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# EDITORIAL

It is unfortunate that we sometimes lose the impatient expectancy with which a child demands that each day bring with it many new treasures. All too often today we lump Time into one big heap of repetitive events—a year just like the rest, a summer, a winter, “Christmas is here again.” It might have been just another year, yet it will never happen again—it has the unique quality that not one moment will be repeated . . . ever.

Only when we delve into our memories do we understand that life is made up of those moments. A whole world comes to life again at the sight of a small dried flower you thought to pick up so long ago, or the frayed end of an old ribbon that used to catch itself in the zip of a favourite dress. One has only to watch the face of someone looking at a dog-eared photo of

his youth and see the childish grin spread slowly across his cheeks as he recalls the scene and the faces of friends, which have changed so much, to know that it is true.

It seems that we go along gathering only pebbles to build the unmapped wall of our life, and it is only when something makes us loosen one of those tiny stones, do we realize what a flood of emotions, feelings, and just life lies behind such a small piece of our life.

Today's world seems to expect so much from the individual and in an endeavour to please, and create a life one may call “memorable” in years to come we seem to let our real lives slip by. It is not surprising we are apt to feel our lives aren't amounting to anything. We look back and see nothing but pebbles. Yet we remember that nobody builds a life out of monuments.

## THE PRESS



**The Magazine Committee.** *Left to right: Anne Barrett-Lennard, Christine Napier, Megan Clark (editor), Raelene Vivian, Patricia Langdon.*

The magazine committee would like to express its sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed in anyway to the magazine, from the one finger typists to the staff and girls who shared all the moments of panic and frustration.

We would like to say a special thanks to Mrs. McMahon

for her help and for simply being there when we needed her.

The 'Ed' would like to express her appreciation of the girls of the committee, without whom the Kookaburra would no doubt have been a mass of papers burying the Editor on the Common Room Floor.

## Head Prefect Notes



*Veronica Cook.*

Head Prefect is a position that is possibly the best in the whole school because, for one whole year you are put in the position of having the best of both worlds: as a student you are able to communicate more freely with the more official side of the school, and as an official you are given the opportunity to communicate with the girls.

This communicating is one thing that I feel is of vital importance to the running of a good school. This year, through the presence of a common room for year 12, and generally a more informal atmosphere through the school, I feel we have managed to produce a better attitude towards school life, and the discipline that goes with it.

Throughout the year we have had the usual problems with the 'miss' wearing of school uniform, and other 'miss' behaviour, but as a leaving year, without getting over-disciplinary-minded, we have managed to cope to a certain extent. I hope that following years will try to establish an even greater communication level, and feedback response with the girls.

This year was the School's Diamond Jubilee year which has made the school year even more interesting, but

## Student Council Notes

This year, as with other years, the Student Council started as a body of enthusiastic girls. In the months which followed we learnt that authority goes hand in hand with the burdens of responsibility and the need to compromise between the desired and the ultimate.

Communication is the key word in the functioning of the Student Council. The need for the members to relate to each other is essential and to the girls of the school, because the Council exists as a representative body of the girls. It is also a body which sorts ideas from both teachers and girls and has the job of putting the decisions into practice. Unfortunately, some people see the Council solely as representatives of the teaching staff and its actions as the policing of their requests. In order for the Council to represent the girls, greater opportunities need

what made the celebrations the more enjoyable was the girls themselves. The whole school worked together in a mass of activities, which is something that has probably never happened before on such a scale, and mixed with this activity was a great feeling of having something in common with all those other masses of girls, old and new. The School Service, especially epitomized this feeling.

I am often asked if the work I have to do as a Head Prefect ever gets me down, but throughout the year, with very few exceptions, I have found my work so much more rewarding because of the backing of a truly magnificent year 12. The Student Council was a fantastic group of girls with whom I found working great fun, and the girls themselves, headed by year 12, have been a great pleasure and experience to work with and for. The backing I have received from individual girls has also made my job that much easier and more enjoyable.

I may not have been the traditional or ideal Head Prefect but, people, I gave of my best and I hope you will all enjoy your last year at school as much as I have.

*Veronica.*

to be found so that the school can share its ideas with the Councillors.

In second term, Veronica, Megan and Raema attended discussion evenings with the Student Councils of other schools, and from these were able to voice their opinions on matters concerning Student Representation and hear the opinions of others. Although P.L.C. compares favourably in their Student Representation much value can be gained by exchanges of this nature.

With the end of the year in sight, and the end of our high school life, too, we leave our positions as Student Councillors with regret that more could not have been accomplished but also wiser for the experiences that we shared. The Student Council would like to offer its best wishes to the 1976 Student Council.



**Student Council 1975.** Back row: J. Abbotts, B. Chase, J. Langley, S. Wegner, S. Fitch, S. Jones, D. Gamble, J. Turner, P. Makin; front row: L. Fitch, J. Green, P. Langdon, L. McDonald, M. Clark, V. Cook, P. J. Smith, M. Boys, A. Barrett-Lennard, R. Seaby, J. Dwyer.



## FAREWELL TO A FRIEND

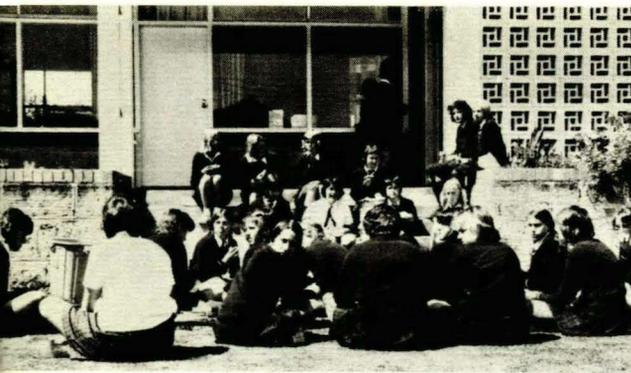
In August 1975 Kerry Dougall died. This is Kerry's testimony of faith which she was to read out at her Church two days after she collapsed. Kerry would have liked to share these words with the friends who now miss her so much.

*Shortly after I was born a miracle happened. The doctors said that I was going to die and didn't leave much hope for me, but all my parents' Christian friends got together and prayed for me, and thanks to the grace of God I am still alive.*

*Right from the time I was a little girl and able to speak, my parents had prayed with me and taught me to pray. They had always told me that God answered prayer if we had faith, and what a wonderful father God is, sending*

*His Son Jesus Christ as our Saviour, but it wasn't until I was 11 years of age and Dad was a counsellor at a Billy Graham Crusade and had little books showing the way to salvation, that I could see it explained simply and gave my heart to the Lord.*

*Since that time I have learned to trust Him and lean on Him for help. The Psalm I often think of is 'The Lord is my Shepherd' and this is what I have found Him to be.*



# BOARDING HOUSE

The Boarding House came to life once again after the Christmas Holidays, when boarders flocked in from all over the State, and other countries, for some girls the first or last time. Very quickly everyone settled into the usual routine of rising at 6.45 a.m., breakfast, School, lunch —this year we have had packed lunches which enables girls to eat with the day bugs or attend sport or set practices. If it rained we ate in the dining room. After school—sporting activities, music practices, or whatever you fancied doing (with a great number of exceptions), tea, prep. which was done at school for junior school girls to 11th years. 12th years study upstairs in their dorms where desks are provided. Finally, to close the day bed and lights out.

However, this routine changes on weekends when it is possible to go out with a friend on Saturday or Sunday, visit the "Vill". 10, 11 and 12th years may go to town or to a picture, Saturday and Sunday afternoon we can go to the corner shop and on Sunday afternoons 11th and 12th years may go for an hour's walk. Younger girls can go if accompanied by a senior girl. To help those girls who are always hungry during the weekend, 11th year girls run a tuckshop which sells a variety of goodies. The 12th year girls have an added privilege each Sunday afternoon, when we congregate in our sitting room and have coffee, tea or Milo and biscuits. Every second Saturday night we have a film shown in the B.S.R. (usually a popular film).

Sunday morning we have our church services in Carmichael Hall which are led by Miss Jackson, Mr. Milne or a guest speaker. Each first Sunday in the month we attend St. Andrew's Church in town. One Sunday night in second term we attended a service in the Scotch College Chapel with the guys from Scotch.

This year we have also had quite a number of Socials with a variety of guys' Schools—Guildford, Aquinas, Hale, Christ Church, St. Louis and Scotch. Girls from 9th to 12th year have enjoyed the dances or barbecues.

The Boarders' Market has once again been in progress throughout the year. Thank you to all those concerned with the donating and organising of the selling of the great variety of goods. The money gained has been used to buy new curtains, carpet and a clothes drier and several other articles.

Thanks to the Mothers' Auxiliary for the making of the new curtains for the B.S.R.

I would like to thank the Boarding House Staff for their help throughout the year, also Jenny, Anne and the leaving boarders whose assistance and support has been most valuable.

To those leaving the Boarding House, I wish every success and happiness and to those we leave behind the best of luck and keep up the hard work in 1976.

## LEAVING BOARDERS



## Boarding Is

- What you make of it
- One way of developing or destroying character
- Never having to wash up
- The best part of your life
- Wearing your own underclothes and someone else's overclothes
- Continuous distraction
- Falling in love with a Melbourne Band member and getting continuously ragged
- An existence



**Boarding House Officials.** left to right: Jenny Dwyer (Deputy Senior Boarder), Raema Seaby (Senior Boarder), Anne Barrett-Lennard (Deputy Senior Boarder).

**Boarding House Mistresses.** left to right: Mrs. Green, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Russell, Miss Jackson.





1975 has been a year of added confusion for the house officials due to the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Carmichael didn't get off to a good start when we gained fourth place (fourth doesn't sound as gloomy as last!) in the Senior school inter-house swimming; although the Junior school inter-house swimming sports proved more successful: we came second.

On behalf of the house I extend my thanks to Jenny Challen who carefully organized the lifesaving; Mandy Carew-Reid who organized the Junior school tennis, and Judy Lange who officiated the Junior school netball.

Congratulations to the Years 11 & 12 who have won all their inter-house matches, which include volleyball, hockey, netball, and basketball! The year 8's are a group of determined 'stars'; this was evident in the hockey where they came third and in the netball where they came second. Unfortunately, Carmichael was narrowly beaten by Stewart with a margin of 0.2 in the inter-house

gymnastics competition, but "Well done!" to the girls who competed.

Carmichael's greatest victory throughout the year was in the Arts Festival where we won the Junior hymn and song, the Senior School hymn and song also the folk group, and perhaps the most coveted of all, the best house play. It was a tremendous effort on the part of everyone in the house, and credit is due to those who put so much time and effort into rehearsals to produce such polished items.

My special thanks are extended to the P.E. staff; to Mr. Page for his valuable time and talents; to all the girls and staff in Carmichael who participated in any item, event or game; and especially to Denise and Sally for their continued support throughout the year.

I wish Carmichael and the 1976 house officials the best of luck and success for next year, and remember "play the game".

*Jenny Dwyer.*



left to right: D. Dowland (Arts), J. Dwyer (House).  
S. Chrystal (Sports).



# FERGUSON



ALWAYS

STRAIGHT

FORWARD



left to right: M. Bowers,  
A. Barrett-Lennard, J. Vuletic.

P.L.C. 60 years in existence; Ferguson House 58 years in existence. Although many changes have occurred in Ferguson over the years, there is one characteristic that remains unaltered and that is House Spirit.

Our successes during the year include: winning both debating and public speaking; a close second in the athletic sports; and a fantastic performance of "Country Roads" in the house singing competition.

Despite the fact that this year has been one of experimentation regarding the Arts Festival, house awards and house participation in assembly, we feel that Ferguson has performed creditably.

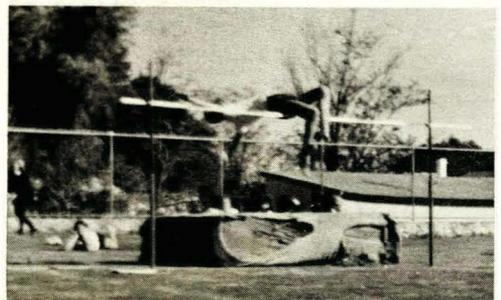
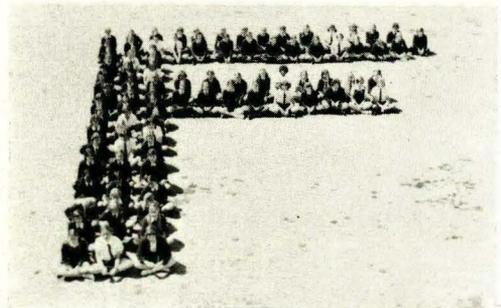
In our opinion there is still a lot of potential talent in the house which we have done our best to reveal, and we hope that to an extent we have succeeded.

