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Welcome

Welcome to the second edition of OT Life. Thank you so much to everyone who wrote in to tell us how much you enjoyed reading the interesting articles and flicking through the lovely photographs of our first edition.

Thank you also to those who have now registered with the Access Portal, the online link to keeping in touch. If you have not yet registered, we would encourage you to do so. In between issues of the OT Life magazine, we produce a monthly Trident e-Bulletin, providing up to the minute news and events information as well as the various opportunities available for OTs to get together and get involved in supporting pupils at Trent and The Elms. If you are not receiving this, and would like to, please visit www.trentcollege.accessconsent.com/register

In this edition, we are seeking your feedback by completing our Alumni Survey; this is your opportunity to help us further develop our programme of activity as we continue to fulfil our community's interests.

And finally, another thank you! You know we love to hear from Old Tridents, parents and former staff who share their experiences of life beyond Trent, and there are some great examples here in this magazine. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed We couldn't fit it all in to this issue, so please look out for the next!

Please do keep your news coming in to us; your achievements, travels, new ventures. There is no limit – and photographs are great too, so please also share these with us.

We hope you enjoy our magazine.



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From THE HEAD



It has been a busy and purposeful start to the new academic year, as our thriving community of just over 1100 pupils across The Elms and Trent College looks forward to another successful year ahead.

In September, the school held a memorial service in memory of the late Tony Maltby,

Headmaster from 1968 to 1988. Tony passed away aged 91 on 18 May 2019 – the very day of the 1970s reunion when he was in the thoughts of so many. Tony's family were so very grateful for the messages of condolence they received and for the opportunity to meet some of his former colleagues and pupils who attended the service.

As ever, the school did not stand still over the summer break, which saw a significant refurbishment of the Wortley Sixth Form Centre. The building has undergone a wonderful internal transformation, whilst we have maintained its strong heritage facade.

We also completed the full refurbishment of the Catterns



Astroturf. Thank you to all those who supported the official opening on 6 September. It was great to see the OT Legends take on my Head's XI team, even though the OTs won!

The beginning of the summer is of course a time when we say farewell to a number of staff, including Sue Harris and Christine Walker who between them spent over 20 years fully immersed in the Trent community, and our Year 13s as they graduate from Trent College. This year was a different experience for me as my own daughter was amongst the leavers who now join the OT community. With some very strong A Level results under their belts, many of them have now started their university degree courses, with some choosing a route via the higher degree apprenticeship scheme. We remain extremely grateful to OTs who return to Trent to share their experience of apprenticeships, offer their invaluable advice on what to expect in the first year at university, and attend our careers events.

It was a very genuine pleasure to see so many Old Tridents and former teachers at the 1970s reunion event held in May and to also welcome members of the Class of 2009 recently, as they celebrated in style their 10 year reunion over a special dinner.

As ever, I extend to you a very warm invitation to visit us. We have a packed calendar of sports fixtures, guest speakers, music concerts and drama productions throughout this coming year. Please keep a look out on our website and in your alumni communications, and pop along. Alternatively if you are going to be passing by at any other time and would like to call in to see us, please do get in touch with the Alumni Office and they will be only too happy to make arrangements.

Best wishes,

Mr Bill Penty, Head



1970s & earlier REUNION

“Trent holds a very special place in my heart, a certain magic that is so hard to explain. It is a pull which reinforces what the school gave me”

Ian Norman (Class of 1981)

Over 100 people, former pupils and staff, their guests and student prefects joined the Headmaster for this special reunion occasion. Guests arrived to a welcome reception and displays of archived school memorabilia including photographs and old school magazines, carefully maintained and collated by

former Head of Biology (1973-2004) and volunteer archivist David Pinney, triggering some very fond memories.

Guests were invited to attend a chapel service which reflected on the foundation of the school and during which James Gregory (Class of 2000), President of the OT Society and Director of Operations at Trent College made his welcome speech and Head of School, Ellis Cullen (Class of 2019), delivered a reading from Proverbs 8 ‘Wisdom’s Call’.

Upon returning to The Prince Obolensky Dining Hall, Bill Penty welcomed everyone and thanked them for returning to Trent for this special

“It was a very special day for so many reasons. It confirmed that much of my adult life and achievements correlated directly to the ‘man’ Trent turned out. It was a more emotional day than I could have imagined”,
Deepak Phakey (Class of 1981)

occasion. He provided a detailed account of the developments that have taken place at Trent in recent years; from the installation of a new Careers & Higher Education Centre and state of the art Food & Nutrition facility to the total refurbishment of all science laboratories, the very recently installed retractable tiered seating in The May Hall and the re-surfacing of the Catterns Astro. Mr Penty shared his vision for the school and future aspirations and invited guests to consider supporting the match funding challenge set to the school, in support of bursary fundraising, by Old Trident Robert Barker (Class of 1969) who, due to being overseas in USA, was unable to join the occasion.

A delicious lunch was served by the school's fabulous catering team, with each table being joined by a Trent College student prefect, who were only too pleased to chat to guests about their time at Trent.

There were speeches from former members of staff Andrew Collier (Housemaster 1968-78), Robin Schlich (Master & Head of Foreign Languages 1970-79) and Bill O'Shea (Housemaster & Teacher of Maths 1973-75) who, joined by his wife Anne, had travelled from Melbourne, Australia especially to attend the event. For some having started their teaching career at Trent, it was clearly wonderful to return and see

“It was a wonderful celebration of the school's past, its present and its aspirations for the future. The student prefects truly are a reflection of the Trent ethos; hospitable, welcoming and enthusiastic”,
*Nigel Turner,
Teacher of English (1972-78)*

the school flourishing.

Old Trident, Bob Brown (Class of 1975) reminisced on his time at Trent, making special mention of the fact it is 50 years since his journey at the school began and thanking Trent for making him the person he is today. The speeches were both nostalgic and amusing.

There were many miles travelled by OTs and former staff returning to Trent; as well as from Australia, guests travelled from as far away a South Africa to slightly closer to 'home' Scotland and Wales and the closer counties of England.

In the afternoon, guests were offered tours of the school buildings and



grounds, led by the student prefects who proved extremely popular as they took guests on a wander down memory lane and talked about their experience at Trent, comparing a modern school day with that of the 70s. The students had great fun hearing from OTs about their days of learning and the school routine as it was then.

Rounding off the day, to the backdrop of the u15A cricket team v Nottingham High School was the opportunity to re-group to enjoy afternoon cream tea with another opportunity to catch up with more old friends.

Photo credit to David Pinney

Calendar of Events

9, 10, 11 December 2019, 6.30 pm
Evening Carol Service
Trent College Chapel

12 December 2019, from 1.30 pm
OTs v Trent Sports Fixtures:
Netball, Rugby & Football.
Spectators very welcome. Hot
refreshments available from the
pitch side.

7 March 2020
OT Society Committee Meeting

25 March 2020
London Drinks evening
The Tokenhouse, 4 Moorgate

14 May 2020
What's My Line? Careers Evening

16 May 2020
School Reunion: 1980^s Decade. All
former pupils and staff at Trent
College during 1980^s.

For more information, to register
for an event or to book tickets
please visit:
www.trentschools.net/alumni/events



Anniversary Year Reunion: Class of 2009

Members of the Class of 2009 enjoyed a wonderful evening as they came together for an exclusive event to celebrate their 10 year reunion. Following a nostalgic tour of the school, they were thrilled to be joined by some of their former teachers, during a pre-dinner drinks reception, which gave them the perfect

opportunity to catch up on all that they have achieved over the past ten years. OTs continued their evening with a delicious three course dinner served in The Fenn, which looked fantastic for a fine dining experience. There were speeches, fun and laughter on what was a thoroughly enjoyable occasion.

