal Connolly and forwards Barry McCormack, Donagh Ryan and Ciaran Potts - remain from last season and their inclusion gives St. Mary's a rigid spine.

On this evidence, it would appear that, for once, the Rathmines school's strength lies with the forwards – not that the backs are slouches either.'

Later in the day, the Third Seniors drew 12-12 with Roscrea's Seconds. The J.L.T. began their League Campaign with a 18-10 win, while the Under 13's lost for the first time in this year's Provincial's Cup, by 17-13 to St. Michael's.

Both the Under 14's and Under 19 A's ended their squash season today, with defeats by Blackrock. Hope now rests with the Under 16's, who meet 'Rock in the next round.

Saturday 21st February
The Senior Fourths were the only rugby team in action today, and beat C.U.S. 13 points to 11.

Monday 23rd February
A sad day in the school's year, with the funeral taking place of Mrs. O'Donovan, mother of John Paul in 1A2. The prayers and sympathies of all are extended towards the O'Donovans.

Tuesday 24th February
Two rugby matches today. The Senior Fifths lost 36-7 to Clongowes, and the Under 15 C's beat Blackrock 7-6.

Wednesday 25th February.
The Third Round of the Leinster Senior Cup. St. Mary's College 16: Castleknock 15.

Another tense one. It's difficult to imagine surviving more of these.

Brian McDermot

Stephen Beatty, Paul Butler, David Corbet

Shane Levins

Lord Alton, David Barrett and Shane Lonergan

Later in the afternoon, on the squash courts, an indignity was perpetrated by Blackrock, who put our Under 16's out of the championships.

Thursday 26th February.
'Mary's break 'Knock hearts in epic battle' and 'St. Mary's scrape through' read the headlines.

According to Tony Ward, 'This, surely, is as close as it gets ... but full credit to St. Mary's. They hung on and defended their lines admirably. In real backs-to-the-wall rearguard action it was the front row of Gavin Hickie, Robert Henson and Colm O'Sullivan which really stood out.'

The Under 14 rugby leagues began, organised by Mr. O'Gorman and Mr. Hurley.

Friday 27th February
The final of the chess tournament took place between Donal Garry and Sean Treacy. The canteen was packed with an invited audience of parents and boys, who saw Sean Treacy carry off the trophy.
Tony Ward's Schools Rugby Week

Best Match: St. Mary's 16 - Castleknock 15. For high drama at the death this quarter final just about shades it over Clongowes' tour de force at Donnybrook yesterday. Castleknock's well organised forward machine powered by Messrs McMahon and Duffy against Mary's wider all embracing game.

Most Inspired Moment: So many... But to St. Mary's coach Denis Hickie senior the honour for taking the time under pressure to embrace young No 8 Conor Queenan on his performance as a replacement for the injured Shane Jennings when substituted on against 'Knock.

Saturday 28th February
The Senior Fifths played and beat Newbridge College by 27-12. The Under 15 C's played their last League game before the knock-out stages. A 44-12 victory over Castleknock earn them a semi-final 'home' game against Blackrock.

Sunday 1st March
Second Round of the Junior Cup. St. Michael's 13: St. Mary's 3

Monday 2nd March
'Michael's on the march' and 'Surprise as St. Michael's tear up the foon book'. 'A miserable weekend for St. Mary's was completed at Donnybrook yesterday when their highly fancied schools' Junior team exited from this season's Coca Cola Cup quarter final to sister college St. Michael's' - Tony Ward. What more can be said?
Dr. Deasy took charge of Fifth Year for the morning.

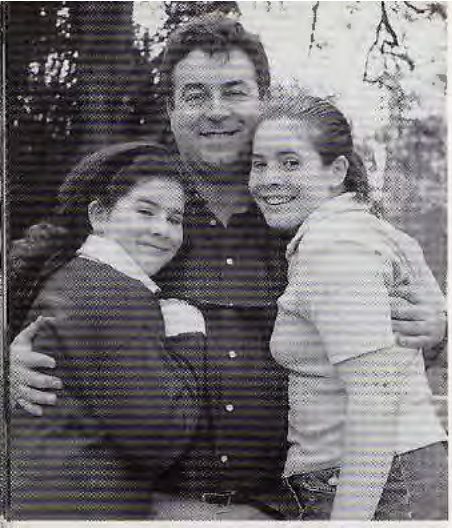
The Mock Exams began for the Third and Sixth Years.

Mr. Foley

Alexander Mullin

Spaceman William Sadlier

Jonathan Leonard, P.P.U. President Mr. Bob Hughes



Mr. Tony Levins, Senior Seconds Coach, had a deflating experience as no less than four rugby balls in succession were punctured. Foul play was not suspected.

Tuesday 3rd March
The Under 13's played Willow Park in the Provincial's Cup. Willow won 12-3.

Wednesday 4th March
The Senior Seconds continued their League campaign with a 27-7 win over Newbridge. Mount Temple beat the Fourths 28-17, and the Fifth's scored a 20-10 victory over St. Paul's.

Thursday 5th March
Lord Alton of Liverpool, formerly the Liberal M.P. David Alton, visited the school and spoke to the Fourth and Fifth Years on the topic, 'A Christian Approach to Politics'. Discussing Maximilian Kolbe, he laid it on the line for the boys - as Christians, they have a responsibility to use their gifts and their education for the beuefit of others, even to the detriment of their own material lives.

Friday 6th March
The Mocks end.

Saturday 7th March
One rugby match today: the J.L.T. defeated Castleknock by 7 points to 5.

Sunday 8th March
Congratulations to Paul Diamond and Brian Fallon, who came first in the Dublin City Final of the Young Entrepreneur Scheme.

Monday 9th March
The school day began at 8.30 with the third anniversary Mass for the late Fergus Kelly, R.I.P. May he rest in peace.

In the evening, the Fourth Years attended *The School for Scandal* at the Gaiety.

Wednesday 11th March
The Semi-Final of the Leinster Senior Cup. Clongowes 41: St. Mary's 17

Thursday 12th March
Today's newspapers reflected the widespread feeling that yesterday, our S.C.T. performed valiantly but in fairness was outgunned by a better side. 'Brilliant Clongowes book place in final', according to the Independent; 'Clongowes Awesome' summed up the Times. Tony Ward pointed out that it marks 'a disappointing end to a memorable campaign for St. Mary's but they can console them-

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Jamie, Clive and Sarah Byrne

Colm Fair

Rossa O'Donovan

Fr. Flavin

selves in the fact that they were blown away by one of the great team performances of all time in this competition.' Gerry Thornley played tribute to the fact that Mary's 'bravely elected to run three close range penalties and scored tries off all of them. Augmenting some fine defensive work, number eight Shane Jennings (a mere 15 years old), flanker Louis Burke, and ubiquitous loose-head Gavin Hickie had superb games.'

So there it ends. Congratulations to the team and in particular to Denis Hickie and Ciaran O'Donnell for fielding the teams which produced games of rugby which will be remembered for many years.

The Senior Seconds played their last match of the season, losing 21-11 to Terenure. The Under 13's beat Templeogue 51-0 to come fourth in their League and to earn a semi-final place against Willow in the Provincial's Cup.

The Under 13 D's were defeated 33-17 by Templeogue.

Friday 13th March

A fine photograph graces the front of the Irish Family uewspaper, of Fifth Years David Barrett and Shane Lonergan chatting with Lord Alton.

Saturday 14th March

The Third Seniors defeated C.B.C. 27-0.

Wednesday 18th March

The J.L.T. lost 25-0 to Terenure, but finish runners-up in their section and will play Blackrock in the semi-finals of the knockout stages.

Saturday 21st March

The Third Seniors played Roscrea to decide the winners of the section. A 30-22 victory means a 'home' semi-final.

The Senior Fifths played Summerhill and won 19-5.

The J.L.T. played what proved to be their last match of the season, losing 30-0 to Blackrock in the semi-final of the league.

Congratulations to Alan Hicks, Alan Hughes, Andrew Keane and Pierce Madden who took part in the Dublin South Community radio Master Quiz, 1998. They performed well, and were squeezed out by Loreto, Rathfarnham.

Monday 23rd March

Beginning of French and German Orals.

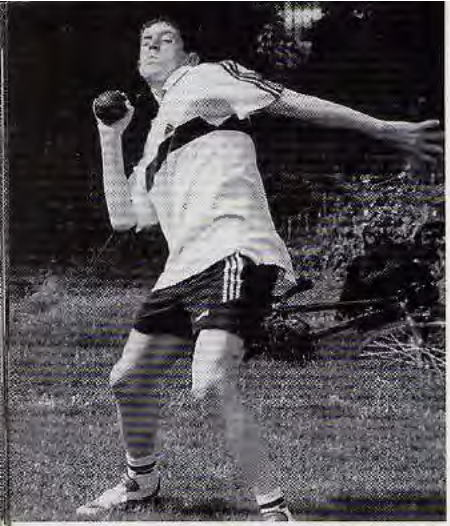
In the afternoon, the Under 13's and a large contingent of supporters travelled to Willow to see the semi-finals of the Provincial's Cup. Fr. McNulty always said that this year's Under 13's would be difficult to beat; and certainly Willow had to work hard for a 20-17 victory. Even to the last minute it looked as if St. Mary's would go over for a try which would retain the Provincial's Cup, but it was

Alan Godfrey

(l to r) Mr. John Wynne, Mr. Adrian O'Scanláin, Mr. Charlie Hendrick and Mr. Clive Byrne (3rd's Final)

Michael Mehigan

Daragh Tracey, Padraig Godfrey and Andrew Nolan



not to be. Congratulations to the team and to Fr. McNulty and Mr. Hughes, who have trained the winning teams for the past three years, as well as this year's doughty semi-finalists.

Wednesday 23rd March
The Under 14's completed their season with a game against De La Salle, which the visitors won 10-7.

Thursday 26th March
Our Argentinean guests left today. Best wishes from all in St. Mary's go with Rafael, Roberto, Alfredo, Ludwig and Fernando.

Friday 27th March
Tony Ward's Schools Rugby Week

Best Match of the Competition: St. Mary's 23, Newbridge 22. In a truly vintage year there were some real heart-stoppers but one game stood out among all the others. It finished with St. Mary's the odd point ahead in 45. It had everything. Six sensational tries with the lead changing hands five times. Pressure kicking par excellence. Intensive excitement from first whistle to last but most of all rugby played at a pace and a quality that absolutely belied the tender age of the participants.

Shock of the Competition: the honour goes to St. Michael's J's for convincingly knocking out highly fancied St. Mary's (13-3) in the Junior quarter final.

Saturday 28th March
Congratulations to the Under 14 A's, trained by Mr. Patsy Fogarty, who won the annual blitz at Wesley College.

Congratulations also to the Senior Thirds, who defeated Terenure 9-3 to reach the final of the Senior Seconds League. Mark Trundle will remember this day for his superb drop goal.

And finally congratulations are due to the Junior Thirds, 30-5 winners against Blackrock and now finalists in the Junior Thirds League.

Monday 30th March
Ten German boys arrived as part of an exchange programme and were integrated into classes.

Good news comes in – Robert Henson, Kieran Lewis and James Norton are selected to represent their conntry in the forthcoming game against Scotland Schoolboys at Thomond Park.

The Irish Orals began.

Tuesday 31st March
The German exchange students visited the Dublinia exhibition.
In the evening, Paul Nash of First Year made a contribution by telephone to *Echo Island*. The guests were past pupils Denis Hickie and Conor McGuinness.

Gary Roche

Richard Shaffrey, Emmet Moore

Niall Conway

Brian Moran

Wednesday 1st April
The German students and their Irish hosts were the guests of Lord Mayor John Stafford at the Mansion House.

Back at school, various outrages marked the day. Mr. Doyle reacted with his customary steely calm to the Sixth Year's impromptu get-together in the yard, while Mr. Foley colluded with a pair of Third Years in gathering signatures to 'free the Weatherfield One'.

In the afternoon, it was heartbreak for the Senior Thirds. Wesley scored a last-second try in the League Final to win 5-3, in a game which will be remembered for the atrocious weather conditions. Despite the disappointment, the Thirds have much to be proud of - in particular, reaching the final of the Seconds League.

Thursday 2nd April
The S.C.T. squad which will represent the College in Dubai met the Taoiseach, Mr. Ahern, for a photoshoot. Thanks to Mrs. Sadlier for organising the event, and to the Taoiseach for giving up his valuable time to lend his personal support to the team.

On the rugby field, the last match of the season saw the Under 15's play Clongowes in the League Final. Unfortunately, it was to be Clongowes' day, by 12-8. Congratulations to Clongowes, and to our own Under 14's.

Despite the defeat, gamesmaster Mr. Wall was seen with a smile on his face. It was the last of 218 games played this season, each one organised by him.

Friday 3rd April
Two past pupils wore the green shirt today against England today: John McWeeney played on the Ireland 'A' team, and Richard Ormond for the Under 21's.

Saturday 4th April
The last match of the Triple Crown, a tough fixture against England at Twickenham. Despite the defeat, there was plenty of encouragement in the performance of the Irish team. Denis Hickie's second interception try of this championship was memorable, as was his second try from Eric Elwood's backwards flick.

Past pupils Ronan McCormack and Gordon Cantwell played in the Irish Universities team which beat their English counterparts 80-30. Simon Doggett was unavailable due to injury.

Sunday 5th April
The Senior Team begin their Dubai trip.

Monday 6th April
The First Years went on their annual visit to the Burren.

Paul O'Doherty

Rudi Casari, Patrick Purcell

Mr. John Gillespie

Barry Richardson, Joseph Norton and Richard Breathnach

Wednesday 8th April
The Irish Schools rugby team enjoyed an impressive 49-0 victory over their Scottish counterparts. The St. Mary's duo of James Norton and Kieran Lewis scored a try apiece.

A discreet notice appeared in the Irish Times notifying past pupils of the Easter Ceremonies at St. Mary's.

Thursday 9th April
Easter Ceremonies were conducted in the College Chapel.
Gerry Thornley wrote of yesterday's match, 'The best was kept until last, Hughes and hooker Gavin Ryan showing good skills in open play to put the under-used Norton over in the corner. Then a lovely show of the ball and outside break by Dunne from inside half-way, followed by a long flat pass enabled Kieran Lewis to score in the corner from 40 metres out.'

Friday 10th April
Easter Ceremonies continued in the College Cbapel.

Saturday 11th April
The culmination and high-point of the Easter Ceremonies, with a Vigil Mass in the Chapel.

Tuesday 14th April
The SCT returned from Dubai.

Saturday 18th April
Paul Diamond aud Brian Fallon, having already won the Dublin final of the Young Entrepreneur Scheme, went on today to win the Provincial Final.

Sunday 19th April
The Title reported 'Dubai success for St. Mary's'. 'Last Sunday was a great day for Irish underage rugby on more than one level. Ireland's under 19 side made history winning the World Youth Championship against France.

On the same afternoon St. Mary's College were completing their participation in the International Schoolboys Rugby Festival in Dubai, defeating Kelvinside Academy from Glasgow 44-0.

The victory came at the end of a memorable week for the students which earued the Rathmines school the Team of the Tournament trophy from the Arabian Gulf RFU for 'playing the most attractive rugby of the tournament, and showing the best sportsmanship on and off the field.'

The highlight of the week was a 15-10 victory over Grey College from Bloenfontein in South Africa.'