We as house officials have not always enjoyed the position, but our reward lies in the efforts of those who responded so enthusiastically and to the best of their ability.

*Thank you Ferguson.*

*Yours,*

*Anne, Jenny & Mandy.*





HOUSE OFFICIALS. R. Seaby, V. Cook, C. Napier.

VICTORY OR DEATH!



# McNEIL



McNeil hasn't done exceedingly well this year in the achievement of great awards, but we've had so much fun this year I don't think it really matters.

We won the swimming sports owing to a great effort at standards, and the great leadership of Trish Langdon.

The athletics was also another great victory for McNeil in which we won the marching as well as the sports. The organization of these sports was magnificent thanks to Sue Wainright and Kirstin Mardardy.

In the other fields of sport, hockey, softball, tennis, volley-ball, badminton, netball, basketball and gym, we have also done reasonably well. For the success in these fields we need to thank Raema Seaby, who has been a fabulous sports captain, Lindy Twogood,

Thea Ledger, Jan Green, Sally-Anne Cornelius, Meredith Brooks and many, many other people—especially the great kids who participated in all these activities.

From the sporting field we move to the more Arty activities such as music-making, plays, choir singing, etc. We didn't do exceptionally well in this area either but generally everyone had a good time which is the most important thing. For our success here we again must thank the girls who organized the activities especially Chris Napier, Trish Langdon and all the great kids who participated.

Actually, the people to be thanked include every every single person in the House.

Thankyou everyone and keep up the good work for next year.



# Stewart ~ Christeep

Stewart's success this year can be attributed to the fact that they are a united house in all activities from sports to arts. The enthusiasm and interest brought many victories as well as enjoyment for those who merely participated for the House, as well as those who had more skills.

Victories were the Arts Trophy and Shield, equal first in first term for overall participation and coming first overall in sporting activities in the second term. The Junior School Stewart girls have been victorious also, winning the junior school netball, tennis, athletics and presentation cup.

The thanks of the Stewart House officials must go to members of the staff in Stewart House for their enthusiasm and co-operation in all activities. Stewart being united as a whole house, participating as a house in all activities has been our aim throughout the year, and we feel we have achieved this.

One reason was, that the House Official system was successful, with the three captains performing their duties, and supporting each other.

Good luck to Stewart next year! It's a great house and should go on to achieve even greater victories.



Left to right: R. Vivian (Arts), P. J. Smith (House), H. Hemley (Sports).

# WOT WAS WEN '75

## SPEECH NIGHT—1974

Speech night was once again a most successful event in the school calendar. Following the singing of the School Song and the prayer led by Rev. N. Milne, the Chairman Mr. Benson spoke briefly to the audience. Miss Barr presented the 60th report of the school. As the following year was the Diamond Jubilee, much emphasis was placed on the changing attitudes and conditions which occur with the passing of time. We were delighted to have Mrs. June Craig, an attractive and vivacious Old Collegian and P.L.C.'s first student to become a Member of Parliament, to present the prizes. It was interesting to hear her reflections of her years at school with the experience and hindsight that the following years had brought.

Thanks go to Mrs. Aurelie Yeo who painted and presented to the school a sympathetic portrait of Dr. Summers, which reflects the perceptiveness coming from close contact over many years. This was visible as a backdrop to the Official Party which included 'old' girls and young girls. Miss Barr, Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Yeo represented those girls who spent their youth in the cold, draughty, wooden buildings to which not many of us are still subjected. The Head Prefect Bronwyn Bamford and two fourth-year girls, Megan Clark and Jenny Vuletic, impressively represented today's potential. Megan was selected to attend the International Science School at Sydney University during the August holidays, while Jenny visited Hong Kong as her prize for winning the Joint Commonwealth Societies' Public speaking Competition for fourth-year students. Certainly, the tales they told of their experiences rarely pertained to Academia! but were enjoyed by both parents and girls.

Bronwyn then concluded the formalities of the night with a vote of thanks and appreciation. And, following the hymn known well to all P.L.C. girls—past and present—'Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing', the masses adjourned to the Greek Theatre for supper.

## ARBOR DAY—1975

The weather was ideal for Arbor Day—for the trees! Fortunately the heavy rain eased slightly, during which time Miss Barr, Dr. Summers and Mr. Benson planted the three Jubilee Commemoration Plane Trees in the Court-yard near Carmichael Hall.

A small presentation was made to Mr. Tony Brand in recognition of his Life Membership of the Parents' Association. Mr. Brand initiated and organised many of the improvements to P.L.C. that have been provided by the Association, the most noteworthy being the Art Centre, Arbor Day, the Greek Theatre and features in the Canteen. He planted the fourth Plane Tree.

Mrs. Jean Vershuer who prepared the plans for Arbor Day managed to plant a tree in spite of her busy timetable. However, after these plantings the rest of Arbor Day was "washed out". J.Langdon Pres.Parents' Assoc

## THE SCHOOL SERVICE

The televising of the school service this year provided us with an opportunity to share our Diamond Jubilee celebrations with the rest of Australia.

Preparations for the service, which took place on the 17th August at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, were being made for several weeks prior to the final day and included rigorous rehearsals by the choir and band, and a number of practice sessions for the school in general, as well as an explanatory talk by a representative from the A.B.C. on the part they would play in the service.

Although the service was to begin at 2.30 p.m. the congregation was asked to be seated in the church by 2.00 p.m. giving them plenty of time to become accustomed to the cameras and microphones. By the time the service was due to begin the congregation was rather self-conscious and tense and throughout the introductory music sat very still and somewhat nervously.

We were soon informed that it had been a "false alarm" due to technical difficulties: the start of the service was delayed by several minutes. However, once it began, everyone was decidedly more relaxed and able to appreciate the service.

The service itself was divided into three parts.

Firstly, the Preparation in which Megan Clark brought the Bible into the Church and laid it on the pulpit and Veronica Cook carried the School flag to the Communion Table, while the school hymn was sung.

Secondly, the proclamation of the Word of God during which lessons from the Old and New Testaments were read by Veronica Cook and Raema Seaby. The weeks of hard practice the choir and Mr. Page had put in were evident in the singing of the anthem "For He Shall Give His Angels Charge over Thee".

After the prayer of intercession which was led by Miss Barr, and the hymn, the Rt. Rev. D. J. Cousins, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Western Australia, preached the sermon "On This Foundation I will Build", which reminded us all, in this the sixtieth year of the school, of the principles, aims and ideas on which the school has been founded.

During the final part of the service "The Response to the Word of God", the School Band, conducted by Mr. Page performed throughout the offering, the proceeds of which went to aid the Mackenzie Foundation. After the prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication, the service concluded with the final hymn, the blessing, the three-fold amen and the handing back of the school flag.

The congregation, students, parents and friends had entered freely into the spirit of the service, taking stock of past achievements and looking forward to the future.

## School Dance

The school dance—a cause of much anxiety; conversation; arrangements and expectations—was a major event during the latter part of first term. It fulfilled all expectations for most of us and was enjoyed by most of us, despite the wet weather which produced puddles and muddy dress-hems!

'Last Chance Cafe' kept the fittest on their feet; while others retreated with their partners through wooden-arched door-ways to a long room furnished with tables, chairs and potato chips. The Civic-Centre-setting provided the basis for our Cinderella theme: long winding pathways and stairways; empty marble fire-places; rustic wooden panelling and the slippery floor surface of polished boards. To add to this we had a lowered ceiling of silver and blue streamers, and highlighting the decorations hung a magnificent Cinderella with silver horses, and a jewel-encrusted carriage.

An important difference between Cinderella's ball and our dance was that at midnight most of us were reluctant to leave and no-one left a glass slipper on the stairway for the cleaner next morning.

## MATHS GAMES CAMP 1975

In July this year, four girls from P.L.C., along with 200 students from other schools, attended a Maths Games Camp at Point Walter. There were four sessions over the course of the week-end and we played a different game each session, competing against both girls and boys from other schools. Although we were not amongst the three winning schools, it was a valuable and stimulating experience, and we learned a lot about the art of concentration!

Apart from the Maths, there was a sporting session, a social, and an impromptu party at 2 p.m. Everyone had different duties and although the toast was like rubber, it was a week-end greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

*Jane Fischer*

## School Dance 1934

The first School Dance was held on December 8th, 1934. As the school consisted of about 125 girls the dance was run by the 25 Senior girls. This great event, marking the first School Dance ever to be held took place in the gym. Personal invitations were unheard of, and instead a group of boys from Scotch College formed the partners—when they danced!

The band consisted of a piano and one other instrument, the gym bedecked with streamers for this great occasion. With great gusto the evening began. The first dance was one where each person was given a paired card to find his partner. At this critical stage Dr. Summers was called to the phone and on hanging up was greeted by the Head Prefect, frightfully upset as no one was mixing; all the boys were standing under one light while the girls inhabited the seats of the opposite wall. After a gentle talking to by Dr. Summers, explaining that they simply must join in and enjoy themselves, they immediately dived for a partner and the rest of the evening proceeded uneventfully; supper being prepared in the gym cloakroom and served in the gym.

Scotch gave a return dance, the senior girls refusing to go unless Dr. Summers accompanied them. They all became panic stricken on nearing the door, but after taking a deep breath they entered to find the boys in the same predicament.

## MATHS ENRICHMENT COURSE

You must be mad—wanting to do MATHS for a week in the Holidays!"

This was the reaction Raelene Vivian and I received when we heard the good news that we had been selected for the Maths Enrichment Course at the W.A. University.

Our own jubilation was justified. We spent a rewarding week at the end of the Christmas holidays living with 60 other students at Kingswood College and attending the course. Our programme was tightly packed with Maths—but not the classroom type. Our topics this year were Linear Algebra, Probability and Chance and Projectional Geometry. Each day we had two morning sessions and an afternoon session with a "free" from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., then back to lecture rooms for a 'homework' session from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Each session consisted of a lecture followed by a work period. We also managed to have loads of fun and make many good friends. The maths was stimulating, although sometimes it was easier to count the squares on the ceiling than to sort out Professor Gamblen's maze of A primes and B double primes in his Projectional Geometry lectures.

This extra maths enabled the two of us to get beyond the usual classroom maths and learn about the exciting maths which exists but never seems to get into our curriculums.

*Megan Clark*



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# SKI TOUR



We made our own entertainment at night, playing bridge or table tennis, and one night the 11th years conducted a highly popular Chocolate Game, and the Staff's contribution was a very educational games night.

On the last day we went to Falls Creek. The more confident skiers tackled the slopes, others skied down the snow-covered road and the remainder enjoyed themselves on foot—constructing a lop-sided Snow-Lady and watching all the "Beautiful People".

At 2 o'clock we said goodbye to the snowfields and began our return trip, staying overnight at Wangaratta where we enjoyed a decent meal.

The Saturday was spent travelling at a leisurely pace to Melbourne and Tullamarine. The 8 o'clock flight to Perth finally left at 9.45 p.m. The tedium of the journey was relieved for three year 12's who devised a plan to shock and horrify one unsuspecting Mother. Having borrowed the plane's First Aid Kit, one year 12 emerged with bandages around the head for "concussion" and over the nose for a suspected "broken nose". The plan went slightly awry due to an informer who shall remain nameless.

All girls would like to thank Mrs. Morison, Mrs. Jarvis, Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Routley for their part in making the tour the success it was, as most of us returned hooked on the sport for life.

*Kate Hamilton*

The members of the P.L.C. Ski Tour assembled (together with enough luggage for an African Safari) for the first time on the morning of Saturday 30th August, at the T.A.A. terminal in Melbourne. We all set off in our bus (in which we were to practically live for the next 8 days) and travelled along the Hume Highway through Seymour, Euroa, Benalla and Glenrowan (Ned Kelly country) to Wangaratta, where we stayed overnight. Most of us enjoyed the luxury of a private T.V. set, but some intrepid types walked half a mile into town to the pictures.

We were off again early next morning and travelled to Porepunkah, where we were supplied with our glamorous ski boots and skis. Eager to discover the joys of skiing, we went to Dingo Dell, Mt. Buffalo, and spent a few hours literally in the snow. That afternoon we continued on to Mt. Beauty Chalet where we stayed till the next Friday, subsisting mainly on a nutritious diet of ice cream, jelly and pears.