Tom Singleton (Class of 2012) was totally overwhelmed when he arrived at The Fenn, for his surprise stag party, arranged by his brother Will (Class of 2016) and friend Sam Hands (Class of 2012) *"I knew we were going somewhere for dinner, but didn't expect to see any of the Shaker gentlemen. I was blindfolded all the way - never in a million years did I think it would be at Trent - but I wouldn't have had it anywhere else! It was a great evening, and the Fenn was the perfect setting."* Congratulations to Tom and Nicola on their recent marriage in Cyprus.



If you would like to arrange a reunion or any other celebration dinner, please get in touch otsociety@trentcollege.net



Class of 2019 Leavers

The 'Class of 2019' celebrated in style (and traditional fashion of fancy dress!) whilst enjoying a day of celebratory activities which marked the end of their Trent College (and for many The Elms Junior School) journey.

The school held a special assembly which reflected on their time at the schools; their achievements, friendships and memories made and included a nostalgic montage of photographs. They were presented with their leavers' gift on behalf of Trent and The OT Society, chosen by the students; a tie for the boys and Trent Crest charm bracelet for the girls.

A few weeks later, they came together with their parents and staff for the annual Leavers' Ball, which was a fabulous evening and another opportunity to dress up, this time in

their best evening dress! We wish them all the very best of luck for their future and welcome them with open arms in to the Old Trident community.





Bidding a fond farewell to staff

At the end of each academic year we say goodbye to a number of staff, and wish them well in all they go on to do.

Emily Baker, Teacher, The Elms.

Erik Barre, Head Chef.

Sandra Betts, Catering Manager.

Iona Davies, Art Technician.

Hayley Dilger, Deputy Head Academic, The Elms.

Shirley Ellender, Catering & Hospitality.

Callum Gilder, IT Helpdesk.

Ellie Gregson, Teacher of Music.

Sue Harris, Teacher of Geography and Girls Games.

Gaynor Lane, Lunchtime Supervisor, The Elms.

Jessica Malpas, Teacher of Psychology.

Steve McGinnis, Head of Rugby.

Maureen McDevitt-Norman, Teacher of Religious Studies.

Georgie Reeves, Sports Graduate, The Elms.

Jennifer Rubesamen, Teacher of Biology.

Lizzie Sanderson, Assistant Head EYFS & Infants, The Elms.

Kurt Seecheran, Housemaster Blake and Teacher of History and Politics.

Katie Seecheran, Boarding Duty Tutor.

Carole Slater, Exams Officer.

Joanne Towle, Teacher, The Elms.

Christine Walker, Teacher of French.

Sam Wallace, External Lettings Manager.

How lucky am I to have spent 10 years surrounded by talent, by warmth and by kindness?



Christine Walker

Teacher of French

2009 to 2019

When I first arrived at Trent, David Mitchell (1974 to 2016) was Head of Year 9, the year group I had been assigned to as a tutor. David is a traditionalist and I loved his empathetic and sympathetic nature and his vast experience of working at Trent. John Bratton (Head of Maths 1980-2016) and Pete Kelly (Deputy Head Academic and Teacher of Chemistry 1982 to 2014) were other key members of staff who taught me a lot about teaching and about Trent. I looked up to them and still do to this day.

The favourite part of my job was the wonderful relationships I forged with pupils and fellow colleagues. As I start my new role now as Head of MFL at Repton School, I miss my allies; it's an unsettling and unknown time, as all change is. My Trent colleagues in many

cases became dear friends and I miss them in my everyday interactions now.

The generosity and kindness of Trent pupils impressed me so much and I carry that with me. I loved watching the plays, the music and the sport and seeing the vast array of talent that the pupils have. I've taught some incredibly talented linguists and to be part of their journey has been an honour.

I lost count of the number of language and cultural school trips I went on, as there were so many over the 10 years. Travelling to France, Spain and Italy was a real privilege for me because I had previously spent time living in all three countries, so it was wonderful to share that experience with the pupils.

One trip that stays with me as probably the most memorable was a trip to

Barcelona led with Keri Price (Head of MFL), in April 2010. Whilst we were away, an Icelandic volcano erupted creating a huge ash cloud that resulted in European airspace being closed, so we had no choice but to return home on the ferry; a marathon trip from Bilbao to Portsmouth which took nearly 24 hours!

Every day brought its own challenges and humour and I think the joy of Trent is just that. I felt at ease with many people there and felt confident in myself. I can only look back with rose tinted spectacles and reflect happily upon my time there. How lucky am I to have spent 10 years surrounded by talent, by warmth and by kindness? As I move on, it is that which I will remember.



Sue Harris

Teacher of Geography & Games

2008 to 2019

I was appointed teacher of Geography & Girls Games however, with Duke of Edinburgh's Award and boarding experience, and having recently received my commission from the RAF to work with the CCF, I quickly became involved in all areas of Trent life.

I feel extremely fortunate to have worked with caring, dedicated and talented staff on both the pastoral and academic front, particularly in the Geography department. I will be forever grateful to the successive Heads of Geography, notably Vicky Bletsoe-Brown (now Marriott) and Emily Hills (now Nelson), who encouraged and supported me, especially in times of increasing pastoral responsibility.

Geography is a fascinating and relevant subject and it has been a pleasure to teach pupils who were genuinely interested and keen to succeed. We travelled on numerous field trips, and had two amazing visits to Iceland, even if we never did get to see the northern lights! I take with me many fantastic memories of the department.

When I arrived at Trent I recall being incredibly impressed by the number of staff involved with DofE, dedicating their own time to support pupils in achieving the Award at all 3 levels. I relished being involved with expeditions, something I hope to continue in retirement. Last year, I was honoured to attend St James' Palace alongside Old Tridents receiving their Gold Awards. Little did I know that I was there to receive my long-service award, presented

If anyone had told me that I would spend the next 11 years having such a varied and fulfilling career, I would never have believed them.



by The Earl of Wessex, for over 35 years' involvement. It is a day that I will never forget.

My time working in the Games Department was thoroughly enjoyable, with some of my fondest memories being my netball 'Mighty 3rds' and accompanying Miss Gunter (now Mrs Mayfield) with her 1st team. The Tennis term was always my favourite; watching the girls (and sometimes boys) master the skills that will see them able to participate in sport throughout their lives, was a pleasure. I will never forget the return journey from Aberdare Cup finals with Miss Salisbury, when we managed to secure a 'shout out' on national radio! Leading and accompanying tennis tours to Lanzarote and Portugal allowed me to see first-hand the benefit these trips have in the development of a player's ability.

In September 2009 I was appointed Section Commander of the CCF's RAF section. With some fantastic support from the 6th Form NCOs, the section grew to just under 80 cadets, 13 of

whom managed to achieve 4th position at their first outing to the Ground Training Competition at RAF Cranwell. A highlight for me was the success of Cdt. Warrant Officer Will Moon (Class of 2013) in achieving the highest national award for CCF (RAF) cadets, the Sir John Thomson Memorial Sword.