Monday 20th April
A day-long staff meeting took place.

David O'Kennedy

Stephen Shirley

Eoin Garry

Paul Butler

Friday 24th April
It is announced that St. Mary's have won the Irish Times 'Spinaweb' competition.

Saturday 25th April
Two matches this morning at Kenilworth. In soccer, the sixth years played the fifth years for the Fergus Kelly trophy. The sixth years, captained by Niall Kavanagh, won by a record 6-1 margin.

On the next pitch, the senior years took one another on at rugby. As usual, backs played forward and vice versa. Mr. Hughes, as per tradition, acted as referee. Colm McWeeney's sixth year team won a convincing 24-10 victory in a match that lacked nothing for entertainment value, despite Stephen Shirley's attempt to decapitate the photographer. Afterwards, Mrs. Henson and Mrs. O'Sullivan presented the cups to the victorious captains.

Sunday 26th April
Mr. Wall demonstrated his devotion to the Holy Ghost Missions in Sierra Leone by joining the Willow Park Wheelers in a 106 mile sponsored cycle to Kinnegad and back. Congratulations to him and to all at Willow.

Monday 27th April
The Senior Cricket match against High School was cancelled due to rain.

Tuesday 28th April
The Senior School soccer leagues began. Mr. Lacey organised First Year, Mr. O'Gorman and Mr. Hurley Second, Mr. Rossi Third, Mr. O'Scannlain Fifth and Mr. Leonard Sixth.
The Senior tennis team beat Castleknock in an away game.

Wednesday 29th April
During the morning, the class photographs were taken by Mr. James Maguire.

In the afternoon, the Senior Cricket team had another match cancelled by rain.

Friday 1st May
Mr. Gillespie and the Sixth Year geography class spent the day at Glendalough.

Saturday 2nd May
The Junior Cricket Team was defeated by St. Andrew's in a league match.

Colm Maguire

John Bourke, Brendan Donnelly and Alex Heriott

Robert Ryan

Ciarán Ó Fiacháin

Tuesday 5th May
A fine picture in the Irish Times of the Spin-a-Web team of Eoghan Dillon, Daniel Gallagher, Mr. Newell, Alan Hughes, Cillian Doyle, Andrew Keane and Alan Hicks.

Wednesday 6th May
The Under 13 Cricket Team beat High School in their first cup match.

Thursday 7th May
Mr. Hughes brought the College's athletes to Santry for the qualifying tournament for the Leinster schools' athletics championship. The following qualified: Richard Breathnach, Rudi Cusari, Stephen Grissing and Gary Roche in the Minor Relay; Stephen Grissing in the Minor 80 metres; Joe Connolly, Ronan Doherty, James Clarke and Michael Ryan in the Junior Relay; James McGetrick, Kieran Lewis, Paul Opperman and James Norton in the Senior Relay; James McGetrick in the Long Jump, and Paul Oppermann in the 100 and 200 metres.

Monday 11th May
The completion date for the last of the Junior Certificate art projects.

In the afternoon, a staff meeting was held to work over aspects of the Transition Year.

Wednesday 13th May
The Senior Cricket Team defeated St. Columba's at the Leinster Cricket Club.

Saturday 16th May
Ian O'Herlihy notched up a century on the cricket field against King's Hospital.

Sunday 17th May
Sports day was held at Kenilworth. A sunny day and a large participation contributed to its success.

Wednesday 20th May
The Leinster Schools' Minor and Junior Athletics Championships in Santry. Stephen Grissing notched up a third place in the 80 metres, while the Minor Relay team came in fourth. Pride of place, however, goes to the Junior Relay Team of Ronan Doherty, James Clarke, Joe Connolly and Michael Ryan, which won first prize and now goes on to represent the College at the All-Ireland School's Championships in Tullamore.

Darragh Kirby

Denis Hickie Snr.

Philip Costelloe

Daniel McGill

Thursday 21st May
A group of over fifty Fifth Years travelled to Croagh Patrick with Mr. Doyle and Mr. Lacey for an overnight stay and to climb the Reek.

The Senior Cricket team beat High School in an 'away' League Match.

Friday 22nd May
The Sixth Years' schooldays came to an end. As usual, a reception was held to mark the occasion in the morning, and a staff-Sixth Year soccer match in the afternoon. Mr. Leonard refereed the affair, which ended 4-2 in favour of the staff.

Saturday 23rd May
A busy day in the College. The Leinster Schools' Senior Athletics Championship was held in Santry. Paul Oppermann won the 100 metres in 11.1 seconds and the 200 metres in 21.77. St. Mary's also won the 4 x 100 relay, with the team of Paul Oppermann, James McGetrick, Kieran Lewis and James Norton coming in at 43.72 seconds. Congratulations to them all.

The Junior School Sports Day took place in the College.

In the evening, the Sixth Years and their parents congregated for the Graduation Mass. Last year, a meal was held in the College Hall to mark the occasion; this year it was decided to make the Sixth Year Prizegiving part of the event. Over two hundred sat down to a full dinner, and prizes were presented by Mr. Bob Hughes, President of the Past Pupils' Union.

Sunday 24th May
The College was shocked to hear of the sudden death of Mr. John O'Driscoll, father of Edmund in First Year. The prayers and thoughts of all are with the O'Driscoll's at this time.

Tuesday 26th May
The peace in the College was shattered with the arrival back from work experience of Transition Year.

The Second Years were conducted on a trip around Leinster House by Deputy Frances Fitzgerald.

Auditions were held for Fifth Years for a new RTÉ program called *Gridlock*.

Wednesday 27th May
The funeral took place at the Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar of Mr. John O'Driscoll. May he rest in peace.

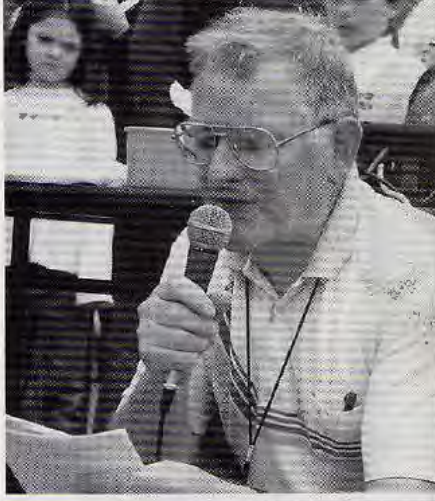
Thursday 28th May
Summer exams began for First, Second and Fifth Years.

Mr. Dan Dunne

Ross Mulvey, Caolan Lynch, Michael Houlihan and Shane Connaughton

Edward Smith

William McCauley, Brian McCarthy



Friday, 29th May
The Fourth Years participated in a soccer blitz at Kenilworth organised by Mr. Lewis in aid of Holy Ghost initiatives in Brazil.

Tuesday 2nd June
Exams resume after the Bank Holiday weekend.

The Transition Year prize giving was held in the College Hall. Entertainment in considerable quantities was provided by the Fourth Year's performance of *Cinderalla*.

Wednesday 3rd June
Exams, and the school year, finished for the First and Fifth Years.

Thursday 4th June
The Second Years finish their exams and their year.

Friday 5th June
The College Year comes to an official end, with the Junior School closing today for the summer.

Saturday 6th June
The Irish Schools' Athletics Championship at Tullamore. Paul Oppermann won the Senior 100 metres at 10.91 seconds, and the 200 metres at 21.69. He also helped the relay team win gold with a time of 43.81 seconds - the first team ever from St. Mary's to be All-Ireland Schools Relay Champions. Congratulations to Paul, to team mates James McGetrick, James Norton and Kieran Lewis, and to Mr. Richie Hughes who trained the boys and brought them to the Championships.

William McCauley, Simon Nagle, Stephen McCormack, Kevin McCarthy, Michael McCormack and Stephen Shirley

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Damien Byrne

Cillian Delaney, Ross Dawson and Colm Dalton

Joseph Norton

Kevin McCarthy

St. Mary's College Past Pupils Union 1997-1998

The Annual General Meeting was held in the College after Mass in the Chapel on 6th September 1998. About 70 members were in attendance together with Fr. John Flavin CSSp and members of the Community and teaching staff.

The outgoing President, Bob Hughes passed on the presidential chain of office to the new incumbent, David Moran, who outlined his priorities for the coming year. He announced that his Vice-President would be David Fanagan, proud possessor of a surname not entirely unknown to generations of Saint Mary's pupils.

Colm O'Doherty was elected Hon. Secretary, Robin Bailey, Hon. Treasurer, Gerry Cahill, Hon. Membership Secretary and Alan Bambridge, Dick Blake, Gareth Henson and Don O'Higgins are elected to the Committee. Paul Maloney was subsequently co-opted.

The outgoing Secretary (John Whelan's) report highlighted the events and functions held during the previous very successful year. These included the Annual Dinner, which was hugely enjoyed by a capacity attendance, the Golf Outing, the Mass for Deceased Past Pupils, the Junior Function and the London Dinner, held biennially on the eve of the England match.

The Union sponsors a Teen Parenting Programme in the College, as well as Career talks. Significant charitable donations are made to the St. Vincent de Paul Conference in the College to help the needy of Rathmines Parish. Members are encouraged to attend the Easter ceremonies in the College. The Union has a major project to help fund the refurbishment of Kenilworth Square. Discussion continues over the best format for the Union's Membership Yearbook. Close links are retained with the St. Mary's Lawn Tennis Club and the Rugby Club.

Dougie Thornton brought the meeting up to date on progress with the Past Presidents' New School Library project, which involves help with the provision of a modern computerised library for the College.

A lively and friendly discussion of Union matters ensued, and it is evident that the Union is clearly flourishing. However, new members, especially young people, are needed, both for their own benefit and to promote the objectives of the Union.

I would warmly recommend to members active participation in as many Union functions as possible during the year. You will be most welcome and will certainly enjoy yourself!

Colm G. O'Doherty
(Honorary Secretary)

St. Mary's College Rugby Football Club

Honorary Secretary's Report 1997-1998

There is no doubt that as one reflects on the past season one experiences conflicting emotions. On the one hand there is the disappointment at the unfulfilled promise of a great squad of Senior players. On the other hand there is the exceptional performance of the J1 and J2 teams. We also have visible evidence, at last, of the major development of the clubhouse which has been promised for a number of years.

For the record, the Senior Team finished fourth in the AIB All Ireland League. In the top four play-off we were beaten in the semi-final by Shannon who went on to win their fourth All Ireland League title in a row. We went out of the Leinster Senior Cup in the second round to eventual finalists Skerries, who also claimed the scalps of Greystones, Clontarf and Terenure. The J1s and J2s achieved a unique 'double double', winning the Junior League, the Metropolitan Cup, the Minor League and the O'Connell Cup. The J4s finished second in the League and were beaten in the second round of the Cup by the eventual winners, Guinness. The J5s reached the final of their League.

The Under-20s finished mid-table in the J. P. Fanagan League, a creditable achievement after a shaky start to the season. They were beaten in the quarter-final of the McCorry Cup.

A memorable performance was provided by the J7s in the Greenlea Cup competition. while the record will show that St. Mary's were beaten 31-24 by Blackrock in Lakelands on Sunday 10th May, those supporters of St. Mary's who were there will remember the game for the level of commitment given by the blend of youth and experience, the quality of running and support rugby, but in particular we will recall the spirit of sportsmanship that prevailed throughout the game.

The Club again has a remarkable catalogue of Representative Honours. One of the most memorable days in the Club's history was 15th November, 1997, when three St. Mary's players received their first caps for Ireland against new Zealand in Lansdowne Road. Conor McGuinness, John McWeeney and Kevin Nowlan were joined on the day by Denis Hickie receiving his fourth cap and resulting in St. Mary's providing four of the Ireland back line. Malcolm O'Kelly, recently with St. Mary's but now playing with London Irish, also received his first cap on that day making it a quite remarkable day for St. Mary's College RFC. Later in the season Victor Costello reclaimed the Number 8 position on the Ireland team. This meant that our Senior squad could claim five international players this year. In addition, Trevor Brennan played for Ireland A.

Mini-rugby was again under the watchful eye of Tony Brennan. Seven age levels are accommodated and last season was a particularly successful one. We would appeal for more coaches in this area. If you know of anybody who would be willing to help out in the area of Mini- or Youth rugby please talk to Tony Brennan, to a member of Rugby Council or to any Committee Member. In fact just talk to someone!

I am told by Fr. Noel Redmond that the season in Templeogue College was relatively disappointing, The Senior Cup Team did not achieve their full potential although it is hoped that they will achieve that potential in the Rugby Club. A special mention should be

made and congratulations offered to Eoin Keane who was selected for the Leinster Schools, while the College took particular pleasure in the fact that Malcolm O'Kelly is the first Templeogue past pupil to be capped for Ireland.

St. Mary's College had a successful rugby year. In the toughest campaign ever, the SCT lost to eventual cup-winners Clongowes in the semi-final of the Leinster Schools Senior Cup, having defeated Belvedere (23-0), Newbridge (16-15) and Castleknock (23-22).

After the semi-final, at very short notice, the SCT were invited to take part in the International Schools Festival of Rugby in Dubai. Four matches were played in eight days, winning against Grey College (SA) and Kelvinside Academy (Scotland), drawing with Salisbury College (Australia) and losing to 3000-pupil Auckland Grammar School (NZ). At the awards ceremony, St. Mary's were awarded the premier prize of the tournament "for the quality of their rugby and for their sportsmanship on and off the field." Donal Campion was chosen on the Team of the Tournament.

The Dubai achievement was accomplished without the services of schools' internationals James Norton, Kieran Lewis and Robert Henson. The Irish team defeated Scotland and Wales and narrowly lost the Triple Crown decider to England. Gavin Hickie was a replacement in the England game.

The JCT won 14 of 21 games during the season, but failed to fulfill their potential, despite having four of the 1997 winning team back again. The Under 13s improved amazingly throughout the season to lose narrowly to the eventual Cup-winners Willow Park in a fine semi-final performance. Four teams were fielded, with 90% of 1st Year pupils representing the school.

Junior School rugby flourished – thanks particularly to the help of four younger Club members, Mark McCrohan, Cormac Breathnach, John Kilbride and Kelvin McNamee.

Fr Flavin expressed his appreciation to all Club members for their support and encouragement during the past season. Long may the successful mutual relationship continue!

Again we have been well served in St. Mary's by our referees. I am grateful to Tony Burke Moran for his report on our club's referees. Tony earnestly appeals to new members to come forward, take up refereeing and represent the Club on the Association.

During the latter part of this season the Executive Committee and Rugby Council addressed the issue of how rugby was being managed in the club. A sub-committee met on a number of occasions and proposals have been presented to the Executive.

I should also acknowledge the contribution made by our Delegate to the Leinster Branch, John Hussey. As you no doubt know, John is the incoming President of the Leinster Branch and also serves on the IRFU Committee as a representative of the Leinster Branch.

The most significant off-the-pitch development of the season has been the implementation of the plans for a major refurbishment of the Clubhouse. Work on this project began some years ago. The initial proposal involved the relocation of the kitchen underneath the balcony, although there was quickly a realization that other major works were required. However, it was also realized that the Club had no money. It is very gratifying therefore to record that in the space of eighteen to twenty-four months the Club has not only produced a blueprint for a refurbished Clubhouse that will, when completed, restore St. Mary's to a pre-eminent position in terms of the standard of facilities available to members and their guests, but also to know that, through its own resources, the Club has managed to lodge in the Development Fund almost 60 per cent of the cost of the development. And given the level of financial acumen that is available to the Club, I have no doubt that the Development will be brought to a successful conclusion with the minimum of financial demands being made

on the personal resources of the members.