Every morning we undertook a two hour journey to the Cresta Ski Run, Mt. Buffalo (we can all say with confidence we know the country between Mounts Beauty and Buffalo) where we had our lessons with Jack Hedley. Cresta was an ideal place for beginners and more advanced skiers alike, and there was plenty of snow. On Wednesday we enjoyed the experience of skiing while it was snowing.



## Parents' Association

What a great year this has been for P.L.C. First we had the decision to go ahead with the additions to the Junior School, and then the formation and development of the School's Orchestra. These will affect the School for many years to come. Proceeding with the Junior School was a bold decision in these particular times, but it was made only after all the facts were fully investigated. The Council has had the fullest support of the Parents' Association, but now we as parents can contribute positively by ensuring that prospective parents know about the improved scope available at the Junior School.

The school orchestra continues to amaze us with its progress and accomplishments. Perhaps the orchestra has been the catalyst which has resulted in the tremendous spirit of pride and enthusiasm throughout the school this year. A new era has dawned at P.L.C. which has been brought in with a fanfare with the visit by the Melbourne Youth Symphonic Band.

The discussion evening "What Should Schools Do?" was one of the highlights of the year. Independent schools are coming under increasing political and economic pressure and it is vital that strong open lines of communication are maintained between the School, parent or family, and the students. If we are to remain independent, we all have to express what we want to achieve, and at the same time accept the responsibilities that go with this expression.

The opportunities available were demonstrated during the Arts Festival and Diamond Jubilee Celebration. Many of the facilities required for the extra-curricular activities have been provided by the Parents' Association, but these would amount to nothing without the co-operation of the staff and students.

I would like to express my appreciation to all the members of the Committee and Association for their contribution during a busy, full but happy year.

*J. Langdon, President.*

## Old Collegians' Association

1975 has been a year full of interest. We commenced the year in providing a luncheon, in conjunction with the School Council, for the 1974 Leaving students and Staff. This proved to be a happy occasion for all, and four girls were co-opted onto our 1975 Committee. The girls voted for were Caroline Brand, Kerry Dowland, Rebecca Clough and Fiona Brine.

Fund raising in the first Term was somewhat spoiled by inclement weather. We rallied our committee and supporters to make sandwiches and cakes to sell at the junior School Swimming Sports. But a cyclone blew in and the Sports were cancelled. Mothers and friends, however, bought the food, and a small sum of money was raised.

In second Term the Old Collegians' Association, in conjunction with Mrs. Hazel Day, undertook to engage guest speakers for a series of careers talks. Much knowledge was gained by both the organisers and the students from this project and I feel we could make this an annual exercise.

A quiz Night in June proved a source of enjoyment and financial benefit. Money raised from this function will finance the Old Collegians' Bursary for 1976. The recipient of our Bursary must be the daughter or grand-daughter of an Old Collegian. Fund raising is not always a pleasant job, but if we are to continue to finance a bursary, we must make money.

P.L.C. Old Collegians are a generous bunch of people: any request for help is willingly met and time freely given.

*Margot Langdon.  
August 1975.*

## Leaving Day Girls '75





**Arts Council.** *left to right, standing: Mrs. Mell, Mr. Page, Mrs. Dharmalingam; kneeling: R. Vivian, M. Vojkovic, M. Arnold; sitting: C. Napier, J. Vuletic, S. Cornelius, D. Dowland, D. Gamble.*

## Arts Council

At the beginning of the year the Arts Council faced the enormous task of organising interhouse Arts activities, with some trepidation. However, we pushed bravely ahead, and as the end of the year looms, we feel we have left no great failures behind us.

Our first tasks were interhouse debating and public speaking. These activities are gradually proving to many girls that one doesn't have to be a great orator to speak for four minutes; and also causing an increase in interest in interschool debating and public speaking. The second major activity was the establishment of a house choir and folk group competition. Many people including the girls themselves, were astounded at the quality which was produced. The Arts Captains, who each conducted her own house choir produced these good results by constant "persuasion" of the girls to practices. The interest and enthusiasm shown by the girls will certainly ensure this competition's future success.

Second term saw the beginning of the groundwork for the Arts Festival. This is the major function with which the Arts Council concerns itself. Many more girls participated this year, with great enthusiasm, in the various sections. The House plays were of a very high quality, and the Art and craft section showed that we have many fine artists

at P.L.C. The climax of the Arts Festival was the concert on the Monday night. The hall was overflowing with attentive girls and parents.

The Council is hoping to introduce interhouse bridge and chess competitions into the school, in order to increase the various "art" activities available. The Arts Council tried to interest many girls in some aspect of recreation other than sport at P.L.C. We would like to see a school where Arts and Sport can exist for the girls without either suffering because of the other, so that the girls are involved in both these activities.

*Raelene Vivian*

## House Emblems

This year saw the introduction of a new award (a House Emblem embroidered on blazer pocket). To win a House Emblem one has to be awarded ten points, gained from various activities. The emblem is not awarded for supremacy in one activity but for participation, organising ability, and enthusiasm throughout the year for her house. The emblem is awarded by the House Officials. Each House's Arts, Sports and House Captains nominate girls, who are then discussed and voted on by the twelve house Officials. This is a very high award and those who receive it are highly honoured.

## Speakers' Corner 1975

P.L.C. for the second consecutive time won the inter-school senior debating competition. This year it was organized by the Western Australian Debating League.

About sixty schools participated in each of the junior and senior sections.

The P.L.C. junior team was very successful although they were beaten by Como High School in the quarter finals. The junior debates were prepared debates. Members of this section of the debating club are extremely unenthusiastic and next year they are bound to have even greater success.

The senior competition consisted of impromptu debates, i.e. each team has thirty-five minutes to prepare one side of the topic. Due to winning percentages, P.L.C. was one of the teams in the quarter final. In the quarter we defeated Penrhos, and in the semi-finals narrowly defeated Mt. Lawley and then we faced the grand final. Our opponents were St. Hilda's.

The most terrifying part of impromptu debating is that after thirty-five minutes you may come out with only two minutes speaking matter, and yet you are meant to speak for six minutes. On the grand final night, the P.L.C. entered the preparation room feeling extremely nervous.

However, we succeeded in defeating St. Hilda's, with a unanimous decision by the three adjudicators.

We had several social debates in third term for all years. P.L.C. also had a representative in the State debating team for the fourth consecutive time. This year it was Jenny Vuletic, who was also captain. The debating club would like to thank Mrs. Nicholas for her time and effort in the organization of our debates, for without her help our debates could not have taken place, or been so efficiently run.

P.L.C. girls also participated in many public speaking competitions, and did very well. Vanessa Smith was

especially successful in reaching the grand final of the junior sections of the Rotary Public Speaking Competition.

Finally on behalf of all girls in Public Speaking and Debating, I would like to thank all the girls and parents who came to support the P.L.C. teams in their various competitions. Many of the nights, the supporters braved windy, wet and wild stormy conditions to come with undampened spirits.

*Raelene Vivian.*



## 1975 National Debating Championships

"And above all, have a good time!" These were the parting admonitions of members of the W.A.D.F. as Paul Jackson, Grant Russell, Julian Alder and I left Perth Airport on the midnight flight (together with a 9 foot long green and yellow worm — which was refused entrance into the plane, three tigers (in W.A. colours), and a partially stuffed teddy-bear sporting a W.A.D.F. blazer. We were leaving for Canberra, to represent W.A. in the 1975 National Debating Championships, and after much flying, and a four hour wait at Tullamarine Airport, we arrived in the A.C.T. in temperatures of -20C., and were immediately taken (presumably before we froze solid) to Canberra's Lakeside Hotel, where all debaters were "accommodated", a somewhat barren term to describe the plush surroundings, sumptuous dinings and lavish attentions which were at the disposal of all debaters. After a Parliament House Reception in the afternoon, a welcoming

dinner at the Hotel, and a much-needed sleep, we drove to Belconnen High School for our first debate, against Victoria, in which we lost by a majority. Undaunted, nonetheless, and waving our tigers proudly, we marched headlong into another debate against A.C.T. the following night — to lose, unanimously, but not ignominiously.

However, our defeats did not deter us from enjoying ourselves, and in the interim we took part in such things as a TV debate between team captains, radio interviews, picnics, sight-seeing tours and innumerable parties. N.S.W. were the eventual winners of the championships (much to the sadness of Queensland and W.A. — the Bananabenders and the Sandgropers became the firmest of friends) in a very close Grand Final; but throughout the Championships, the standard of debating was high, the friendships formed very warm, and the spirit of enjoyment very alive.

*J. Vuletic.*

## Music 1975

Being informed that an ex-army band master, who played a number of instruments, was to take over the musical activities of the school, speculations were many and varied. Mr. Page turned out to be a burly gentleman with a great sense of humour, infinite patience, and a habit of pulling the leg of any gullible soul.

His organization at first startled a few; however he soon had many eager, talented, people ready to participate in the various activities he had planned. Mr. Page immediately set about forming a band. This consisted of a faithful few in the first weeks but it seemed that at every practice there was another face and band numbers quickly grew. He also started a music option group with twenty four Year Eight girls, who each chose an instrument then, with help, set about learning it. All of them made progress and at the beginning of second term the Year Eights and the "original few" amalgamated with many hours of practice ahead for the band to become unified.

Throughout second term the band practised intensely for the School Service, and Baird House reverberated regularly with rousing tunes. The band now plays regularly at assemblies and even the harshest critics of the band seem to have mellowed far enough to agree that it is progressing well. In the next few years the school will be able to build up its strength in numbers and ability into a really first class band.

The school choir was also re-formed with a group of enthusiastic girls who performed very creditably at the School Service. Mr. Page, when not attending to choir or band, helped each house establish a choir, recorder group and folk group. Every girl is expected to be in her house choir, and house and arts captains could be regularly seen rounding up their girls to attend choir practice. The result of this hard work showed itself in the Arts Festival when houses surprised themselves with their efforts in the competition.

As well as encouraging music through participation, Mr. Page has arranged visits by musical groups to the school. During the year the school heard a spirited concert by the 5th Military District Band, and the boarders had a visit by the City of Stirling Brass Band. In third term we were fortunate to hear a recital by the Alburni String Quartet from London. But the highlight of the "music" year was the visit of the Melbourne Youth Symphonic Band who were billeted by P.L.C. families for a week. It was a valuable experience for the sixty five musicians, and their high standard gave the P.L.C. band a goal to strive for in the future. This enjoyable visit has led to an invitation for the P.L.C. band and choir to take part in the 1976 Australian Festival of Youth in Melbourne in July.

Within a short time, Mr. Page has become a well-loved figure within the school. It is with great pride that the girls of P.L.C. view the achievements he has made.

**Senior School  
Choir**



**School Band**



# ARTS





# FESTIVAL



# Junior

## THE CIRCUS IS COMING

Grades 1, 2 and 3 are doing a Circus on the 15th and 17th October.

Some of the dances are—Polka, Fairy Floss, Lions, Marching, and Organ-Grinder and Monkey.

*Georgina Oakeshott. Grade 3.*

In our circus my favourite dance is STRONG MEN because it is very funny.

My favourite costume is firemen, because they have a good jig.

My favourite song is Leo the Lion, because it is scary.

*Heidi Knight. Grade 3.*

Oct. 15th and 17th  
Grades 1, 2, 3  
PIC Org S.  
Lion Michael  
ball By  
Juggo



## SASHA

What a fortnight when Year 4 entertained Sasha—a 6 weeks Samroyed pup. When we were measuring his growth for Science, and he grew all right—on a steady diet of books, blazers, bags, legs and lunches.

Despite this, most of us were sorry to see him go, and look forward to his return soon for a “re-measure”.

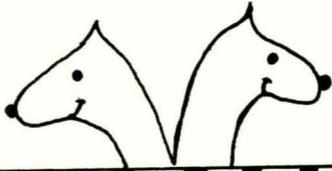
## VISIT TO SUBIACO CITY COUNCIL

Year 5 made a visit to Subiaco City Council Chambers during 1st Term to find out as much as possible about Local Government. The Mayor, Miss Parker, showed us through the Chambers and gave us an extremely interesting talk. We were honoured to meet Miss Parker, because she is the first woman to be elected Mayor in Western Australia.

It is interesting to note Miss Parker was acting Head of P.L.C. Junior School in 1970, while Mrs. Tyler was on leave.

Year 5 have made other interesting visits this year to Parliament House, Mills and Wares, Peters Pie and Icecream Factory and the Fremantle Museum.

# School



## GRADE SIX TOUR

On Sunday, April 13th, with Grade 6 Scotch College, we left for a week's educational trip to Bridgetown and the South-West.

We stayed at the Methodist Youth Hostel, which provided excellent views as it was near the top of a steep hill.