The thread running through my time at Trent was the immensely rewarding pastoral role I held, both as a tutor and [Assistant] Housemistress. As a tutor, guiding pupils through Main School, watching them develop academically and socially, and seeing them make the transition from children to young adults, was one of my most fulfilling roles and it gives me great pleasure to still hear from some of them today. I am delighted that a former tutee, Amy, is the current Head of School.

Working 24/7 in a residential environment is not without its challenges, but I have never regretted taking on these roles. In 2010 I became Martin House Assistant Housemistress and in 2013, with Fiona Starbuck

(Class of 1986) and Louise Farmer (now Russell) by my side I became Housemistress. I was later supported by Nikki Edwards, Nicky Charsley and Mandy Cullen. I am extremely proud of all we achieved.

The most important element of any boarding house is the occupants and I had the great pleasure of knowing many wonderful girls with different skills and interests, backgrounds and nationalities. Each one of them brought something individual to the House. I have wonderful memories of the girls coming together and working for the common good; their initiatives for Children in Need raised over £2000 in a day! The annual ice-skating trip and Valentine's Ball are just a few of the highlights of my time in Martin.

I will never forget our sense of 'family', sitting in the Common Room with all the students as we streamed last year's indoor hockey finals! How proud we were. I will miss this and all the amazing elements of my time at Trent and wish everyone success and happiness in the future.

Trent College & The Elms

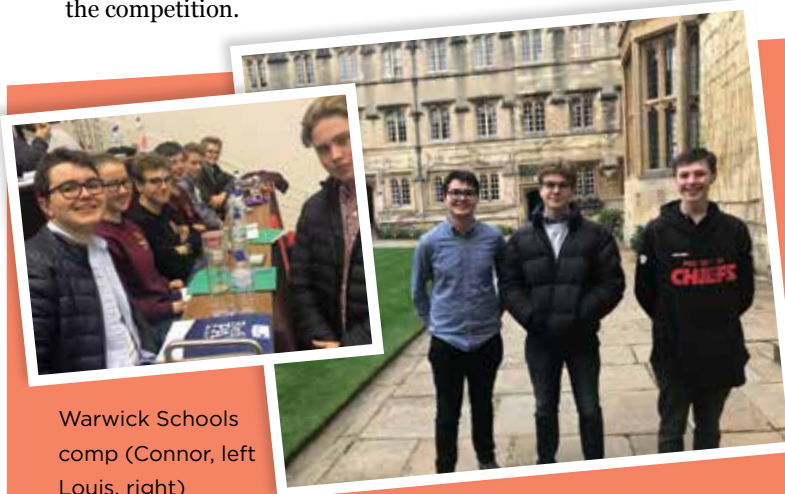
Trent College Debating

Debating is now very well established at Trent College, with senior and junior debating teams entering a number of regional and national competitions. Old Tridents Cameron Bovell (Class of 2018) and Joe Sisson (Class of 2017), representatives of the Oxford Union, play an instrumental role in organising many of the competitions with Joe co-convenor for Oxford Schools in 2019.

It is quite remarkable that last year, the Midlands round of the Oxford Schools' Debating Competition turned out to be the biggest reunion to date of Old Tridents, with no fewer than 8 veterans of Trent Debating involved in the organisation and judging of the competition.



Devindi (Y10) and Savannah (Y9) won Solihull's Debating Competition, beating 30 teams from schools across the Midlands. It was a successful day for the Junior Debating team, with three out of four pairs finishing in the top 10 and Devindi earning the 'Best Speaker' title.



Warwick Schools comp (Connor, left, Louis, right)

Left to right, Connor Robinson, Josh and Jack (Y12) at the Oxford Union Schools Debating

Debating is not just confined to the Oxford Union, with Connor Robinson and Louis Blundell (Class of 2018) heavily involved in their respective debating societies at University of Warwick and Oxford Brooks. Louis joined Connor at Warwick, where Connor is social secretary for the Debating Society, to help judge their schools competition last year. Connor not only debates frequently for Warwick but he now also acts as a Debate Coach for Trent, accompanying the team on many competitions. Last year, he joined Trent pupils on a trip to the University of Durham, where the biggest annual residential debating competition in the country takes place in March.



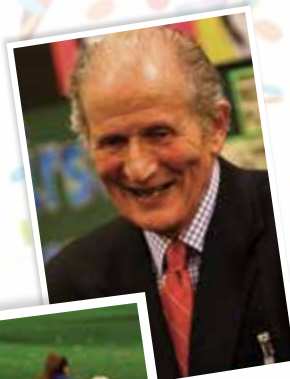
A 20th Anniversary Celebration

On Friday 11 October, The Elms Junior School celebrated its 20th anniversary with an exciting day of celebrations. The school marked the milestone event with a ceremonial tree planting, time capsule and visit from children's author Ellie Sandall, who officially opened the new Lower School library, which had been generously funded by The Elms Parents' Association.

Every class held birthday parties in the school's honour, enjoying party games and making their own party hats, and pupils from Reception to Year 6 took part in a fun run across the school's 45-acre campus.

Among guests who joined in the celebrations were Mr Jonathan Lee, former Trent Headmaster (1988 to 2006), founding Head of The Elms, Mrs Anne Beardsley (1999 to 2007) and former Head Mr Keith Morrow (2007 to 2018).

The celebrations culminated in a lovely afternoon tea for parents and guests, serenaded by the pupils, followed by a fun fair on the terrace.



If you are out in Nottingham doing your Christmas shopping on the morning of Wednesday 11 December, pop in to John Lewis to see The Elms Choir performing.



Life in CAREERS



Last year, more than 20 Old Tridents gave their time and shared their experience and advice with pupils at Trent College and The Elms. From 'stand-alone' careers talks, providing a specific industry focus, to career workshops, work experience placements and as delegates attending the annual What's My Line? careers networking evening. Many OTs returned to support the careers programme on multiple occasions.

This interaction with OTs is an invaluable support for the pupils' learning and independent career research. It inspires an inquisitive nature, enabling pupils to explore a profession or pathway they may not have considered, or even heard of. It is also extremely rewarding for Old Tridents, who benefit both personally and professionally.

"I have attended four What's My Line? careers evenings and thoroughly enjoy it every year. The insightful questions and genuine intrigue into the career of an Architect was, initially, beyond my expectation. I enjoy it more every year I attend.

I always say 'I really was exactly like you!' At the age of 14/15, I was greatly unsure about what career path I should take. I believe that giving the pupils the opportunity to speak with a peer, someone who has truly been through the process they are embarking on, results in the best form of open communication and trust, in the honesty and lack of agenda, of the advice that is exchanged.

I found that many of the discussions I have with the pupils forces me to take away thought-provoking ideas, inspiring new aspects of my business endeavours. Caught sometimes on the back foot, by unusually perceptive questions, can result in even a well healed professional to look at future business situations with a fresh outlook. As a delegate, that is certainly something that I always take away from the careers events, and really value. I am already really looking forward to the next event!"

Edward Acres (Class of 2005)
Managing Director, Acres Architects



What's My Line? *Next Event*

Thursday 14 May 2020 6.00 – 8.30 pm



For more information or to register as a delegate please email development@trentcollege.net or telephone 0115 983 6927.



Old Trident Julia He (Class of 2018) recently popped in to talk to the MedSoc students about her first year as a medic at St George's, University of London. We really appreciated Julia taking time out of her busy schedule to share her experience and answer the students' questions, as she embarks on her second year. Good luck Julia!

