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Miss Pamela Geldard

In the seven years of her headship Miss Geldard has won my most sincere respect. As chairman of the Education Committee of the Herschel Council, I have been privileged to work very closely with her and if I had to choose only one word with which to describe her, it would be *caring*. She cared about each girl and saw the need for each individual to reach her fullest potential in her own way; she cared about the standard of excellence which the school as a whole achieved; she cared about the well-being and efficiency of her staff; she cared about the range of opportunities available to her girls and above all she cared for their moral and spiritual welfare.

Miss Geldard accepted the challenge of running a Church school in a strongly materialistic age and her own faith and commitment shone through all her actions and decisions. Her truly Christian humility has drawn many people to her and enabled her to face

the difficulties of her complex world with equanimity. With this humility went warmth and generosity as well as great integrity and strength of principle.

The final mark of Miss Geldard's achievement is not to be found only in the fact that there were no Matric failures during her regime, nor even in the gratifying results of the school's endeavours which appear in the Headmistress' report, but in the fact that Herschel girls have gone from the school during the past seven years equipped to take their place in society with a full awareness of their responsibilities and that wherever they meet they will talk of their Headmistress with the same warmth and enthusiasm as they showed in the standing ovation with which they took farewell.

I am grateful to have this opportunity of thanking Miss Geldard for her great commitment to Herschel and of wishing her every blessing in the future.

Jeanne Heywood

HEADMISTRESS'S REPORT, SPEECH DAY 5 DECEMBER 1985

Ladies and gentlemen, and girls of Herschel,

First of all, a very special welcome to my predecessor, Dr Barbara Silberbauer whom I feel very honoured to have with us today.

It is with a certain sense of sadness that I am presenting to you what will be my last school report but linked with this is a sense of satisfaction that I am able today to review for you what has been a good year in the life of the School. It has been a year of academic progress, of sporting achievement and of theatrical success and it has also been a year when we have learnt afresh the warmth of friendship, the importance of understanding, the power of faith and the strength of spiritual values, when — against the background of a country torn by tragic conflict and bitter turmoil — we have nevertheless been able here at school (albeit on a regrettably small scale) to learn from one another across the racial barriers such things as tolerance, sensitivity and mutual respect and, particularly at the Matriculation level where friendships are most firmly cemented, to enjoy a marvellous sense of oneness and deep comradeship.

We began the year with a feeling of pleasure over last year's Joint Matriculation Board examination results. All our forty two candidates passed, eighteen with

either B or C aggregates and two with A aggregates, namely Stephanie Dutkiewicz and Dorrit Zelezniak, names I am sure you will remember from last year's Prize giving! Subject distinctions were gained by Stephanie and Dorrit and also by Nicola Caine, Leanne Carlyle, Claudia Fioravanti, Ingrid Hommersom, Susan Levett, Wendy Perold, Judith Schulman, Catherine Shub and Linda Willis. These were gained in a variety of subjects — Afrikaans, English, French, Geography, Mathematics, Music, Physical Science and Typing but our special congratulations must surely go to Mrs Hall for her outstanding achievement of five A's for English.

For many of our present Matriculants, too, English has been a favourite subject and I know how much they have appreciated having our Vice-Principal, Lady Woolley, as their teacher. We congratulate Alison Moultrie on winning second prize in the Hortors Book Fair Literary Quiz and on being declared runner-up for the best speaker's award in the Inter-Schools' Forum Discussion Contest (when our team of five girls won the first round and came second in the finals). We congratulate Marion Edmunds on her Chairmanship of this team and also on the certificate she gained in the English Olympiad and the publica-

tion of one of her essays in this year's edition of *English Alive*. (We were pleased that an essay of Nicky Newton-King's was also published). I enjoyed escorting Alison and Marion, together with three other Matrics, to the English Festival in Grahamstown in the July holidays.

Public speaking and debating are important aspects of English teaching and once again I wish to pay tribute to Ms McKenna, now Mrs Wilkinson, for her leadership here and to the many girls whose enthusiasm and participation have made the Debating Society such a vital one at Herschel today, including those who have recently been brave enough to experiment with open-air oratory — under the Bex tree for the benefit of any staff or girls who care to listen — Sarah Penny, Liora Lazarus, and Naseema Barday leading the way. (Just in case any of my listeners are thinking in terms of Hyde Park Corner, let me assure you that we are much too polite an audience for that!).

Spelling too must not be forgotten as an integral part of English teaching. For the second year running Mrs Wilkinson's Standard VI English pupils have won 1st prize among nearly all the Peninsula schools, in the S.A.C.E.E. Spelling Contest.

On the Scientific front, Herschel is, I feel, holding her own equally well. I commend Mrs Feast on the competence with which, as a committee member of the Schools' Science Teachers' Committee, she has helped arrange many interesting lectures for Science pupils. Our hearty congratulations go to the girls who won prizes for the models they entered in the Senior Science section of *Expo '85* — Susan Böttger and Caroline Isted who won merit certificates and three Standard IX girls, Tanya Elvin-Jensen, Nicolette Jordan and Vanessa Sass who won medals. Vanessa for the second year running. While not wanting in any way to detract from the resourcefulness of the girls themselves, I do feel that part of this success can be attributed to Mrs Beames who year after year has encouraged the building of scientific models and practical experiments at the Standard VII level, providing a treasury of ideas and stimulating originality and imagination. In the Science Olympiad, which of course includes Biology as well as Physical Science, four girls gained places in the top 10%, Marion Bladergroen, Susan Böttger, Caroline Isted and Rehana Loghdey.

In another direction, Speech and Drama, which is to gain status as a Higher Grade subject from 1986, has a prominent place at Herschel. We congratulate Mrs

McClurg on the delightful zest, gaiety and musical fun of *The Boyfriend*; and thank Mr Brian Burke for his invaluable support as musical director. In my opinion Marsali made an adorably dreamy Polly and Liora an admirably dignified (and sometimes *not* so dignified!) Headmistress while, Kyra, Alison, Anna, Laura, Catherine and others all added humour and sparkle to the overall picture. Our special thanks, too, to those responsible for the costumes, Kerry Hoffman for the original design of colours and styles and Mrs Weerts, Miss Wood and others who so expertly created the actual garments.

A high standard of drama was evident too in the Inter-House Contest last term. I congratulate Liora of Merriman on her superb production of *Toad of Toad Hall* and agree with the adjudicator that the Jagger and Rolt plays were also very good indeed, the former, a satire, on certain undesirable aspects of education entitled *Cabbages*, with Kate Blumberg as a most appealing leading actress, and the latter a piece of high drama called *The Trial* dominated most effectively by Charlotte Saunders and Laura Woulidge. Laura is further to be commended on the excellent report she gave at a School Assembly on the French tour in the July holidays. Under Mrs Steytler's leadership six of our French pupils, together with girls from several other schools, spent an exciting week in Paris and then embarked on a fairly advanced course at a language school in Angers. They returned very fluent in French to the envy of their fellow pupils — and perhaps also of the band of Herschel mothers who early this year valiantly offered themselves as pupils to receive tuition on a weekly basis in an attempt to keep apace of their daughters (or is it perhaps Mrs Steytler who is being valiant in venturing into adult education?).

Let me add if parents were to see all the fascinating new books our School Librarian has bought this year, the demand for adult education would increase by leaps and bounds! Since no academic progress can be made at school without a good library we are immensely grateful to Mrs Brathwaite for her wise selection and appealing displays of new books, for her use of the notice board for current affairs coverage and for the way she has made the Library the vital place it ought to be, a centre of learning that is likely to benefit both teachers and pupils for many years to come.

It is very appropriate that the Library should be the home for our new society, *Scientia*. This is run — most enthusiastically — by Mrs Thompson, Herschel's own living encyclopaedia, whose fund of



Alison Moultrie and Kelly Myburgh together won the Alliance Française Inter-Schools Trophy for "la meilleure école", the best school.



WESTERN PROVINCE REPRESENTATIVES

Standing: P. Cheesman (Squash), J. Opie (Live Saving), M. van Assen (Squash), N. Hanekom (Hockey), L. Burns (Squash).
Seated: L. Murray (Hockey), M. Godson (Squash), N. Eckstein (Squash), N. Mohamed (Squash), D. Murray (Hockey).

general knowledge questions for lunch-hour quiz contests seems never-ending! Thank you, Mrs Thompson for a valuable and enjoyable innovation.

Meanwhile knowledge increases in other directions too — by means of open-air excursions such as Mountain Club climbs (often under the expert leadership of Mr Fletcher), or the Swellendam Trail in the September holidays, led by Mrs Feast, or the many interesting Environmental Club outings organized by Mrs Charlesworth, or the Geography field trips which Mrs Westgate is always keen to arrange, planning them I might say, with meticulous care! One of the happiest of these outings this year was perhaps the day the Standard VII's spent visiting the Elandsberg farms owned by Joy Parker's parents in the Hermon area. Another was the day when Mrs Marr and Mrs Westgate took the Standard IX's on a coach tour to Langebaan and the Posberg Nature Reserve to see the Spring flowers — a combined biological/geographical-type expedition.

While we are out in the open-air, let me speak next of sport. I am pleased to report that our sporting teams have trained hard and often been victorious and I am grateful to Mrs Botha and Mrs Hudson for their leadership and their very strong sense of loyalty to Herschel, which sets such a fine example to the girls. The Swimming team got us off to a good start by coming third at the Inter-Schools' Gala, and we were proud of Penny McClurg who broke the record for her age-group in the Butterfly and later won the Bronze medal for this at the South African National Championships. In tennis our Standard VI team came second out of nine schools in their section of the Inter-Schools' tournament while in hockey our 1st XI came second and our Under-15 team fourth. In netball we came fourth and in squash second. There is no Inter-Schools' badminton but our teams have won success in many of their league matches and enjoyed a good sense of unity. In the Inter-Schools' Windsurfing Regatta our team of four keen sailing enthusiasts came first in the girls' section. Our special congratulations go to those who were selected for Western Province teams — Penny McClurg (swimming); Nell Hanekom and Deirdre Murray (hockey); Lucy Burns, Penny Cheesman, Nicola Eckstein, Michelle Godson, Nawal Mohamed and Melissa van Assen (squash) and Angela McDaniel, Alison and Judith Sedgwick (riding) with Judith as Captain of both the Equitation and the Show Jumping teams. Claudia Heppner came third in the Open section of the Hague International Dressage Competition.

Others girls meanwhile have won honours in the modelling world and we rejoice with Kerry, Merle and Carolynne in the success they have enjoyed in this direction. I further commend them for having retained their natural grace and modesty, so free from the sort of affectation one normally associates with modelling.

Three newcomers to our staff this year were Mrs Eddy who, in addition to teaching English and Guidance has given, I feel, truly inspired leadership in the Christian Union, Mrs Brogbank who is giving valuable help in our Speech and Drama department, and Mrs Adley whom we were very pleased to welcome to our Maths department. Miss Wood, the other member of our Maths department, leaves Herschel now after five and a half years in order to enjoy a break from teaching. Miss Wood's strength as a teacher has come partly from her own keen interest in Maths but also partly from her personality: she has been a caring, sympathetic (and remarkably glamorous!) Form mistress and a warm-hearted colleague in the staff room. I am sure you will join me in wishing her well for the future.

Seldom could a school have experienced more romantic excitement than was provided for us this year by our respected Vice-Principal! After mentioning casually at lunch one Friday that she was about to go to tea with an old friend — we afterwards learned that it was Sir Richard Woolley — she returned on Monday morning with the startling announcement that she was planning to marry him. By Wednesday I had, with some difficulty, persuaded her to allow me to announce this to the school who reacted with unbounded joy and very soon afterwards we easily became accustomed to calling her Lady Woolley. I wonder whether, in the annals of either education or marriage, it has ever happened that a bride has taught a morning lesson prior to her wedding ceremony and returned after the reception to teach another lesson in the afternoon. What medal can one give for such devotion? Our congratulations to Sir Richard on winning his lady! Herschel will certainly be losing a very fine Vice-Principal and, as I say this I do thank her most sincerely for her stalwart help over the past seven years, for her loyalty to me, and friendship and her thoughtful approach to everything; I have always felt we were on exactly the same wave-length in educational policy and in matters of school discipline I don't think we have ever really disagreed. Thank you, 'Ms Gillham' — I mean Lady Woolley!

Although not called upon to sing at that particular

wedding, our Choir has been invited to sing at several weddings during this year. They have also entertained the members of Callow House, Kenilworth, sung at an Evening of Music in our School Hall and joined with the Choirs of other private schools to sing in St George's Cathedral at a special Youth service this term. The Festival of Carols in St Saviour's Church is always a memorable occasion and last night's was no exception. I do congratulate Miss Sweet most sincerely on the very high standard her Choir has maintained through the years.

Mrs Hagen who has been a member of the Music department for the past eleven years is now retiring; we value her contribution to Herschel and we wish her continued good health and happiness in the enjoyment of more leisure than the teaching of piano pupils on a full-time basis has permitted.

Having mentioned both drama and music, let me not omit the third of our cultural subjects, namely art. At times when I have had occasion to show visitors round the School — prospective parents, perhaps, or old girls returning on a visit — I have often remarked that while the library is my favourite room in the School, the Art Room comes a close second. It is never without some point of interest and the boards with pupils' work are always full of colourful paintings, fascinating in their variety. Mrs Montgomery and Mrs Gower seem able to encourage an originality of artistic expression while still giving guidance and essential basic training. This year a new development has been the enlarged area made available for pottery which has become a popular extra-mural activity; our pottery teacher, Mrs Lapping's, own enthusiasm has obviously been infectious. We particularly congratulate her and her pupils on the exhibition *Creation in Clay* which delighted us all in September.