During the week we visited orchards, fruit packing sheds, a beef stud and tin and coal mines. Other enjoyable visits were trips to Beedelup Falls, Bannamah Wildlife Park and Yallingup Caves.

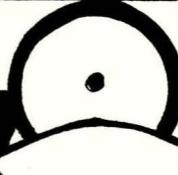
When we returned to P.L.C. on the 18th April, we were tired, but our knowledge was much greater because of the trip.



## BICKLEY OBSERVATORY

On a blustery cold day, June 6th to be exact, Grades 7 S & H. left P.L.C. for the world renowned Bickley Observatory. A knowledgeable young man showed us around the main building. We first saw a large library of books concerning space, written in over 15 languages and dating from the 1850's. After that we were entranced by an ingenious contraption, commonly known as a computer. It could sing Alouette and Frere Jaques.

We then wandered off towards the telescopes which were mounted in concrete buildings with movable domes.

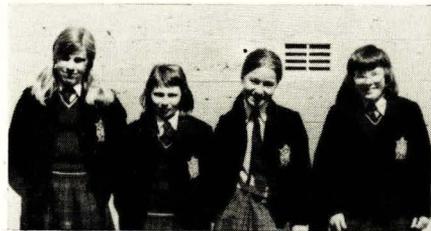


## ST. MARY'S

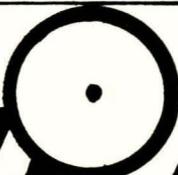
On Tuesday August 5th, Grade 7 went to St. Mary's for our annual netball match. We ate lunch there which gave us an opportunity to meet some of the girls. Afterwards we participated in their assembly. Various items were presented including songs by the choir.

Our matches followed in perfect weather. Some of the matches ended up in draws and others with outright wins, e.g. 10 to 1 to them.

The cold oranges ended a pleasant day.



**Junior School House Captains.** *Left to right: D. McLellan, L. Bretnall, S. Flavelle, J. Swan.*





**Junior School Staff.** left to right: Mrs. L. Conway, Mrs. S. Ing, Mrs. D. Tyler (Mistress in Charge), Mrs. M. Williams, Miss T. Holmes, Mrs. M. Davies, Mrs. J. Bower; Absent: Miss B. Stannix, Mrs. N. Read, Mrs. V. Louden, Mrs. M. Hann.



**Junior School Lifesaving Team.** Back row, left to right: C. Pass, J. Livingstone, J. Clay, J. McLennan, C. Goosens; front row: S. Watkins, R. Merry, K. Cornelius, H. Campbell.



## Man's Destruction

A solitary horse  
gazes with sad wistful eyes;  
at what man has done  
to his land.

Land that once possessed  
beautiful scenes of nature.

A land in which he could gallop forever,  
Away from the sight of man and his things.  
But now it is all gone.  
Lost forever.

Now, in the place of trees,  
stands concrete,

Hard, grey concrete.

Which not even his sire's sharp, unshod hoofs  
could shatter

He turns his sleek black rump to the awful sight  
and canters majestically back  
to his beloved wilderness  
where his mares and their progeny eagerly await  
his return.

*Anne Young Year 7.*

## Which Way To North South?

Which way to North South?  
said the man who burnt his mouth,  
Past the hickory dickory man,  
Who sells soup in tomato cans,  
So that's the way to North South  
said the man who burnt his mouth.

*Georgina Oakeshott. Year 3.*



Mrs Mooley saw a boock wif a cow jumpin  
over the moon but she fell down and the han  
lafd and hashed tow eggs.

*Cathryn Bunning. Year 1.*

Mrs. Mooley tried to jump over the moon.  
She could. The pig was so icsited theat  
he fell into the mud and the horse got the  
hiccups.

*James Robertson. Year 1.*

## THE ELDERLY LADY

She rose from her chair and placed the paper on the table. She carefully put on some thread-bare slippers and moved to the window. She then drew back the dingy curtains, revealing a beautiful morning, blue sky, fresh dew, green grass. "Yesterday's clouds have disappeared," she thought happily, and her heart felt like singing. She would do some jobs then have a picnic at the lake with Banner.

She turned and opened a cupboard and took from it a tin full of seed and another full of egg grit. Then she hobbled outside clutching a dirty pink shawl round her shoulders. Outside in a small dingy backyard was a small shed. She entered by a door that was hanging on one hinge. Inside were five cages full of twittering canaries, cream, white, brown, orange, gold and others a multitude of gleaming colours.

She stopped dead. At the bottom of one cage was a canary. Lying still. Gold. Dead. She stood still, then stifled a sob. Dead. A small wound was on a golden breast. Bright, yet lifeless eyes. She tenderly drew him out of the cage and examined him. She realised the culprit was a rat. She took off her shawl and laid the bird on it.

She set about cleaning out the cages. Take out the tray. Shake it into the bucket. Scrape it with an old blunt knife. Fill up with fresh, clean sand. Replace old seed and water with new. Put some bowls of egg grit in. Give them some greens—lettuce, grass, wild oats and thistle.

It was just a pattern. Each cage was cleaned. Then she carefully carried them out of the shed and hung the cages on hooks on the verandah in the bright sun. She then retraced her steps back to the shed, carried the little body inside. She put him in a little box and surrounded him with cottonwool. She then buried him in the garden.

She remembered when she was only a little girl and her dog, a collie, was runover. She remembered finding the body trampled by hooves and cartwheels and crying as fast as the tears would pour down her cheeks. She remembered her father sorrowfully burying the body in the garden and saying that she could have another dog. And she remembered how she had refused another—wanting only Trixie.

She slowly walked inside. A small body of brown fur hurled itself at her in a frenzy of licks. She knelt down and patted the little dog. "Banner, you good dog, calm down little fellow, that's a good little dog," she told him.

She set about doing some household chores. She made her bed and dusted her bedroom. She watered a little garden—nasturtiums, daisies, forget-me-nots, and a carefully tended azalea.

She then packed a little picnic lunch. A sandwich, a homemade cake with a little cherry on top, and a thermos full of hot tea. Calling Banner, she unhooked his leash from the closet and fastened it to his collar.

They went down the road, Banner, his leash trailing the ground, gambolled about, as she hobbled along. They reached the lake soon, Banner ran around gleefully while she set out the picnic. Under a large, shady tree, she sat looking at the children playing, Banner running around.

She munched a cheese and pickle sandwich thoughtfully. Banner came up panting and she threw him a crust.

When she had finished her lunch she rose and put her litter in the bin. She whistled Banner and trudged slowly across the road.

She suddenly realised she had left her hanky under the tree. Squatting down, she told Banner to "go fetch my hanky".

He set off, streaking across the road and down to the lake. He grabbed her hanky and tore back. At the road, he paused, then trotted across. But a speedy sports car tore down the road.

Eeeeeeeaaer! The car skidded as it hit Banner head on. It straightened, then drove on, faster than before.

She ran out into the road. Banner, his legs broken and his skull fractured, feebly lifted his head and dropped a hanky beside her. He gave her one last lick, and then sank his head down on the bitumen and died.

She lifted him up and made her way homeward.

She walked through the garden, away from the freshly turned earth.

"Never again," she thought, "never again." She walked towards her little plot of earth. Nasturtiums, gay orange and good. Forget-me-nots, simple, blue, humble. Daisies, white with kind, pink central hearts. Azaleas. . . .

She grabbed a snow-white azalea flower and crumpled it in her hands, then dropped it at her feet. Then, suddenly, she began to cry.

She cried for a loyal dog, faithful to the end. She cried for a limp canary, lying at the bottom of a cage. She cried for memories, for loneliness and sorrow. And she cried for a crumpled flower at her feet.

*Jane Fitch. Year 7.*

## In The Light

One day, long ago, a little imp was sad. He knew a little beetle and he said, "I am very sad. Would you come and help me?"

Every day he went under the tree and hid behind it. Also, he had a house. The beetle had a little pink house, but now he is too fat for his house. He tried to squash into the house and one day when he was trying his head came off, and he died. The imp buried him.

Later he went fishing and caught a fish. At first he kept it in a jar, but he became hungry and ate it. The fish was a poisonous one. So the imp died.

*Written by Sally-Anne, Sarah Adams, Margaret.  
Year 2*



## My Brother's Bomb

If you have ever encountered a tidy, well dressed boy in his early teens motoring calmly along a road in a most sophisticated manner on his gleaming new go-cart, then you have never seen my brother Andrew. What is more in his line is working clothes with patches on his knees and seat, the occasional blob of oil where he has been testing his motorbike, and his homemade go-cart is far from gleaming. The oil and petrol leak away onto the back of the bomb unless a rag, used for any amount of purposes, is stuck into the top of the tank. As for the upholstery, one hessian bag cut up with Dad's shears does the trick.

To start this ancient jalopy is quite an accomplishment. The first thing required is patience as the old bomb is most reluctant to burst into life. The gear lever consists of some piping welded together at the top. This device is rather difficult to manage, as it prefers to stick in neutral. However, once going, my brother's bomb sounds and moves like a rocket.

*by Anne Young  
Grade 7.*

## Pink

Long long ago God invented the colour pink. What is pink? my dress is pink. Is a flower pink? is a clown pink why yes they are. All of them are pink.

*Susannah Ormonde.*

## Little Albino

All on a big plain with  
dam and sire nearby,  
Gambling on slender legs  
and little hooves  
which thunder and kick  
Rearing, striking out like Dad  
who stands like a statue  
watching.

Playing with friend foals,  
and racing  
Little hooves hardly touching the turf  
Breaking forefeet planted,  
nostrils dilated.  
Then screaming and flinging out little hooves  
racing to tease the stallion who stands apart  
watching.

At the end of a playful day  
Squealing, rearing good night  
to friends,  
Bidding farewell to Dad and  
lightly trotting to Mum  
Loving her warm softness, comfort  
Looking last at the stallion  
who stands contentedly  
dozing.

*Anna Joynt. Year 7.*

## The Red Fire

The fire was sparkling very, very high,  
it sked me out off the room and out in the night.

*Margie L. Year 2.*

## Busy Breakfast Time

Kettle whistling,  
Cat hissing  
Doors banging  
Pots clanging  
Toaster popping  
Plates dropping!

Bacon spitting  
Milk slurping  
Toast burning  
Now we're late for school!

*Class Poem Year 3.*

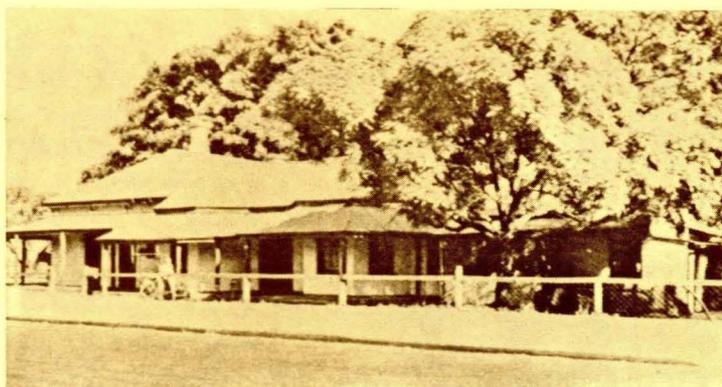


Few girls realize the times I have seen as they sit beneath my outstretched arms. For sixty years I have silently heard girlish secrets, long since forgotten by those who once spoke them in earnest, those who are now mothers and grandmothers of present-day girls. Like those old girls, I sit and remember....

It was in July 1917 that it all began for me but perhaps the day I remember best is the opening of the school by the Governor of W.I., His Excellency, Sir William Grey Ellison Macartney, P.C., K.C.M.G., on 11th August, 1917.

Since then I have watched a school develop.

This is how I saw it.....



*P.L.C. in  
Palmerston St.  
North Perth 1915*

## THE DANGERS OF PARTITION

Probably only the “old girls” of P.L.C. will remember the schoolroom partitioned by folding doors which, when drawn across the room to meet in the centre, provided us with two classrooms. Often, though, these folding doors opened of their own accord when not required to do so while, at other times, they jammed.

One day, during the change-over between classes, a friend from one half of the partitioned room, popped her head between the central opening, to chastise me with words, but, sitting in the last row of my half of the partitioned room, I was able to wedge the folding door with my heel sufficiently to imprison her head between the partly opened partition. Naturally,

at this moment, Miss Nicholson, *our* form mistress, arrived and gave E’s head an order mark. Confessing to my part I, too, was given an order mark and, as well, sent next door to apologise for helping to cause the delighted uproar from our classmates, only to find that E’s stern had been given an order mark, too, by *her* form mistress.