An Alternative Route to a DEGREE QUALIFICATION

Combining work with study is becoming a very popular choice for some students aspiring to achieve a degree qualification. It is a viable alternative to full time university, which provides students with familiarity in the workplace, excellent transferable skills and the ability to juggle work and study, whilst gaining university experience through the degree placement.

In 2015, the UK Government introduced the degree apprenticeship programme, developed as part of the higher apprenticeship standard, equivalent of a bachelor's or master's degree. The fastest growing area of apprenticeships, 48,000 higher and degree apprenticeships were entered in 2018 including the addition of architecture and law (DoE 2019).

Alfie Tipping and former Head of School Ellis Cullen (Class of 2019) are two students this year who have chosen to pursue this route, both gaining their placements through work experience undertaken during their time in Sixth Form. They are the first in their respective companies to be offered the degree apprenticeship, an investment decision each company made based on the quality of the candidates; their attitudes displayed during their work experience and their continued communication.



Ellis:
Trainee Chartered Surveyor,
NG Chartered Surveyors
Nottingham



Alfie:
Trainee Building Surveyor,
Arc Building Consultancy
Nottingham



Nick Sutton (Class of 2018) recently began a 3 and half year contract with B&Q Wincanton Depot, on a Supply Chain Leadership Degree Apprenticeship. He is studying at Leeds Trinity University and the Supply Chain Academy in Uppminster. "I was eager to get a degree, but wanted to work. I am gaining 'on the job' knowledge in a professional environment and getting my qualification, all whilst earning a salary".

I'd advise anyone looking to get into higher education, whilst furthering their learning and professional experience, alongside earning a salary to apply for a Degree Apprenticeship - I truly believe it is the way forward."

How can OTs get involved?

The Careers & Higher Education Department at Trent College is now running an Apprenticeship Group for Sixth Form students, enabling them to explore the various options. Fiona Starbuck, Head of Careers (Class of 1986) explains "It is a very different process compared with applying to

university. It can be far more rigorous with four or five interview stages. We can help the students to prepare, with interview practice and providing them with techniques in preparation for the assessment centres."

Students are encouraged to use the OT network and OTs are invited to join the Apprenticeship Group for an opportunity

to share knowledge and experience and offer interview skills and advice. If you would like to get involved, the Apprenticeship Group runs every Friday lunch time at 1.30pm in the Careers & Higher Education Centre.

Please email development@trentcollege.net for more information or to register your support.

Where are they now?

Alex Trott (Class of 2005) tells us how taking the advice of their teachers - to never give up as they could do anything if they worked hard enough - has helped him and his brother Ben (Class of 2008) shape a successful future.

We both have very fond memories of our time at Trent. We worked hard but also played hard, me a little too much and occasionally saw the wrath of Mr Bradshaw, Mr Collingwood and Mr Northeast to name a few!

Trent was a platform that allowed us to develop skills and spark our interest in business alongside extra-circular activities such as cooking, circus skills, comedy and travelling. The grounding and opportunities stood us in good stead to do well as we went off into the wider world.

We were inspired by far too many teachers to mention them all; Mr Bradshaw, Mr Leadbetter and Mr Sharpe really pushed us and showed us that if we put our mind to it, we could do anything! Mr Collingwood, Mr Edgar, Mr Mitchell and Mr Shuttleworth played a huge influential role in our Trent journey. Dr Kelly, Mr Cowie and Mr Prince (we could go on) all encouraged our interests in travel, comedy, cooking, business, politics, design ... and the most important factor, hard work!

We have so many fond memories of the trips we took from



Looking back on our school days, we can really appreciate the support and facilities that were available to us.

the wonderful ski trips to the ones of wet, cold CCF camping expeditions with Mr McIntyre! The funniest memory has to be from a Spanish exchange to Zaragoza and Barcelona, where Mr Bradshaw (Bradders) left everyone's passport on a bus and had to run alongside banging on the window to get it to stop!

Ben graduated from Nottingham Trent University in Law and Business and went on to work for national corporate and high street law firms and barristers' chambers. He found his niche in legal marketing and soon became one of the youngest directors of a law firm in the UK, sitting on the Senior Management Board of a national firm.

I graduated with a degree in building surveying from the University of Reading and became a manager and buyer for several national marketing, retail and hospitality sector businesses.

In May 2018, Ben saw a gap in the market and started up a specialist marketing agency, Marketing Lawyers, which also supported start-up companies across other sectors. After a successful first 7 months, and having shown a keen interest,

Ben approached me to join the business. I left my job as a successful manager of a Derby restaurant to join Ben full time.

The process of setting up on your own and being the master of your own destiny is something that we both passionately believe in. The world is changing to a gig-based economy and many roles are being made redundant making way for robotics and AI.

Before Marketing Lawyers, Ben had many business endeavours and not all of them worked, but Trent taught us to never give up and that we could achieve anything if we worked hard enough.

For more information, visit www.marketinglawyers.co.uk or www.marketingagencynottingham.co.uk



OT SPOTLIGHT

William Evans

(Class of 2014)

“A real top drawer standout performance”, is what the National Operatic and Dramatic Association said of Will’s performance in Derby Youth Musical Theatre’s production of Barnum. Taking the lead as Phineas T Barnum last month. Will was “irrepressible throughout, with his acrobatics, clowning and tight rope walking, he was at the heart of the action, rarely off stage, coping splendidly with convincing acting, and handling his vocals with a pleasing voice”. He had support from many of his friends and family, including a front row of Old Tridents! Full review at www.noda.org.uk/show-reports/barnum-1570963298



Sophie Draper

(Class of 2017)

At just 20 years old, Sophie has recently opened a new beauty salon in West Bridgford, Nottingham. Sophie aspired to be an actress but after a short time at the Birmingham School of Acting, decided to divert her attention to her interest in the beauty industry. Upon gaining qualifications, she started out her practice from a spare bedroom at home and developed a clientele, as well as 10,000 followers on Instagram! She now has a team of four people working at the glamorous salon. Sophie’s business start-up and social media following shows great entrepreneurial spirit. Good luck Sophie!



Trent FOUNDATION



Trent College has always been an inclusive school, founded on philanthropic values and dedicated to each individual pupil.

The Trent Foundation, established within the Trent College charity, directly supports initiatives set by the school and sustaining the founders' values.

Last year £650,000 was spent on bursaries, enabling 138 pupils access to the education and opportunities offered at Trent College.

Bursary support for pupils

By widening access to the schools' excellent education, encouraging children of all backgrounds, Trent College and The Elms provides a diverse community which is reflective of our society today and prepares every pupil for their future. Supporters of The Trent Foundation's bursary appeal are helping talented young people receive the education they deserve and are contributing to the whole school community.

But more needs to be done. Trent College is not an endowed school and so it relies on the generosity of donors to strengthen its bursary provision.