Examinations written during the year have included Music and Speech and also the annual 'Hoër' and 'Laer' Taalbond examinations. In the 1984 Taalbond 24 candidates entered for the 'Laer' examination and all passed, Katherine Abbott, Lynette Murray and Chantal Simonis with distinction, while 40 out of 43 passed the 'Hoër' examination. I think it is also worthy of comment that in the Joint Matriculation Board examinations for the past ten years there has not been a single failure in Afrikaans and that recently, at a combined J.M.B. teachers' meeting, one of last year's examiners paid special tribute to Mrs Crowther and Mrs Louw for the high quality of their pupils' set-work papers.

There are many parents whom I should like to thank for their support given — often simply through informal conversation, sometimes through what they have written in a letter and in some cases in special ways. I think, for example, firstly, of the mothers of our Matriculants who have provided beautiful flower arrangements for the staff room and offices all year; secondly, of the committee responsible for our social gatherings in the first term and for the Spring Ball this term; thirdly, of the very faithful, hard-working band of mothers who have run the Herschel Clothing Shop as well as those who, under Mr Clarke's able guidance, pioneered the running of the Second-hand Bookshop which we have not had before. Not only do these last-mentioned ventures help to cut down costs for individual pupils but the overall profits enable the School to purchase some extra items of educational equipment which we might not otherwise so easily fit into the annual budget. This year a video recorder and a television set have been acquired with these funds, enabling us to make use of video material as a teaching aid and to record programmes linked with aspects of the school syllabus.

Form fund-raising efforts this year have been directed towards helping the following: The Sunny Day Centre (Std X); Shawco (Std IX); the Heatherdale Children's Home, the Homestead and the S.P.C.A. (Std VIII); the National Council for the Blind and Leukaemia Research (Std VII); Beauty without Cruelty and Meals on Wheels (Std VI). School efforts have also been made for the Peninsula Schools' Feeding Scheme (through our Fun Run), Operation Hunger and St Mark's School in Lebowa. The three Houses, in addition to the usual collection of jerseys, have sent cash donations to the Crossroads Clinic; the African Scholars' Fund and the Nyanga Centre. All this sounds a lot but yet I am conscious of how little a demand is really being made on each of us and how much more could be done. I hope next year's Form captains will plan early and try to introduce some original ideas: this year we seem to have had rather a surplus of cake sales for want of better ideas — though perhaps the boarders would disagree with me on this as a cake sale is always popular!

In this connection, too, I wish to express thanks to Mrs Marr for her continued well-organized leadership of the Social Responsibility Club and to all those members who have taken part in street collections or visiting the elderly or the 'One-to-one' project. I am appreciative too of the initiative shown by those Matrics who founded a new society called the Social

Issues Group. This has links with similar groups in other schools and the committee has worked in conjunction with that of the History Society and the Sociological Club in the arranging of meetings. One is grateful for the guidance given by Mrs Brathwaite, Mrs Feast and Mrs Steytler in this and — when it comes directly to the issue of racial understanding I feel we are given a fine example of courtesy and courage by our Xhosa teacher, Mrs Siyengo.

Staff meetings and Prefects' meetings have been held regularly throughout the year and in addition we have had two combined Staff/Prefects' meetings at which topics such as House Spirit, attendance at extra-mural activities, and the allocation of points for the Effi-

ciency Shield were discussed in detail. I have very much enjoyed my contact with the prefect body this year and indeed with all our Matrics who have maintained a happy spirit of comradeship and unity. I feel that Karen and Marion, as Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl in the School, and Deirdre and Sonja as Head and Deputy in the Boarding House, have all shown qualities of sincerity and unselfishness in their leadership as well as a good balance between firmness and grace, enthusiasm and calmness, patience and resourcefulness. We congratulate Alison Moultrie and Sonja Petrus on their selection as Rotary Exchange Scholars and hope they will enjoy their year in Australia and the U.S.A. and, in saying good-bye, we wish all our Matrics well for the future.



Back Row: Leslie Valentine, Achmat Mohamed, Gamat Daniels, Mr R B Park, Elias Mbotshwa, David Bonakele, Johannes Grootboom, Donnie Pelton.

Middle Row: Evelyn Mathews, Christina Snyders, Jane Martin, Anna Solomons, Seronia Stout, Maria April, Sophie Smit, Eileen Julius.

Front Row: Elsie Qabaka, Rachel Phillips, Miss P A Geldard, Mrs M Taylor, Doris Cyster, Stewart Qabaka.

Absent: Mrs M Brink.

And now it is surely time for me to say goodbye. There are so many people I have not yet had time to mention in this report but whom I wish to thank — Mrs Dunleavy whose quiet strength and sound helpfulness have made her such an asset in the staff-room, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Brink, Doris and the catering staff who have kept us so well fed, Mrs Duncan-Smith, Mrs Alves and Mr Saxby who have ensured that our finances are sound, Mrs Devis who has tolerated my handwriting with amazing grace and often kept me sane in moments of crisis, Mrs Buntmann, Mrs Hurn, Mrs White and the other members of the House staff who have had the welfare of our boarders so much at heart, Mr Park, Donnie, Leslie and the others who have worked so faithfully in our school grounds, Rev. Cook, Rev. Frye, Mr David Christie and others who have led us in worship in our School Chapel, and Mrs Brown, Mrs Bray, Mrs Davies and the Prep School staff for whom I have always had the highest regard. Last but not least, I include the girls of all standards, who have greeted me so courteously in the corridors, met me with such gracious charm at school functions,

talked so sensibly when we have planned or discussed things in my office and listened so patiently in innumerable Assemblies! Thank you. I have loved my contact with you and feel I have gained as much from you as I have ever been able to give you. God bless you in the future. May Herschel go from strength to even greater strength in the years ahead. I will be proud of you in the future as I am proud of you today.

It is traditional at Herschel for the Headmistress's report to end with the School motto. I think this is good because it is a motto which bids us turn away from ourselves, above our own little concerns, our pleasures or our problems to God the Father, the source of our light and our life, our Creator and Sustainer, to God the Son, our Lord and Saviour and to God the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Strength. And so I say in closing those words which we need to grasp in faith and to work out in practice: "Ad Dei gloriam".

Pamela Geldard



Stewart Qabaka, Miss P.A. Geldard,
Elsie Qabaka, Freda

HEAD GIRL'S FAREWELL SPEECH

Mr Marshall-Smith, Miss Geldard, Lady Woolley, Ladies and Gentlemen and friends . . .

I came to Herschel from a school with three oak trees, an ash playground, a Std 3 class with 48 pupils, and toilets, which in winter one had to visit with an umbrella. At Herschel I found a broad scope of opportunity that was previously unknown to me. There were games facilities; art, music, and drama rooms and numerous societies to join. There was a close interaction between teacher and pupil. Freedom of thought and freedom of speech were encouraged. (My thoughts this year have been with those who have had their school careers interrupted.)

At Herschel we have the privilege of being truly educated in the South African context. As people of different cultural and racial backgrounds, we have lived together, laughed together, come to understand each other, and learned to respect each other's integrity. The challenge to our generation at Herschel is immense.

Our matric year has been packed with hard work as well as loads of fun. In Std 6 we soon gained the reputation of being the naughtiest class ever to have stormed Herschel, with some of our number having to sit on the floor in the very front of each class for two weeks! We have indeed been a very spirited bunch. During this year we have become especially close. Our class is a mixture of very different people from very different worlds but the bonds formed between us will always remain with us. We have contributed much to each other's personalities and in our involvement with each other, our lives have been enriched.

May we as Herschelians always cherish this spirit and may we not follow the trend of our society which tends to be very much 'every man for himself'. May we always seek to enrich the lives of those around us.

The prefects of 1985 have been a team who have accepted challenge and responsibility. We began our year with a prefect's retreat at Gordon's Bay. Our time together was invaluable as well as plenty of fun. It was here that we planned strategies and approaches and set out our objectives for the year. We wished to:

1. encourage more participation from every girl in the school in all school activities
2. encourage discipline without becoming regimental
3. maintain school traditions
4. promote school pride, loyalty to school and fellow pupils and

5. to create a pleasant, friendly atmosphere in the school.

This year the House socials have been major events for Rolt, Merriman and Jagger and have boosted House spirit. (Rolt, of course, doesn't need much boosting). The fashion show—with newspaper-clad models and mouths full of marshmallows trying to say "chubby bunny" will long be remembered.

This year I have aimed at being approachable and setting a good example. My year has been challenging and rewarding and as you may say it, truly AMAZING! I remember the colour, noise and spirit of the Inter-School's gala; operation H2O and shaving-cream at the end of our matric year; the excitement leading to our Matric dance, the dance itself and its aftermath; volley ball during gym lessons; and the wonderfully entertaining House plays. With the announcement of our Ms Gillham's engagement to Sir Richard Woolley, I shall never forget the number of happy, delighted faces beaming from ear to ear all over the school.

I shall miss friendly faces in the corridors; rows of legs on the round lawn trying to soak sun; tuckshop, chats in the common room, and Huisgenote. I shall even miss taking detention!

Most of all, we shall miss our teachers who have given us direction and primed us with as much knowledge as possible for the most important exams of our lives. Teachers, thank you for all that you've done for us. You have become our friends and you will remain very special to us.

Prefects, thank you for your help and advice and for tolerating my rather "loskop" ways. Marion, Caroline, Kyra, Beth, Deirdre, Sonja, Alison Keble, Alison Moultrie, Jo, Bennita, Lisa, Cathy—you have not shied away from the challenge but you have each performed your rôles of leadership in your own unique way.

Matrics, we've had really good times together. Thank you for your friendship and your support.

Yesterday, my parents celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary and I am very proud of them. (Let's give them a round of applause). This year they have done much to keep me sane and they have always been willing to listen. I believe that the saying "Parents always know best" holds true. I have depended on them for advice and drawn on them for strength. Mom and Dad, thank you.

I would like to thank the Christian Union for their concern, their support and their prayers. What a privilege it was to be part of such a group!

To Marion, my First Mate, a very special thank you. I have leaned on you for advice, comfort, hugs and friendship. I don't know what I would have done without you, your stability or your wisdom. I shall miss you.

Lady Woolley, I thank you for the vital rôle you have played in the running of the school and for your concern for the welfare of every girl, especially the matrics. Your English lessons have given me a love for the language and you have gone beyond the syllabus and taught us about life. You have been a friend, counsellor and confidante and for your influence in our lives, we thank you.

Finally, I should like to thank Miss Geldard for her

kindliness and compassion. Her devotion to duty, loyalty, and concern for the upholding of moral virtues and responsibilities have made a deep impression on me. Our times at Petal's Place will always be remembered.

Lastly, I should like to wish next year's Head Girl and Prefects everything of the best. May you always remember your responsibilities to your society and the immense challenge which faces you along with the privileges you have. I should like to leave all Herschel girls with the words of Darwin P. Kingsley:

"You have powers you never dreamed of. You can do things you never thought you could do. There are no limitations in what you can do except the limitations in your own mind as to what you cannot do. Don't think you cannot. Think you can."

Karen Dudley



SCHOOL PREFECTS 1985

Standing: A. Kebble, C. Stamper, A. Moultrie, B. Oswell, L. Kantor, J. Growse, S. Petrus.

Seated: B. Stuart-Findlay, D. Murray, Miss P. A. Geldard, K. Dudley (Headgirl), M. Edmunds (Deputy Headgirl), Lady Woolley, C. Christie, K. Pratt.



HEADS OF HOUSES 1985

Back Row: B. Stuart-Findlay, K. Pratt, C. Christie.
Front Row: K. Duffley, M. Edmunds.

PREFECTS 1986

Head Girl: Kelly Myburgh

Deputy Head Girl: Vanessa Sass

Head of Boarding House: Susan Tudhope

Head of Jagger: Catherine Searll

Head of Merriman: Liora Lazarus

Head of Rolt: Lynette Murray

Deputy Head of Boarding House: Nicola Westgarth-Taylor

Other School Prefects

Lindsay Challis

Heather Dicey

Carolynne McGhie

Additional Boarding House Prefects:

Neo Bacela

Gina Niven

Chantal Simonis

Helen Wood

MERRIMAN HOUSE REPORT

At the beginning of the year I was set and ready to go. I had high hopes for Merriman and was looking forward to leading the Red House to victory at the end of the year.

I was not in the least bit let down by the Merrimaners. From Day One the spirit was bubbling and they seemed all too keen to go. We got off to a cracking start with the colourful, fun-filled gala which Merriman managed to win. Thanks to all our swimmers, especially to Fiona Gilliland, our captain and No. 1 swimmer.

We proceeded to excel in the other Inter-House events, coming second in the tennis and netball and third in the squash. Although we did not win the cups on all three occasions, the eagerness and spirit portrayed by the girls was something that came through clearly, showing that Merriman girls are out to do their best.

During the first term, a series of Inter-House debates was held which proved to be most interesting and enjoyable with Merriman coming out as the top debaters. Well done to all speakers.

The 'bofs' of Merriman seem to be working diligently and on this note I would like to especially congratulate Michelle Booth, Lyndall du Plessis, Karen Preiss, Kirsten Jensen, Claudia Heppner and Marion Edmunds.