Another most valuable source of income for the Club is corporate sponsorship. The Club is deeply appreciative of such sponsorship and would like to record our sincere thanks to all of our sponsors. In particular we are grateful to Firestone (and John Moane) for their sponsorship of the Club over the past three years. We are also very pleased that Firestone have agreed to sponsor St. Mary's for a further three years.

We are very grateful too for kit sponsorship by Umbro and we thank Paul Dean and his colleagues at Topl ion for their much valued support. It is not generally known that the Under-20 squad is also sponsored and we are again very grateful for this support.

The Club Dinner was most capably arranged yet again by Paddy McGlade. Despite the fact that this year the Dinner was held on Valentine's Day (14th February) the Dinner was a great success.

We are very grateful to our panel of doctors, those medical members who attend our home matches and at no cost to the club are prepared to cure the sick, heal the lame, stitch the gashed and advise those over forty to pack it in.

During the year we lost two of our members, Terry Coveney, who died last Summer, and Charles J. Hurley who died earlier this year. We also lost a very good friend in Paddy Costello who died suddenly last year. May they rest in peace.

You will be aware that the Club will celebrate its hundredth year from 1st October, 1999. While the Committee have been preoccupied recently with the refurbishment of the Clubhouse, it is the intention to set up a Centenary Sub-committee at the beginning of next season.

Before I conclude I would say that Terenure College RFC have offered St. Mary's the use of their facilities at Lakelands for as long as we might need them while development is taking place. I should like to record our thanks and appreciation to Terenure for their very generous offer.

I joined the Rugby Club in 1965. I am sure you will understand it when I say that of the 33 years that I have been a member, the last four years have been by far the most interesting. Although I have valued my years as Hon. Secretary I believe that, in the Club's interest, a fresh mind, no less than a fresh face, is needed for the position. I have had the privilege of working with four great Presidents, Paul Sheeran, Frank Dowling, Gus Browne and John Doddy. I have also had great understanding from Rugby Council and the Rugby Committee. In conclusion I would like to thank you all for helping to make the last four years the most interesting and fulfilling years of my membership of the most excellent Rugby Club in the land.

John Pyne
20th May 1998

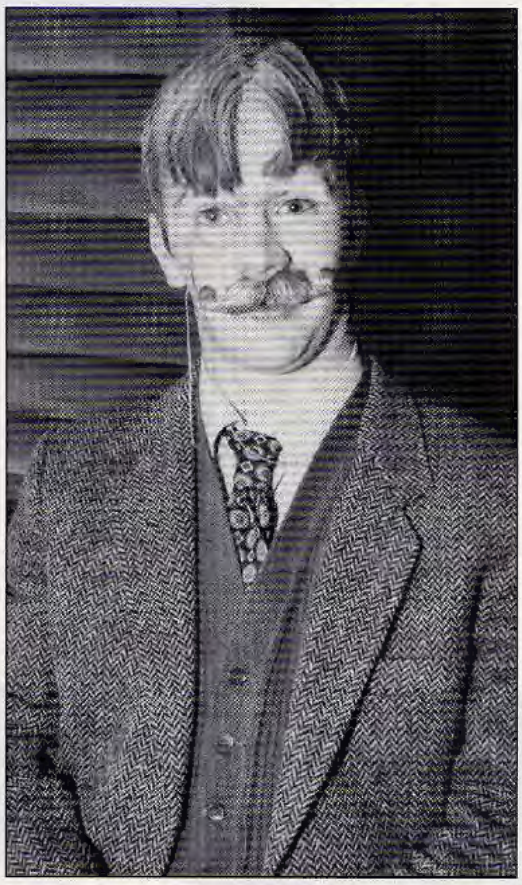
6th Year Graduation Mass & Prizegiving

a. David O'Kennedy
b. John Daly
c. Kevin Norton with Mrs. & Mr. Hughes
d. Stephen Shirley with PPU President Bob Hughes
e. Barry Harte and Mr. Hughes
f. Tim McLoughlin with Mr. Hughes
g. Stephen McElwee with "Class of '98" t-shirt

Little Mary Sunshine

This year's musical was a light comedy called *Little Mary Sunshine*. It centres around a troop of forest rangers under the command of Captain 'Big Jim' Warrington (Derek McBrien) and Corporal Billy Jester (Rouan Lyons) and the proprietress of the 'Colorado Inn', Little Mary Sunshine (Lorna Maher) and her finishing school for young ladies.

The story centres around Jim's efforts to find an errant Indian tribe, and sub-plots abound. All reach their climax in true musical style. Despite initial reservations by the boys, this musical turned out to be a great success and was enjoyed by one and all. The cast is particularly grateful to Producer Carol O'Byrne, Musical Director Ray Ryan and Choreographer Marie Barber. Next year, it is St. Mary's turn to host the show, and judging by this year's success, the boys will have a lot to live up to!



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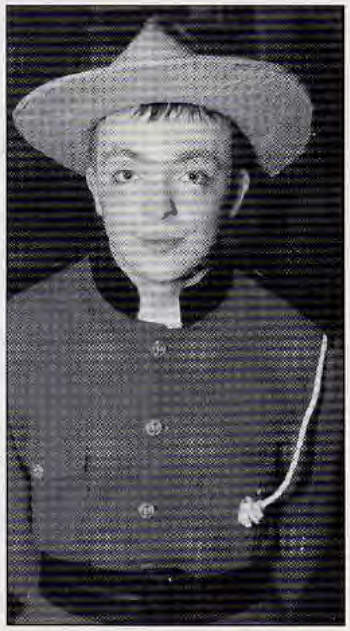

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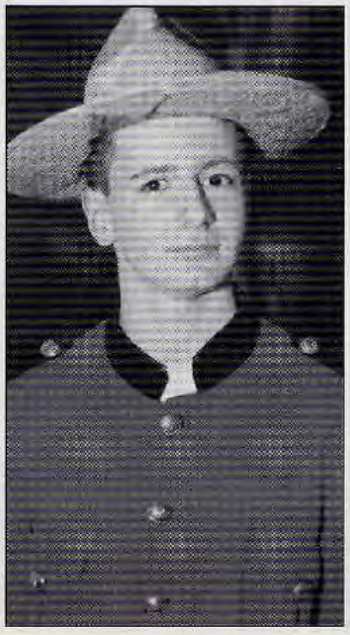


Joseph Lavelle

Ronan Lyons

Cast – Little Mary Sunshine

Little Mary Sunshine	Lorna Maher
Captain Warrington	Derek McBrien
Corporal Jester	Ronan Lyons
Nancy Twinkle	Caitriona McBride
Mme Von Liebedich, an opera singer	Fiona Browne
General Fairfax, a diplomat	Paul Stenson
Chief Brown Bear	James Coady
Fleet Foot, an Indian guide	Eoin Dillon
Yellow Feather, Brown Bear's son	Pierce Madden
Cora	Sarah Diver
Henrietta	Emer Meighan Kennedy

Young Ladies from Eastchester Finishing School
Claire O'Neill, Deirdre O'Sullivan, Marianna Boyle, Sharon East, Laure Cunningham

Gentlemen of the United States Forest Rangers
Mark Buckley, Kieran Lewis, Paul Stenson, Rory Madden, Roger Beatty, Kevin Campbell

Little Mary Sunshine – Full Cast

OBITUARY

Fr. D. M. MARTIN MAIBEN CSSp.
(1914-1997)

Fr. Martin was born in Dublin on 23 November 1914. Following preparatory schooling, he attended Blackrock College from 1929 to 1933. He then entered the Holy Ghost Noviciate and was professed at Kilshane on 1st October 1934.

Following studies for his degree at University College Dublin, he prefected in Blackrock College from 1937 to 1939, being associated with Willow Park in its earliest years. He returned to theological studies and was ordained on 12 July 1942.

He was appointed to Trinidad in 1943, and served as teacher and musical director in St. Mary's College, Port of Spain. He returned to Ireland in ill-health in 1952. He taught in Blackrock College for a year, before transferring to St. Mary's College Rathmines in 1954, where he lived and taught (Religion, English, and French) for 43 years.

Many past students, who represented an army of thousands whom he tanght throughout his lifetime both in Trinidad and in Ireland, attended his removal and funeral Mass. If in class he appeared stern to view, and if there were dismal tidings when he frowned, his students will never know the fun he got from them, the many stories he told about their exploits, the pride he had in their achievements, and the wonderful facility he had right to the end for recognising them and recalling the names of thousands.

To play golf with Martin was a unique experience, because he thought of Newlands first of all as a nature trail, and only secondly as a golfing challenge. Cricket, especially West Indian cricket, was another sporting interest. His interest in nature and in gardening was legendary. Many Rathmines students will bear witness to his gardening prowess, and his sometimes imaginative and unorthodox use of a spade!

His range of scholarship too was amazing, from researches into family history, through every facet of English literature, and he was particularly entranced by the traditions and folklore of his own country.

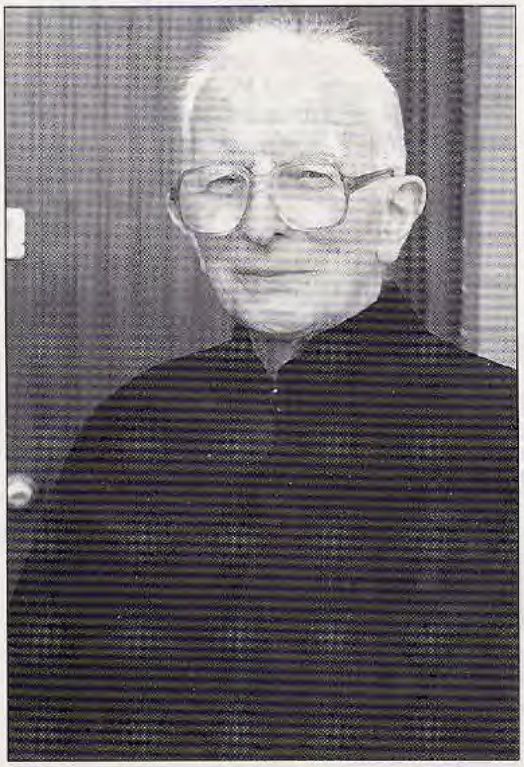
Music was the other great interest of his life; it was not merely a talent or a leisure interest, it was so much more than that. His musical work in Trinidad was immense, where his school orchestra was his pride and joy. From the first month that he came to St. Mary's he became involved in spreading musical appreciation among hundreds of students over four decades, long into his official retirement. His musical tastes were extremely catholic, even if classical music was his main interest; he could appreciate and teach his students to appreciate Dizzy Gillespie and Louis Armstrong just as enthnsiastically as Menhuin and Rubenstein. Among the several instruments he played, his favourite was the mandolin.

Following illness and eventual hospitalisation, he transferred to Marian House, Kimmage Manor in May 1997. In rapidly declining health, he received the devoted care of the staff. He died in the early hours of Friday, 10th October. All who knew him offer his family their sincere sympathy.

May he rest in peace.

The Lerin Isles and St. Patrick

by Fr. Barry, CSSp.



The South-East coast of France, called the Riviera (la Cote d'azur) is known to everyone at least by name. It stretches from the port of Marseilles through Cannes, Nice and Monaco to the Italian border at Menton. The Mediterranean itself is a vast deep sea of high salt content and almost land-locked except for the narrow Strait of Gibraltar; its tides are negligible. At its east end the River Nile pours its voluminous waters into it through the delta with its ancient port of Alexandria and its comparatively modern Port Said.

Two islands lie about two miles off-shore at Cannes Saint Marguerite and Saint Honorat. St. Honorat is the smaller measuring only 1500m by 400m, while St. Marguerite is more than twice as big.

The Roman Empire, perhaps the most consistent empire the world has ever seen, began with the conquests of Julius Caesar (C. 55 BC) It lasted about four hundred years. It was the ruling power under which Christ was born. He lived under two emperors – at His birth under Augustus (died 14 AD) and Tiberius (the emperor referred to by him on the question of paying tax). Jesus spent His life of thirty-three years in the Levant (Palestine, or the Holy Land) at the Far Eastern end of the Mediterranean.

This same great empire persecuted the Christian Faith for three hundred years – Christianity which differed so radically from the amalgam of pagan religions with their multiple gods and godesses. But the divine 'mission impossible' to go out into the whole world given by Christ to such unlikely men as the Apostles, and sustained by Him, prevailed and is still in the world today, inviting all peoples and nations to belong to it.

In the year 312 a Roman General, named Constantine, serving in York in Britain, became emperor. His mother was a Christian later to become known as Saint Helena. He proclaimed freedom for Christianity and even proclaimed it the religion of the Empire. (He himself however deferred his baptism until the eve of his death on Pentecost Sunday.)

In 313 AD he did something which accelerated the rapid decay of the great empire. He changed the seat of government from Rome to Byzantium on the Bosphorus (the Black Sea) giving this city his own name – Constantinople. Rome was left unprotected. From this on it was a prey to the barbarian hordes which swept in waves over Italy and the West in the next century. It was impossible to guard the frontiers of the Empire which

stretched from Scotland across Europe to Gaul, Belgium, Holland, Germany and beyond (to say nothing of North Africa).

By the time Patrick was born in 585 the death throes of the Empire were beginning. Patrick escaped from his own servitude in Slemish, in northern Ireland, some time after 410. He made his way to the South-East of Britain where he managed to get a ship which took him to the coast of Brittany. From there he moved on to both Auxerre and Tours in central Gaul where there were already monastic settlements founded by St. Martin (Tours, died 397). He stayed some time there and then moved on to the Lerins a short distance from Cannes.

The island of St. Honorat took its name from Honorat or Honoratus. He was a Roman Consul serving in the city of Lyons in the Rhone valley about the year 400. He became a Christian and with his mother Venance and Marguerite, both Christians, took shipping from Marseilles for Alexandria. From there they proceeded to Upper Egypt where they visited monastic settlements which were flourishing under the rule of St. Pachomius who had died in 346. They stayed a few years there and returned via the Holy Land and Greece through Italy to Provence. His mother died in Greece. On their arrival at Marseilles the bishop of Arles offered them the Lerins to make their monastic settlements. Honoratus took over the small island and founded a monastery for men; he settled his sister on the bigger island in a monastery for woman. The islands are called after their names. The numbers of those seeking to live the monastic life grew rapidly. In the years to come many monastic foundations were made on mainland Gaul, and many of the future French bishops down the ages came from there.

The fifth century witnessed a series of barbarian invasions from beyond the Danube which swept across Europe into Spain and Italy and North Africa. Just three may be mentioned: the Goths about 410, the Huns about 450, followed by the Vandals a few years later. They ravaged the well-ordered Roman cities including Rome itself, which were now defenceless. The great Pope Leo I (440-460) managed to stave off Attila the Hun (called 'the Scourge of God') from attacking Rome but he could not do the same with the Vandals.

Yet bad enough though these invasions were, they were nothing to the havoc caused by the numerous heresies that kept cropping up especially in the Middle East. Of these the worst was Arianism. It was started by a priest called Arius of Constantinople. While admitting that Christ WAS the greatest of all the prophets, he denied that He was anything more; he denied that He was God. The heresy was rejected in the Council of Nicea (Turkey) in 325 but it persisted into the 6th century – so strongly that St. Jerome (died 420) lamented that the whole Catholic World was groaning to find itself Arian.