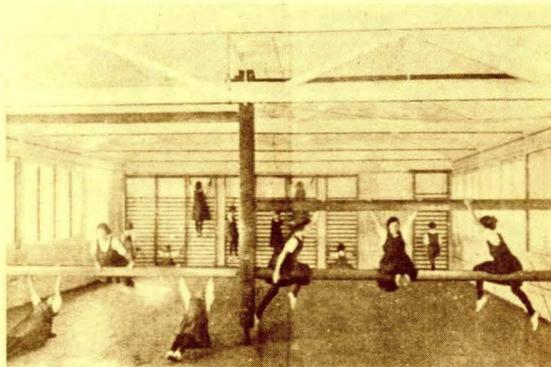
After apologies and explanations all round, E was let off one mark. But, for days, she said she had a sore neck and, particularly when she saw me, carried her head bent sideways.

We are still friends though.

JOAN HALE  
*nee Blackall*



*The Way it Was!*



*Gym!*

**FEES (per term)**

<b>DAY PUPILS:</b>		<b>WEEKLY BOARDERS:</b>	
Under Seven	2 guineas	One guinea less per term. For a limited number only. To be arranged with the Principal.	
Under Ten	3 "	<b>EXERCISE BOOKS, ETC.</b>	6/-
Under Thirteen	4 "	<b>PYTHONAL CULTURE:</b>	
Over Thirteen	5 "	Under Ten	7/6
		Over Ten	12/6
<b>BOARDERS:</b>		<b>DOMESTIC SCIENCE (including materials)</b>	5/-
Under Seven	15 guineas	<b>LAUNDRY (Full Boarders only)</b>	11 guineas
Under Twelve	22 "	<b>SCHOOL MAGAZINE (per Year)</b>	2/-
Over Twelve	24 "	<b>MEDICAL FEE (Boarders only)</b>	7/6

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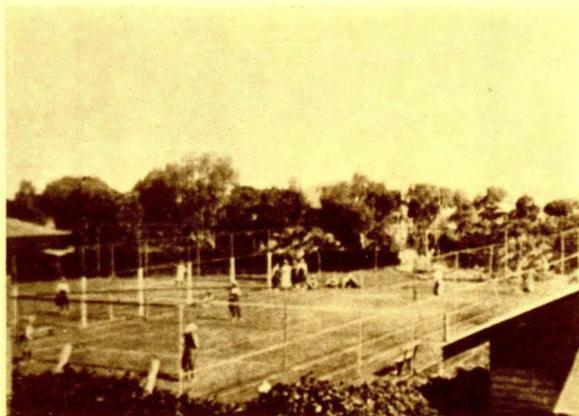
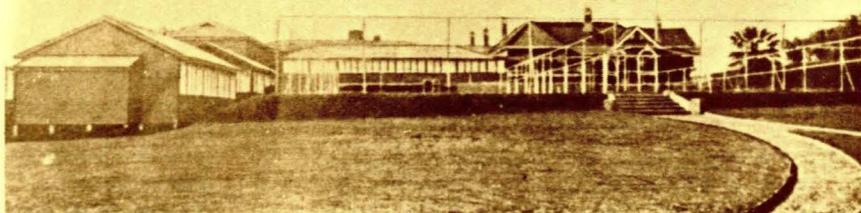
<b>PIANOFORTE (including Theory):</b>		<b>DREAMMAKING</b>	£1 1 0
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Intermediate	3 "	<b>SHORTHAND</b>	£1 10 0
Advanced	11 "	<b>BOOK-KEEPING</b>	£1 10 0
<b>DANCING</b>	£1 10 0	<b>VIOLIN</b>	(As arranged)
<b>ELOCUTION</b>	£1 0 0	<b>FOK DANCING</b>	11 0
<b>DRAWING</b>	£1 17 6	<b>LUNCH (for Day Pupils):</b>	1/- per day or 12/3/- per term
<b>EXHIBITIONS</b>	£1 11 6		

*Notice of Withdrawal*—A full term's notice is required in case of withdrawal.  
*Reduction of Fees*—In the ordinary School Fees a reduction of 10 per cent. is made for each member after the first of the same family attending at the same time.

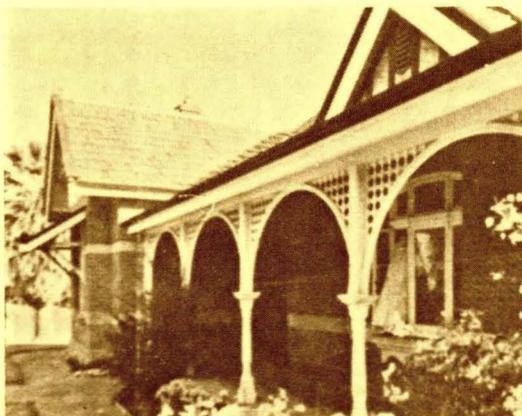


*Haute Couture at P.L.C. in the 1920's*

*The Main Building 1944*



*Tennis?*



*Scorgie House*

# The Mi



MISS SCORGIE, M.A.

Miss Agnes D. Scorgie was the first Principal of the College. An M.A. of Glasgow University, and a trained teacher, she had taught for twelve years as a senior mistress in the Glasgow High School before her appointment at P.L.C. in 1915. A tall, handsome Scots woman with a strong Scottish accent, she was known affectionately as "The Boss". She had a tremendous personality, a commanding presence, a quick temper and a delightful sense of humour.

From the beginning of her appointment she took a compelling view of her great responsibility. She inspired respect, awe and affection and had a great influence on the students.

Miss Scorgie was a fine maths teacher and because of limited accommodation she taught two classes in one teaching room. And as there was no games mistress, she took "Physical Culture" classes herself, resplendent in ankle length skirts!

She was helped greatly by Rev. Nisbet Dods, Professor Ross and Mr. Donald Carmichael. In 1919 the P.L.C. site was extended by the purchase of additional land, with a frontage of 450 feet, along McNeil Street. Two large dormitories were erected on this site with the new plans suggested by Miss Scorgie from her experience of similar institutions in Europe. The "canvas shutters" combined the advantages of open air sleeping with complete protection. P.L.C. girls even escaped from a 'Flu epidemic that struck Peppermint Grove in that year!

In 1921 Miss Scorgie was given a complete rest from teaching and she travelled overseas. She became seriously ill on her journey and cabled her resignation on 19th August, 1921.

To her memory must go our grateful thanks for founding our school on such a sound and enduring basis.



MISS E. R. FINLAYSON, M.A.

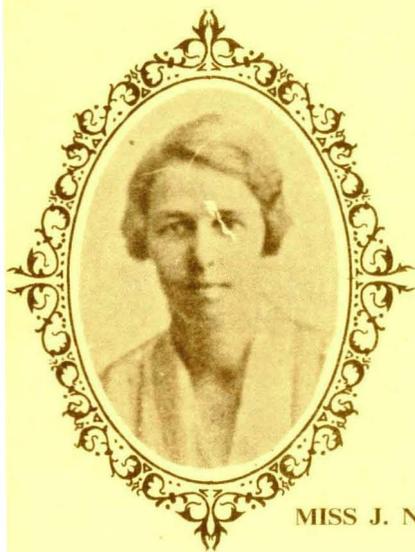
Miss Finlayson was succeeded by Miss Janet Phemister, a brilliant honours Maths and Physics graduate of Glasgow University. The school, at this time, was feeling the effects of the Depression and the numbers dropped from 217 to 115 in 1933, when she also left to be married. In one year there were only 10-15 girls in sub-leaving and leaving combined. The school colours were brown, gold and pale blue. The only addition in her time was the first hockey field which ran from East to West.



MISS DUNSTAN  
B.A., Dip. Ed.

# stresses

Miss Finlayson was principal of P.L.C. from 1922-27, when she left to be married. A distinguished honours graduate with impressive credentials and wide experience in England. Under her the College achieved outstanding success in University examinations, in music and in sport. In 1923 she started the Cot Fund, thus laying the foundations for the school's reputation for social services. On her appointment the numbers in the school were 214 with 72 boarders.



MISS J. N. PHEMISTER, M.A.

Miss Dunstan, who came to us from Ascham Girls School in N.S.W., was Headmistress of P.L.C. from 1962-1967. In the six years she was Principal, there was much expansion and development within the school.

There was more than a 10% increase in the number of students attending P.L.C. and this was accompanied by various extensions to the school. A canteen and a new art and craft rooms came into being with the purchase of our well-loved 'No. 8'. Our fully equipped gym was built and a new wing added to the Boarding House. The old gym, under Carmichael Hall, was converted into a library, with Miss Dunstan's help and enthusiasm. In 1967, the Junior School was expanded to accommodate grades 2 and 3.

Miss Dunstan played an important part in these achievements, taking a great pride in the appearance of both the girls and the school.



DR. V. SUMMERS, M.A., O.B.E.

Dr. Summers first joined the staff at P.L.C. in 1919 and was principal from 1934 to 1961—altogether a forty two year association with the school. Under her, P.L.C. grew and developed extensively. On her appointment as Principal, the school was just beginning to recover from the effects of the depression. In that year she introduced the tartan uniform and the present House system. From 1934 onwards the numbers in the school rose fairly steadily until by 1940 they were back to the figure of 217.

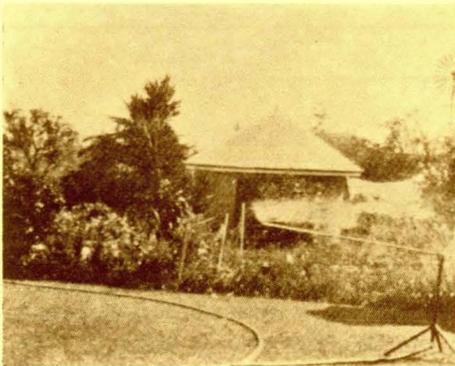
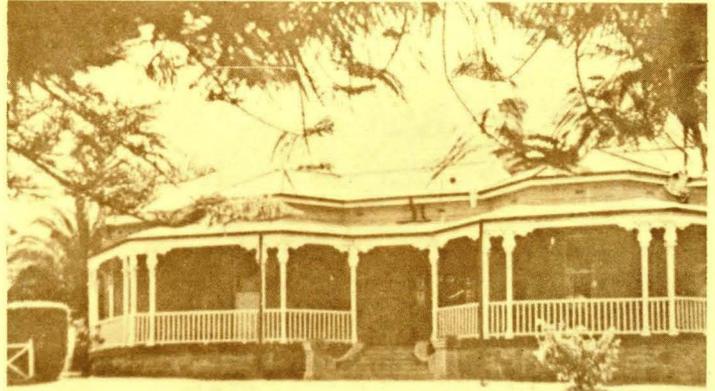
During World War II enrolments fluctuated, and in this period the present Relief fund was started and in 1942 the school acquired the Kindergarten House and the land between it and Finlayson House. In 1945 Baird House became P.L.C. property and in 1948 a property that had been a private school in Claremont was leased and made the Junior Branch of P.L.C.—from 1949 onwards Mrs. Hunt was in charge. In 1954, the new Junior School building was ready and the Junior School was transferred to its present position.

In 1950 the tennis courts were laid and in 1953 the second hockey field was laid exactly twenty years after the first. In 1955, through the Carmichael fund, Carmichael Hall was erected and a year later the land the present gym stands on was acquired. The new boarding house—Robertson House—was opened in 1960—the numbers in the school reaching the 600 mark.

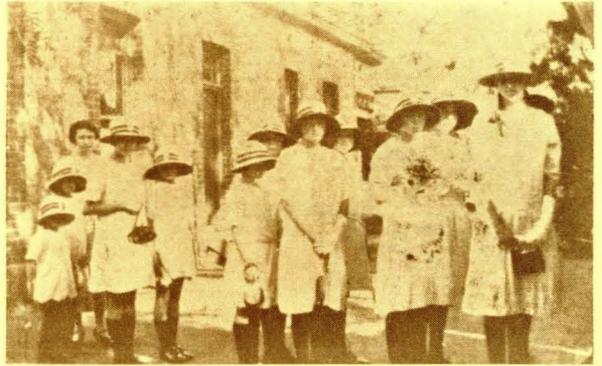
The final development in the College under Dr. Summers was the opening of the Vera Summers swimming pool, in October, 1960.

During these years the school achieved a high academic record and maintained a considerable interest in community service work and the sponsorship of underprivileged children.