During the second term each girl was asked to knit one jersey which was then taken to St. Michael's Children's Home where they were much appreciated.

Our House-funds, which we have collected each term, have been sent to Crossroads where we hope they will bring both happiness and pleasure.

The third term brought the time of year for the House plays. After much hard work and effort we were treated to a delightful evening of really excellent plays. All three houses put on an excellent performance, yet it was the Merriman actresses, with *Toad of Toad Hall*, who managed to come out tops, winning the cup.

The Merriman badminton team tried hard but unfortunately the Jagger and Rolt teams seemed too strong, placing us in third position on that score.

The introduction of Inter-House volleyball proved to be a lot of fun and after a most exciting final game Merriman managed to take second place after Jagger.

The Merriman magazine committee have put a lot of effort into the magazine and this can be seen in the final product. Well done, it's fantastic!

I have been proud to have been a member of Merriman and felt privileged to have been chosen as the captain for 1985. I should like to thank Mrs Thompson for her support during the year, as well as the rest of Merriman staff. Thanks to all the matrices, who have lent a hand with everything.

Finally, it would be wrong of me not to mention all the Merriman girls. I want to thank each one for her co-operation and enthusiasm which have been so evident over the past year.

Keep the spirits bubbling and let's stay RED HOT!

Caroline Christie, Head of Merriman

JAGGER HOUSE REPORT

Jagger — or should I say "The House of Enthusiasm"? We have "excelled"; we have not always been victorious, but the spirit has been high and enthusiasm has reigned. We have participated with gusto, and have learnt that victories are not all-important, but what is important is to compete with honesty and spirit.

Our success cannot be overlooked. Penny McClurg participated in many important swimming galas throughout the country and did exceptionally well. Nawal Mohamed was included in the Western Province Squash team once again, and Alison and Judy Sedgwick rode in many Riding competitions.

Roshan Karjieker was accepted to go on A.F.S. Exchange. She left Matric in July for Kansas City and tells us that she is having "the best fun". She even mows the lawn to earn pocket money over there! Alison Moultrie has been accepted for Rotary Exchange and will be leaving for Australia in January. Sandi van Hoogstraten was elected to go on a tour for gifted children to America.

Our overall academic achievements in the House have been high throughout the year. We commend Kelly Myburgh, Chantal Simonis and Catherine Gibaud for their results.

We thank Claire Reilly who led the Jagger Choir in the Inter-House Music Contest for all her hard work, and Cathy Searl, who directed the Jagger Play, "Cabbages", a story about a rather futuristic school whose pupils were taught "not to think!" The cast was quite large, and we thank all of them for giving up so much of their time for rehearsals.

Kelly Myburgh, Nicki Jordan and Tanya Elvin-Jensen created our Jagger magazine, "Jagger in Perspective". Their care and sense of perfection can be noted

on every page, and their innovative ideas contributed to the pleasure of reading a superb magazine. Thank you!

In July we had our House Supper at Alison Moultrie's house. It gave us a chance to get to know one another. We played ridiculous games which ranged from races

with pieces of sloppy spaghetti to threading string through our clothes in the game 'Spoon and Fork'.

My thanks go to Mrs Montgomery, the Jagger staff and prefects — Joanna, Alison, Bennita, Roshan, Sue and Philippa — for their invaluable support.

Beth Stuart-Findlay, Head of Jagger



MATRICS

Back Row: L. Kantor, J. van Reenen, S. Murray, J. Bosma, B. Owell, J. Clark, C. Christie, B. Stuart-Findlay, A. Billings, S. Frith.

3rd Row: J. Growse, C. Heppner, N. Hofer, S. Böttger, M. Bladergroen, N. Ince, A. Moultrie, P. Muir, N. Hanekom, M. Ross, C. Isted.

2nd Row: S. Petrus, J. Kolbe, L. A. Ferguson, C. Tedder, D. Murray, K. Dudley, R. Loughdey, P. Mandindi, K. Pratt, C. Stamper, L. Baillie.

Seated: F. Knight, T. van der Spuy, Mrs J. Marr, R. George, M. Edmunds, Miss P.A. Geldard, H. Botma, J. Williams, Lady Woolley, A. Kebble, D. Stringer.

Absent: E. de Wet, R. Karjicker.

ROLT HOUSE REPORT

I can say with all sincerity that I am proud to have been chosen as Head of Rolt House. The girls in Rolt have a sense of comradeship for one another which is very comforting. The enthusiasm and lively House spirit on the part of Rolt members is always evident at our Inter-House events. These and many more attributes give Rolt a happy and friendly atmosphere which, I feel, is most important. I am, therefore, pleased to be in a House that is sure to win all the way to that Efficiency Shield.

This year kicked off to an exciting start with our first Inter-House event being the swimming gala. Rolt's beaming participants gave a tip-top swimming show with all our Rolt spectators singing supreme. Our congratulations go to Laura Meiring for winning a cup for the individual butterfly race. Although we lost, the afternoon was worthwhile and there was many a raucous Rolt with a well-earned hoarse voice!

Tennis was next and there were no doubts about the winning House as our players strode onto the courts and confidently thrashed the Merriman and Jagger girls to a standstill. The stars of the day were Deirdre and Lynette Murray; Michele Kroon and Lucy Burns; Sonja Petrus and Caroline Symons; Lesley Millar and Penny Newton-King; Kim Porter and Carol Millar.

Most Tuesdays, during our lunch-breaks, interesting Inter-House debates were in progress. Representatives from all standards provided thought-provoking arguments with many humorous effects. Unfortunately we did not win, but our girls spoke with great zest and confidence.

During the second term stunning performances by Rolt girls were given in Herschel's production of the *The Boyfriend*. Our vibrant stars were Alison Keble, Anna Collie, Jenny Köster, Charlotte Saunders and many others. Here I would like to mention our House play which was produced by a Standard Nine girl, Charlotte Saunders. With all our talented actresses, her task must have been rewarding. The play was superb and the standard of acting was extremely high. Congratulations and thanks go to all members including backstage help, for an evening of unforgettable entertainment.

Towards the end of the second term I had a House evening. The venue was Karen Dudley, our Head-girl's, house. Although it was pouring with rain out-

side, the atmosphere indoors was lively and jovial! Competitions such as "Chubby bunny" provided many laughs and there was evidence of budding fashion designers, as original paper outfits were constructed. Age differences were forgotten and a sense of togetherness was predominant. This was my main aim in having the evening, therefore to my delight, it was successful and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Inter-House netball and squash matches were played in the third term. The netball provided many tense moments as scores were close, but with Rolt's fighting spirit, our girls emerged as the overall victors.

Another event was the music competition performed by the 6's, 7's and 8's! They sang like angels! I take my hat off to Lynette Dicey (Std. 8) for being such a stern, determined conductor, who made sure that 'certain individuals' had a very good excuse for missing any rehearsals.

The highlight of the winter Inter-House sports events was hockey. Rolt's brilliant bunnies bashed their way across the field to become the blazing yellow 'breakers' of the day! With Jagger second and Merriman third.

The final sporting event for this year was a first time ever. By public demand, volley-ball matches in the hall and on the cabbage patch were held. An afternoon of excitement and laughter resulted in Jagger emerging as the winning team, who managed to get the ball over the net more often than the rest of us!

The academic side of Rolt is flourishing and girls to be commended are Jessica Turner, Lesley Millar, Nicole Champin, Nazeema Barday, Marion Bladergroen, Sonja Petrus and Deirdre Murray for their consistent hard work and well-deserved marks. I would just like to say: "Don't be erratic — keep up a steady work-pattern throughout the year."

The magazines seem to get better every year! This year's outstanding Rolt magazine with its highly original theme and perfection is a result of a great deal of hard work, time and energy. Sincere praise goes to Carolynne McGhie as editor, Amanda Thompson as art editor, Samantha Drummond-Hay and Alison Day as co-editors. Well done!

Every year each girl brings a jersey for charity. This year's jerseys went to very needy causes such as "Meals on Wheels" and St. Michael's Orphanage. The letters that were written to me expressed their

sincere gratitude and appreciation. I was extremely pleased that we have been able to assist them; it reminded me how lucky we are to have happy family situations and to live in such beautiful surroundings.

I would like to thank Rolt's daddy, Mr Clarke, for being so helpful and the Rolt matrices for their keen participation in different aspects of the house.

Thanks! Your smiles and support are affectionately appreciated.

A last few Rolt reminders from your Head Bunny are for you girls to strive for the best and make the most of your school careers. Three cheers for the best house — ROLT! . . .

Kyra Pratt, Head of Rolt



BOARDING HOUSE PREFECTS

Standing: H. Botma, S. Botger, P. Muir, C. Stamper.

Seated: Miss P. A. Geldard, D. Murray (Head of Boarding House), S. Petrus (Vice), Mrs M. Buntmann.



'God's Generosity'

by: Gabrielle Rauff

CHAPEL REPORT

Chairman: Miss Geldard

Secretary: Deirdre Murray

Committee:

Staff: Mrs McKenzie, Mrs Montgomery, Lady Woolley

Std. X: Jo-Anne Bosma, Susan Böttger, Pamela Mandindi, Sonja Petrus, Beth Stuart-Findlay

Std. IX: Lynette Murray, Tanyana Robb, Susan Tudhope, Nicola Westgarth-Taylor, Polly Wilson

Std. VIII: Lucy Burns, Jennifer Köster, Sally Köster, Ann Paxton

Our Communion services, led by Rev. Frye or Rev. Cook are held on Thursday mornings before school and are attended on average by about 20 girls and about 8 members of staff each week. This year there have been altogether 68 girls in the Senior School who are confirmed members of the Anglican or another Protestant church, as well as several Catholic girls who often join us for these services. We extend our thanks to the clergy for their leadership and to Mrs Montgomery who has been responsible for choosing girls to read the lessons and prayers each week.

Evening services for boarders are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6.15 p.m. Members of Christ Church, Kenilworth have been responsible for the Thursday services this year while Miss Geldard and Senior girls have taken the Tuesday services. The new "Praise the Lord" hymn books, which were purchased towards the end of last year, have enabled us to learn a considerable number of new hymns and have added a new dimension to our worship, especially as they can be accompanied by guitars instead of the organ. The Sunday morning Chapel service for full boarders is held at 9 a.m. We extend our thanks to Rev. Cook, Mr David Christie, Rev. Kirk and Rev. Frieslar (from the Diocesan College) and Mr Stuart Wood for leading these services this year.

In June a donation of R50 from Chapel funds was sent to St Mark's Comprehensive School, Lebowa. In March R50 was sent to the Scripture Union and in April R50 to the Anglican Church Call to Mission funds.

Weekly confirmation classes were held during the second and third quarters under the guidance of Rev. David Cook, who was helped by Tessa McKay and Claire Nye of Christ Church. Ten girls were confirmed at a service conducted by Bishop Charles Albertyn at Christ Church, Kenilworth on Sunday 15 September.

Deirdre Murray, Secretary

CHRISTIAN UNION REPORT

Teacher-in-charge: Mrs Eddy

Chairlady: Karen Dudley

Secretary: Bennita Oswell

Committee: Shelley Woode, Susan Meyer, Jessica Turner.

Christian Union has really flourished this year under the guidance of Mrs Eddy and it has been lovely to see so many new faces. Our main theme for this year has been "Is it for real?" and we have tried to make people more aware of Christianity for life. As a committee we have attended two area meetings this year, one of which was a programme to ensure group effectiveness. We found this most constructive and learned how to function as a committee and how to effectively plan meetings. This year we have tried to vary our meetings as much as possible keeping a balance between internal meetings and stimulating outside speakers, using films and videos where applicable.

The new committee has already taken over and Karen and I wish them the best of luck for next year hoping that the spirit of Christian fellowship may continue to grow at Herschel.

Bennita Oswell, Secretary

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY CLUB

Teacher-in-Charge: Mrs J. Marr

Chairman: B. Stuart-Findlay

Secretary: R. Karjicker

Other Committee

Members: B. Oswell, A. Billings, J. Bosma

This year we have busied ourselves with the "Rent-a-granny" programme organised by Miss Hilary Morris of the S.A. Red Cross Society and Sister Collis from the State Health Department. Strong bonds have formed between girls and their "adopted" grannies. We organized girls to do street-collecting for various organizations.

In June a speaker came to tell us about "Margaret's House" which is being built for vagrant children along the lines of "The Homestead". We hope to be able to help them in the future.

Girls were asked to bake cookies which were to be sent to old people in Nyanga for "The Week of the Aged", but owing to the unrest we were unable to send them.

We thank Mrs Marr for all her help, and wish Liora Lazarus and Michelle Booth the best of luck as they assume their duties in 1986.

B. Stuart-Findlay, Chairman

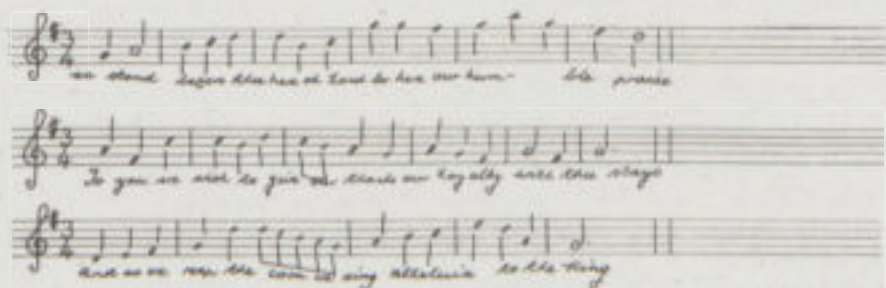
The Harvest Hymn

We stand before thee here O Lord
 To hear our humble praise
 To you we wish to give our thanks
 Our loyalty with thee stays.