Along with that came the heresy of Nestorius which denied the Divine Motherhood of Mary, saying that she was the mother of the human person of Christ but not of His Divine person (claiming as he did that there were two persons in Christ). This was in turn condemned at the Council of Ephesus (Turkey) in 431 just one year before Patrick came to Ireland. At the Council of Chalcedon in 451 the Monosophite heresy which declared that there was only one nature in Christ, (his human nature being absorbed by His Divine nature) was condemned and the simple prayer the 'Hail Mary' was formulated. It was this Council also that acclaimed the teaching of the Roman delegates sent by Pope Leo: Peter has spoken by the mouth of Leo.

The Arian bishop of Constantinople named Ulphilius translated the bible into Gothic. These barbarians were all infected by Arianism. Goths who joined with the Huns and Vandals later spread their heresy among them. It speaks well for Patrick's orthodoxy that the Catholic Faith he brought to Ireland (to which he had been sent in 432 by Pope Celestine I) was that which he he learnt from Rome by way of his instruction in Gaul and in Lerins-St. Honorat.

St. Honorat himself was appointed by the Pope Bishop of Arles on Mainland Gaul in 426. He died, however, only three years later in 429.

Notable champions of orthodox Catholic teaching in the West about St. Patrick's time were: St. Ambrose, bishop of Milan who had died in 397, St. Jerome (died 420) and St. Augustine (died 430).

St. Jerome was commissioned by Pope Damasus to go to Bethlehem and translate the bible from Greek and Hebrew into the Latin, the language of the common people. He did so. It is called the Vulgate from the Latin word 'vulhus' meaning the common people; we still have it today.

St. Augustine became Bishop of Hippo in North Africa. He was converted from the heresy of Manicheanism and became a Catholic; he is acclaimed by many as the greatest scholar the world has ever seen.

This is a brief outline of the background St. Patrick enconntered when he escaped to the continent. Part of his missionary strategy was to found monastic settlements. He brought with him the Rule of St. Honorat. He was amazed at the large numbers of young men and women who responded to the call to monastic life. That Celtic Ireland should have accepted the Faith so enthusiastically is indeed very remarkable when we call to mind that Ireland never came under Roman domination as Great Britain did. The contrary was its very boast, viz. 'We take nothing from Rome except the Catholic Faith'.

The subsequent history of St. Honorat's Island is told briefly. St. Benedict of Nursia in Italy is accredited with being 'the Father of Western monasticism'. He died in 550. His more prudent Rule took over from that of St. Honorat in 575. His Rule is widespread in the world today. It was only in the eleventh century that the Benedictine monks on the island thought of building a 'fortress' monastery to safeguard themselves from the frequent raids of the Mediterranean pirates, especially the Saracens. This consisted of an edifice forty feet high, by twenty feet square, with slits for windows and a 'lighthouse' door fifteen feet from the ground, with a rope ladder by which the monks could scramble to safety when their look-out sounded the alarm. With the French revolution, however, the monastery was destroyed, the gold and silver plate melted down and the bones of the dead monks thrown into the sea. In 1840 the Bishops of Arles and Frejus in the South of France persuaded the government to classify the monastic ruins as a national monument. Then in 1856 a wealthy U.S. Protestant bishop Dr. Simm bought the island and had plans for its development. He died however within a year. Finally the request of the people of Cannes prevailed upon the government to hand over the island to the Cistercian Order (itself a stricter interpretation of the Benedictine Rule dating from the 11th century). In 1859 the inaugural Mass was celebrated with the Abbot and the Bishops of Arles and Frejus. But trouble again rose in 1902 when the fiercely anti-Catholic Combes government of France expelled all the Religious Orders from that country. Again the people of Cannes rallied once more to support the personal appeal of the Abbot to the government. The Abbey was spared and it remains in its full vigour of monastic life of Prayer, silence and labonr to this day.

A marble slab on the gate of the monastery tells the visitor that St. Patrick the Apostle of Ireland (385-461) spent some time in a monastery on the island. Tourists may visit the monastery but they must be off the island by the last ferry which leaves at 4 p.m. Those however who wish to make a retreat at the monastery (short or long) may do so.

A recent connection with Ireland. Before his death in 1991 the late Dr. Simms, Church of Ireland Archbishop of Dublin acceded to the request of some Anglicans of Cannas to conduct a retreat for them at the Guest House of the monastery.

SENIOR SCHOOL RUGBY

Senior Cup Team

Our cup campaign commenced with a tough draw – it saw us drawn against a fancied Belvedere College side. On February 1st at a packed Donnybrook St. Mary's College versus Belvedere College sent the Leinster Senior Cup into full swing. It was a glorious day in terms of the weather and the result. The scoreline read at the final whistle 23-0 to St. Mary's. A great team performance had set us off to the perfect start and so we marched on to the second round. We were tied against the very formidable Newbridge College who had destroyed Gonzaga College in the previous round. After a bruising and very physically demanding confrontation we eventually scraped through victors 23-22.

We had now reached the quarter-final stage and were due to play Castleknock College, again a side similar to Newbridge in size and physical presence. We knew that it was going to be another very close and tough encounter, which it proved to be, and advanced into the semi-finals with the score reading 16-15.

Into the last four of the competition and a tie against Clongowes Wood College (who had impressive wins over Presentation Bray and Blackrock College). Sadly our good cup run came to an end. The game finished 17-41 in the

SENIOR CUP TEAM (PANEL)
David O'Sullivan, Stephen Wade, Billy Sadlier, Donal Campion,
Gavin Hickie, Shane Lonergan, Darragh Hughes, James Norton
Mr. Byrne, Karl Daly, Colm Barry, Brian Moran, Patrick Norton, Shane Jennings,
Kieran Lewis, Colm O'Sullivan, Conor Queenan
Darragh O'Neill, Paul Madden, Robert Ryan, Robert Henson, Michael Quinn, Colm McWeeney

SENIOR SECONDS
Fionan Henry, Simon Nagle, Stephen Wade, Billy Sadlier, John Faley, Ross Wynne,
Keith Rynhart, Mark Trundle
Mr. Byrne, Philip Murphy, Philip Costelloe, Darragh O'Neill, Gareth Murphy,
Michael Craig, Colm Barry, Joe Doddy
David O'Sullivan, Ronan Murphy, Brian Brophy, Shane Lonergan(Captain), Brian Moran, Conor Queenan

IRISH SCHOOLS RUGBY INTERNATIONALS
Kieran Lewis, Robert Henson, James Norton

opposition's favour. After the game the players and I were very disappointed. However, if anything, we could take comfort from the fact that the better team won on the day and went on to win the cup with a similar score against Terenure. I do not think anyone will disagree when I say that it had been a wonderful experience and one which we will never forget.

There are many people we wish to thank for making this experience happen. To all the staff in the school for their great support throughout the entire year the team expresses their thanks. To the College President, Fr. Flavin, a big thank you for his help, advice and continued support during the season. To Mr. David Dunne, our manager, and to Mr. Brian Wall, the gamesmaster, who put in an enormous amount of work for the team's benefit, the team and I are very grateful. However, the biggest thank you is reserved for the coaching staff. To Mr. Ciaran O'Donnell, Mr. Dennis Hickie and Mr. Clive Byrne who gave up so much of their free time to help us become better players. To these men the team is truly grateful for all their efforts.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the players themselves who were totally committed both on and off the playing field even before the school academic year had begun. I had a really great year and am very honoured to have had the privilege of captaining such a great group of players. Moreover, a massive thanks goes to the vice-captain Robert Ryan who was outstanding both as n player and in supporting me.

Robert Henson
Captain S.C.T.1998

IRISH SCHOOLS RUGBY INTERPROVINCIALS
Kieran Lewis, Robert Henson, Gavin Hickie, James Norton

SENIOR THIRDS
David Wall, Gareth Murphy,
Stuart Donnelly,
Kevin McCabe, Vivian Morris,
Ross Wynne, Ken McAndrew,
Daragh Queenan
Mr. Byrne, Joe Doddy,
David Hendrick, Fionan Henry,
Mark Trundle, Simon Nagle,
David O'Kennedy,
Tim McLoughlin, David Barrett
David Kilbride, Keith Rynhart,
Ruarc O'Donoghue,
Stephen Shirley (Captain),
Barry Cahill, Ken McDonald,
Ciaran McMahon

SENIOR FOURTHS
Kevin Coakley, Cathal Keane,
Maurice O'Dea, Paul O'Doherty,
William McCauley,
Kevin Campbell, David Rowland
Mr. Byrne, Alex Mullin,
Ciaran McMahon, David Barrett,
Stuart Donnelly,
Vivian Morris, David Wall
Kieran Connaughton, Aiden Kelly,
Ronan Foley (Captain),
Stephen Hicks, Daniel Aspell,
David Kilbride

SENIOR FIFTHS
Kevin Coakley, David Rowland,
Kevin Campbell,
Maurice O'Dea, Roger Beatty,
Alex Mathews, Cathal Keane,
William McCauley
Mark Quinn, Conor O'Briain,
Gareth Davis, James O'Reilly,
John Paul Lynch,
David Peakin, David Ahlstrom,
Tim Murray
Alex Mullins, Paul O'Doherty,
Brian McCarthy, Richard Boyd,
Tim McLoughlin,
Mark McEnroe,
Sean McParland, Barry Coyle

Junior Cup Team 1997-98

RESULTS
Played: 21; Won: 14; Lost 7

De La SALLE	45-12	HIGH SCHOOL	39-10	NEWBRIDGE	13-18
TERENURE	5-31	KING'S HOSPITAL	23- 5	CASTLEKNOCK	35- 7
BALLYMENA	39- 0	C.B.C. MONKSTOWN	0-20	KILKENNY	17- 0
BELVEDERE	25-12	WESLEY	17-27	PRES. BRAY	43- 5
CLONGOWES	8-24	BLACKROCK	5-19	PRES. CORK	27- 0
DUNGANNON	12- 8	C.B.C. CORK	17-15	ST. ANDREWS	48- 0
ROCKWELL	41- 7	GONZAGA (CUP)	39- 3	ST. MICHAEL'S (CUP)	3-13

The season offered considerable hope in September, with four players and six panelists from the winning 1997 JCT. It may appear that this optimism was borne out in large part by a record of 14 wins from 21 games. But in a decade of success with many semi-final and final appearances at Donnybrook and Lansdowne Road, the panel were disappointed at the end of the season.

The team averaged 24 points per game, conceding 11 points per match. 79 tries were scored and 31 yielded to the opposition. The outstanding performances were against Belvedere, Pres. Cork, a very strong CBC Cork team, and Blackrock (even in defeat).

Individually, there was plenty of talent. Ciaran Potts was elected Captain and again played at no. 6. Ian O'Herlihy was courageons and skilled at no. 15. Cathal Connolly scored a fine total of 142 points during the season at wing and centre. Michael Ryan, an Under 14 player, was a very exciting prospect who had to move to centre to strengthen midfield. Gavin Cullen came in at no. 10 to good effect.

JUNIOR CUP TEAM SQUAD
Gary O'Donovan, Rory McKenna, David Ledwith, Donagh Ryan, Cathal Connolly,
David O'Brien, Garrett Banahan, Jack McInerney
Niall Marsh, Eoin Condren, Edward Farrell, Niall Buckley, Ciaran Lennon, Michael Ryan,
James Clarke, Richard McArdle
Ruaidhri Hughes, Gavin Cullen, Gary O'Brien, Ciaran Potts (Captain), Ian O'Herlihy, Barry McCormack

Garry O'Brien was able to play in almost any position, but eventnally moved from centre to no. 8. David O'Brien (no. 7) and Jack McInerney (no. 1) were amongst the most improved players through the season, together with Ruadhrai Hughes at scrum-half. Ciaran Lennon in his second season of rugby did extremely well.

Others to play in the Cup were Rory McKenna, Barry McCormack, Richard McArdle, and Donagh Ryan, all of whom had good games throughout the season. Special tribute must be paid, too, to loyal panelists who served as replacements throughout the season and especially through the Cup campaign.

In the Cup, a bye was followed by an easy win over Gonzaga (39-3) in the second round.

In consequence, facing St. Michael's in the Quarter-final, complacency was a real danger. Early on, a good start was negated by some unfortunate penalties against us in good attacking positions. Then the opposition got two tries in qnick succession, and there was no comeback despite a fighting finish.

The team would wish to offer its thanks to trainers, Mr. Breslin and Fr. Flavin, and, for some expert inpnt, to Derek Jennings. One can be confident that, with increased maturity and adjustment to the difficult demands of the game, many talented players will emerge from this panel without great delay.

JUNIOR LEAGUE TEAM

The Junior League team began the season with a hard earned draw against Newbridge College in bad weather conditions in Co. Kildare. A narrow defeat to Terenure (10-12) ensued. In subsequent friendly matches, the team had an approximate record of 50%, defeating CBC Monkstown, St. Michael's, Gonzaga and Wesley, while losing to Belvedere, Blackrock. and Clongowes.

As backs, Garrett Banahan, Eoin Condren, David Ledwith and Andrew Wade feanred in most games, while Niall Marsh, Gary O'Donovan, Tony Gallagher, Edward Farrell, and Niall Buckley played in a majority of matches in the forwards.

The first League game was against St. Michael's, which we won in Kenilworth. We next beat Castleknock, which put us into the semi-final, despite losing to Terenure. Unfortunately we lost in the penultimate stage to the fancied Blackrock JLT who went on to win the League.

It was an enjoyable rugby season for all involved, and much thanks are due to parents, teachers and coaches Mr. Rossi, Mr. Breslin and Fr. Flavin, who were so instrumental in the team's enjoyment and success.

A. Wade

JUNIOR LEAGUE TEAM
Gary O'Donovan, David Ledwith, John Loughman, Edward Farrell, Thomas Fanning, Tony Gallagher, Maurice Davin, Niall O'Faolain Niall Marsh, Andrew Rowland, Niall Buckley, Evan O'Reilly, Gordon Whittaker, Jeremy Boyle, Niall McDermott, Mark Delaney
Rory Dillon, Eoin Condren, Andrew Wade, Garrett Banahan, Paul Byrne

JUNIOR THIRDS TEAM

Team selection was very changeable at first, but we began well, winning all our games, as we had a very strong side. Mr. Stephen Rossi coached us throughout the season, helped on occasion by Mr. Breslin and Fr. Flavin.

The team lost only three games during the season. There were a lot of players in the squad to choose from, and there was a good spirit in the squad, enabling all those interested to get a game or come on as replacements from time to time.

Mark Delaney was captain in early games before graduating to the JLT. Caolan Flanagan then took over leadership. Jeremy Boyle, Paul Byrne, Michael McDonnell, John Loughney, Evan O'Reilly, Andrew Rowland and Gordon Whittaker were regulars in the backs, while John Loughman, Thomas Fanning, Niall McDermott, Michael Mehigan, Michael Leahy James Murphy, and Niall O'Faolain were some of our good pack. Other panelists played in various games, while several players graduated to the JLT during the season.

When the League started we had a full strength side. We had great support with classmates and parents coming to all games. Our first match was away to Belvedere, a very tough game, which we managed to win well, especially through the efforts of our forwards.