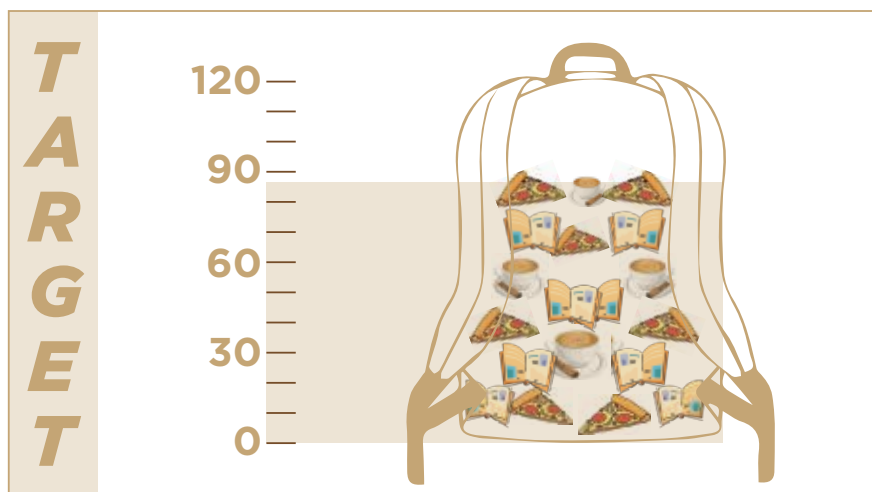
We need **YOUR SUPPORT**

The Foundation's match funding appeal, initiated by bursary benefactor Robert Barker (Class of 1969) has further to go to reach its £120,000 target.

If 100 people donate the equivalent cost of

- One medium sized Barista coffee purchased every week for a year; or
- One medium sized takeaway pizza purchased once a month for a year; or
- One annual glossy magazine subscription ...

We will **REACH THE TARGET!**





Your help can have an immediate impact on the education journey of a pupil.

Ways to give

Regular giving

Pledging a gift on a regular basis is an affordable means of giving over a period of time and enables the school to plan its fee assistance to pupils. Gifts are received in varying amounts and when combined with the generosity of other regular gifts can make a significant difference to a pupil's journey through the school.

Single gift

Gifts of all sizes, be it a 'one-time' gift or an 'every now and then' gift, are welcomed and appreciated.

Major gift donation

If you are in a position to consider higher level giving, in support of a 50% or more annual day fee, the school pledges to match this gift for a second pupil.

Legacy or In-Memory gift

A legacy or in-memory gift to The Trent Foundation is one of the most meaningful and enduring gifts you can make. It creates a personal testimony to your affinity with Trent and all it stands for.

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If you are considering donating from the USA, we work with the British Schools & Universities Foundation to enable tax effective giving.

Donating through Gift Aid* will boost your donation by

25%

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The Gift of a Leaver's Deposit

Each year The Trent Foundation asks parents to consider a gift of the deposit they paid when joining the school, in support of the latest appeal.

"What a great idea to donate the deposit - as a recipient of a bursary during my son's time at Trent, I am more than happy to donate his deposit for such a brilliant reason!"
(2019 deposit appeal for bursaries)

"Thank you so much for [anon.]'s bursary support this year. We are so truly grateful for your help and kindness."

Parent, summer 2019

"We would like to say a big thank you for the financial help we have had with educating [anon.] He is turning in to a lovely young man and has been given a great start in life, thanks to Trent."

Parent, summer 2019

If you would like to consider making a gift to the Trent Foundation, please contact Jo Slater, Development Manager on 0115 983 6927 or email development@trentcollege.net to discuss your donor requirements.

Life in SPORTS

Official Opening of the Refurbished Catterns Astroturf

On Friday 6 September Trent College and The Elms celebrated the official opening of the refurbished Catterns Astroturf pitch, now a very impressive FIH Quality National Certified premier pitch.

Old Tridents joined other high-level hockey players in an exhibition match Head's XI v Old Trident Legends XI, to celebrate the event. Special guests Simon Mason, triple Olympian and BBC & BT Sports Hockey commentator and Ady Lock, Spanish Women's team Head Coach and Old Trident (Class of 1994), 'cut the ribbon' marking the grand opening of the new pitch.

Hockey is an integral part of the schools' successful sports programme, which is underpinned by an inclusive sporting philosophy referred to as the '3Ps' - **Participation, Progression** and **Performance** - ensuring that all pupils can benefit from playing sport, whether competing at a national level or simply enjoying taking part.

Trent's longstanding reputation for sporting excellence spans many sports, with regular hockey successes at both regional and national level. Last year the U18 girls' team demonstrated their exceptional skill when they became National Indoor Hockey Champions. The U16 boys narrowly missed out on the same title and finished third in the country.



A close match was played between the OT XI and Trent College 1st XI this summer, with OTs losing to a challenging Trent side by just 4 runs. It was a great game, played in good spirit and enjoyed by everyone who came to support. The BBQ & beers were welcome refreshments on a sunny evening!

Congratulations to...

Nina Apoola

(Class of 2019)
former 1st XI Captain and member of the National Indoor Champions team, now playing hockey for the University of Michigan. Nina celebrated her first collegiate goal just a few weeks ago.



Sophie ter Kuille

(Year 12)
former 1st XI Goalkeeper, member of the National Indoor Champions team and University of Derby's Talented Athlete Scheme. Sofie has returned to her native Holland for the fantastic opportunity to play for Amsterdam Hockey Club, one of the top clubs in Europe. Currently No. 2 Goal Keeper, Sofie will be a member of the Euro Hockey League squad and will play in their indoor team.

Conrad Willars

(Class of 2019)
former 1st XI. After a tough selection process, Conrad has secured a one year deal playing professional hockey for Hattem HC in Holland.

Paige Gillott and Josh Pavis

(both Class of 2017)
selected for England u21 squads for The European Championships.



Adrian Lock

Class of 1994

Spanish Women's Hockey Team Head Coach

During his visit to Trent in September, we took the opportunity to have a chat with Ady about his memories of school and his journey to becoming a successful international hockey coach.

“Just being back here at Trent reinforces my roots. Things are going very well in my life so it is nice to come back and remember the people who helped me on my way and tell my teachers how much I appreciate them.”

Back at your old school today, how does that feel?

Wow, it has brought back so many great memories, from my first rugby training session to violin practice in the music school every morning to achieve my Grade 8!

What do you remember most about your time at Trent?

School was busy, I was an academic and music scholar. I was a member the orchestra, strings group, chapel choir and in my last year, became orchestral leader! Sport also played

Receiving his Honours Cap,
Speech Day 1994



Hockey 1st XI, 1944
L. Ady, R. Keith Reesby



"I believe that sport creates confidence, decision-making, self-belief and enables leadership qualities to be realised."

remained in the England pathway, being selected to play u21s. I was studying French combined with Spanish and spent two years abroad. When I arrived in Barcelona I walked in to a local hockey club, Real Club de Polo, and asked to play there. That was my introduction to Spanish hockey. At training I met three Spanish players I recognised from my time in England u18s, and together a fellow OT, Pablo Ouziel (class of 1995), who I knew lived just outside Barcelona, they really helped me get set up and it was a great start for me.

How did playing hockey turn in to such a successful coaching career?

After a year in Barcelona I returned to university to finish my degree. I then received an offer from Real Club de Polo to return and play in their first team. I had a really successful three years, we won two leagues and two cups. But then I got dropped, replaced by a new signing who was at the time the best player in the world! I had been coaching u14s and u16s in Spain, having completed my Level 2 coaching award at university, so the Club offered me a coaching position. I spent one year coaching with the women and

a big part in my life and I played first team rugby, hockey and cricket. I enjoyed the contrast of creative arts and sport, which was sometimes brutal! My mum has photographs of me playing violin in concerts with my grazed hand, caused by playing hockey on the rough Astro, on display to the audience!