And as we reap the corn we sing
 Alleluia to the King.

We saw how rain fell on the ground
 Your fruitful land lay all around
 We ploughed the earth and sowed the seed
 The worried hearts of men were freed.

And as we reap the corn we sing
 Alleluia to the King.





CHOIR

Backrow: S. Frith, E. Mallet, J.-A. Bosma, B. Oswell, B. Stuart-Findlay, C. Meredith, L. Dacey.
2nd Row: K. Snyders, G. Fitzpatrick, G. Niven, J. Hendry, A. Moultrie, M. Kroon, J. Köster, P. Wilson.
Front Row: O. McCrindle, V. Lengner, M. L. Gillespie, S. Köster, K. Pratt, K. Dudley, C. Kendal, N. Jordan, M. Edmunds, N. Myburgh, A. Kebbale.

MUSIC REPORT

Head of Music Department: Miss C. Sweet

Head Music Student: B. Stuart-Findlay

The Music Department has been involved in various activities this year, both in the choral and instrumental fields.

Several girls attended the Royal Schools of Music Examination this year, as well as the English and Afrikaans Eisteddfods. Lucy Burns, Karen Snyders and Viola Lengner obtained Honours Awards in the Eisteddfods.

This year the Inter-House Music Contest was run on a different basis. The Std. Eights, instead of the Matrics, took the responsibility of training the Std. Sixes, Sevens and Eights. All three houses presented varied programmes, and the contest was won by Merriman

under the baton of Michelle Booth and pianist Karen Snyders.

In the second term a Music Workshop was held, and in the fourth term an Evening of Music was presented by the Senior Music Students and the Senior Choir.

CHOIR REPORT

During the past year the choir has taken part in a variety of events from the traditional Founder's Day Service at St. Saviour's to an Eucharist Service on Ascension Day at Bishops, conducted by Richard Kok, head of the SABC Music Department. The all-day rehearsal before the service taught the massed choir a great deal and we realised that, with hard work, it is possible to start from scratch and then perfect songs in a relatively short length of time.

In the third term we were privileged to sing at Callow House and our varied repertoire was well received. In addition to the usual round of weddings in the third term, we also performed to both Senior and Junior School. Early in the fourth term, four independent school choirs combined in a service to celebrate the Year of the Youth. This was held at the St. George's Cathedral. Later in the term we formed part of the Evening of Music which was presented by the Senior Music students. The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on the last evening of term proved to be the highlight of a very varied and stimulating choir year.

The choir members are especially grateful to Miss Sweet for her endless enthusiasm and to Mrs Tyson for her patience and sensitivity as our accompanist.

Choir Mistress: Miss C. Sweet

Accompanist: Mrs A. Tyson

Choir Leader: Bennita Oswell

Vice-Leader: Beth Stuart-Findlay

Choir Members: J. Bosma, L. Dicey, K. Dudley, M. Edmunds, G. FitzPatrick, S. Frith, M.-L. Gillespie, J. Hendry, N. Jordan, A. Keble, C. Kendal, J. Köster, S. Köster, M. Kroon, V. Lengner, E. Mallet, O. McCrindle, C. Meredith, A. Moultrie, N. Myburgh, G. Niven, K. Pratt, C. Pelt, K. Snyders, J. Turner, N. Westgarth-Taylor, P. Wilson

CHAMBER CHOIR

Leader: B. Oswell

Members: J. Bosma, L. Dicey, M. Edmunds, J. Hendry, N. Jordan, J. Köster, V. Lengner, O. McCrindle, C. Meredith, A. Moultrie

SOCIOLOGICAL CLUB

Once again this year on Wednesday afternoons, Standards Eight, Nine and Ten have been informed and entertained by very varied speakers, artists, films and shows.

During the first term our pottery teacher, Mrs Lapping, showed us a delightful slide-show to music on *Seeing art in everyday life* and encouraged us to open our eyes and to appreciate the beauty of everyday articles. We were shocked by Mrs Berry's talk on *Beauty without Cruelty* and enchanted by Mr Peter Steyn's talk on *Owls*. We were also fortunate to have Dr James Moulder from UCT to inform us on vocation choices and the facilities of *Cape Town University*. The health hazards of smoking were clearly underlined by members of the *National Cancer*

Association, as they demonstrated the effects of cigarettes on the smoker's lungs. Other talks were *A life begins* and *Malnutrition*.

Mrs Higgo of the Chelsea Skin Care Clinic came, in the second term, to speak about *Health and Beauty* and Mrs Morrell gave us a talk entitled *Your back is in your hands*. During the second term we also saw interesting and informative films on the subjects of *Shakespeare*, *Rudyard Kipling*, and *Ballet*.

In the third term Dr Ian McCallum spoke on the fascinating subject of *Dreams* and Mr Claude Katz enlightened us on the work of *Lifeline*. *Human Genetics* was the topic clearly explained by Dr Goldblatt, and Mr Gerald Wright, chief ranger of the *Cape Point Nature Reserve* amused us with his talk, superbly illustrated with slides, about the work in the Reserve. We were finally treated to a fine *Display of Fencing* by nine boys from the Diocesan College supervised by Mr Ken Wilson.

During the fourth term we have listened to Professor Francis Wilson on the nature of *Poverty in South Africa* and Mrs Jo MacRobert on the history and activities of the Black Sash. The Polanski film of *Macbeth* has brought us almost to the end of the year.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mrs Steytler for organising such a varied and interesting programme, and to Mrs Westgate for arranging the film and projection equipment.

Catherine McCarthy
Kathy Abbott, Joint Secretaries

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

The Environmental Club has enjoyed many outings and functions involving a variety of different subjects this year. We have attended lectures and slide-shows about the Okavango Swamps and Southern Right whales, among others, and have been privileged to have speakers, experts in their fields, on topics such as the Koeberg Alert and Genetic Engineering, especially Human Genetics.

We hope that the Environmental Club will continue to focus on all the topical, biological, geographical and scientific aspects of life, and so give us all a broader knowledge of our environment and a broader education.

Our thanks go to Mrs Charlesworth for all her work in organising everything for us.

Susan Böttger and Alison Moultrie,
Std. 10 Chairpersons

MOUNTAIN CLUB

The Mountain Club has been very active over the last year doing varied walks to satisfy the various personalities in the club: peaceful Sunday climbs, romantic sunset walks, daring rock-climbing ventures and the Swellendam Trail. Because usually time is short, we climb on Table Mountain, led by Mrs Feast and by Mr and Mrs Fletcher, all experienced mountaineers.

For our "romantic" climbs, we have been up Lion's Head at sunset. Many people who have not set foot on a mountain before have accompanied us. In that one simple walk I think they feel like experienced walkers. At the top of Lion's Head everyone finds a comfortable rock to perch on and munch their supper while watching the sunset. It is only after it has disappeared below the horizon of the sea that we collect our packs and start downhill, but in the dark. This "romantic" venture is best done on a night when the moon is going to be full and one can watch it rise above the city lights on the downward climb.

Other adventures are the rock-climbing trips where Mr Fletcher teaches us how to abseil, how to climb up a rock face with ropes and some of the rules of rock-climbing. So far we have only been on one weekend trip. Even with the abrupt ending to the weekend it was very enjoyable. We were accompanied by Mrs Steytler and Mrs Feast to the Bain's Kloof Mountains. After long camp-fire stories we crawled into our sleeping-bags and were soon asleep, only to be rudely interrupted from dreamland at 5 o'clock by the pouring rain. There was a wild rush for the only hut, which holds two people, and nine of us, plus our packs crammed into it, leaving the tenth person, Mrs Steytler, soundly asleep in her tent, totally unaware of our uncomfortable existence. After two hours of cramped sitting we decided to call it a day and set off on the hike back in the pouring rain.

Our longest outing has been the 6-day Swellendam Trail which we did in the September holidays. There were twelve girls accompanied by Mrs Feast, Mrs Fletcher and Mrs Adley. We left school at 8.30 on 25 September and arrived in Swellendam in time for lunch. Feeling lazy we opted for the ten-minute drive to the first hut instead of the one and a half hour hike. We arrived just before the rain started and after grabbing a bed, sorted out our packs.

The first day, in perfect weather, we had the toughest and longest walk, and everybody struggled to get used to the weight of the packs. There is nothing quite like the experience of labouring your way up steep inclines with others or singing together along the easier stretches. The spectacular views and the magnificent fynbos that could be seen from our perches on the mountainside, made up for all the groaning muscles and blisters. Everything that ached was forgotten as you watched the sun rise or set, or had a swim in the freezing water of the rivers.

The fun and the comradeship that is present in all our outings was present in full force on the trail, and our grateful thanks go to Mrs Feast for organising this wonderful experience.

Heather Dicey, Std. 9



Michele Kroon, Std. 8

BRIDGE CLUB

The Bridge Club, originally founded by Miss Geldard, has been the centre of some exciting and stimulating activity this year. The new members have learnt to play with enthusiasm and have been rewarded for their efforts in tackling the complex rules with much satisfaction. Sandy van Hoogstraten and Elizabeth Mallet, two Standard Sixes, came second in a Junior Inter-Schools event at Bishops.

This year we entered an Inter-School team at Bishops, but unfortunately the other teams withdrew at the last minute, leaving the Herschel girls alone with the Bishops' boys for an evening of bridge and enjoyment.

We would like to express our gratitude to Miss Geldard for her enthusiasm, her confidence in us and her perseverance in teaching us to play bridge. We are very sad to be saying 'Good-bye' to the founder of this club and sincerely hope it will continue in its present standard long after its greatest supporter has left. Thank you, Miss Geldard.

Susan Böttger, Secretary
Caroline Isted, Chairman

DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT

1985 saw a fairly active and successful year for the Debating Society.

We began in the first term with a debate against Bishops on their home ground, opposing and defeating the motion that "Religion is not fulfilling its purpose in the 20th century." A parachute debate followed and was convincingly won by a Bishops speaker with a stunning impersonation of Cindi Lauper.

Later in the term we debated against M.I.R.G.E.'s Masithethe Debating Society. Herschel proposed the motion that "Good fences make good neighbours" and opposed the other, that "Man should not kill to eat". Both motions were carried, and it was thrilling to see such enthusiastic participation from an audience of over a hundred people.

In a debate against St. Cyprian's a Herschel team opposed the motion that "Society is a web in which man is trapped". The motion was defeated and the debate was followed by two forum discussions with mixed teams from the two schools.

In the third term a debate was held at S.A.C.S. Apart from debating fixtures, a Herschel team entered two forum discussion competitions, the first at the invitation of Milnerton High School. The team did very well to come second, beating six other high schools.

One of the highlights of public speaking at school level is the annual S.A.C.E.E. Forum Discussion Competition. The same team: Marion Edmunds (Chairman), Liora Lazarus, Cathy Searll, Sonja Petrus and Alison Moultrie won their preliminary round and went forward to the finals, where they were placed second. The team would like to thank Sandra Saffery for her help and encouragement in preparing for this.

Internally, debates were held regularly at Tuesday lunchbreaks in the first three terms. In the Inter-House competition Merriman won the senior and Jagger the junior finals. Inter-form debates have also stimulated interest.

A new experiment this year has been the introduction of a "Speaker's Corner" under the Ilex tree. The three intrepid speakers this far have been Sarah Penny, Nazeema Barday and Liora Lazarus. All have spoken excellently on relevant topics. Attendance has been good and we hope that this exciting form of public speaking will continue to flourish.

Our thanks goes to Mrs Wilkinson for her hard work, Mrs Taylor and the kitchen staff for tea on numerous occasions and the boarders and others for being such a faithful audience.

Thank you.

Alison Moultrie, Chairman

COMPUTER CLUB

1985 has seen the acquisition of three new BBC microcomputers. Two of these have the VIEW word-processor chip. We now have five computers, each having a disc-drive. There are two colour monitors to allow for more exciting graphics.

Mrs Brathwaite has purchased many new books to stimulate and inform those eager to learn. Computer time may be booked each afternoon. Girls have attended regularly to familiarise themselves with the computer as well as form an elementary understanding of BASIC and LOGO.

Games have provided amusement especially during lunch-break, causing Mrs Brathwaite, in moments of exasperation, to label the computer room as "Herschel Arcade!" Great powers of concentration and co-ordination are required to compete for the coveted title of "Champion of Chuckie Egg!"

We would like to thank Mrs Brathwaite for her encouragement, enthusiasm and seemingly endless supply of patience.

Cathy Gibaud, Std. 8

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

The Historical Society began the year with a memorable visit to the beautiful Cape Dutch Homestead, Westdene House, that stands on the banks of the Liesbeek River in Observatory. The house is owned by Mr Jonathan Wood who graciously conducted an interested party of girls through the tastefully renovated rooms. It is not commonly known that this gabled gem of Cape Dutch architecture stands on land first granted to Van Riebeeck's gardener as early as 1662.

Another highlight was a visit to the newly opened Village Museum in Stellenbosch where Mrs Craven told us the history of the four delightful houses in the complex. They comprise the oldest house in South Africa; a wealthy 18th century home; a Georgian House set in superb gardens and an opulent Victorian home.

The Historical Society also welcomed various guest speakers including Mr de Jager whose topic was "The Purpose of History"; Dylan Germishuys of Rondebosch Boys' High School who gave an illustrated talk on the Samurai and "The Student Issues Group" from UCT who discussed African nationalism.