In the semi-final we faced a very strong Blackrock side in Kenilworth. We started well, and ran everything in the second half, with Evan O'Reilly (2) and Brian Devereux scoring. It was a deserved victory.

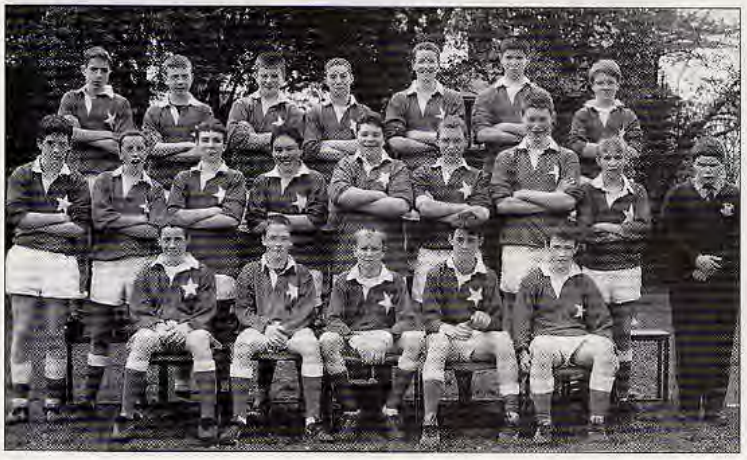
The final was against Clongowes at Templeville Road. We bagan badly, conceding a try early on. Caolan Flanagan kicked a penalty before halftime. John Loughney scored early in the second half, but Clongowes countered with a well-worked try to give them a 12-8 lead. St. Mary's were on the attack for the last 15 minutes, but could not break down the Clongowes defence before the final whistle. Every player on the team had played their heart out. Our runners up medals had been hard earned!

Our thanks to Mr. Stephen Rossi, a sympathetic and dedicated coach throughout the season.

C. Flanagan

JUNIOR THIRDS
James Murphy,
Thomas Fanning, Michael Leahy,
Michael McDonnell,
Michael Mehigan, Bryan Pepper,
Darrell Purcell, Owen Murray
Niall O'Faolain, John Loughman,
Diarmuid Tierney,
Niall McDermott, Tim Jones,
John Hennessy, Evan O'Reilly,
Paul O'Reilly, Paul Byrne,
David Brady, John Loughney,
Gordon Whittaker
Eoin Farrington, David Cryan,
Andrew Rowland,
Caolan Flanagan,
Brian Deveraux, Stephen Blake

UNDER 14 A'S
Mark Donovan, Richard McDonald, Philip Brophy, Simon Gibney, Stuart Fergus, Robert Sweeney, Paul Griffin, David McNally
Marcus Spring, Stuart O'Flanagan, Joseph Connolly, Ronan Doherty, Darragh Good, Anthony O'Riardon, Enda Kelly, Edward Smith
Robert Timmons, Fergus O'Sullivan, Brian Higgins, Stephen O'Doherty, Peter Beirne, Niall Conway



UNDER 14 B'S
Eoin O'Broin, Darragh Kirby, Donal Garry, James Gaffney, Shane Kinsella, Mark Burke, Mark Donovan
Richard Moloney, Stuart Fergus, Marcus Spring, Stephan Brennan, Barry Walsh, Mark Quinn, Ian Kelly, David Williams, Edward Smith
Paul Hanlon, Paul Horan, Simon Gibney, Ivor Ashe, Gavan Moloney

UNDER 13 A'S
Conor Kelly, Michael Finley, Nicholas O'Toole, Gary Roche, Rudi Casari, Niall Brew, Vincent Hammond, Caolan Lynch
Eric McGrath, Patrick Lynch, James Ryan, Oisin Kelly, Stephen Grissing, Declan Flynn, Brendan Smyth, Paul Nash
Hugh Kearney, Conor Lane, Eoin Lernihan, Oliver McCormack, Michael Houlihan, Alex Hutchinson, Richard Breathnach

UNDER 13 B'S
John O'Doherty, Jonathan O'Brien, Rory O'Connor, Stephen Beatty, Caolan Lynch, Ian o'Connor, Colm Breathnach
John Power, Oisín Kelly, Eoin Lernihan, Partick Lynch, Sean O'Connell, Conor Kelly
Joseph Norton, Vincent Hammond, Rory O'Dea, Ross Dawson, Philip Keegan

Under 13's

In St. Mary's first match of the cup we had to face a well-drilled Rockwell team who were also looking for a good start to their campaign. With two big packs, it was a gruelling encounter. It was tight until the end when Conor Lane sealed victory – a great start to the cup campaign.

Our first match in Kenilworth was against Blackrock. After a slow start we began to dominate with tries from Stephen Grissing, Gary Roche and Ollie McCormack. However in true Blackrock style they kept coming back at us, and although we had a good win we still had a lot to improve upon.

The third fixture was the toughest yet, against St. Michael's. After Michael's took an early lead, St. Mary's fought back with two tries. A drop goal from Michael Finlay put us into the lead, but unfortunately Michael's scored a try in the last minute to take the match.

In the fourth match of the campaign, St. Mary's scored eight tries to beat the

UNDER 13 C'S
Patrick O'Carroll, Paul Butler, Cormac Doddy, Tony Glynn, Sean Salmon, David Corbet, Daniel Nolan, Edmund O'Driscoll, Michael Dillon
Eoin Donoghue, Hugh Kearney, Eoin Mansori, Gerard Gallagher, Patrick McDonald, Ross Mulvey, Kenneth Mooney

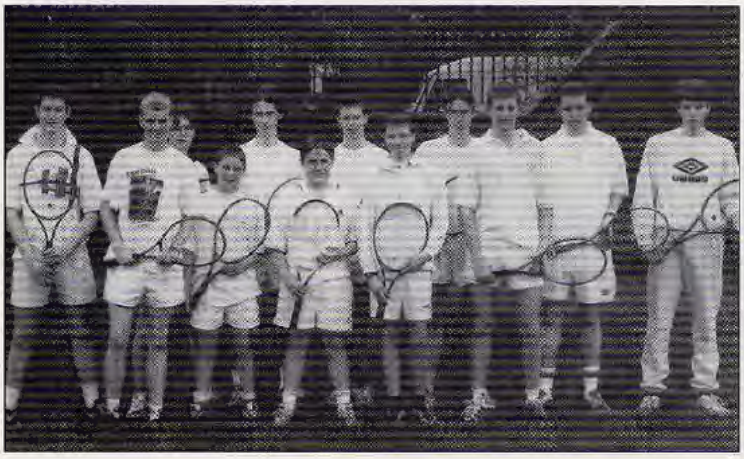
UNDER 13 D'S
David Costelloe, Brian O'Kelly, Cian Lucas, Gerard Costello, Barry Connaughton Brian Kinsella, Eoin Quinn, Colm Maguire, J. P. O'Donovan, Colm Dalton, Masa Futagami Robert McDonald, Barry Richardson, Niall O'Dea, Patrick Purcell, Evan Kane

Templeogue Under 13's. In the fifth game, the opponents were Willow Park, and the prize was a home fixture in the semi-finals. Willow took the lead in a closely fought match, and kept it until Paul Nash burst over for a late try. Unfortunately, the referee had spotted an infringement, so Willow were the victors.

The semi-finals were played against Willow in Blackrock. Mary's quest for revenge took a setback when several players had to miss the match with 'flu. Mary's came from behind to level the match 17-17, but a penalty from Willow Park gave them victory.

On behalf the of the team, we would like to thank Fr. McNulty, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Andreucetti and Mr. McCormack for traiuing us every day from September to March. It was a great season, and the in end ouly a penalty came between us and beating Willow Park.

Oliver McCormack (Captain)
Michael Houlihan (Vice-Captain)



TENNIS SQUAD
Rory Madden, Robert Lavelle, Adam Bermingham, David Corbet, Andrew Keane, Colm Maguire, Joe Lavelle, Joseph Peatin, David Fitzpatrick, Neal Geraghty, Colm Duggan, Finnian Donnellan

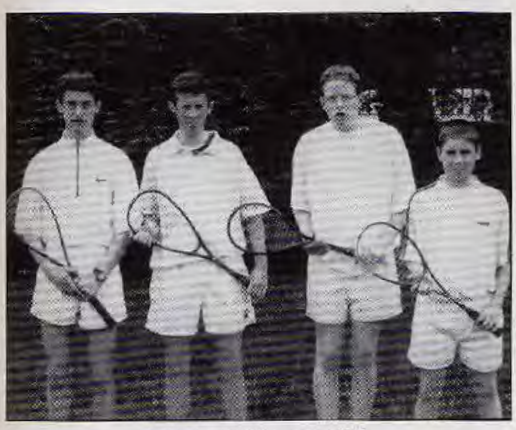
SQUASH UNDER 19'S
Alan Hughes, Brian Mooney, Alex Herriott, Cillian Doyle, Kevin Norton, Eoghan Dillon, Maurice Moran

Squash

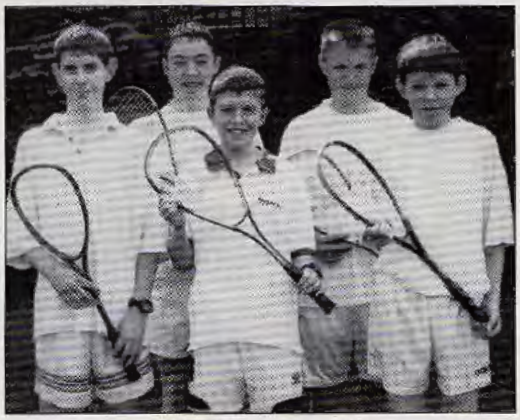
Squash is a relatively new sport in St. Mary's, but numbers are so healthy that there are now three groups of boys participating over two afternoons per week at the Mount Pleasant Squash Club. There they receive help, advice and gamesplay tips under the supervision of their Coach, Mr. Bernard O'Gorman. Matches and training sessions were organised by the Team manager, Mr. Panl Corbett.

The level of enjoyment is high and this, in turn, has increased players' confidence and led to a steady rate of progress. As with other sports the element of competition adds to the enjoyment and helps improve standards. Success this year came in different ways: as well as winning the Boys' Under 16 Shield, the College fielded teams at three levels and saw a marked improvement as the year went by.

Congratulations to all participants, and many thanks to Mr. Paul Corbet and Mr. Bernard O'Gorman for the vast amount of hard work they put in during the year.



SQUASH UNDER 16'S
Mark Sullivan, Edward Lyons, Stephen Hutton, David Corbet



SQUASH UNDER 14'S
David Michael Delahunty, David Fanagan, Alan Steedman, David Rutherford, Eoin MacAodha

SENIOR CRICKET TEAM
Ciaran Potts, Andrew Wade,
Cathal Connolly,
Gareth Banahan,
Richard MacDonald,
Conor Kelly
Ian O'Herlihy, Ken MacDonald,
Robert Henson,
James McGetrick,
Neal Geraghty

JUNIOR CRICKET TEAM
Ciaran Potts, Andrew Wade,
Cathal Connolly, Conor Kelly,
Michael Mehigan,
Owen Murray
Vincent Hammond,
Gareth Banahan,
Ian O'Herlihy, David Brady,
Richard MacDonald

CRICKET SCHOOLS INTERPROVINCIALS
Ian O'Herlihy,
Kenneth MacDonald,
Mr. Byrne,
Robert Henson,
Richard MacDonald

Arabian Gulf RFU International Schoolboys Rugby Festival

St. Mary's College returned on the 14th April from the International Schoolboys Rugby Festival in Dubai with the coveted 'Team of the Tournament' trophy.

The award was presented by the Arabian Gulf Rugby Football Union for 'playing the most attractive rugby of the tournament, and showing the best sportsmanship on and off the field.'

The St. Mary's left-wing, Donal Campion, was also honoured by being named on the International Tournament XV.

St. Mary's fixtures included matches against schools representing the rugby giants of Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

According to the team manager, Mr. David Dunne, the intensity of the games was comparable to the final stages of a cup campaign.

'We drew with the Australians and were pretty shattered afterwards', he said. 'The Southern Hemisphere teams play an extremely physical game. The next day we were beaten by

DONAL CAMPION
Chosen as member of Tournament XV

The Dubai Touring Party with An Taoiseach Bertie Ahern

Mr. Dave Dunne, Mr. Clive Byrne, Mr. Campion and Mr. Ahern

David O'Sullivan, Darragh O'Neill, An Taoiseach Bertie Ahern, Billy Sadlier, Gavin Hickie, Brian Brophy

David Dunne jnr. and Bertie Ahern

the New Zealanders. Fortunately we had two full days' rest before playing Grey College of South Africa, who have a fearsome reputation as one of the top rugby schools in the Southern Hemisphere.

'We beat them 15-10; an achievement of which we were very proud, especially given that three St. Mary's players could not travel to Dubai because of commitments to the Irish Schoolboy International team.

'It proves again what we saw from the victory of Irish Youth team in the world cup – that Irish rugby has nothing to fear from the future.

'What made it particularly memorable was the way the teams from Scotland, England and Wales came to cheer us on', he added. 'We felt we were playing for all the Northern Hemisphere teams'.

The boys from St. Mary's stayed with members of the Irish community in Dubai. A support group of parents and coaches travelled with the team, and were fulsome in their praise for the hospitality shown by the Dubai Irish.

The Taoiseach, Mr. Ahern, met the team before they left to give them his personal best wishes. In Dubai, the Irish Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Mr. Michael Collins, and the Chairman of the Irish Society in Dubai, Mr. Seamus Byrne, hosted a reception for the support group to let them know that the team had done the Irish community proud.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHY AT ST. MARY'S

Mr. Wall, Mr. O'Donnell, Robert Ryan (tour captain), Mr. Tom Henry (tour co-ordinator), Mr. Dunne, Fr. Flavin

Fixtures List

Tuesday 7th April	Southport School, Brisbane, Australia	13-13 draw.
Wednesday 8th April	Auckland Grammar School, New Zealand	6-41 defeat
Saturday 11th April	Grey College, Bloemfontien, South Africa	15-10 victory
Sunday 12th April	Kelvinside Academy, Glasgow, Scotland	44-0 victory

St. Mary's Touring Squad

Gavan Hickie, Brian Moran, Colm O'Sullivan, Karl Daly, Patrick Norton, Louis Burke, Robert Ryan (Tour Captain), Shane Jennings, Paul Madden, Michael Quinn, Donal Campion, Colm McWeeney, Shane Lonergan, Stephen Wade, Darragh Hughes, Darragh O'Neill, David O'Sullivan, Ronan Murphy, Brian Brophy, Billy Sadlier, Conor Queenan, Colm Barry

Support Group

Team Manager:	David Dunne
Coaches:	Denis Hickie (Snr), Ciaran O'Donnell
Gamesmaster:	Brian Wall
Chaplain:	Fr. James McNulty

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Mr. David McBride
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Mr. Michael Osbourne
Mr. Paul Beecher
Mr. Paul McCabe
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Ms. Mary McCooey

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Mr. Bertie Ahern
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Tour Organiser
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Dubai Irish Society

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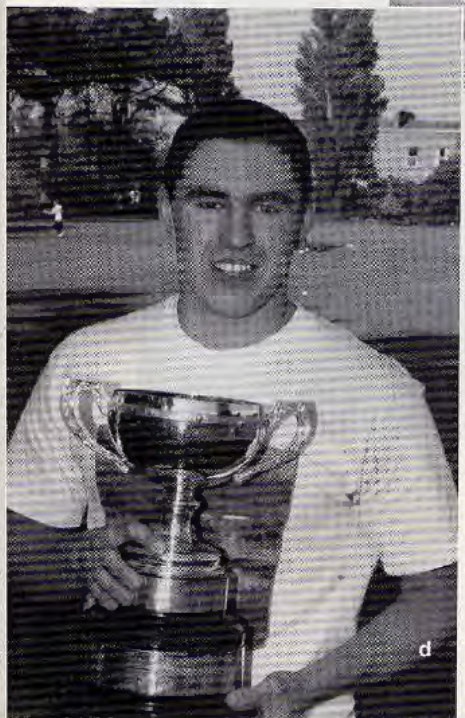

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VICTOR LUDORUM
Kieran Lewis and Mr. Lewis

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORTS WINNERS

a. Rory McKenna.
b. James McGetrick, Paul Oppermann, James Norton, Kieran Lewis
Leinster and All-Ireland 4x100 Metres Senior Relay Champions.
c. Stephen Grissing, winner of 100 metres with his father,
a former winner of the same trophy.
d. Donal Campion.
e. Last year's Victor Ludorum, Paul Oppermann, with Paul snr, himself a past St. Mary's Victor Ludorum.