*Finlayson House 1944*



*The Immortal Summerhouse*



*Church Awaits!*



*The Opening of the Pool—1960*



# Offspring of 60 years.



*SECOND AND THIRD GENERATIONS*

# ETCETERA



ATHLETICS SQUAD 1975

## D.A.S. RESULTS

### DIVISION 1

E. Clough  
A. Smith

### DIVISION 2

J. Langley

### DIVISION 3

A. Green (Dist)

### DIVISION 4

J. Lunay (Dist)  
A. Milne (Dist)

## SPORTS' POCKETS

(To August 1975)

- Swimming** — V. Cook, A. Ross.  
**Tennis** — S. Chrystal, J. Lange, L. Twogood, R. Seaby.  
**Hockey** — A. Sunderland, R. Seaby, J. Dwyer.  
**Netball** — S. Chrystal, S. Wegner, S. England.  
**Basketball** — R. Seaby, S. Chrystal, M. Zeffert, L. Harwood.  
**Volleyball** — S. Stuart.

## ARTS' POCKETS

- Debating** — J. Vuletic, R. Vivian, V. Cook.  
**Art/Craft** — P. Langdon.

## HONOURS' POCKETS

(To August 1975)

S. Chrystal, R. Seaby.

## HOUSE EMBLEMS

### CARMICHAEL

J. Challen  
J. Dwyer  
S. Chrystal  
D. Dowland

### FERGUSON

M. Bowers  
A. Barrett-Lennard  
J. Vuletic  
J. Mason  
R. Digwood

### McNEIL

V. Cook  
R. Seaby  
C. Napier  
J. Green  
P. Langdon  
S. A. Cornelius

### STEWART

P. J. Smith  
R. Vivian  
H. Hemley  
D. Morison  
M. Boys  
E. Henderson

## ETCETERAS

- J. Vuletic — Captain of State Secondary Schools' Debating Team.  
A. Green — Equal 3rd in Maths Talent Quest—Junior Section.  
Rotary Scholarship Winners—V. Cook, M. Clark, L. Rushton.  
Carmichael Scholarship Winners—K. Green, A. Young, L. Prentice, J. Fitch, J. Lang.  
(for Year 8, 1976)

# WORDS FROM A HEAD MISTRESS

*How do you think your being an old girl of P.L.C. has affected your position as headmistress?*

Being an Old Girl of P.L.C. gives me an extra special interest in the school, from a personal point of view, as well as the interest any Principal is likely to have in her school. As well as that, it has enabled me to know much more about the school than I would otherwise have done during the early part of my time as Principal, and it meant that I knew many people connected with the school. Many of the mothers of present P.L.C. girls were at school when I was.

The combination of having been educated here at P.L.C., and before that at a Presbyterian school in Queensland, and then being in the Education Department in W.A. helped me to understand things from perspectives both inside and outside P.L.C.

*Did you find it difficult being appointed headmistress of P.L.C. when you were perhaps younger than people you had to work with.*

No, I did not really find it difficult being considerably younger than others with whom I had to work, as I had faced similar situations as Principal Mistress in government schools. However, I was concerned that the older people might find it difficult to work with me, and I did have a special feeling for people who had been on the staff when I was still a school-girl.

*Do you think you would still have chosen a profession in education if you had been a school leaver today faced with such a wide choice of professions?*

Yes, I think I would still have chosen a profession in education if I had been a school leaver today. My interest has always been in helping people live worth-while happy lives. The reason I chose teaching was that it was something I did want to do and in which I would be able to make a contribution. If I were to choose any other occupation now, it would still be something directly concerned with people.



*How do you think the formation of the Uniting Church of Australia will affect P.L.C.?*

It is likely that when the Uniting Church is established (June 1976 was the expected time, but it may be later than this), P.L.C. will be part of it, as most Presbyterians in Western Australia wish to become part of the Uniting Church.

For people within the school, there is likely to be very little, if any, change especially in the early years of the Uniting Church's establishment.

Consideration might have to be given to the school's name. For the present, at least, P.L.C. will continue to be known as it is — Presbyterian Ladies' College Incorporated. The people who are responsible for planning the arrangements for the



establishment of the Uniting Church do not want to introduce any more changes than are necessary at the time.

Although it is not likely that there will be any great change within the school, the fact that some changes do have to be made in the organizational structure of the church, is causing people interested in the Church and in education to do a lot of thinking. This is taking place now, on such questions as the following —

Is the present relationship between the Church and the school the best?

If not, what would be better?

Should the school continue to be connected with the Church?

If so, in what way?

One change that will take place is that P.L.C., M.L.C., Penrhos, Scotch and Wesley will all, in a sense, be brother and sister schools.

*This year we have looked back on the past sixty years of P.L.C. What can you see for P.L.C.'s future?*

Any future, especially a future in a time of change, has about it a certain amount of doubt. If the nature of the school were to change greatly (e.g. if it ceased to be in any way related to the Church), its future could be very different indeed from the past. However, its basis on Church foundations is not expected to change, and therefore its ideals and principles will remain similar to those at present.

Changing conditions, though, have already required different educational provisions and there could be further change. For example, the school now caters for a much wider range of ability especially in the upper years, as many more girls stay on at school.

The need to equip people to make good use of their leisure time is added to the need for the school to help people qualify for various courses or occupations. If the future holds more leisure time than the past did, the need for the school to be concerned with education for leisure will be greater.

I think the school will continue to encourage concern for people, and this could develop in new ways.

I doubt whether people asked in 1917 about their vision for the school's future in fifty or sixty years' time could have been very precise. Perhaps, after all the changes the world has seen in the last sixty years, it is even harder. However, although there has been change, and the school has responded to change, the foundation remains the same. I hope this can be so — with change arising where and when it seems best. At present there does not seem to be any good reason to change the nature of the school.

Of course what will happen will depend largely on how much money is available, and can be available, from parents and governments, and what the needs of the community for various types of education are.

# CREATIVE MIND



Meandering through the myriads of colour  
past roadside rocks, steep unprecedented cliffs  
down sleek, fast waterfalls and gorges,  
until deep among the darkneses . .  
I come to my castle.

*Jane Langley.*

## FEAR

Fear slithers like a  
poisonous snake  
Curling round its victims  
And squeezing out their  
Courage  
Casting shadows over hope  
And destroying the beauty of life.

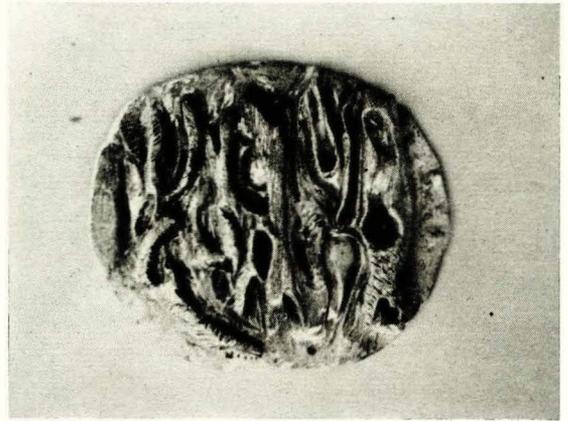
*Mara Vojkovic Year 9.*



## ESCAPE

Small, green, delicate,  
The fern hides in a green world  
From man's destruction.

*Sally-anne Cornelius*



## THE SLUM

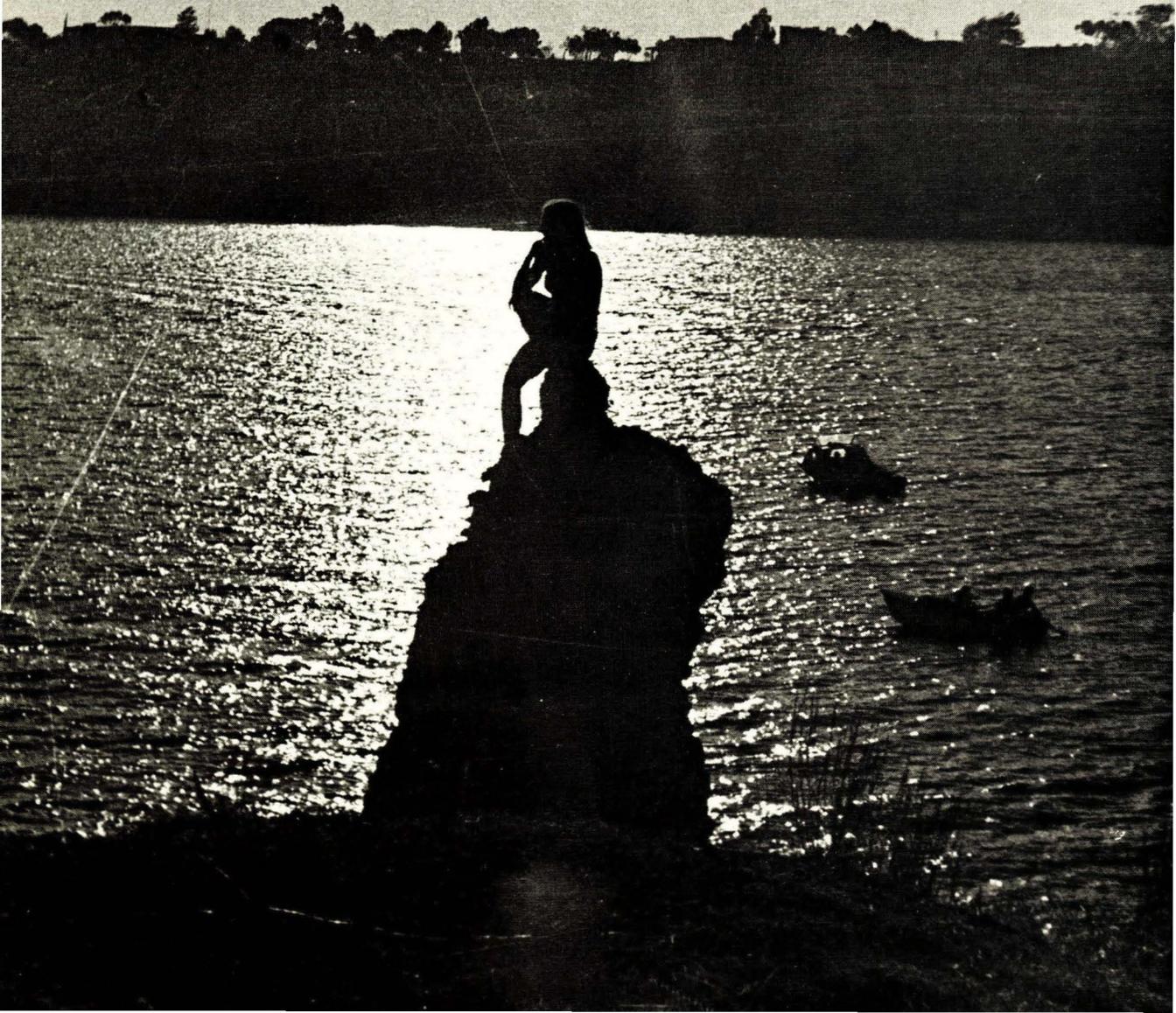
The small child huddled in a pathetic way.  
Forlorn eyes searched for a smile  
In her filthy, squalid surrounding,  
Her wretched paltry cage of corruption  
Vital principles and mental powers were twisted.  
Her innocence had been stained  
Even before she was given birth.

*Julie Vivian-Williams*



## DEDICATED TO MY FATHER

Yesterday I looked out to sea,  
and saw your face.  
Today I looked again,  
you were still there, but the image had faded.  
It was as though you were being blown into,  
the distance by the wind.  
It made me sad to think of us drifting apart,  
Tomorrow I'll look again.  
The wind has been known to change.



## LUCKY DIP

I write to say  
that I'm sorry  
that the dog  
chewed up my homework.

Or that  
Dad thought it  
was kindling paper  
for the fire.

Perhaps  
my sister had  
an inspiration  
and made a scribble pattern.

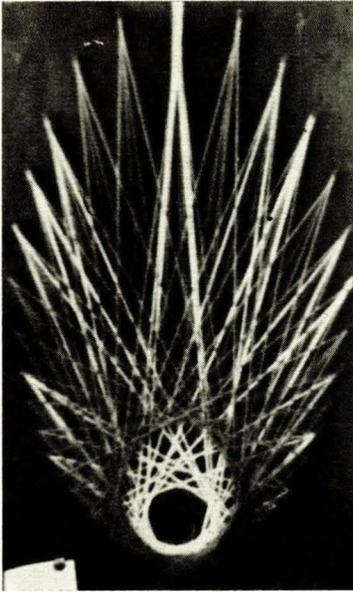
But whichever  
excuse you choose  
don't count the others!