A hotly contested debate proposed by the non-History girls with the unlikely title "History is Bunk" was easily defeated by the History class, provided much interesting food for thought and left us with the maxim "The future is unknown; The present is burdensome; only the past is analysable."

Marion Edmunds, Secretary

SCIENTIA

Committee: Kelly Myburgh
Carolynne McGhie
Sarah Crawford-Browne

Scientia is one of the newest additions to Herschel's band of clubs and societies. This general knowledge club has become very popular and meetings, which are usually held every alternate Wednesday at lunch break, are very well attended. Mrs Thompson arranges confrontations between willing participants and fires the questions at them. The winner and runner-up then have a place on either the junior or senior ladder and challenges can be made and the positions

contested at any time in the library, using Mrs Thompson's own edition of "Trivial Pursuit". There are places for about 20 people on each ladder and the gaps are filling up fast. Our present junior boffin is Elizabeth Mallet while the senior general knowledge brain is Marion Edmunds. Mrs Thompson's enthusiasm has made a success of this club and all the credit must go to her for her hard work and interest. The committee would like to thank those who have supported us and also congratulate those who have earned places on the ladder.

Kelly Myburgh, Secretary

LIBRARY REPORT

This year the Duncan Baxter Library has seen great change with much sorting out of books and rearranging. Many purchases have been made both out of school funds as well as generous donations from parents. The non-fiction section of the library has been greatly supplemented, proving most helpful to the girls for individual research. All together 400 books have been bought including an impressive set of American Academic Encyclopedias, each volume generously sponsored by a parent.

A photo-copier has also proved a real asset to the library and we sincerely thank the generosity of the anonymous donor.

The library has also become a Resources Centre with the purchase of a V.H.S. video recorder. A T.V. was hired for the last few months of the year. We are delighted to report that the Second-hand Clothing shop has generously given us a Phillips T.V. and we thank them warmly. The video collection is being built-up: ten videos covering different subjects from Encyclopedia Britannica.

Our sincere thanks must go to Mrs Brathwaite for her outstanding and efficient running of the library. Thanks also to Mrs Howse for all her help and to the Library Prefects for their consistent interest and hard work.

Library Prefects 1985:

Roshan Karjiekier and Bennita Oswald (Heads of the Library), Caroline Isted, Susan Böttger, Jo-Anne Bosma, Sarah Crawford-Browne, Heather Dicey, Michelle Booth, Lyndall du Plessis, Jessica Turner, Samantha Bailey, Cathy Gibaud, Elizabeth Mallet.

Bennita Oswald, Std. 10

GRAHAMSTOWN FESTIVAL

During the June Holidays, five of us, Sonja, Alison, Bennita, Marion and I, escorted by Miss Geldard, attended the National Schools' Festival in Grahamstown. Grahamstown is the cultural centre of the Cape and has both Rhodes University and the 1820 Settlers Monument in it.

We were divided into groups according to the type of matriculation we write. This enabled us to attend lectures on each of our respective setwork books. We also attended a plenary lecture and several performances daily which were very good and inspired worthwhile thought. The only disappointment was that there were no workshops or discussion-periods. As our programme was so compact we had the most interesting discussions into the early hours of the morning.

The highlights of the Festival were: an outstanding setwork lecture on *A Story of an African Farm* by Olive Schreiner. Although this was not one of our setworks it was the best lecture, in that the teacher interspersed her comments and views with snippets of excellent acting by her pupils.

The plenary lecture given by Dr Douglas Livingstone was unique as we learnt more about the poet and his poetry from him.

Hullo and Goodbye by Athol Fugard was a very powerful performance but terribly tragic and rather depressing and it moved the majority of us to tears.

The RAPS winning 1 Act Play, *Metamorphosis*, was technically very polished with original use of makeup masques, sound effects and movement. This was a thought-provoking production.

We were also treated to "the happening", a disco, in the 1820 Settlers Monument, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Festival ended with Creation Theatre which included the presentation of *Kwamantzi* and *The Great Trek* by NAPAC in which they set out to demonstrate that a performance could be just as powerful without elaborate costumes and props. This was really quite an education as the actors, by using a few gestures, were able to portray the nature of the various animals. It was interesting to see how in *The Great Trek*, the actors transformed from people into parts of the waggon or cattle.

In all they were the most inspirational and enjoyable four days of our June holidays and our thanks go to Miss Geldard for escorting us.

Lynda-Ann Ferguson, Std. 10

ADVENTURE INTO SERVICE

From July 1 — 5 during our holidays I attended a course which Rotary had organised, called "Adventure Into Service", for school pupils in Stds 8,9 and 10. The course's purpose was to inform today's youth of organisations serving the Cape Town community. People from many parts of South Africa attended this course; the total number of people on the course being 97. Those from up-country schools had a slightly varied programme from the people attending schools in the Peninsula but basically our courses visited the same type of organisations.

On the first morning, which was Monday, we all met at UCT and were welcomed and given last-minute details of the week's programme. We were then transported by bus to the Supreme Court in Cape Town and in my opinion, this was the most interesting and most informative visit of the entire week. In the Supreme Court building we had talks by a judge and a prosecutor-general, which were both excellent. We also made a tour of the building; we saw the cells in the building's basement, a judge's office and the court library.

On Tuesday we visited a number of organisations, including the Metro Ambulance Headquarters in Pinelands, the Port Control Tower in the Cape Town Harbour and St. Joseph's Home for severely handicapped children. On Wednesday we were shown around Parliament, which was very interesting. Afterwards we joined the "Up Country Group" for lunch with Mr Sol Kreiner, Mayor of Cape Town, in the Civic Centre. One thing which impressed all of us on the course, was the meals we were given; they were five-star (and quantity for the males). After our "finger luncheon" we were shown around the Civic Centre, seeing debating rooms, the Mayor's Parlor and his office.

Thursday was spent visiting two old-age centres, as well as NICRO and the NSRI. On Friday we all met at the B.P. Centre, in Cape Town, where we had talks on Rotary, Rotors and Interact organisations, which were all very well delivered. Afterwards we were given a chance to talk to the organisers of our course on which parts of the course we enjoyed and on those which we thought could be improved, so as to make an even better week for pupils next year.

The saying goes "All good things come to an end", and by the time Friday drew to an end, we all wished we could begin the week again. It was very sad saying goodbye to our newly made friends, especially those who came from far away places. However, we all

enjoyed ourselves thoroughly and looking back, the course served its purpose very well; to enlighten today's youth of organisations serving the community.

Caroline Symons, Std. 8

THE FRENCH TOUR

The French Tour from Herschel this year was again a success. I can't remember when I had a more exciting holiday and I even learnt some French into the bargain!

On 21 June 1985, Cathy McCarthy, Liesl Haldane, Laura Woulidge, Ann Paxton and myself met Madame Steytler at D.F. Malan with trepidation and heavy suitcases. There were three girls from other Cape Town schools who were very friendly and another two from Pretoria Girls' High School, who joined us in Johannesburg. We took off for Paris (by a U.T.A. flight, of course) and Madame had her first conversation in French with one of the groundstaff. The rest of us were tongue-tied, needless to say. The flight was very long; about twelve hours with an extra two hours' stopping time at Brazzaville and Nice. No-one got much sleep except Madame, who is an experienced traveller and took a sleeping-pill, and Tessa, who was smart and slept on the floor. Aeroplane seats are not big enough to sleep in, whatever the advertisement might tell you!

We arrived in Paris, somewhat overwhelmed by the huge, bustling Charles de Gaulle Airport. We managed to find all our suitcases and were soon whisked away to the Hotel Burgundy in a luxury coach. We spent the rest of the day in Paris, visiting the Place de la Concorde, from which we were able to look up the Champs-Élysées to the Eiffel Tower, and then walking through the Tuileries Gardens to the Jeu de Paume Museum, which contains the Impressionist paintings. After having seen copies and have read about them, it was fantastic to see them in real life. After a couple of hours' rest, we set off at 5.00 p.m. and took the Métro to the Latin Quarter where the students live and where there are many restaurants. It was incredibly vivid and noisy, with street musicians and crowds of French and foreign people everywhere. We didn't want to waste any time sitting down to eat, so we bought enormous sandwiches at a Greek restaurant. They were the speciality and absolutely delicious! Eventually at 10.30 when it was still light we returned to the hotel via the Métro and were soon fast asleep, despite the rowdy Parisians and the long summer twilight.

On Sunday morning it was pouring with rain and we took refuge in the Madeleine and took part in the Mass. At midday we took the train to Angers, most of us a little apprehensive but quite eager to meet our families at the station. It was terrifying to have to leave our friends there and then, but our families were all very friendly.

I had my first political conversation (in French — a major achievement!) and they were most impressed. So was I to tell the truth, as I know very little about politics! They were very interested in everything about South Africa.

The next day, Monday, was our first day of school at the Centre d'anglais et de français, run by an ex-Springfield girl, Miss Moira Mason, who also so cleverly chose our families for us. We went there by bus, quite an experience, or on foot, and Madame came by bicycle in the true French tradition. We usually had lessons in the morning, followed by excursions, windsurfing or shopping in the afternoon, and we saw many of the Châteaux of the Loire Valley, where Angers is situated. We also went wine-tasting and bought plenty of bottles for friends and families. The long French lunchtimes, from 12.30 to 2.00, were spent in the park next to the school. Those French packed lunches were something special! The food was excellent and we tasted such specialities as rabbit, snails and the fantastic pâtisseries. The French culture and cuisine are very different, even the way they set the table. French T.V., however, is very similar, and we even saw the A-Team with B.A. Baracus talking French!

By the second week we were talking fairly fluently and could make ourselves understood most of the time. We were joined by five Swedes at the school, who mostly spoke better French than we did. The third week produced a young Spanish nobleman called Nacho, who was instantly nicknamed Macho, and who was 'admired' by all the girls. He was very friendly and courteous. We were even sadder to leave after we met him! We had a barbeque on Tuesday which was very lively and then on Friday, the last evening together, we saw *Antigone* by Jean Anouilh in the grounds of the Château Plessis-Macé. That Sunday, the 14 July, was spent packing up, giving presents to everyone, swapping addresses and dancing in the streets to celebrate Bastille Day. We all met at the station at noon on Monday and after many, many tears and goodbye kisses we all scrambled onto the train for Paris.

The train only stops for two or three minutes and it was a frantic task to get ourselves and all our baggage

on board, and off again at Chartres, as everyone wanted to see the Cathedral. It was very beautiful and so was the town. After arriving in Paris and establishing ourselves at the Hôtel Ste Anne, braving the ancient lift, we set off to take a trip on the Bateaux-Mouches along the Seine at twilight.

The next two days we hurried around Paris after Madame. We saw the Eiffel Tower, l'Arc de Triomphe, Napoleon's tomb, Rodin's Museum, the Pompidou Centre (which was fascinating, as was the red light district nearby!), the Sacré-Coeur and Montmartre, where we bought paintings, the Sainte-Chapelle and Notre-Dame, all the famous places we had heard of and never seen. The last day was spent in the Louvre, looking at the Mona Lisa and other famous paintings, doing last-minute shopping and

enjoying Paris as much as possible, even though it was full of Americans.

That evening we sadly took our bags and a last look at Paris and then boarded our flight to Johannesburg. The flight home seemed very short and soon we were there, seeing Afrikaans magazines, trying not to speak French and feeling thoroughly at home again. We said goodbye to the two Pretoria girls, Julia and Tessa, and all promised to write. Madame breathed a sigh of relief as we started on the last leg of our journey and everyone found that they were actually looking forward to seeing their families and the rainy old Cape!

So to France "au revoir mais pas adieu".

Jessica Turner, Std. 8



1985 FRENCH TOUR

*Standing l. to r: S. Woulidge, A. Paxton.
Seated: J. Turner, L. Haldane, Mrs S. Steytler, C. McCarthy.*

TALK GIVEN FOR THE INTER-SCHOOL SPEECH COMPETITION, 1985

TO BE OR NOT TO BE

To be or not to be: that is the question — the question that I am going to put tonight. Whether splitting the infinitive *really* matters or whether we can please ourselves in the way we choose our words. My topic, then, ladies and gentlemen, is about the options open to those of us who speak, and may cherish, English.

Let us say that we have on the one hand the Academy that would control the language if it could. The extremists here are the linguistic despots who seem to imprison language between rules and regulations of grammar and terrorize school children; and on the other hand there are the linguistic libertines and philistines who would exploit the permissiveness of our times by resisting discipline and restraint. There are those who welcome such phrases as "Dis akker! I smaaked it" as creative and a spontaneous contribution to the language. The Academy advocates adherence to the strictest grammatical rules; the other side takes its stand on the principle — and exploits this principle — that language is a living thing, forever developing in its need to meet the requirements of an evolving society. At worst, anything goes!

Before we go any further, there are some basic facts to consider and I am going to take as my starting point the rôle that we give to language. In the first place English is the mother-tongue of 360 million people dispersed all over the globe and apart from being a superb tool for communication, it is a bearer of their culture and a powerful unifier. Secondly, it is the most important second language for many millions more and thirdly it is the language of science and technology. It should be common cause among us here tonight that if English is to fulfil these needs, it has to retain a recognizable shape. This is not to say that it should not grow and develop — I believe that spontaneous expression, especially that written with the energy and vividness of youth contributes greatly to language — but this is to say that change should not violate the feel and character of the language. No less an authority than the editor of the Oxford Dictionary has warned that Queen's English and American English will be mutually incomprehensible within 200 years if the drift between the two is not checked. This could equally apply to South African English. If we do not employ reasonable constraints it is inevitable that English will fracture and fragment into regional dialects, as did Sanskrit many thousands of years ago, and become finally an embalmed language.