5th v 6th Rugby & Soccer

a. 5th year v. 6th year '97-'98 soccer match.
b. Ciaran McMahon and Stuart Donnelly.
c. 5th year v. 6th year 1998 rugby match.
d. Donal Campion. Mark Trundle, Gareth Murphy, Darragh Hughes, Michael Quinn, Stephen Wade, Barry Cahill.
e. Mrs. Peggy Henson and Niall Kavanagh – holding aloft the Fergus Kelly Memorial Trophy.
f. Colm McWeeney and Mrs. O'Sullivan.

'Spin-a-Web'

'Spin-a-Web' is a competition run by Microsoft in conjunction with Trinity College. The aim of the competition is to make a web page which is informative and user friendly. To do this we recruited a highly motivated team of students from 2nd to 5th years.

Onr aim was to educate students about the Internet, promote teamwork and have a bit of fun.

We decided to enter 'Spin-a-Web' when Mr Newell, Alan Hughes, Cillian Doyle, Alan Hicks and Eoghan Dillon went to Trinity College on the 8th of November. We were told there what was expected and the standards of last year. As a result of the trip to T.C.D we decided to form a team selected from all students interested in computers.

All members of 'Spin-a-Web' began their training in the use of HTML from the start of November. The classes were held every week on Wednesday and Thursday mornings before school in the computer laboratory. These classes were given by the very capable Alan Hughes and Cillian Doyle. Each week we were given small HTML assignments which were completed on Notepad on the students' home computers. The classes ended on the 16th of January and by this time all students had an excellent knowledge of HTML.

Because we had a large team and a lot of work to do, it was decided to split up people into teams to do research. The teams were in twos and threes. It was decided to meet regularly to find out how research work was going and how we could help each other. The small teams worked very hard and brought back a lot of information.

The team consisted of:

Eoghan Dillon *(Project Manager)*

Eoghan is in 5th year. His duties included organising meetings, and helping out the younger members to do research. Eoghan learnt new organisational and computer skills.

SPIN-A-WEB TEAM

Andrew Keane, Alan Hughes, Cillian Doyle, Thomas Fanning
Adam Bermingham, Eoghan Dillon, Roy Madden, Phelim Connolly, Daniel Gallagher, Donal Garry,
Mr. Newell, David Williams, Michael Delahunty, Darragh Darragh Kirby, Alan Hicks, Mr. Kirby

Alan Hughes *(Programming Co-ordinator)*
Alan is also in 5th year. His duties included teaching HTML and doing research. His skills were essential for the project, his dedication and willingness to help other members was phenomenal.

Alan Hicks *(Graphics Designer)*
Alan is in 5th year. His duties included research, design of the page and graphics. He helped all of the team to design and layout pages. His work was inspirational.

Andrew Keane *(Editor)*
Andrew is in 5th year He did a lot of research and edited all research when it was handed in. His work was essential for making clear and concise pages.

Cillian Doyle *(Programming Co-ordinator)*
Cillian is in 5th year. His duties inclnded giving classes in HTML and research. Cillian helped get interviews and supported other members of the team.

Adam Bermingham *(Researcher)*
Adam is one of the most enthusiastic members of Spin a Web from 4th year.

He was a researcher and was willing to work on Spin a Web at any free moment.

Daniel Gallagher *(Technical Advisor)*
Daniel made his knowledge of computer hardware and sofiware available to the project. His contribution was invaluable.

Researchers

Paul Diamond (4th), Phelim Connolly (4th), Thomas Fanning (4th), David Williams (2nd), Darragh Kirby (2nd) and David Delahunty (2nd) all learnt HTML. They did fantastic work in researching the bulk of the project. Each person spent time researching and typing the information.

Conclusion

The things we learned from the Spin a Web competition vary widely. Firstly we all became familiar with computers, We also became very good at finding information and learning how to interview people. We became more aware of our surroundings and learned how to work as a team.

At the finals in Trinity the team won against stiff competition from 10 other schools. We were presented our prize in Trinity Commons. Our prizes were £1000 worth of Microsoft software a perpetual trophy and a trip for three to Expo 98 in Lisbon Portugal for a Microsoft honours ceremony hosted by Bill Gates.

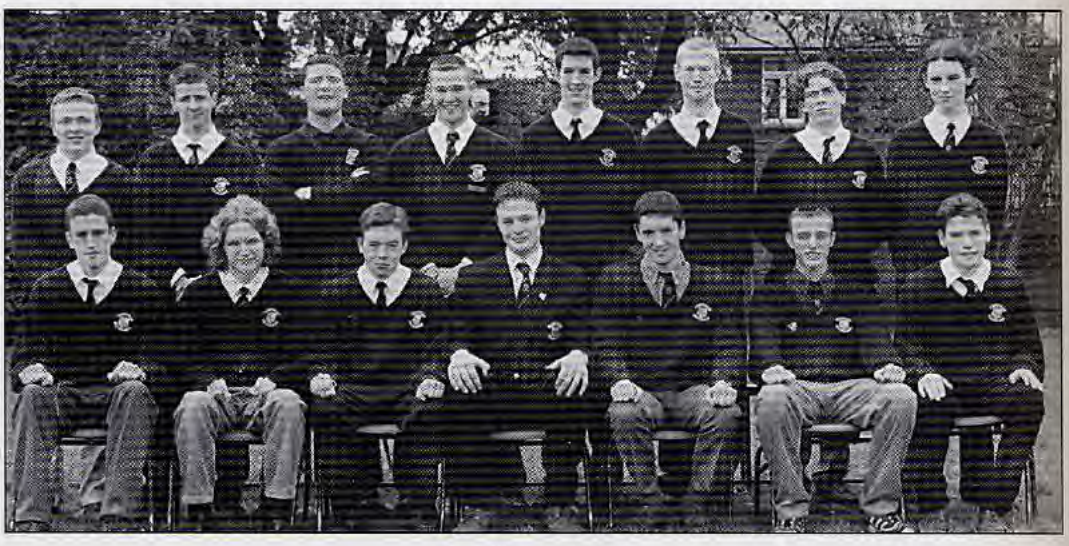
Andrew Keane, Alan Hughes, Lord Mayor John Stafford, Cillian Doyle and Eoghan Dillon in the Mansion House

Transition Year Play

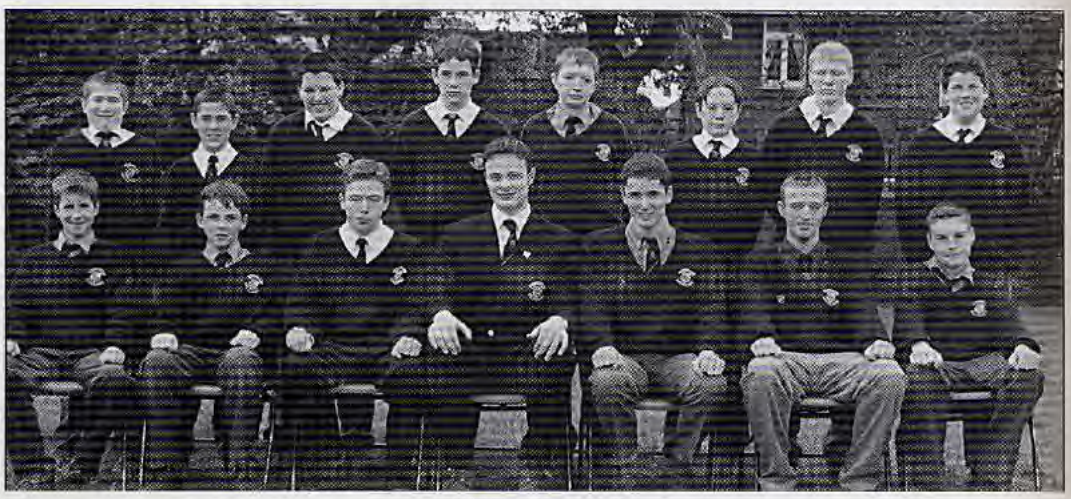
Cinderella

a. Mark Quinn, Keith Rynhardt and Colm McGetrick.
b. Simon Nagle and Colm McGetrick.
c. David Kilbride and Shane Jennings.
d. Roger Beatty, Thomas Fanning, Paul Amoroso and Paul Diamond.
e. Colm McGetrick and Ms. Jones
f. Cinderella – 4th Year Show '97-'98.

Debating



SENIOR DEBATING
Stephen Marry, Joe Lavelle, Colm O'Sullivan, Colm Fair, Rory Madden,
Cillian Doyle, Adam Bermingham, Andrew Keane
Alan Hughes, Jonathan Flynn, Ronan Lyons, James Coady,
Stephen MacElwee, Kevin Campbell, Eoghan Dillon.

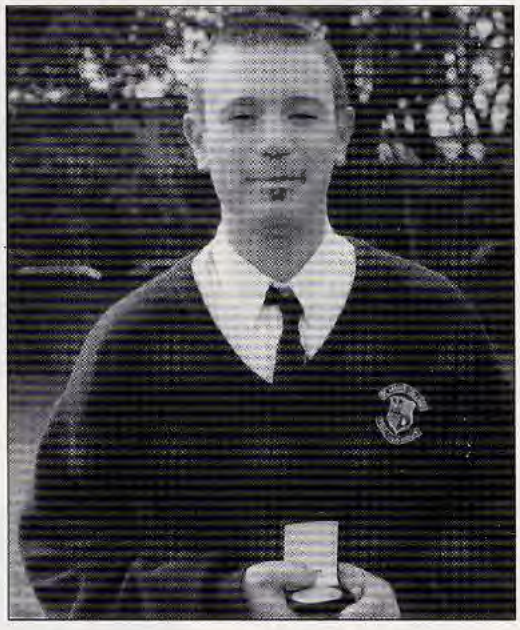


JUNIOR DEBATING
Philip Brophy, Vincent Hammond, Brian Sweeney, Richard Mobney,
Ian Temple, Brian Kinsella, Paul Nash, Patrick Carroll.
Cormac Reddy, Colm Dalton, Ronan Lyons, James Coady, Stephen MacElwee, Kevin Campbell, Ken Gilbride.

Barry Corbet (Fifth Year) – Gaisce Awards

On the 12th February, I received my Bronze and Silver Gaisce Awards on the RV Celtic Voyager. I was among ten other Irish Youth Sailing Club members to receive the awards. Dr Michael Woods, Minister for the Marine, made the presentations.

To qualify for an award you must complete a challenge in four different areas of activities: community involvement, personal skills, physical recreation and a venture project. For my community involvement I worked voluntarily in the Club shop. I also taught new sailors how to sail and supervised them while they learned. The personal skills I took on were first aid, motor training, rescue training and sea survival training. My physical recreation was training every weekend. For my venture project, I sailed from Dun Laoghaire to Cork on the Asgard 2. I also spent a night on a liferaft in Dun Laoghaire.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Conor O'Brien, Keith Rynhart, Ronan Breen, David Alhstrom, Rory Madden.
Simon Nagle, Daragh Queenan, Fr. Cleary, Paul Ambrose, Daniel Aspell.

Chess

The second year of chess in the Senior School was a great success. The Junior Chess Plate saw seventy participants compete for a fine piece of silverware. As usual, chess took place at lunchtimes in the 1A classroom. Rumours were rife that a champion had arrived from the Junior School whose moves would send us looking for a whole new set of superlatives.

The competitive year began with the First Year Competition. Some fine performances were seen from Killian Delaney, Masiomi Futagami and from the two finalists – John Doherty and Sean Tracey. Despite valiant efforts from Doherty it was Tracey, who had recently become Leinster Champion at his level, who lifted the first domestic trophy of the season.

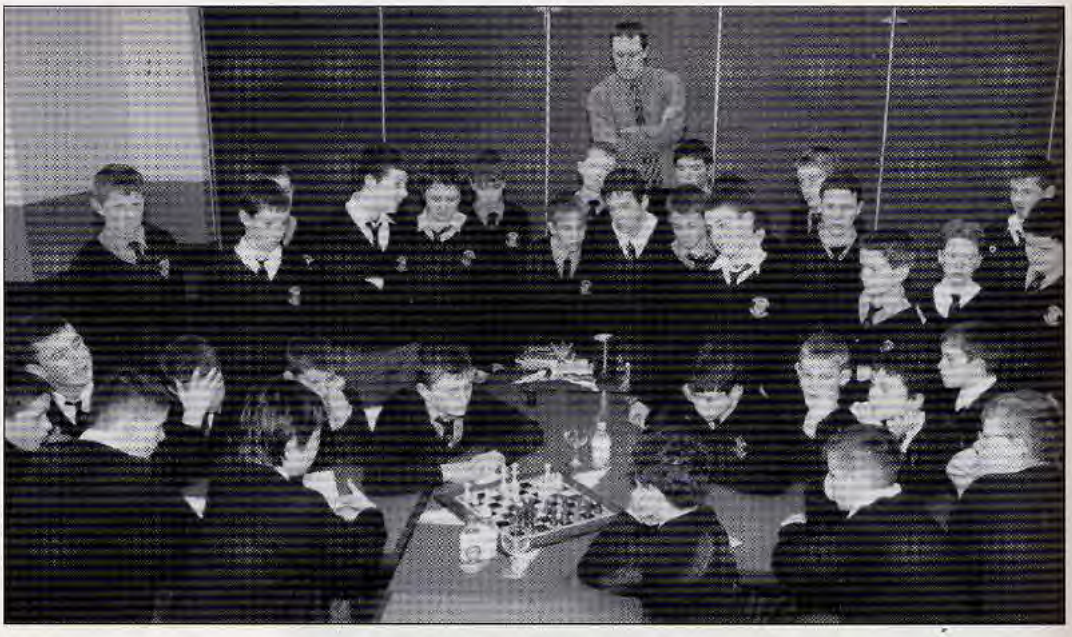
January saw the inaugural staging of the Junior Chess Plate. The competition was open to First, Second and Third Years. It was run at lunchtimes from January to March and proved to be exciting fare. After many false dawns the semi-finals produced the following combinations:

Paul O'Reilly versus Donal Garry
Killian Delaney versus Sean Tracey

Garry was victorious in the first encounter and Delaney almost caused an upset in the second semi-final by gaining the upper hand in the first of three games. However, Tracey dug in and managed to pull off a narrow victory to put himself in the final of the first ever Junior Chess Plate.