*Lynnley Mell  
Year 8.*



Its frame is motionless—I can exercise freely.  
It can't hear, see, smell or touch—I can  
It creates its own smoothness and structure—  
mine is an imitation.

*Sheryl Goldflam*



## DEATH

Death is on the roads,  
 Waiting at the corners  
 Watching youth, untried  
 Speeding joyfully,  
 Watching aged and foolish,  
 Drunk and reckless . . . waiting.

Death is at war,  
 Watching pride and anger  
 Hatred and fear,  
 In the bombs and the napalm  
 The hills and the trenches  
 Sticky with blood . . . waiting.

Death is all over  
 The friend of flood, fire, famine,  
 The friend of envy, disease and greed,  
 The friend of waste and corruption  
 Laughing as humanity grows, ignorant, hungry,  
 . . . waiting . . .

Cathy Crooke  
 Year 9.

## THE STREAM

Trickling, falling,  
 In the early morning sun.  
 Like a shower of sparks,  
 Is the new-born stream.  
 Gliding over rocks  
 Long ago worn smooth.

Whirling and twirling,  
 As it hurries past.  
 With a hunger for the silence  
 And a pang for the calmness  
 Of the deep, blue lake  
 With hidden disappointment as it rounds every  
 turn,  
 Only to find another lies ahead.

Tumbling, crashing it falls,  
 With the thunder of a frightened colt.  
 Spray flying in all directions,  
 Settling on the fronds of tall tree ferns  
 Slowing gently to a soft, twinkling murmur  
 As it reaches its destiny,  
 The deep, blue, lake.

Kim Gibson  
 9 V.

### **Sitting in a field of flowers.**

*Similar, yet dissimilar,  
 Each a perfect plant  
 With an expression of its own.*

Sally-anne Cornelius

Sedimentary cake  
of chocolate-layered marshmallow  
with graphite icing.  
Soft-centred sandwiching  
of fossilized raisins;  
caramel petrified  
in flowing lava;  
erupting conglomerates of flavour  
Igneous consistency  
sedimentary taste.

*Christy Smith. Year 11.*

### **A Prayer**

I have a memory.  
The fresh, clear water would dance upon my tummy,  
as it frolicked on its path down the stream.  
I was someone then.  
But now I am just a little pebble  
Yes, my body is still smooth, tubby and pink,  
But I am alone.  
Dumb in a world in which I am neither  
understood nor useful—  
Please God, may I return to my world of happiness.

*Debbie Gamble. 11th Year.*

## RETURN TO THE WOMB

Crawl backwards  
Into primal nothingness.  
Sheathed in the warm blackness,  
Returned to the essential innocence  
Of the naked bud;  
You are ready  
For the ultimate consummation  
Of life—  
Unfold,  
Transcend man, in woman;  
In the foetal security  
Of pure existence.

*Christine Napier.*

## THE LONELY TREE

A dark, restless mass of green,  
Shadowed by a darkening sky:  
It seethes and thrashes wildly  
Like a live thing.  
Tossed and torn by an unrelenting wind.  
Now still:  
It awaits justice:  
Heaven cries.

*Sally-Anne Cornelius.*

## KEYHOLE OF EMPTINESS

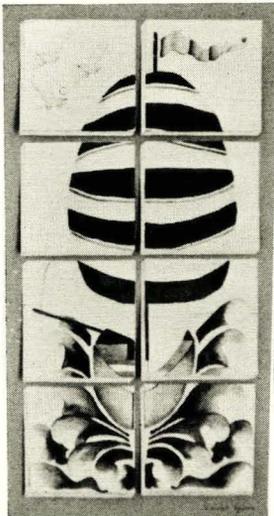
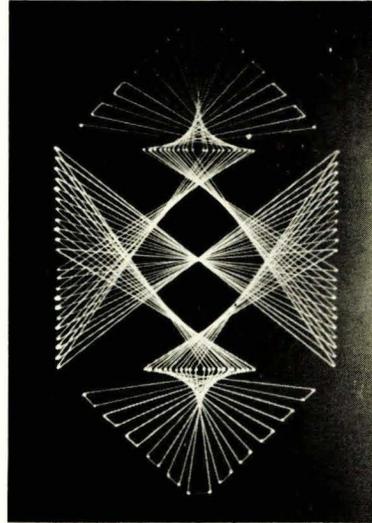
*I Shut myself  
Deep in the midst  
Of my sorrowful mind,  
I watched as others  
Played and laughed  
But still  
I stayed  
Looking through  
The keyhole of emptiness,  
Untempted, uncontributing  
To life, still and quiet  
And alone  
No friend except the wind  
That played with my hair  
And touched my heart,  
And even it was cold.*

*M. Illich 10 H.D.C.*

## SEA MOODS

Calm, so calm, the moon casting a silvery stream over  
calm waters.  
A light breeze grows stronger. Waves lash out  
in sudden anger;  
Pounding the rocks to pulp, foam rising high in the air.  
Tossing minute boats against perilous rocks  
Waves 50 feet high, grow ever higher  
Lashing out, trying to wipe from the moon her silvery smile,  
Again and again they try, failing every time.  
Losing its anger, the sea calms down. Back, back to  
Be ever so calm. The moon seems brighter now,  
Its silvery streak smiling at the waters.  
Seagulls cheer at the moon's victory.  
The waves now calm, lost of all angry mood,  
Encased now in a cheery mood,  
Calm and friends with the moon.

*Sandra Maley.*



## THE MOUNTAIN'S QUESTION

I am the tip of the earth, reaching for the sky  
With fingers of jagged summits,  
Pointing to the sun by day, and at night, the stars.  
Lonely, proud, scarred by the winds of time and the tracks  
Of countless snowfalls,  
In still cold air I stand,  
Casting long dark shadows on the valleys far below  
Where men look up and see my mighty form,  
Now lost in clouds  
Now wearing a plume of snow-spray.  
Am I nearer to GOD than you are?  
Is THAT why you must climb me?

*Helen Sayer.*

## THE EAGLE

Gliding slow and never stopping,  
The eagle gold and smooth,  
Paints a picture and a mood.

*A. Boys. Year 8.*

# *Sport '75*





**The Champs.** left to right: A. Boys, T. Fitzgerald, K. Johnson, T. Campbell, A. Ross; Absent J. McCulloch

# Swimming

When writing out the thankyou notes due to all those people involved with an All-Girls' swimming team, you don't usually include boys; however, this year the P.L.C. team owes a great deal to Mr. Shortland-Jones, Scotch College and the Scotch swimming team. All through the Christmas holidays, and for several weeks during the height of their training period, they willingly submitted themselves to the "onslaughts" of 50 or so school girls. For this stimulating competition to our swimming we owe them a great debt.

The team is also greatly indebted to Mrs. Eddington, Mrs. McNamara, and Mrs. Morison, and to Sue Kyle who helped keep our minds and eyes from wandering and directed our efforts to our swimming.

This year our team did not do as well as in previous years in the Interschool competition, which can be put down to the loss of some very strong swimmers and the



**Swimming Team 1925**

stiff competition. However, if points were given for team spirit, I'm sure we would have won the competition hands down, for this year the team attitude and spirit were of the highest and most heartening standard. This can be attributed to the guidance of the staff to some extent, but mostly to the attitudes of the girls themselves and the mighty cheer-leaders.

We hope in future years to have our swimming standard as high as our spirit.

*Veronica Cook.*

**Senior Swimming Team.** Back row: S. Kernot, C. Paton, K. McNamara, S. Harris, L. Twogood, A. Smith, L. A. Hatton, K. Fischer, A. Barrett-Lennard; fourth row: K. Johnson, S. England, V. Cox, S. Fitch, A. O'Meehan, L. Harwood, J. Camm, S. Wainwright, J. McNamara, T. Fitzgerald, R. Mellor, D. Bennet; third row: A. Cook, J. Wallman, D. Simpson, J. Kyle, M. House, P. Langdon, A. Brockman, J. Paton, R. Seaby, J. Dwyer, J. Green, B. Goosens, M. Silberstein; second row: P. McBain, H. Barry, K. Jones, C. Longwill, J. Cameron, S. Rigney, A. Brandenburg, J. Wallman, L. Metcalf, V. Ellison; front row: J. Cruikshank, J. Fischer, A. Green, A. Ross, V. Cook, T. Campbell, A. Boys, H. Cook.



# Life Saving

As in previous years, P.L.C. gave a fine performance in the State Life-Saving Carnival on March, 22 this year. The Curran Cup, McKellar Hall Cup, and Halliday Shield are now in the possession of P.L.C. for another year, as well as the Chaffey Memorial Cup, which was won by a great performance from Tanya Campbell.

Special recognition must go to Jane McNamara for her fine effort in being placed first in two sections in the State Water Skills Competition.

Thanks must go to the P.E. staff, especially Mrs. Hay, and Mrs. McNamara.

**Halliday Shield.** Top row: J. McNamara, T. Campbell, J. Cruikshank, J. Kyle; front row: J. Camm, A. Ross, T. Fitzgerald, S. Fitch.



**Senior Lifesaving Team.** Back row: A. Smith, J. Camm, T. Campbell, J. McNamara, J. Kyle, J. Cruikshank, F. Evans; middle row: H. Barry, R. Taggart, S. Fitch, A. Ross, V. Cook, P. Langdon, T. Fitzgerald; front row: A. Brandenburg, A. Cook, L. Metcalf, F. Smith, M. McKay, D. Bennett, J. Cameron; Absent: N. Gibson.

## RESULTS:

Curran Cup: P.L.C. first.  
 Anderson Cup: P.L.C. fifth.  
 Bunbury Cup: P.L.C. fourth.  
 Halliday Shield: P.L.C.(A) first(record);  
 P.L.C.(B) fourth.  
 McKellar Hall Cup: P.L.C. first.  
 Chaffey Memorial Cup: T. Campbell,  
 first; J. Camm, fourth.  
 State Water Skills Competition:  
 J. McNamara, 2 firsts.

## WATER BABIES



T. Campbell.



J. McNamara.



Senior Champion  
J. Lange

# Tennis



Junior Champion  
J. Fischer

The tennis this year has been a great success, with both senior and junior teams performing well throughout the season. The standard and enthusiasm of the girls has been very high and all girls must be commended for their efforts. In the I.G.S.A. Competition, P.L.C. won the Senior A, and the Junior B won A, B, and C Pennants. The senior division won the Slazenger Cup and the Junior division reached the final of the Herbert Edwards Cup.

Many thanks must go to Mrs. Barblett, our coach, who had a very difficult task at the beginning of the season,

sorting the very many girls into various teams, which was not easy by any means! Mrs. Barblett's time and efforts were very much appreciated.

Social matches also helped to keep the interest of the girls at high level, and give more girls the opportunity to play more tennis.

The tennis talent and enthusiasm in the school promises another year in 1976 of which P.L.C. can be very proud.

Sally Chrystal.



Slazenger Cup Team 1975



Slazenger Cup Team 1924



Senior Tennis Team. left to right: H. Hemley, J. Lange, L. Twogood, G. Rigney, S. Chrystal, R. Seaby.



Junior "A" and "B" Tennis Teams. left to right: K. Fischer, J. McNamara, J. Smith, J. Cruickshank, A. Green, J. Fisher, J. Kyle, H. Anderson.



**Senior Netball Team.** Back row: H. Hemley, S. England, J. Bovell, B. McLean, J. Grieves, T. Jones; middle row: S. Wegner, S. Wainwright, S. Chrystal, D. Dowland, A. O'Meehan, K. Read, P. Hutcheson; front row: S. A. Smith, L. Bamford, R. Sullivan, J. Lange, L. Allardyce.

# Netball

This year's netball was very enjoyable with a large number of girls participating. There were 5 senior teams and 4 junior teams competing in the competition and although we didn't bring home any pennants, the standard was fairly high. This high standard was a reflection of the well-attended training sessions.

Mrs. Hocking and Mrs. Eddington must be thanked for their time and effort in coaching the senior teams.

Next season should bring more satisfying results.

*Denise Dowland.*

**Junior Netball Team.** Back row: T. Campbell, H. Anderson, J. Cruikshank, K. Mardardy, J. Wallman; middle row: V. Patterson, B. Jeffrey, J. Wishaw, R. Wilson, S. England, K. Newton; front row: R. Taggart, J. Cameron, A. Brandenburg, K. Fischer, S. Kernot; Absent: K. Kendall.