I have mentioned legitimate agents of change and now a brief word about those influences that should be outlawed. One such influence is the media, some media being more guilty than others. News reporters on the S.A. T.V. are particularly jarring. You must all by now be able to recognize the typical speech rhythm, the cliché and the characteristic breathing patterns of the sport reporters, which are quite alien to the English Tongue. And you must all know the accuracy of Robert Kirby's ear when he parodies a telephone call to the S.A.B.C.'s so-called English Department.

Kirby: "I'd like to tell the S.A.B.C. that I have noticed an improvement in the standard of your English, particularly in your news bulletins."

"Ja well," comes the reply, "I thought I can tell you as of now that these things are things which are getting under control quite soon again. It is not being unnoticed by ourselves. Over."

Another enemy of good expression is the journalist who sensationalizes and dramatizes. The luridness and over-simplification that result are also a debasement of language. Then there is common ignorance or laziness. I have heard of a student teacher who taught her class about a 'pen-ind-soola' which is, if you haven't guessed, a peninsula. This and other layers of 'voka-boolery' are unforgiveable in South Africa.

What course is left to us? What is Good English? How do we achieve it? Obviously we have to steer a middle course between the two extremes that I mentioned earlier, reaching a compromise between discipline and originality. In the words of Professor Brewer of Cambridge: "Good English means reasonably standard pronunciation, wide vocabulary, correct spelling, complex structures. Only thus can a real feeling for English be developed."

Thus to return to my opening question: to be or not to be. To split the infinitive in itself is on the whole a triviality; but let me say that the person who guards against it shows a degree of vigilance that is praiseworthy.

It is nobler to counter the slings and slang of outrageous fortune and to take up arms against a sea of broken concord, jargon and journalists — and by opposing . . .

PRESERVE THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Marion Edmunds, Std 10

ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC

PRACTICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

Grade 1	Piano	Corina Avni	Pass
		Carolyn Kaye	Merit
		Leanne Louw	Merit
		Hazel Sparks	Pass
	Violin	Alison Sturgeon	Pass
		Robyn Sturgeon	Pass
		Vanessa van Spronsen	Pass
	Piano	Megan van Zyl	Pass
Grade 2	Piano	Arlene Benjamin	Pass
		Cressida Convery	Pass
		Carolyn Lander	Pass
		Banu Loghdey	Pass
	Violin	Tamsin O'Hanlon	Pass
		Juliette Sturrock	Pass
Grade 3	Piano	Belinda Boyes	Pass
		Kathryn Crowther	Merit
	Flute	Frances Kiewitz	Pass
		Catriona Ross	Pass
	Piano	Susan Tyson	Pass
	Violin	Viola Lengner	Pass
Grade 4	Flute	Elena Rista	Pass
Grade 5	Piano	Nicola Westgarth-Taylor	Pass
Grade 6		Lucy Burns	Pass
Grade 7		Marion Edmunds	Pass

ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC

THEORETICAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

Grade 5	Piano	Sarah Crawford-Browne	Pass
		Nicola Westgarth-Taylor	Pass

ENGLISH EISTEDDFOD MUSIC RESULTS

Grade 7	Piano	L. Burns	2 Honours
		M. Edmunds	1 Merit
		K. Snyders	2 Passes
		K. Snyders	1 Pass
	2 Piano work	L. Burns	Honours
	Flute	E. Mallet	Merit

AFRIKAANS EISTEDDFOD MUSIC RESULTS

Grade 7	Piano	L. Burns	2 Merits
		M. Edmunds	Merit

CAPE TOWN EISTEDDFOD

PIANO

Lucy Burns:	Honours
Piano Solo	
Two Pianos	Honours
Piano Solo	Merit
Marion Edmunds:	
Piano Solo	Merit
Karen Snyders:	
Two Pianos	Honours

Preparatory School

V. van Spronsen:	Honours
Piano Solo	

FLUTE

Viola Lengner	Honours
Elizabeth Mallet	Merit

GUITAR

Alison Durr	Pass
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Preparatory School

FLUTE	
Cathryn Crowther	Merit

GUITAR

Taryn McCulloch	Merit
Ceridwen Davies	Pass

BALLET EXAMINATION RESULTS

Pre-Primary

Louise Debenham	Pass
Roxanne Seegers	Pass
Belita Debenham	Pass

Primary

Chené Roberts	Honours
Irmgard Bergstedt	Highly Commended
Celeste Abels	Highly Commended

Grade 1

Patricia Matolengwe	Highly Commended
Kirsten Feltz	Commended
Sarah Bilbe	Commended
Andrea Serritslev	Pass Plus
Victoria Argles	Pass Plus

Grade 2

Vanessa van Spronsen	Highly Commended
Yolande Young	Commended

Grade 4

Carolyn Lander	Commended
Vanessa Cowgill	Commended

DANCE EDUCATION SYLLABUS**Level 1**

Carey Bridgman	Commended
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Level 2

Gabby Raaff	Highly Commended
Janet Wray-Young	Pass Plus
Alison Durr	Commended

TAALBOND RESULTS, 1984**HOËR AFRIKAANSE TAALEKSAMEN****Hoër Graad**

Susan Böttger, Nicola Caine, Sally Dicey, Christine Dunkley, Ailsa Leith, Deirdre Murray, Wendy Perold, Sonja Petrus.

Gewone Graad

Marion Bladergroen, Helen Botma, Leanne Carlyle, Caroline Christie, Sarah Cross, Karen Dudley, Marion Edmunds, Lynda-Anne Ferguson, Robyn George, Linda Graaff, Joanna Growse, Nell Hanekom, Ingrid Hommersom, Nicola Ince, Caroline Isted, Roshan Karjeiker, Alison Kebble, Susan Levett, Alison McMillan, Pamela Mandindi, Alison Moultrie, Shirley Murray, Nicola Newton-King, Bennita Oswell, Kyra Pratt, Samantha Rogers, Beth Stuart-Findlay, Caroline Tedder, Tonia-Cara van der Spuy, Jahanara Williams, Linda Willis, Dorrit Zelezniak.

LAER AFRIKAANSE TAALEKSAMEN**Hoër Graad met Lof**

Katherine Abbott, Lynette Murray, Chantal Simonis.

Hoër Graad Pass

Neo Bacela, Alison Day, Samantha Drummond-Hay, Leisl Haldane, Kerry Hoffman, Catherine McCarthy, Carolynne McGhie, Kelly Myburgh, Kim Porter, Susan Tudhope, Nicola Westgarth-Taylor.

Gewone Graad

Lois Bailey, Tania Botha, Sarah Crawford-Browne, Heather Dicey, Tanya Elvin-Jensen, Jill Hendry, Daryl Louw, Michelle Milner, Cornélie Pelt, Shelley Woode.

Deirdre Murray
Lynette Murray
Kelly Myburgh
Sonja Petrus

Gewone Graad Pass

Katherine Abbott
Jill Atwood
Neo Bacela
Marion Bladergroen
Jo-Anne Bosma
Helen Botma
Susan Böttger
Sarah Crawford-Browne
Caroline Christie
Karen Dudley
Marion Edmunds
Tanya Elvin-Jensen
Joanna Growse
Leisl Haldane
Nicola Ince
Caroline Isted
Nicolette Jordan
Alison Kebble
Pamela Mandindi
Catherine McCarthy
Carolynne McGhie
Susan Meyer
Michelle Milner
Alison Moultrie
Gina Niven
Bennita Oswell
Kim Porter
Kyra Pratt
Chantal Simonis
Beth Stuart-Findlay
Caroline Tedder
Susan Tudhope
Tonia-Cara van der Spuy
Janine van Reenen
Nicola Westgarth-Taylor
Jahanara Williams
Polly Wilson

DIE HOËR AFRIKAANSE TAALEKSAMEN 1985**Hoër Graad Pass**

Alison Day
Robyn George

Hoër Graad Pass

Ann Paxton
Tessa Reynolds
Caroline Symons
Laura Woudige

DIE LAER AFRIKAANSE TAALEKSAMEN 1985

Gewone Graad Pass

Nazeema Ahmed
 Zancle Bacela
 Samantha Bailey
 Tracey Bell
 Michelle Booth
 Thérèse Bradley
 Lucy Burns
 Penny Cheesman
 Katherine Christie
 Kim Donnelly
 Lyndall du Plessis
 Alexandra Durr
 Elizabeth Frater
 Leanne Freeman
 Catherine Gibaud
 Marie-Lou Gillespie
 Serin Gowdy
 Tessa Gurney
 Lisa Higgo

Tasha Horn
 Helen Kaminski
 Jennifer Köster
 Sally Köster
 Michele Kroon
 Nicola Lloyd-Roberts
 Troye McLulich
 Clare Meredith
 Lesley Millar
 Miranda Mosomothane
 Nicolette Myburgh
 Jessica Opie
 Tineke Pelt
 Vanessa Pepler
 Christie Peters
 Claire Reilly
 Karen Snyders
 Jessica Turner
 Janine van Assen
 Natasha van Zyl
 Mary-Ann Wheeler

PRIZE LIST 1985**FORM PRIZES (Term and Examination results)**

STD VI

1. Sandra van Hoogstraten
2. Julie van Rijswijk
3. Amelia Opie
4. Elisabeth Mallet
5. Elena Rista
6. Susan Snyders

STD VII

1. Nazeema Barday
2. Inken Haldane
3. Joy Parker
4. Kirsten Jensen
5. Karen Preiss
6. Fiona Sassi

STD VIII

1. Catherine Gibaud
2. Lyndall du Plessis
3. Serin Gowdy
4. Natasha van Zyl
5. Jessica Turner
6. Michelle Booth

STD IX

1. Kelly Myburgh
2. Chantal Simonis
3. Carolynne McGhie
4. Susan Tudhope
5. Nicola Westgarth-Taylor
6. Tanya Elvin-Jensen

STD X SUBJECT PRIZES

Biology	Marion Bladergroen
Geography	Caroline Isted
History	Marion Edmunds
Home Economics	Marsaili Ross
Music	Beth Stuart-Findlay
Physical Science	Rehana Loghdey
Speech and Drama	Tonia-Cara van der Spuy
Typing	Diane Stringer
Xhosa	Pamela Mandindi
Art	Sonja Petrus
Afrikaans	Sonja Petrus and Deirdre Murray
French	Alison Moultrie
Latin	Alison Moultrie
The Liz Gibbons Prize for Mathematics	Claudia Heppner
The Lady Woolley Prize for English	Alison Moultrie and Marion Edmunds

PRIZES FOR CONSISTENT EFFORT

STD VI

Michelle du Toit
 Keelyn Maisel
 Doranne McDonald
 Carol Millar
 Nicole Retief

STD VII	Nicole Champin Mairi Hendry Sascha Mayer Janet Wray-Young	Archimedes Prize for Mathematics and Science (Std VIII) Serin Gowdy Lantern Prize for Eng- lish, Afrikaans and Art (Std IX) Katherine Abbott Expo Science Exhibition Award	Tanya Elvin- Jensen, Nicolette Jordan and Vanessa Sass
STD VIII	Nazeema Ahmed Zanele Bacela Coceka Mnyani Lesley Millar Christie Peters		
STD IX	Lindsay Challis Alison Day Heather Dicey Liesl Haldane	Mary Muller Picture of the Year Award *	Tonia-Cara van der Spuy
STD X	Susan Böttger Robyn George Natacha Hofer Lisa Kantor	The Abe Bailey Prize for Spoken Afrikaans Mrs McCormick's Prize for Spoken French Janet Steyn prize for interest in the Humanities	Jahanara Williams Marion Edmunds Marion Edmunds
SPORTS AWARDS			
Diving Champion	Kelly Myburgh	Dr Silberbauer's Prize for interest in the Natural Sciences	Rehana Loghdey Carolynne McGhie
Swimmer of the Year	Penny McClurg	Sonia Beck Essay Prize	
Under 16 Squash Champion	Lucy Burns	Jane Haram Prize for Drama	Alison Kebble and Kyra Pratt
Open Squash Champion	Nicola Eckstein		
Std VI Tennis Champion	Elena Rista	Jenny Torr Prize for service to the Library Stobie Musicianship Prize	Bennita Oswell Bennita Oswell and Beth Stuart- Findlay
Under 15 Tennis Champion	Elena Rista		
Open Tennis Champion	Ann Paxton		
Most Improved Squash Player	Michelle Godson		
Most Improved Netball Player	Fiona Sass		
Most Promising Hockey Player	Inge Hanekom		
SPECIAL PRIZES/MAJOR AWARDS			
Holiday Reading:	Std VI Karine Gowdy Std VII Bertha Visser Std VIII Catherine Gibaud Std IX Carolynne McGhie	Mrs Stockwell's Prize for All-round partici- pation and achievement Prize for Courtesy Headmistress's Prize for 1985 (for tolerance and maturity of outlook)	Caroline Christie Joanna Growse
General Knowledge:	Std VI Elisabeth Mallet Std VII Naseema Barday Std VIII Lyndall du Plessis Std IX-X Alison Moultrie	Best all-round Sports- woman of 1985 Dux of the Year for 1985 Prize for Good Sports- manship Sandra Wingfield Fellowship Cup Prize for Christian Leadership Old Herschelian Award	Sonja Petrus Nell Hanekom Marion Bladergroen Deirdre Murray Deirdre Murray
Music (Middle School)	Viola Lengner		
Music (Senior School)	Nicola Westgarth- Taylor		
Divinity (Middle School)	Gabrielle Raaff		
Art (Middle School)	Naseema Barday		
Photography	Penny Cheesman		
Pottery	Lynda-Anne Ferguson		
Miss McLean's Prize for neatness and accuracy in Mathematics	Katherine Warner		Karen Dudley Karen Dudley

THE HERSCHELIAN

INTER-HOUSE AWARDS PRESENTED BY

Jagger:	Badminton (The Marten Cup)	Hilary Marten, 1982
	General Knowledge — (The Eric Rosenthal Trophy)	Mrs E Mills and family, 1984
	Squash	1959
Merriman:	Athletics	Miss Benstead, 1925
	Diving (The Kennedy Trophy)	1964
	Drama (The Saffery Cup)	Mrs Saffery, 1983
	Music	Mrs Phineas Smuts, 1943
	Swimming	Old Girls
Rolt:	Hockey	Matrics, 1947
	Magazine	Sandra Newton Thompson and Wendy Lyhne, 1983
	Netball	J H Stanton, 1931
	Tennis	O Kidd, 1932

EFFICIENCY SHIELD Won by Jagger

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Sports Activities



INTER-SCHOOLS SWIMMING TEAM

Back Row L to R: H. Dickey, K. O'Neill, M. Goosen, C. Bridgman, L. Meiring,
Standing: S. Meyer, M. Booth, F. Sass, S. Mayer, S. Tudhope, L. Myburgh.
Seated: P. Mair, C. Christie (Vice), Mrs H. Botha, L. Kantor, K. Myburgh.
Absent: F. Gilliland (Capt.), P. McClurg, N. Hanekom, N. Daniels.