The final was a marathon affair, lasting nearly three hours. Garry played a tight game and frustrated his opponent, but in the end Sean Tracey proved again that he is the chess champion of St. Mary's.

The Club prospered in the latter part of the year with a regular daily attendance of fifteen players at its heart. It has now been affiliated to the Leinster Chess Association and hopefully many bright days are ahead.



Donal Garry vs. Sean Tracey in the Chess Final

Senior Sports Day

a. Donal Campion, Michael Quinn, Damien Russell, David O'Sullivan, Louis Burke, Colm O'Siullivan, Robert Ryan, Daragh O'Neill.
b. Miss Jones and Paddy Norton.
c. Michael Finlay, Stephen Grissing, Alex Hutchinson, Joseph Norton, Colm Maguire, Hugh Heaney.
d. Johnny Murphy, William McCauley, David Hendrick, Keith Rynhart, Colm O'Sullivan, Brian O'Loughlan.
e. Paul Butler, Caolan Lynch, Rudi Casari, Eric McGrath, Richard Breathnach, Evan Kane, Alex Hutchinson, Nicholas O'Toole, Joseph Norton, Colm Dalton.
f. Mr. Naughton.

JUNIOR SCHOOL STAFF, 1997-1998
Mr. Donnelly, Mrs. Bane, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. O'Donnell, Mr. Sweeney
Mrs. Jennings, Fr. Cleary, Mr. Dunne (Headmaster), Mrs. Priestly, Miss McCallig

FORM SIX

John Andreucetti, Patrick Dunne, Thomas Muldowney, Brian Campbell
Jerome Finnagan, Brian Durken, Tom Daly, Jack Finnegan, David Gibson, Killian Browne
David Ganly, Cillian Doyle, Marcus O'Carroll, Mark Mulcahy, Shay Dunne, Andrew Culligan
Mrs. Jennings, Edward Buckely, Ronan Bergin, Owen Cullen, Neil Daniel, John Feeley
Simon Emerson, Karl Brady, Rory Geraghty, Eoghan Hughes, David Fallon

FORM SIX ONE

Hugh Queenan, Michael Donnolly, Keith McAndrew, Bryan McGovern, Peter O'Gorman
David Shaffrey, David Woods, David Nolan, Jim O'Brien, John Wilkes, Nigil Ruane
Conor O'Higgins, Conor McKenna, Jonathan Sexton, Stephen Larkin, Robert Stefanuik
Stephen Prenderleith, John Leahy, Sean Keane, Robert Pyne, Gavan King
John O'Byrne, Colm Smith, Ian Kelly, Bryan McDermott, Cormac Murphy

FORM FIVE

B. Coveney, P. Kenny, R. Bowe, D. Fanning, D. Bracken-Clarke
A. Godfrey, E. Garry, M. Harvey, G. Coffey, R. Carron, H. Lyons, O. Cahill
R. Kilcoyne, W. Clancy, B. Drumm, D. Lernihan, C. Hogan, C. Geraghty, P. Huddie
D. Larkin, G. Hawkes-Rooney, G. Meehan, D. Hardiman, C. Donoghue
B. Burke, M. Conway, E. Delaney, E. Brennan, J. Hanlon, J. Barraghy

FORM FIVE ONE

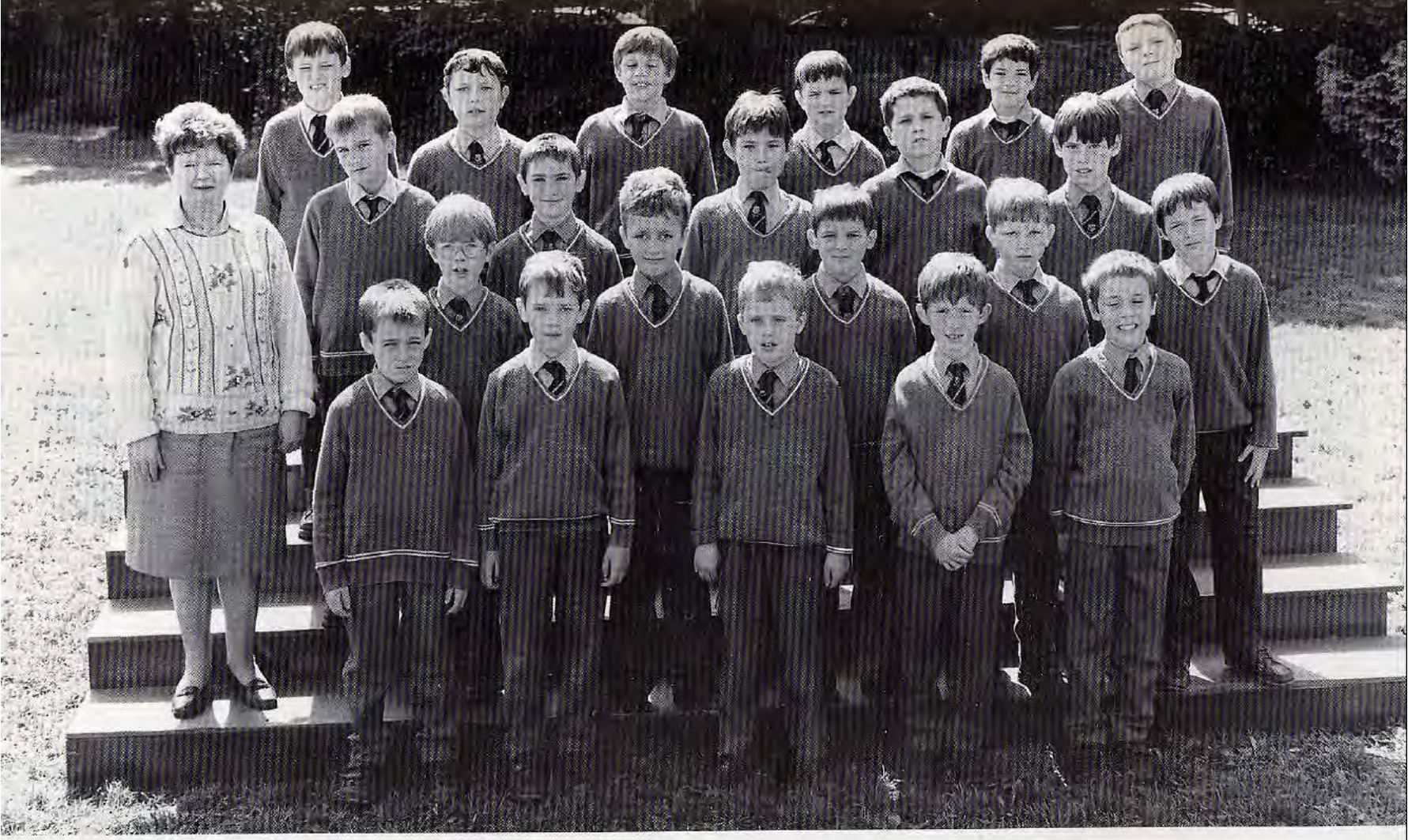
S. O'Callaghan, C. McInerney, V. Timmons, K. O'Hara, K. Raymond, J. O'Reilly, J. McGill
A. Dalton, G. O'Doherty, B. O'Flanagan, R. Miley, M. McDonnell, N. O'Briain
K. Quinn, R. Felle, R. Sweeney, S. O'Connell, S. McCabe
P. Keegan, K. Traynor, A. O'Dea, O. O'Shaughnessy, S. Hannigan, I. O'Sullivan
D. O'Loughlin, G. Murray, M. De Vere White, B. Tierney, R. O'Donovan

FORM FOUR

J. Doddy, M. Kelly, S. McArdle
H. Doddy, S. Connolly, D. Blaney, P. Lawlor, J. Buggy
Mr. Donnelly, J. Langan, A. McCarthy, A. Donnelly, J. Ardagh, P. Hunt
N. Cowley, D. Dunne, R. Keane, R. Delahunty, N. Cunningham
R. Hanlon, D. Gleeson, N. Griffin, D. Bergin, R. O'Neill

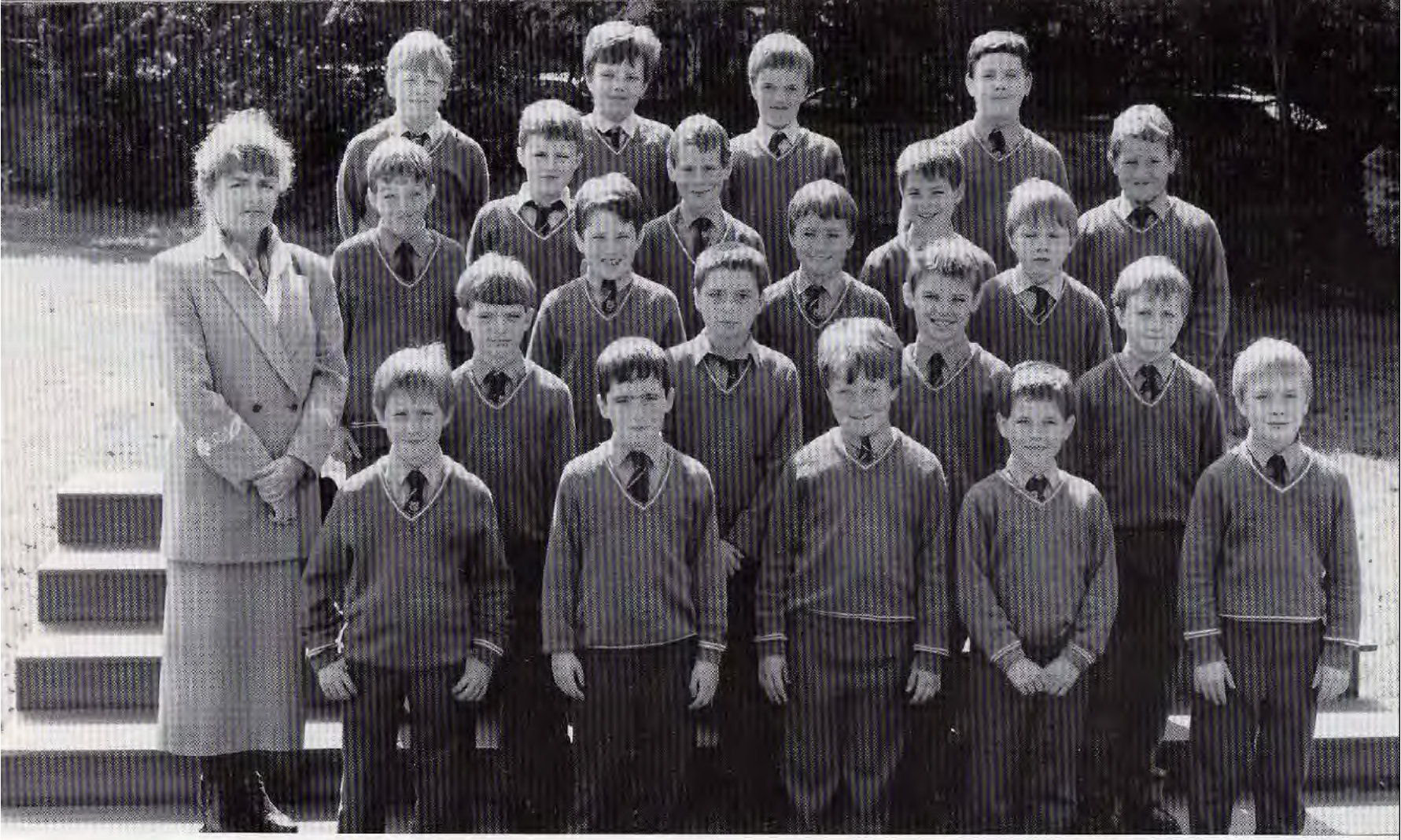
FORM FOUR ONE

Joseph Murphy, Daniel Spring, Kevin O'Connell, Sam Mehigan, Josaf Opdebech, John Twomey
Eamon Moran, Thomas O'Reilly, Robert Walsh, Mark Ryan, Jospeh Slowey
Ms. McGee, John Vather, Jospeh Tiernan, Niall White, Aidam Somerville, Fergus O'Higgins
Patrick Larchet, Mark Sexton, Daniel Norton, Neal Roebuck, Richard Rowland



FORM THREE

Ian Ferrihough, Christopher Costello, Daneil Ahlstrom, Graham Doyle, Conor McGlade, Declan Harmon
David Beirne, Brian Hammond, Nick Dunne, Kevin Geraghty, Niall Bulger
Miss McCallig, Declan Bourke, Tommy Hughes, Douglas Leddin, Eamonn Morris, Brian Heavey
Jack Hayes, Patrick Kilmartin, Mark Conway, Gareth Grehan, Conor Coveney



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S. Turley, E. Moore, M. McKay, A. Nolan
C. Morris, B. Short, P. Earley, M. O'Gorman, C. Shaw
Mrs. O'Donnell, S. Walshe, C. Quinn, S. Raymond
W. Parkinson, W. Owen-Mahon, A. O'Callaghan, C. O'Neill
P. Godfrey, D. Smith, G. Redmond, D. Tracey, R. Shaffrey

Junior School Roll 1997-1998

FORM SIX

Mark Ahern
John Andreucetti
Ronan Bergin
Karl Brady
Cillian Brown
Edward Bnckley
Colin Burke
Brian Campbell
Eogan Cullen
Andrew Cnlligan
Tom Daly
Neil Daniel
Killian Doyle
Pádraic Dunne
Seamus Dunne
Brian Durcan
Simon Emerson
David Fallon
John Feely
Jerome Finnegan
Jack Finnigan
David Ganly
Rory Geraghty
David Gibson
Eoghan Hughes
James Kelly
Thomas Muldowney
Marcus O'Carroll

FORM SIX ONE

Seán Keane
Ian Kelly
Gavin King
Stephen Larkin
John Leahy
Keith McAndrew
Brian McDermott
Brian McGovern
Conor McKenna
Richard Morris
Cormac Murphy
David Nolan
Seán O'Brien
Timothy O'Brien
John O'Byrne
Peter O'Gorman
Conor O'Higgins
Stephen Plenderleith
Robert Pyne
Hugh Queenan
Mehdi Rizvi
Nigel Ruane
Jonathan Sexton
David Shaffrey
Colm Smith
Robert Stefanuik
John Wilkes
David Woods

FORM FIVE

John Barragry
Ross Bowe
Dara Bracken-Clarke
Éanna Brennan
William Burke
Oisin Cahill
Rory Carron
Billy Clancy
Gary Coffey
Matthew Conway
Brian Coveney
Conor Cnllen
Eoin Delaney
Conor Donoghue
Brian Drumm
Daragh Fanning
Bryan Garry
Eoin Garry
Conor Geraghty
Alan Godfrey
John Hanlon
Daniel Hardiman
Michael Harvey
Gavin Hawkes-Rooney
Conor Hogan
Paul Huddie
Patrick Kenny
Richard Kilcoyne
David Larkin
Dara Lernihan
Hugh Lyons
Gavin Meehan