### Senior "A" and "B" Hockey Teams.

Back row: J. Dwyer, J. Hood, E. Bowen, V. Cook, R. Vivian, H. Shepherd, R. Seaby; middle row: N. Paramore, S. A. Cornelius, P. Johnston, A. Sunderland, M. Clark, K. Giles, S. Keay, D. McKinnon; front row: M. House, A. Smith, G. Rigney, S. Fitch, D. Morrison, P. Jones, A. Barrett-Lennard, S. Hemley; Absent: J. Green.



This year saw many interested girls combine to form four senior, four junior and two Year 8 teams. Congratulations to the Junior A, as it was the only team to win a pennant, but the other teams must not go unnoticed as their enthusiasm and participation were equally important. Through determination P.L.C. has more victories than defeats.

# Hockey

Raema Seaby, Jenny Dwyer, Kim Giles, Anne Sunderland, Karen Seaby, Alison Green and Kim McNamara all gained positions in the Under 17 and Under 18 Independent School Girls' Hockey Teams. Congratulations girls!

There was a lot of time put into the training, advice and organization from Mrs. Hay and Miss Magius. Mrs. Shilkin coached the Year 8 teams. Also thanks must go to those girls who assisted with umpiring throughout the season.

*Anne Sunderland.*

### Junior "A" and "B" Hockey Teams.

Back row: T. Silver, J. Fischer, L. Geraughty, E. LeRoy, P. Leighton, J. McNamara, A. Pullman; middle row: K. Seaby, S. Newman, F. Howard, F. Spragg, H. Thompson, J. Cornelius, A. Green; front row: C. Vivian, A. Milne, R. Wilson, S. Fischer, P. Vermeer, A. Nash, L. Miller, B. Smith; Absent: M. Kailis, K. McNamara.





**Senior "A" and "B" Volleyball Teams.** Back row: S. Stewart, J. Adamson, M. Hill, C. Stratton; middle row: J. Langley S. Kennedy, B. Day, L. Harwood; front row: A. Horton, M. Arnold, R. Digwood; Absent: G. Smith, J. Camm.

# Volleyball

This year has been a most successful one in volleyball for P.L.C. A record number of forty five girls participated in the relatively new and growing sport. (Volleyball has been included in I.G.S.A. competitions for only the past three years.) P.L.C. had three senior teams and three junior teams competing this year.

Congratulations must go to the Senior B team which remained undefeeted throughout the season, and to the junior B which also won its pennant. Mrs. Shilkin's coaching and assistance were very much appreciated, and all the girls convey their thanks.

With the enthusiasm and numbers of this year, 1976 is bound to be a similar success.

Sue Stewart



**Junior "A" and "B" Volleyball Teams.** Back row: H. Tweedie, K. Cameron, T. Clifford, J. Wegner, S. Milner, K. Jones, K. Dowland; front row: S. Brackenridge, S. Parker, C. Longwill, K. Miller, J. Apsimen; absent: J. Thornton, S. Rowe, P. McBain.

# Basketball

The basketball season was off to a great start: about 35 girls were chosen to make up four good teams. The girls all showed enthusiasm, and the aid of a male coach helped greatly. The top team played excellently, not losing a single game. Congratulations go to all the girls who received awards; they certainly deserved them. The other teams also did well. Their participation and attitude greatly lifted the team spirit.

Thanks should go to our coach Richard and also to the captains who had a frustrating yet rewarding job. "Thank you" also to every girl who played in a team and to the umpires without whom the games would have been impossible. I certainly hope that next year will be as enjoyable and successful as 1975.

*Linda Harwood*



**"A" and "B" Basketball Teams.** Back row: S. Stephens, S. England, J. Sardelic, D. Dowland, L. Allardyce, B. McLean, M. Zellert, M. Bowers; front row: S. Chrystal, J. Grieves, L. Harwood, A. Smith, H. Hemley, J. Dwyer, R. Seaby; Absent: L. Morgan, R. Lefroy.

# Gym

This year P.L.C. entered three teams and one individual in the School Girls' Gymnastics Championships, held at the Morley Police & Citizens' Youth Centre. Unlike in previous years, this competition was held for girls who had never competed in State competitions before, and was for school girls from both independent school and government schools. The second competition was for those girls who had competed in the State A, B and C grades within the last five years.

In all sections P.L.C. did extremely well, with the Senior A team coming equal first with John Curtain Senior High School, Senior B team winning their section, and the junior team gaining tenth place.

Congratulations to those girls who gained individual places, especially to Elizabeth Manners who came sixth in the State competitions and Jandy Miller who gained fourth place in her section. Thanks to all girls who participated, for their time and effort. Special thanks to Mrs. McCallum and Caroline Brand.

The Interhouse competitions this year were highly successful, with a high standard of performance.

Best wishes for the future of gymnastics at P.L.C.

*Helen Gadsdon  
Caroline Masel*



**Junior "A" and "B" Gymnastics Team.** M. McKay, P. Cook, A. Nash, E. Manners, T. Owen, N. Patrick, A. Cook.



**Senior "A" and "B" Gymnastics Team.** Back row: H. Gadsdon, J. Miller, C. Masel; middle row: A. Frazer, J. McFarlane, K. McLaughlin, J. Wallman, M. Brooks; front row: S. Harris, S. Parker, J. Conway.

# HOUSE COMPETITION, 1975

SPORT	CARMICHAEL	FERGUSON	McNEIL	STEWART
Swimming .. .. .	1	2	4	3
Swimming (Junior School) .. ..	3/3	4/3	2/3	1/3
Life Saving Awards .. .. .	2	3	1	4
School Teams (Term 1) .. .. .	1	4	2	3
Tennis (Junior School) .. .. .	3/3	1/3	2/3	4/3
Netball (Junior School) .. .. .	2/3	3/3	1/3	4/3
Netball .. .. .	3½	3½	1	2
Hockey .. .. .	2	3	4	1
Volleyball .. .. .	4	3	1	2
Basketball .. .. .	2½	1	2½	4
Gymnastics .. .. .	3	1	2	4
School Teams (Term 2) .. .. .	1	3	4	2
Athletics .. .. .	1	3	4	2
Athletics (Junior School) .. .. .	2/3	3/3	1/3	4/3
<b>TOTAL .. .. .</b>	<b>24 1/3</b>	<b>30 1/6</b>	<b>27½</b>	<b>31 1/3</b>

ARTS	CARMICHAEL	FERGUSON	McNEIL	STEWART
Debating .. .. .	2	4	1	3
Public Speaking .. .. .	1.5	4	1.5	3
House Plays .. .. .	4	3	1	2
Art/Craft .. .. .	1	2	3	4
Literature .. .. .	2.5	1	2.5	4
Music (Instrumental) .. .. .	3	1	2	4
Music (Singing) .. .. .	2	3	1	4
Speech .. .. .	1	2.5	2.5	4
Dance .. .. .	4	3	1	2
Skits and Small Plays .. .. .	2	1	3	4
Photography .. .. .	1	2	3	4
Choir and Folk Group .. .. .	8	3	3	6
<b>TOTAL .. .. .</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>29.5</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>44</b>

# Sports Results, 1975

## Swimming

1st, St. Hilda's; 3rd, St. Mary's;  
2nd, Methodist Ladies' College; 4th, Presbyterian Ladies' College.

## Volleyball—I.G.S.A. Results

P.L.C. vs.	SENIOR				JUNIOR			
	"A"		"B"		"A"		"B"	
	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score
Methodist Ladies' College	Lost	2 to 3	Won	4 to 1	Won	5 to 0	Lost	0 to 5
Penrhos .. .. .	Lost	0 to 5	Won	3 to 2	Lost	1 to 3	Won	4 to 1
Perth College .. ..	Won	3 to 2	Won	3 to 2	Won	3 to 2	Won	3 to 1
Loreto .. .. .	Won	5 to 0	Won	Forfeit	Won	3 to 0	Won	Forfeit
St. Mary's .. .. .	Won	5 to 0	Won	5 to 0	Won	4 to 1	Won	4 to 1
St. Hilda's .. .. .	Lost	2 to 3	Won	3 to 2	Won	3 to 2	Won	5 to 0

Placings: 1st, Penrhos; 2nd, Presbyterian Ladies' College.

Pennants: 1st, Senior "B" Junior "B".

## Hockey—I.G.S.A. Results

P.L.C. vs.	SENIOR				JUNIOR			
	"A"		"B"		"A"		"B"	
	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score
Methodist Ladies' College	Lost	0 to 3	Lost	0 to 2	Won	2 to 1	Lost	0 to 4
Penrhos .. .. .	Won	2 to 1	Won	1 to 0	Draw	0 to 0	Won	3 to 0
Perth College .. ..	Lost	0 to 4	Won	2 to 0	Won	6 to 2	Won	4 to 0
Loreto .. .. .	Draw	2 to 2	Won	2 to 0	Won	6 to 0	Won	Forfeit
St. Mary's .. .. .	Lost	1 to 6	Lost	0 to 3	Draw	1 to 1	Won	3 to 0
St. Hilda's .. .. .	Lost	0 to 1	Lost	0 to 2	Won	3 to 0	Won	5 to 2

Placings: 1st, St. Mary's; 2nd, Methodist Ladies' College; 3rd, Presbyterian Ladies' College.

Pennants: 1st, Junior "A"

**Tennis—I.G.S.A. Results**

P.L.C. vs.	SENIORS		JUNIORS	
	Result	Score	Result	Score
Perth College .. ..	Won	10 sets to 2	Won	12 sets to 0
St. Hilda's .. ..	Won	7 sets to 5	Won	10 sets to 2
Methodist Ladies' College	Won	7 sets to 5	Won	9 sets to 3
Loreto .. ..	Won	9 sets to 3	Won	12 sets to 0
Penrhos .. ..	Won	7 sets to 5	Won	7 sets to 5
St Mary's .. ..	Won	7 sets to 5	Won	11 sets to 1

Placings: Overall—3rd

Pennants: 1st, Junior "A"

Slazenger Cup: 1st, Presbyterian Ladies' College

**School Championship**

Senior: Singles—J. Lange; Doubles—J. Lange, S. Chrystal.

Junior: Singles—J. Fischer; Doubles—J. Fischer, J. Cruickshank.

**Netball—I.G.S.A. Results**

P.L.C. vs.	SENIOR				JUNIOR			
	"A"		"B"		"A"		"B"	
	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score	Result	Score
Methodist Ladies' College	Lost	27 to 28	Lost	15 to 28	Won	44 to 13	Won	24 to 12
Penrhos .. ..	Won	33 to 24	Won	21 to 17	Lost	12 to 14	Lost	12 to 23
Perth College .. ..	Won	44 to 33	Won	32 to 13	Won	43 to 8	Lost	17 to 22
Loreto .. ..	Lost	22 to 38	Won	18 to 17	Won	43 to 3	Won	18 to 7
St. Mary's .. ..	Won	57 to 20	Won	36 to 22	Won	24 to 11	Won	34 to 17
St. Hilda's .. ..	Won	26 to 13	Won	27 to 12	Lost	25 to 27	Won	19 to 15

Placings: 1st, Methodist Ladies' College; 2nd, Penrhos; 3rd, Presbyterian Ladies' College.

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Mrs. G. : "Okie Dokie Mrs. Pinnocchi"

Mr. J. : "I've got a sheet for that!"

Mrs. B. : "Quick as a flash"



Mr. L. : "Elaaastic and plaaastic"

Mr. R. : "Every chemistry student knows that the reason we have nitrates is that they are cheaper than day rates and barium is what the undertaker does."



Mrs. R. : "Don't fuss, Don't fuss!"

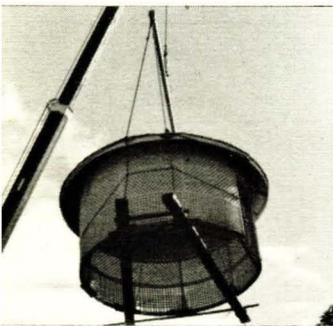
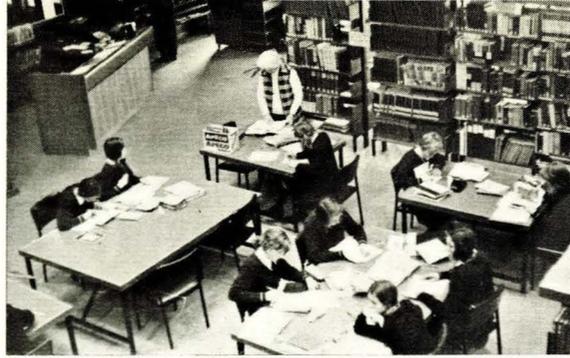
Mrs. S. : "That's not maths girls"

Mr. C. : "Ladies"



Mr. P. "cchh cchh"  
(hint to above—means quiet)





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