SWIMMING REPORT

This year the swimming season has been a long and hard one. March 1985 was one of the wettest and coldest Marchs for years, so it meant training in very unpleasant conditions especially in the early morning. Despite this hardship a very good team spirit developed.

A highlight of the season was the annual Inter-House Gala held on Founders Day. This proved to be very exciting with Merriman beating Jagger by one point with Rolt third.

During the term we competed in four friendly galas and we were able to enter a B team in three of them

so most of the girls who came to team swimming were able to swim.

March 23rd, Inter-Schools Day, after a week of wet weather dawned sunny and warmer. The whole team swam well and congratulations must go to the under 14's and Open's who came second in their sections and also to Penny McClurg who broke a fourteen year old U-14 50m Freestyle record. Herschel came third overall behind Wynberg and Rustenburg. After trailing Springfield for most of the gala we overtook them in the last event, the Open Medley Relay, which Herschel won to gain third place. Congratulations



INTER-SCHOOLS DIVING TEAM

*Standing L to R: E. Wynne-Edwards, K. O'Neill.
Seated: K. Myburgh, D. Stringer, H. Dacey.*

must go to Penny McClurg who qualified to swim in the 200m Butterfly in the National Championships in Bloemfontein. Penny was also chosen for the Western Province Senior Schools team.

I should like to congratulate the following girls on being awarded their colours:

Half colours

Michelle Booth, Natasha van Zyl, Lyndall du Plessis, Jessica Opie and Katie Christie.

Full Colours

Penny McClurg

Finally I would like to thank Mrs Botha for all the hard work and effort she has put into making this season a happy and rewarding one.

Fiona Gilliland

INTER-SCHOOLS WINDSURFING REPORT

On Saturday 10 August the Herschel Windsurfing team waited in anticipation for the wind, half-praying, half-dreading its arrival. After two Saturdays of sitting nervously by the phone, chewing our fingers to the bone, most of us just wanted to get it over and done with, even if it meant braving the icy Zeekoewlei water, not to mention the embarrassment of having all those gorgeous guys lounging on the bank watching you catapult over the sail and fall in a tangle of arms and legs in the water. When the wind finally did arrive it came as a mere whisper dancing across the water and rather tentatively we braved the cold.

Tessa Gurney and Karen Preiss sailed like absolute stars but Penny Cheesman stole the day, jibbing and

tacking like a real 'pro', making it all look so easy. It was really exhilarating to watch from my middling position in the fleet.

The spirit was tremendous among the competitors and our loyal supporters and despite the wind dying on us in the final heat, leaving our sails barely flapping in the wind, we came away with the knowledge of a race well sailed and enjoyed. The fact that we won made it all the sweeter but maybe not quite as sweet as the knowledge that we did not have to sail for another year!

Fiona Sass, Std. 7



1ST SQUASH TEAM

Standing L to R: L. Burns, M. Godson.
Seated: N. Eckstein, S. Böttger (Capt.).

SQUASH REPORT

We had a very interesting and encouraging year of squash. Congratulations to those girls who were chosen to represent Western Province in the Inter-Provincial Trials held in June: Nicky Eckstein (U-16 and U-19), Lucy Burns (U-16), Melissa van Assen (U-16), Michelle Godson (U-16), Penny Cheesman (U-16) and Nawal Mohamed (U-14). We wish them every success with their squash for the future.

We also entered a team into the Western Province Schools' League and managed to get to the semi-finals of the D-League, this year. All the girls benefited from this experience of playing against boys' and girls' schools.

In the Inter-Schools' events, Herschel played extremely well to come third in the Open Tournament and second in the Under-16 tournament. We hope that the future will bring every success to the talented squash players, with a lot of enjoyment and satisfaction.

Susan Böttger, Captain

INTER-PROVINCIAL SQUASH

On 6 July, Western Province U-16 Squash players left from Cape Town station by train for Johannesburg, where the inter-provincial was being held. Included in the team were four Herschel girls: Nicky Eckstein, Lucy Burns, Melissa van Assen and Penny Cheesman. At Johannesburg we were taken to Wits University where we were to stay for the following week.

We played all our squash matches at Hillbrow Squash Centre and in the Inter-provincial A section, W.P. came first, and in the B section, W.P. came second.

On the social side a disco and a braai were held for us and both were great fun. There was time for us to wander around Johannesburg and to meet new people. Altogether it was a fun-filled tour.

In the U-14 Inter-Provincial, both W.P. Girls A and B came second. The Herschel girls who made the U-14 side were: N. Mohamed and M. Godson.

Nicky Eckstein, Std. 9

HOCKEY REPORT

It is always sad when a hockey season comes to an end but at least we can look back on an enjoyable season.

This year we fielded 10 teams which means that half of the girls in senior school are playing hockey. Unfortunately we only have one field so Mrs Botha was really kept on her toes! We have two especially enthusiastic Beginner teams who did very well this season. The Beginners A team ended first in their section while the B team came second. Other teams that did well were the 2nd and 4th teams who both ended second in their sections. The U15's ended third at Inter-schools and enjoyed quite a successful season. The first team were runners-up at Inter-schools losing by only one point to Rustenburg. As we have had a fairly young side this year I have full confidence that Herschel can win next year.

Apart from the league matches we also played a number of fun games. We played a match against Bishops which predictably attracted the biggest crowd of the season! The first and second teams played against the fathers and mothers respectively. These matches were most enjoyable and at times hilarious. This year Mrs Botha introduced an inter-class tournament which was very successful.

Inter-house hockey was held on 11 September. The competition was tough as usual even though the umpires were on the amateur side and had to be helped by Mrs Botha! Rolt were the victors with Jagger second and Merriman third.

Inge Hanekom, Sally Köster, Mairi Henry and Lisa Kode have been attending U/15 squad hockey practices. The aim of these practices is to encourage the young talent in WP. A number of players were invited to the WP hockey trials. They were Lindsay Challis, Nell Hanekom, Caroline Isted, Sally Köster, Lynette Murray and Deirdre Murray. Nell and Deirdre made the WP team and Lynette made the Peninsula side.

My thanks go to Mrs Hudson and Mrs Fletcher for all they did and especially to Mrs Botha. Her encouragement and genuine interest in the hockey players is one of the reasons for Herschel's success in hockey.

Finally I would like to thank the 1st team for being the greatest team anyone could wish for.

Deirdre Murray
Hockey Captain

S.A. SCHOOLGIRLS' HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

On Saturday evening 6 July, the Western Province, Peninsula and Boland teams departed by bus from Paarl. The trip was very long and tiring, and thanks to a leaking bottle, the bus floor was very wet, which added to the unbearable cold. Having to push a large bus at about 2 a.m. in the middle of the Karoo was not much fun either! Nevertheless, we finally arrived in Kimberley at about 8 a.m. on Sunday morning. We had a fairly relaxing day because, as I am sure you can imagine, nobody could possibly manage to sleep in an uncomfortable bus with 45 other people!

The tournament officially started on Monday, with 24 teams participating. The teams were divided into 3 sections. Deirdre Murray and Nell Hanekom represented Western Province, and Lynette Murray played in the Peninsula team. W.P. played extremely well, losing only one match, and were extremely unlucky to lose their first match to the tournament winners, Orange Free State, in a very close game. If W.P. had won this match, they would have tied in first position with O.F.S. However, they tied for second with Natal Midlands.

Unfortunately the Peninsula side did not do as well as they usually do. We lost 4 matches, won 3 and drew 1. Nevertheless, we all thoroughly enjoyed the tournament. The week did not, however, consist only of hockey. We had many laughs and a lot of fun, including a talent evening on the Wednesday night. Naturally the Province teams made a bit of a mess (nothing unusual) — acting is definitely not one of our strong points!!! Nevertheless, we had a very enjoyable evening.

On Thursday night we all had a braai together at a resort near Kimberley, and on Friday everybody went to the "Big Hole", which really was very interesting.

On Saturday afternoon, after the closing ceremony, we reluctantly said good-bye to all the super people we had met. We were all rather sad to leave and I am sure the experience we had gained during the week will stay with us forever.

After a long journey home, we arrived back in Cape Town and I think most people were, in a way, relieved to be back after a very enjoyable, but tiring, week of hockey.

Lynette Murray, Std. 9



INTER-SCHOOLS OPEN TENNIS TEAM

*Standing L to R: M. Kroon, P. Newton-King, L. Millar, M. Hendry.
Seated: L. Murray, D. Murray (Capt.), Mrs M. S. Hudson, A. Paxton, L. Burns.*

TENNIS REPORT

Although the 1st team did not do very well, we gained invaluable experience by playing in the Super League. The other teams, in general, did well. They often played against and beat teams which on paper seemed stronger. One of the most encouraging aspects of the season is the fact that the Std. 6 team came second at Inter-Schools. It is pleasing to see such a large number of younger girls in the tennis teams.

Inter-House tennis was won by a well-motivated Rolt team with Merriman second and Jagger third. I would like to thank Mrs Botha and Lady Woolley for their unfailing support and especially Mrs Hudson for her interest, support and encouragement throughout the season.

Open Doubles Championships: Lesley Millar and Penny Newton-King.

Open Singles Champion: Ann Paxton.

Tennis Badges: Deirdre Murray, Lynette Murray and Ann Paxton.

Deirdre Murray, Tennis Captain

BADMINTON REPORT

Badminton seems to be the sport for survivors. Having three teams of 4 players each and only twelve people actually playing Badminton at school has made organizing matches this year really tough. Roshan Karjicker is to be congratulated on being the very best at this job as well as for being an encouraging and dedicated captain. We realized just how much she actually did for Badminton at Herschel once she had left.

In spite of everything the girls were always enthusiastic and the First Team came second in the B-League. This is very encouraging and Good Luck to all the girls playing Badminton next year. Our thanks to Sharon Dunt, Mrs Botha and Mrs Hudson for their help and encouragement.

Sonja Petrus, Std. 10

NETBALL REPORT

This year the netball teams were altogether changed. There are no longer U15 teams, but three Open teams instead. This new system has been successful although we found that the younger team members could not cope entirely playing in higher leagues. Match times were also extended, each team now playing fifteen minutes each way, which proved rather exhausting!

Practices have been fun because the girls range from Std 6 to Std 9 and there is also a marvellous feeling of team spirit, with the older players encouraging the younger ones.

Results have not been encouraging, but are not a true reflection of the girls' netball abilities. The Std 6's must not be discouraged by their many defeats as they are playing in higher leagues, which can only be beneficial in the long run.

Inter-house netball was held in August. This was thoroughly enjoyed by all houses, both players and supporters. Rolt was the victor in this event, ahead by many goals, with Jagger coming second and Merri-man third.

Inter-schools netball was played early in September and although Herschel teams were rather disorganised, the first team managed to win one of their matches with excellent shooting by Kim Porter. In



STD 6 INTER-SCHOOLS TENNIS TEAM

*Standing L to R: K. Hebin, J. van Rijswijk, T. Fourie, K. Maisel, C. Millar.
Seated: E. Rista, Mrs M. S. Hudson, E. Wynne-Edwards.*

fact the whole of the first team played netball of an excellent standard. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Springfield on winning this event.

Netball half-colours were awarded to five girls in the first team, namely Samantha Drummond Hay, Vanessa Sass, Kelly Myburgh, Susan Tudhope and Kim Porter. Congratulations!

Lastly, we would like to extend our most sincere thanks to Mrs Hudson who faithfully transported us to and from our netball matches (a tedious exercise in the 5 o'clock traffic) and without whom the netball season would never have been as enjoyable as it was this year.