FORM FIVE ONE

Alan Dalton
Matthew DeVere White
Richard Felle
Ronan Good
Stephen Hannigan
Peter Keegan
John McGill
Robert Miley
Brian Moran
Gregory Murray
Marc McDonnell
Simon McCabe
Conor McInerney
Niall O'Briain
Simon O'Callaghan
Shane O'Connell
Aidan O'Dea
Gary O'Doherty
Rossa O'Donovan
Barry O'Flanagan
Killian O'Hara
David O'Loughlin
John O'Reilly
Oisin O'Shaughnessy
Ian O'Sullivan
Kevin Quinn
Kieran Raymond
Richard Sweeney
Brian Tierney
Kieran Traynor
Michael Tyndall
Vincent Timmons

FORM TWO

S. Maguire, B. Goode, R. Field, S. Culligan, W. Andreucetti, S. Connaughton
A. Crean, C. Ardagh, D. Barnwell, R. Bent, D. Nugent, N. Dalton, E. Halligan, P. Finnigan
H. Buggy, S. Clarke, J. Bathe, B. Connery, R. Ferris, K. Larchet, S. Massey
D. Horton, E. Drumm, D. Bailey, S. Carolan, K. Doherty, D. Holland

FORM FOUR

Jack Ardagh
Daniel Bergin
David Blaney
Jack Buggy
Seán Connolly
Neil Cowhey
Ross Delahunty
Hugh Doddy
Jamie Doddy
David Dunne
Daragh Gleeson
Neil Griffin
Robert Hanlon
Patrick Hunt
Ruairi Keane
Mark Kelly
Pádraig Lalor
Justin Langan
Shane Levins
Sam McArdle
Andrew McCarthy
Rowan O'Neill
Anthony Donnelly

FORM FOUR ONE

Patrick Larchet
Sam Mehigan
Eamon Moran
Joseph Murphy
Daniel Norton
Kevin O'Connell
Fergus O'Higgins
Thomas O'Reilly
Josef Opdebeeck
Neal Roebuck
Richard Rowland
Mark Ryan
Mark Sexton
Joseph Slowey
Aidan Somerville
Daniel Spring
Joseph Tiernan
John Twomey
John Vather
Robert Walsh
Niall White

FORM THREE

Daniel Ahlstrom
David Beirne
Declan Bourke
Niall Bulger
Mark Conway
Christopher Costello
Conor Coveney
Graham Doyle
Nick Dunne
Ian Fernihough
Kevin Geraghty
Gareth Grehan
Brian Hammond
Declan Harmon
Jack Hayes
Brian Heavey
Tommy Hughes
Patrick Kilmartin
Douglas Leddin
Conor McGlade
Eamonn Morris

FORM THREE ONE

Paul Early
Pádraig Godfrey
Marc McKay
David-Owen Mahon
Emmet Moore
Cian Morris
Andrew Nolan
Alban O'Callaghan
David O'Connor
Marc O'Gorman
Cian O'Neill
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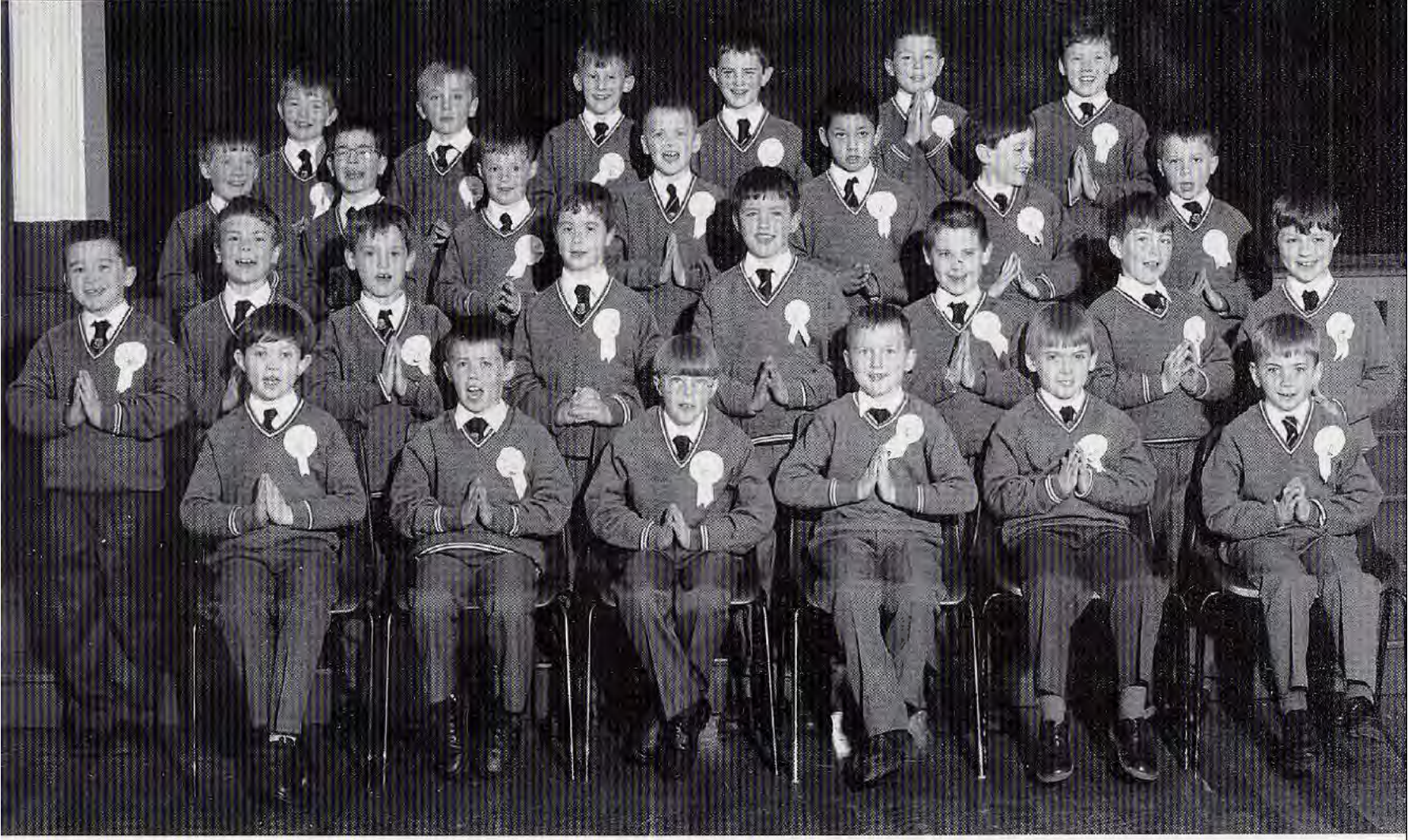

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P. Murphy, A. Smith, R. Crutty, O. McGill, D. Nolan, C. McNeill
A. Meehan, S. Whelan, S. Murray, J. McCarthy, A. Traynor, D. Sheridan, J. O'Donoghue
G. Redmond, K. O'Sullivan, L. Smith, J. Speers, D. McGann, E. McAleese, D. Mortimer, R. Sweeney
C. O Fiachan, B. Roebuck, I. Verdon, A. Meehan, I. O'Neill, K. Whalton

FORM TWO

William Andreucetti
Ciarán Ardagh
Dylan Bailey
Daniel Barnwell
Ian Bathe
Richard Bent
Harry Buggy
Seán Carolan
Shane Clarke
Seán Connaughton
Ben Connery
Rowan Crean
Stephen Culligan
Niall Dalton
Kevin Doherty
Eoin Drumm
Robert Ferris
Robbie Field
Peter Finnigan
Brian Goode
Eoghan Hallinan
Daniel Holland
David Horton
Kevin Larchet
Shane Maguire
Seán Massey
Derek Nugent

FORM TWO ONE

Raymond Crotty
Eamon McAleese
John McCarthy
Donal McEvoy
David McGann
Chrisopher McNeill
Aaron Meehan
Alan Meehan
David Mortimer
Paul Murphy
Simon Murray
David Nolan
Jack O'Donoghue
Ciarán O'Fiachaín
Ian O'Neill
Karl O'Sullivan
Gary Redmond
Brian Roebuck
Dermot Sheridan
Aaron Smith
Luke Smith
James Speers
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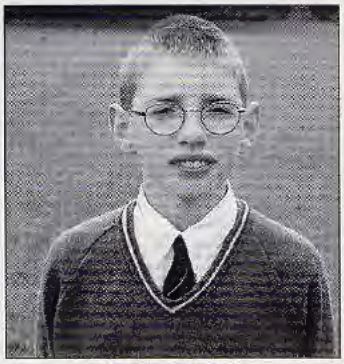
Samuel Whelan
Owen McGill

Ian O'Neill

Brendan Shortt

Junior School Prizewinners

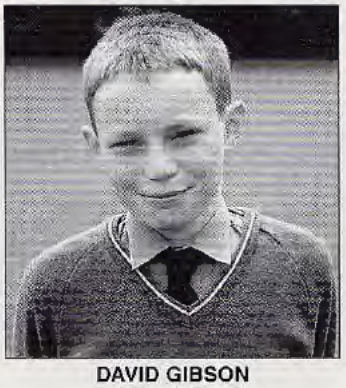


KARL BRADY
Fr Little Trophy
for Excellence in Conduct

ROBERT STEFANUIK
Fr Little Trophy
for Excellence in Conduct

JACK FINNEGAN
Silver Medal
for General Excellence

JONATHAN SEXTON
Sportsman
of the Year



DAVID GIBSON
Fr Gilmore Trophy
for Art

DAVID NOLAN
Fr Hurley Trophy
for Languages

DAVID SHAFFREY
Cup for Music

PETER O'GORMAN
Máire Cranny Trophy
for Excellence in Speech

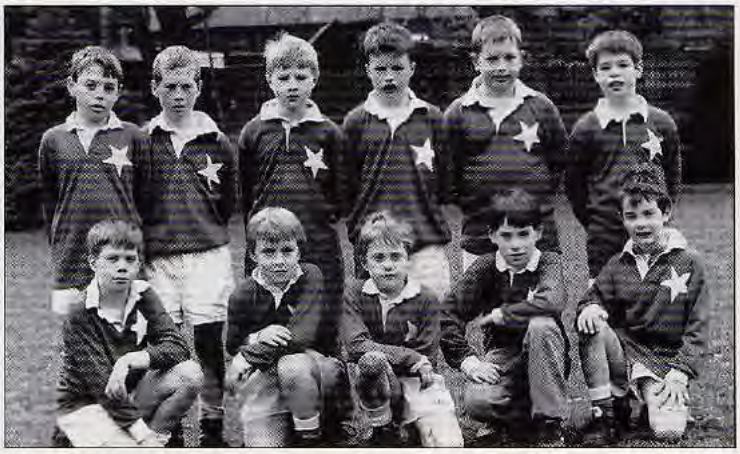
JEROME FINNEGAN
Fr Hourigan Trophy
for Religious Education

FORM TWO
LEAGUE WINNERS
I. Verdon, B. Connery,
A. Smith, A. Traynor,
R. Sweeney, C. O'Fiachain
D. Horton, J' O'Donoghue,
D. McGann, A. Smith,
S. Murray

FORM TWO
LEAGUE RUNNERS UP
P. Murphy, C. McNeill,
C. Ardagh, O. McGill,
S. Culligan
E. Drumm, L. Smith, R. Field,
D. Barnwell, S. Maguire,
B. Goode

FORMS THREE
LEAGUE WINNERS
C. Costello, D. Leddin,
K. Geraghty, C. O'Neill,
C. Coveney
B. Hammond, J. Hayes,
T. Hughes, C. McGlade,
P. Godfrey

FORM THREE
LEAGUE RUNNERS UP
D. O'Connor, P. Earley,
S. Raymond, B. Shortt,
C. Shaw, M. O'Gorman
D. Ahlstrom, R. Shaffrey,
M. Conway, N. Bolger,
P. Kilmartin



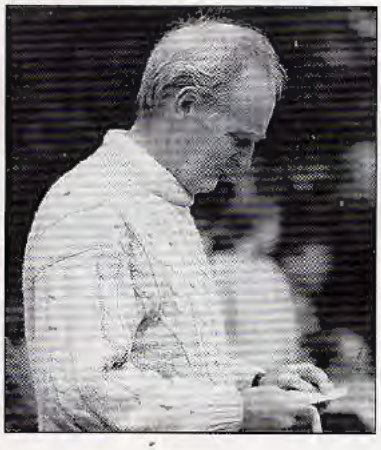
FORM FOUR
LEAGUE WINNERS
S. Connolly, R. Walsh,
J. Tiernan, F. O'Higgins, P. Hunt
A. McCarthy, M. Ryan,
T. O'Reilly, J. Hanlon,
N. Cowhey

FORM FOUR
LEAGUE RUNNERS UP
J. Twomey, J. Opdebeeck,
J. Murphy, D. Norton,
R. Delahunty, N. Roebuck
J. Vather, A. Donnelly,
K. Larchet, D. Spring,
M. Sexton, N. Griffen

HOLY CHILDHOOD LEAGUE WINNERS
A. Godfrey, K. McAndrew, I. O'Sullivan, M. Aherne, P. O'Gorman, M. Donnelly, S. O'Connell
B. O'Flanagan, J. Hanlon, B. Campbell, J. Sexton, G. Murray, K. Quinn
B. Burke, E. Buckley

HOLY CHILDHOOD LEAGUE RUNNERS UP
C. Burke, B. Moran, R. Sweeney, R. Morris, G. O'Doherty, S. O'Callaghan, J. McGill
C. Murphy, D. Woods, N. Ruane, J. O'Byrne, C. McInerney
B. McDermott, A. O'Dea, P. Keegan

Peter O'Gorman



Mr. Donnolly

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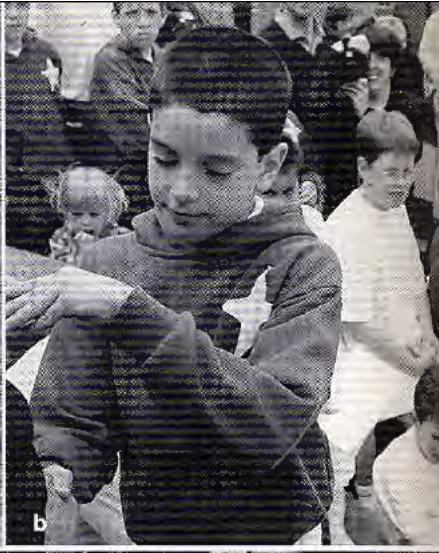
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JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

a. Mrs. Wall and Mrs. O'Donnell
b. Conor McGlade
c. John Barragry
d. Receiving medals on Sports Day 1998
e. Conor McKenna, Thomas Muldowney and Edward Buckley
f. Tom Daly
g. 4th Class preparing for the Relay Race
h. Brian McDermott
i. Niall Dalton, William Andreucetti, Harry Buggy, Ben Connery, Stephen Culligan and Eoghan Hallinan.
j. Sean Keane, Stephen Prenderleith, David Fallon, John Andreucetti and Andrew Culligan
k. Luke Smith, James Spear and Ciaran Ardagh

CONFIRMATION DAY

a. Colin Burke
b. John Leahy
c. David Ganly
d. Padraic Dunne
e. David Nolan
f. Colin Burke, Sean Keane, Brian Campbell, Killian Doyle and Brian McDermott
g. David Nolan being confirmed by Bishop O'Ceallaigh