Trent gave me the opportunity to develop the talents that I had and take them to the highest level I was able to. I was a boarder in Blake House, Ken Pye, Leslie Fox and Peter Shuttleworth were my housemasters. Living at school was ideal because I could balance my school work, play an important role in music and spend my time being involved in all the sports teams.

How has your experience of school shaped your career?

I grew up with my friends, so in terms of sport, the strength in bond between us on the pitch was forged through my teammates also being my family. With the Spanish women's team I talk a lot about the importance of the

relationships off the pitch and how this develops a team spirit and ethos and a togetherness that, especially in moments of adversity, will help us overcome any obstacle. I always think back, especially to the strength of my school rugby team being the ideal team spirit of any team I have ever been involved with, and I want to create that in everything I do.

TV commentator Nick Irvine, my prep school hockey teacher, recently told me that when he is watching my team he sees a team that enjoy each other's company and who enjoy playing for me. For me this is where success lies; creation of a team bond I felt at Trent, replicated to create a positive high performance environment.

Did you know at school that you wanted to follow a high performance route into sport?

It was just a natural progression. I'd played club hockey 3-4 times a week and was in the junior England team. I continued to play at university and

three years coaching with the men's teams. It was a great place to learn about high level hockey. In 2007 I became Head Coach of a club in St. Cugat, Junior F.C. The Club Director, former Head Coach of the Spanish men's team knew they were looking for an u21s Assistant Coach, and asked if I would be interested. During my year as Assistant the Technical Director of the Federation asked for my opinion and I was quite critical. It wasn't performing as well as it could be and I suggested some changes. A couple of weeks later I got the call for Head Coach position for the u18 women's squad!

What was the biggest difference you found in coaching women's hockey?

The way they pay attention! With the men's hockey, players did what they felt best despite my coaching. With the women's team, they trusted me from the start, so when I gave them new and different ideas, they gave it a chance. They were very positive, willing to try, grateful when it worked and would question when it didn't. I found it extremely fulfilling from the very start, and straight away we were winning games. When you have a tangible result, it is easy to help people believe in what you are striving to achieve.

Who inspired you and influenced you on your journey to success?

Mark McFarland, my personal tutor, and Leslie Fox kept me on the straight and narrow, helped me out and would



“In sport sometimes you don’t fulfil your dreams as a player but get the opportunity as a coach. When I got that offer I knew I wanted to be the best I could be and this was my opportunity, my second chance at success”

re-direct me when needed. Peter Shuttleworth also helped me out so much. As a player and coach, he would pick me up from school on his way to Beeston Hockey Club, so I could get to all the training sessions and games. Doc Woods was hugely influential. He taught me history, hockey and cricket. I would always challenge his umpiring but, I know that was my passion and determination and now I know how to direct that. Now, with my teams, the only thing I don't accept is arguing with the umpire! I know from my experience it isn't helpful!

When I think about my inspiration, I think constantly about conversations I had with Tony Rolt, my Head of Sport at Trent. He was always motivating and encouraged self-belief. I recall when

I got dropped from the 1st XV rugby team and had to train with the seconds, it was the first time I'd not been in a first team sport and I couldn't deal with it. I felt like a failure and Mr Rolt helped me believe in myself and realise who I was. That conversation stuck with me and I have always thought of him as my role model, someone I look up to.

I use this experience in my job now. At the Rio Olympics I had to have the same conversations when I dropped players, I was effectively saying that 'your dreams aren't going to come true'. I am very conscious that I am making that decision and I always go back to conversations with Tony Rolt and the inspiration he gave me which still inspires me now.



John in studio

My time spent as Head of Art & Design at Trent College was one of the most productive and enjoyable periods in my teaching career.

A Journey into Abstraction

by John Sprakes, ROI RBA MAFA

Head of Art & Design 1978 to 1984

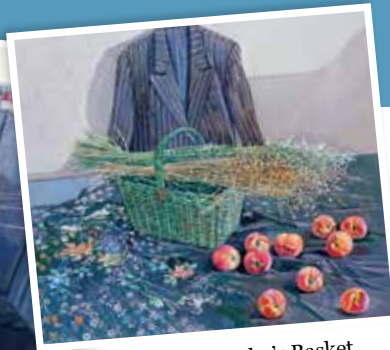
During my job interview, in the summer term of 1978, I realised what a marvellous opportunity it would be to develop the creative arts in such a stimulating educational environment as Trent. I was impressed by Tony Maltby's vision for the future and his enthusiasm to put the subject high on his priorities for the expansion of the educational environment of the whole school. His vision was for the subject to be developed throughout the curriculum and he gave me the opportunity to expand within the overall structure of the College. I was always grateful for his enlightened leadership and I remained in contact with him throughout his life.

During my years at Trent we developed a thriving department and from small beginnings the numbers increased and we had both boys and girls taking Art & Design at A level, gaining access to degree colleges and bypassing the foundation course structure.

We gained major awards in Young Engineer for Britain and National Design Council competitions, with a number of students receiving these awards at major presentations in London, their work being shown at the Design Council as examples of high quality work in the secondary system. There were also prizes in national art competitions, and many compliments on the quality of drawing.



Whitby Harbour



Kathy's Basket



Single Seedhead Across Yorkshire

John's work can be seen in many private and public collections throughout the UK, USA, Germany, China and Australia.

I know the Headmaster was proud of these achievements as it increased the profile of the school within the wider educational system. Many of those students have become my valued friends.

In 1984 I left Trent to become Principal Lecturer in Art & Design at West Notts College. My appointment there was to oversee all the academic work and plan courses for the various departments. The experience I gained at Trent proved to be invaluable in what was a demanding appointment.

Throughout my life I have continued to paint and exhibit my work in many galleries both in group and one-man-shows and I have exhibited in the Royal Academy Summer Exhibitions 14 times.

Whilst teaching at Trent I was elected a member of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters and the Royal Society of

My three sons were pupils at Trent and have each gone on to successful careers in Law and Music. My wife Barbara managed the school tuck shop for over thirty years! We all enjoyed our time at Trent and look back with very fond memories.

British Artists and later, a member of the Manchester Academy of Fine Art during my time at West Notts College.

My most recent accomplishment is the publication of my book "Journey into Abstraction" which covers 60 years of my work as a practicing artist. It chronicles the journey from figurative and derivative through to abstraction. It is a comprehensive account with over 200 full colour plate images with text.

Some of the work completed was during my Trent years. Tony Maltby encouraged me and would often visit the department to see what I was working on, and he purchased several pictures! I will always be grateful for his support.

For more information about John and details of his book please visit www.johnsprakes.wordpress.com

'Ovoid and Steps' in Bronze and bronze coated steel (private collection)



'Two Forms' in Bronze

Did you know?

John's brother David joined Trent College as Head of Art in 1985. He enjoyed a 25 year career at Trent, before retiring to focus on his passion for sculpture. He is an elected member of the Royal Society of British Artists, London and of the Manchester Academy of Fine Art. His fascinating sculptures have been widely exhibited in galleries throughout the country. David's sculptures and details of his exhibitions can be found on his website www.sculpturebydavidsprakes.com

#Archive30

In April, the Archives & Records Association for Scotland set a challenge that inspired organisations across the UK to delve deeply into their archives. The challenge was to retrieve an item or a memory, representative of a theme set for each day of the month. The Development & Alumni Office embraced this challenge with the wonderful support of the school's Volunteer Archivist, David Pinney.

We had great fun rummaging through dusty old artefacts, discovering commemorative bottles of ale, old school blazers and even came across a preserved butterfly collection which once belonged to Reverend Fenn, the first Headmaster.

Did you know?

The word 'archive', used since early 17th century and meaning 'a place where records are kept' originated from the Greek word 'archeia', meaning 'public records'.

Each day, the theme was addressed; a photograph accompanied with a caption was posted on Twitter with the hashtag #Archive30.

It was really interesting to see not only what other schools were sharing from their archives, but organisations such as The National Archive and The World Rugby Museum!

It was fantastic to receive so many comments from members of our alumni community who took great interest in seeing what would be shared each day.

You can view all of Trent's #Archive30 posts by going to the Old Tridents Twitter profile **@OldTridents** and scrolling through the posts to April 2019.

The Trent College Archive is a collection of photographs, school records & reports, trophies, magazines, artefacts and OT Society documents, dating back to the school's beginning over 150 years ago. Please get in touch with any enquiries or if you would like to visit the Archive and dive in to the wonderful history of Trent College. Please email archives@trentcollege.net





David Pinney

former Head of Biology, 1973 to 2004 & *Volunteer Archivist*

David retired from teaching after more than 30 years at Trent College, during which time he was involved in the relocation of the Biology Department from the Science block, to a brand new Biology Building formally opened by The Duke of Devonshire in 1989.

David takes a keen interest in the wide selection of trees which lace the beautiful grounds of the school and for 41 years has been conducting popular tours of the arboretum, one of the finest private tree collections in the country, for visiting OTs, parents and local community

groups. Many will remember the Trees Test pupils took and which was originally started by 'Daddy' Warner.

Upon retirement David took on the role of Trent's Volunteer Archivist and has been pivotal in supporting the Development & Alumni Office in answering the many and varied enquiries which come in to the school from OTs and from surviving family members, authors and many other people.

David has also been a keen Scout Leader and along with colleagues,

ran a large and successful Scout Troop. Earlier this year, he was awarded the Scouting Silver Wolf Award, the highest award made by The Scout Association "for services of the most exceptional character." It is an unrestricted gift of the Chief Scout and consists of a Silver Wolf suspended from a dark green and yellow neck ribbon. On 2 November, David attended a Thanksgiving Service at Westminster Abbey followed by a Silver Wolf Recipients' Lunch in the Members & Strangers Dining Room, in the House of Commons, in recognition of this prestigious award.

Commemorating VE Day

Friday 8 May 2020 will mark the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe, the day the guns fell silent marking the end of WWII, and a three day international celebration will take place.

We would like to mark this occasion, paying respects to all Old Tridents who lost their lives and those whose lives were affected, with a special feature in our next edition of OT Life. We would

very much like to hear from you if you would like to share photographs, letters or memories from that memorable day. Please contact the Development & Alumni Office.

Obituaries

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of the following members. Our sincere condolences are with their families and friends.



Tony Maltby

Headmaster 1968 – 1988

Passed away 18 May 2019, aged 91

Antony John Maltby, Tony to his friends, family and colleagues, joined Trent College in 1968, with his wife Jill and their four daughters.

Tony had been educated at Clayesmore School in Dorset, where he became Head Boy. He read history at St John's College, Cambridge and began his teaching career at Dover College. He later moved to Pocklington School, Yorkshire, taking on the role of teacher of History and Housemaster and becoming much involved in sport and the CCF. He left to take on the Headship at Trent College.

He arrived at Trent at a time of financial challenge; the school was a boys only boarding school, of less than 200 pupils. During his first year, a candidate for the role of school bursar withdrew considering it would 'take a miracle' to turn the school around

and suggesting that the building would instead make a first-class hotel!

Undeterred, Maltby added the bursar's role to his portfolio of administrative tasks and for the next few years could be found poring over the books late into the night, with his Retriever, Muffin, by his side. Revival of the school's fortunes centred on recruiting a well-chosen, young and cost-effective team. Each new arrival brought extra-curricular expertise and the total commitment expected by their leader, who would later be proud that so many went on to senior positions in other schools.

This commitment and the emphasis on results were perhaps ahead of their time, yet tradition at Trent College was respected. CCF and Chapel activities were wholly supported while Art, Drama and Music flourished. Perhaps most telling was sport, where within a few years the revival of a full fixture list, was boosting morale with victories in rugby, cricket and hockey over schools that had for a while been in a different league.

Maltby had inherited the decision to admit day pupils at the age of 11, the school having recently sold its prep school, Bramcote Hall. By the late 1970s the introduction of sixth-form girls coincided with the provision of new buildings, while dormitory, catering and sports facilities were all improved. As early as 1975 he was able to offer opportunities in computing, including programming, to all pupils.

"Maltby knew every pupil and parent"

As Trent College progressed and the occasionally blunt Maltby learnt with difficulty to trust his team, he made time to serve the wider community in the Rotary Club, as a magistrate and later as Deputy Lieutenant for Derbyshire.

It was with great reluctance, but obliged by his own policy, that Maltby retired in 1988 at the age of 60. He moved to Kent, where he continued to serve as a magistrate, a local councillor and, until his 89th birthday, was a teacher of pupils with special needs. His wife Jill, who had been by his side throughout his leadership of Trent College, had passed away in 2000 and he later remarried Elizabeth, who survives him with three of his daughters, 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Tony died peacefully at home with his faithful dog, Jessie, lying beneath his bed.

(Obituary with thanks to Andrew Collier, Master 1968 to 1978.)

William A Bannister

Shuker, 1947 to 1950

Passed away 6 June 2018, aged 84

Peter E G Bartlett

Shuker, 1950 to 1953

Passed away 30 April 2019, aged 83

Peter had very fond memories of his Trent College school days. In his death he became a generous benefactor.

John T Crowe

Hanbury, 1948 to 1951
 Passed away 8 June 2019, aged 85

John Jeremy Cutts

Wortley, 1947 to 1952
 Passed away 20 Sept 2019, aged 85

Rev. D F P Dawe

Hanbury, 1933 to 1938
 Date of death unknown

David N Foster

Wortley, 1949 to 1954
 Passed away Nov 2018, aged 89

Alan Fraser

Wortley, 1949 to 1954
 Passed away 16 June 2019, aged 83

Alan was a distinguished local government lawyer, a fine sportsman and a great lover of music. He gained an MA in Jurisprudence with Honours from Hertford College, Oxford and qualified as a solicitor in 1960. Alan had a long legal career in local government in West Sussex, East Suffolk, and Derbyshire and in 1971 he moved to Cumberland as Deputy Clerk and as County Solicitor, led the council's legal department for 20 years. He retired from the County Council in 1994, taking a new role as part time chairman for employment tribunals, serving in Newcastle and Teesside for 10 years. Alan had many interests, particularly sport, music and travel. He played Hockey for 4 Counties and captained Cumbria. With music his passion, Alan was a keen bassoon player, playing first bassoon in the Oxford University Orchestra, he was selected for the National Youth Orchestra. Alan was also a philanthropist. It was typical of his generosity that when he gave up playing he donated his instrument to the Royal Scottish Academy of Music for the use

of up and coming young players. The fond memories he held dear of his old school and his love of sport were very generously displayed in his long term commitment as benefactor to the Trent Foundation, in support of sports facilities. Alan was a man of the utmost integrity who had a full and interesting life. He never married and is survived by several cousins.

Peter Gillespie

Wright, 1952 to 1956
 Passed away 3 September 2018

Mark E Goodman

Wortley, 1979 to 1986
 Passed away 18 Aug 2019, aged 51

Mark had suffered an impaired heart defect for many years, caused by Muscular Dystrophy.

Gavin W Hannah

Assistant Master, Teacher of History and French, 1972 to 1979
 Passed away July 2016

A short time after leaving Trent College, Gavin joined Summer Fields School, Oxford as Head of History and later Director of Studies, where he remained for 30 years. Gavin was a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and closely involved with the Oxfordshire Records Society and the Oxfordshire Historical Association. He was a published author, writing on topics including Bridport Harbour, Black Country history and medieval Herefordshire. He also wrote *The Deserted Village*, an edited a collection of diaries of the 18th Century Rector of Nuneham Courtenay. At the time of his death he was working on a projected transcription/editing of the letters of Queen Charlotte held in the Bodleian Library. He is survived by his wife Ann, brother Malcolm, sons Giles and Marcus, and his five grandsons of

whom he was so proud.

(Obituary by Dr Paul, Dean of Summer Fields School.)

Daniel A N Hanson

Wright, 1969 to 1971
 Passed away 4 April 2019

After studying fashion at the Derby College of Art, Daniel became a successful luxury dressing gown maker. He started his career running the Fashion Department at Nottingham Trent University, whilst setting up his own fashion business in 1987, from home in Derby. In 1990 he moved to premises in Nottingham and a year later was receiving orders from Harrods and high end American stores. His gowns have been worn by John Travolta, Brad Pitt, The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Elton John, who wore his Daniel Hanson robe for the last John Lewis Christmas advert. Daniel is survived by his wife, daughter and two sons, who both work in the company which continues to make fine dressing gowns today.

John P Hill

Hanbury, 1941 to 1944
 Passed away 4 Aug 2019, aged 92

A keen sportsman at school, playing rugby and hockey, John went on to achieve HNC in Mechanical Engineering leading to CEng. MIMechE. In his retirement, John was a keen gardener and enjoyed making furniture. John is survived by his son Peter, also an Old Trident.

Guy Hutchins

Teacher of Drama, 1973 to 1978
 Passed away 23 Nov 2018, aged 68

Guy was a writer and storyteller whose work for young audiences explored generational and inter-cultural issues

using masks, mime, puppets, dance and spoken word. His early work included plays for Birmingham Rep's community department and the bilingual theatre in education company Voicebox. He wrote for Pentabus Theatre, London's Little Angel Theatre, for radio and television, and toured internationally. In 1997 he formed his own company called Moby Duck, which fused art forms and ancient and modern storytelling traditions to create 25 plays ranging from short fables to three-hour epics, often accompanied by interactive workshops. His experience in education saw him running literacy classes and performing residencies in schools and colleges for more than 30 years.

Nigel F Lapham

Shuker, 1937 to 1942
Passed away 7 Sept 2018, aged 94

Nigel always loved talking to his family about his time at Trent; his enjoyment of field hockey and his mischievous nature. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Richard G Lucas

Wright, 1974 to 1981
Passed away Oct 2019, aged 56

Richard joined Trent as a day boy, moving in to Wright House during his 3rd year and rapidly making firm friendships, many of which have lasted until his passing. Richard was an entertaining person with a ready grin and a sense of humour that revolved around classics such as the Goon Show and Spike Milligan. When based in the studies, mornings often started with Terry Wogan on Radio 2's Breakfast Show with some Irish wit before going to Chapel. He had a refined taste, so his Gilbert & Sullivan competed with his friends' Supertramp and Beatles

from the other side of the corridor. A school prefect, Richard intelligently cruised through his exams, impressing everyone with his ability to solve Times cryptic crosswords by morning break. He told everyone his ambition was to be the next Archbishop of Canterbury. To achieve this goal, he stayed for an extra term in Upper 6th to undertake Oxbridge entrance examination studies, becoming Head of School. Richard secured a scholarship at Pembroke College, University of Oxford to read Theology. Afterwards he worked in London, mostly in the financial sector, until moving back to Nottingham. Richard married Claire, a fellow Old Trident, in August 1986 becoming the first OTs to marry. He will be deeply missed by all his many friends and dear family.

Dr Sue Marshall

Teacher at The Elms Junior School,
1999 to 2006
Passed away 7 July 2019, aged 59

Sue was a highly valued and much loved member of the founding staff team when The Elms Junior School opened in 1999. She was an inspiration to hundreds of children throughout her career; an exceptional class teacher with a particular passion for Science and a deep love of nature and bell ringing. She passed away following a 7 month battle with Cancer. She will be dearly missed by all of her family and friends. Sue leaves her husband Graham and younger daughter Hollie along with elder daughter Rebecca, son Tristan and daughter in law Lucie (nee Sanderson), all Old Tridents.

Richard H Oldfield

Wortley, 1961 to 1965
Passed away Feb 2019, aged 70

Emily Rowling

2007 to 2013
Passed away May 2019, aged 23

Ian M Stevenson

Hanbury 1941 to 1945
Passed away 17 Mar 2019, aged 91

Known as Mike to his friends and family, he credited his time at Trent College to the full and happy life he led. Mike was captain of the school rugby and tennis teams, played 1st XI cricket and became Head of House. He received confirmation by the Bishop of Derby with an address of "get thee a vision boys and follow it through" and this made a deep impression on him. Mike volunteered for the army and was drafted into the Artillery regiment, stationed at Lanark and Salisbury Plain. On demob, he found work experience on farms, eventually purchasing Broadgates Farm, Cornworthy in spring 1951 with the support of his family. Soon after, he met and married Susan. They enjoyed a very happy marriage of more than 60 years and had four children. Mike kept up his interest in sport, playing rugby, cricket and badminton. He became secretary of the Parochial Church Council and later Church Warden, a position he held for 35 years. Upon retirement, he qualified as a homeopath and practised from home, up until his day of passing. Notwithstanding all that he achieved, it was the way he went about it and his keen sense of humour that most endeared him to so many. Mike passed away peacefully at home with his wife by his side. Over 200 friends and family attended his funeral.

Dr Charles N Wilson

Wright, 1959 to 1964
Passed away 25 Nov 2017, aged 72

Alumni Survey

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It has been three years since we ran our last alumni survey, where 12% of our alumni community participated, 2% above industry average. Your response helped to inform such things as the frequency and style of communications, engagement opportunities and alumni events.

We continue to develop our programme of activity and your feedback can provide us with valuable information which can help us shape future activity. We would love to see an even higher than average participation rate for this survey, enabling us to gain a broader insight of our alumni needs and interests.

Your feedback will be treated in the strictest confidence and only those directly involved in the management of the Development & Alumni Office at Trent College will have access to the survey responses. You may remain anonymous and an anonymous report will be prepared and shared with you in due course.

The survey is completed online and should take no more than 15 minutes.

To take the survey, please go to
www.trentschools.net/alumni
The survey will close on
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Thank you in advance for your continued support. If you have an enquiry relating to the survey please get in touch with Jo Slater, Development & Alumni Manager.



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