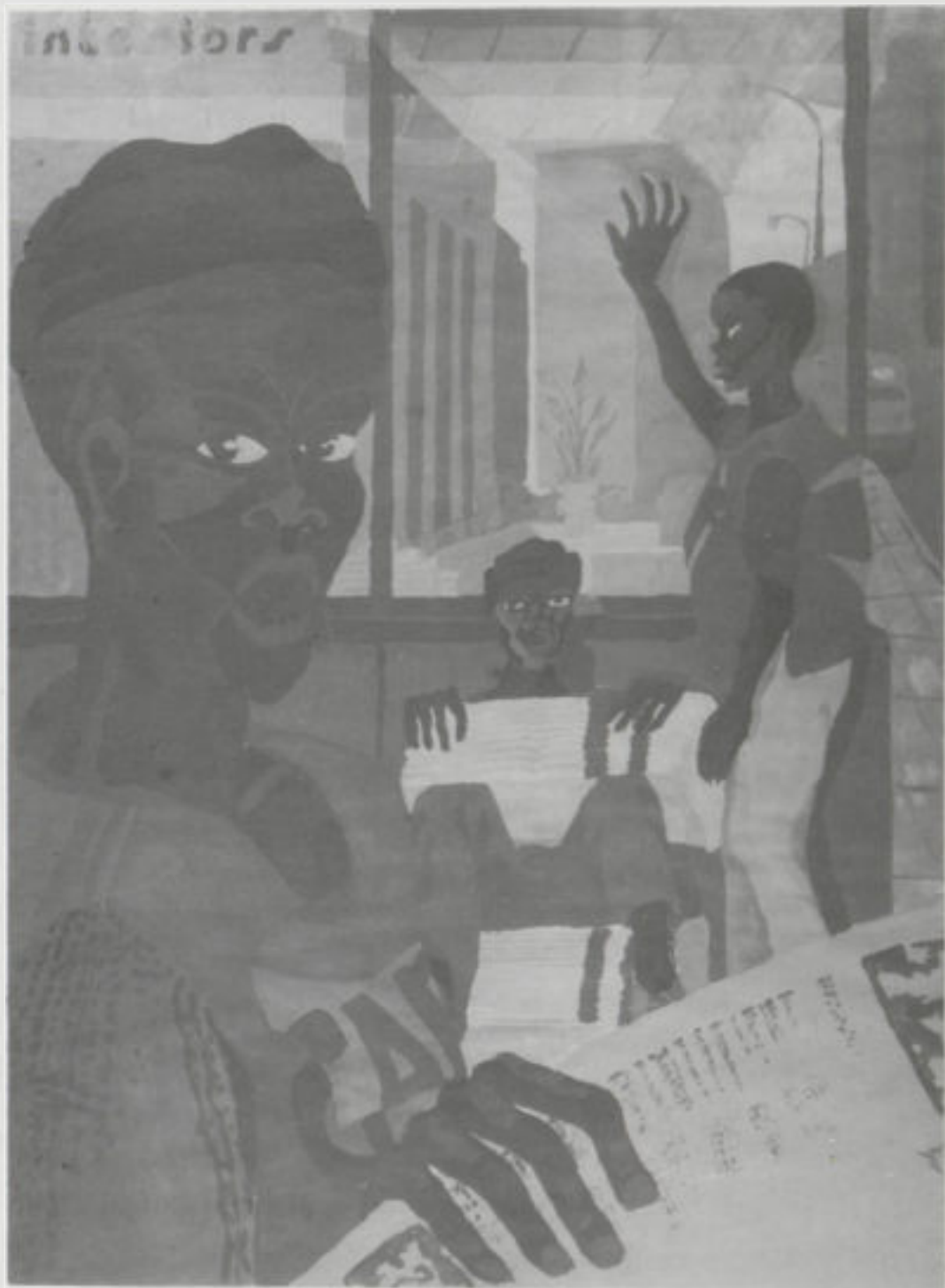
Thank you.

Kim Porter
Samantha Drummond Hay



1ST NETBALL TEAM

Standing: I. Hanekom, V. Sass, K. Myburgh, F. Sass.
Seated: S. Tudhope, Mrs M. S. Hudson, K. Porter.



Sonja Petrus, Std. 10

Original Work

THE WINDMILL

The first Spring breeze came moist but laden with sunshine and pushed the wheel of the windmill into a spin of activity. The wind trailed its fingers in the muddy earth, leaving tributaries of green which united in little pools around the house. I rose early, that day, excited by the sunshine, and came across Japie in the garden. We talked.

"Do you think it's going to rain, Japie?" I asked, squinting at the cloudless sky.

"No. The rain is gone," he answered, and picked up his spade. I followed him out onto the farm road, talking about the new puppy that had come the day before. When we reached the windmill Japie pulled out his breakfast which he had hidden in the shade of a rock and started to chew with his mouth open.

Next to us the windmill rumbled its delight at churning up the winter's water.

"Merdri is going to have a baby," he said.

"Really. That's fantastic. When? You must be pleased."

"February-maand." He glowed over his sandwiches and the world's green seemed to intensify and the windmill rocked round faster in my delight of newborn things.

I told everybody at breakfast and they were also pleased. Merdri was the illegitimate daughter of Japie's wife and he had taken her on as his own when they were married. He had never had children and had channelled his love and energy into educating her as he had seen our parents trying with us. But she had left school in Standard Eight and ever since then she had been troublesome, testing Japie's patience and that of his wayward wife. A baby, illegitimate though it was, was a fulfilment of all the hope and faith he had had in his little family. He was child-like in his joy.

Summer aged the face of the earth but the evenings were cool and still. One evening, I walked with my dog, Dollar, to the windmill to call Japie to come and get the milk. The stars were nearly out and the sails glided smoothly, caressed by a sensuous night-breeze.

"What makes the windmill go on spinning?" I asked Japie.

"The wind. That makes the pump go up and down and pumps up the water."

"What if there isn't any wind?" I asked.

"There is always wind and water," he said sagely, while little clouds of smoke rose from his pipe, hovered and dispersed like genii.

February was hot and merciless. The earth flaked, cracked and all its grass yellowed and shrivelled. During the day it was unbearable and we suffered while the flies buzzed, greedily licking our sweaty skins. One stuffy day, the tension outside was raised by a berg wind. I dragged myself to the window and saw the windmill slogging, faltering in a jerky rhythm. That afternoon we heard that Merdri had had a miscarriage.

I avoided Japie that whole week. I was embarrassed to confront him or his sorrow. I knew he would grieve. I was scared that he would have changed. I chanced to be near the windmill one afternoon and saw him, unavoidably.

"Hello, Japie." Then it came in a rush. "I am sorry to hear about Merdri." We sat together and a new wind suddenly pulled my hair, tugging it with cold jerks.

"Is it going to rain, Japie," I asked.

"Soon, soon. Summer is finished, then it is Autumn, Winter and Spring." And the windmill rocketed around with new life in the cold breeze.

Marion Edmunds, Std. 10

DUSK IN A STRANGE CITY

It had been my first afternoon in Paris, spent alone in the Louvre and the Jeu de Paume with hundreds of other tourists. As I emerged from the Jeu de Paume, glowing from my first-hand impression of the Impressionists. I was struck by the quality of the evening light; its dim lustre, as if the sky had been deadened by the trodden snow below, was a surprise after the bright, wintry afternoon. Standing on the "bridge" I looked to one side over the Tuileries Gardens. Hardly a city sight this! Now the shadowless traces stood dark against a two-dimensional backdrop. The park was impressive with the stately curves of the balustrades swooping down to the frozen fountain.

Scattered black-coated couples and trios strolled briskly with hands in pockets and shoulders hunched against the cold. This was no evening for loitering!

As I turned to face the Place de la Concorde I could again sense the urgency as cars flung themselves around this hub in the middle of Paris. The Eiffel Tower stood ethereal and mysterious in the distance while the needle of the Concorde loomed large and black, a potent finger to the sky, but the significance of its authority I could not judge.

Low on the horizon, was a small, red sun shedding not much light as it sank with dwindled majesty. It seemed to be a memento, old to the beginning of time when it had shone bright over the sunlit plains. Now the unmelted snow bore testimony to its ageing impotence.

Tall slender trees and lamp-posts, positioned in accordance with a forgotten scheme, stood guard like silhouetted sentinels. As I turned down towards the grey, snow-trimmed Seine I noticed its encasement of stone. The stone-bridges, the stone walk-ways on each bank, the flanks of old, sand-coloured stone buildings.

It was rush-hour as I walked along the Right Bank, and the brightly coloured cars tumbled past, like Smarties being poured out of a cardboard box. The cars formed a second, glittering river which flowed parallel to the Seine in its own canal of stone.

I crossed the Pont Neuf and warmed immediately to the gaiety and joie de vivre of the Left Bank on this cold, winter's evening. Even at this time of day the bustle continued. Pedestrians jostled on the pavement and cars journeyed the narrow, cobbled roads. Delectable displays in pâtisserie windows tempted passers-by to sample the delights within. Restaurants advertised their wares with strains of music and laughter and delicious aromas that wafted out on the evening air, and the ever-present menu posted on the wall outside under the glow of a lantern.

It was darkening, but the bookshops were still open, as well as many intriguing little shops which were not much more than holes in the wall. Inside they were Aladdin's caves twinkling with cheap jewellery, stuffed with gay fabric and pretty trinkets and reeking and overpowering incense. Often their solitary shopkeepers sat on stools just inside the doorways. Two customers, at the most, could enter the shop at one time, and then there was no room to turn round. There were dozens of antique shops: treasure-troves for the knowledgeable and traps for the unwary. They were the dim store-rooms of History, with their reminders

of the past that had wrought the present, in all its glory and ignominy.

I stepped into a pâtisserie and bought a sweet confection. As I bit into the light, crystalline, sugary pastry, I felt an intense surge of the heady exhilaration of Paris. I realized too that for all its tawny stone and impressive monuments, Paris, although it might be cold, would never be deserted, and that teeming life would always pour over the Pont Neuf, no matter what weather, season or time of day.

Alison Moultrie, Std. 10



Francesca Knight, Std. 10

PAMPOENDORP, PAMPOENDORP!

The sun had not even kissed the tips of the surrounding mountains yet, when we awoke to the sound of cocks crowing. Each one went quietly about the business of getting up and dressing, accompanied by the light of a flickering candle, undisturbed by the generator, and enjoying the absolute tranquillity and solitude of pre-dawn. Breakfast was cooked on an open fire, thoughts of dreamy sleep lingering on in the stillness, no one wanting to break the sound barrier.

I always wondered what time the stable-boys must have woken up. They were always there before us — wide awake and cheerful, singing with the rhythm of work. The horses were well rubbed down, their coats gleaming in the lantern light as they were loaded onto the trucks with the cattle. I wished we could go on horseback, but the journey was long and time was precious.

But I still loved that early morning drive! My thoughts were reflected by the sunrise. The sight will haunt me for ever, overwhelming in its simplicity, growing ever more beautiful. The soft light of dawn was always the first to appear, wonderful and mysterious, arriving from nowhere; out of the liquid darkness which melted away. This was closely followed by a ray or two of sunlight which must have strayed ahead of the sun. It lit up the mountain top, throwing long inky shadows and silhouetting the peaks. The sun itself, with its brilliant pinks, reds and yellows followed sedately, reigning supreme over the darkness and lighting the whole world with life and warmth. A sight too majestic for words — the silence in the car was almost audible.

The market, although renowned for its sights and smells and sounds, was usually quiet and empty when we arrived. Horses take up a lot of hard work and time; we had to erect stalls and pens for them and organise lot numbers and decorate the stalls. It was fascinating to watch the whole place come alive in a matter of minutes. Stalls were suddenly there, full of tempting goods and marvellous colours, people appeared from out of the blue filling the market with life and sound. And each one of us had our own jobs to do.

Pa was the auctioneer, and proud of it. A tall wiry man who looked like an old sea dog and was not afraid of hard work, he was a typical "boer". Born and raised on a farm, he was a man of the earth to whom everyone and everything could relate. He had an unbelievable affinity for animals, and used it to his best advantage. Mama, on the other hand, was small and petite — an English doll with a fragile, vulnerable appearance. She was, in fact, strong, capable, stubborn and full of life. She always had the last word and was a tower of strength for us as we grew up. She sold honey and jams and handwork at her stall and freely gave out advice — whether you needed it or not. They were my world when I was small, but as I grew, so did the circumference of the market place which I visited.

The colours assailed you first as you wandered in amongst all the stalls and poked in all the corners.

Colours so brilliant you could feel them and hear them among the hubbub around you. The bright yellow "pampoens", the orange carrots, the green lettuces and the red, red tomatoes, deliciously inviting and freshly-grown all called out to you to try them. Their smells were also welcoming, so much a part of the market that they were taken for granted. The joy of the place, so full of life and vigour, remains an indescribable part of country life. People calling out to each other, Afrikaans mixed and mingling with English, understood and accepted as part of life; the "boer-tunnies" with their bright gossip and delicious food; the "kaalvoet" children, speaking a language only they understood; and the "ooms" with their beers, their talk of farm life, hunting and taxes — they are all an integral part of childhood in the country.

The journeys home afterwards I also remember. Exhaustion and happiness infused my whole being, the chatter of grown-ups mingling with the sleepy yawns of the children. I miss the peace, the lack of responsibility, the sedateness, the tranquil unchanging beauty of the farm. But it is not lost amongst the rush of traffic, the shouting of people, hooting horns, the screech of tyres and the whizzing of time in the city. Those moments of happiness in childhood are captured in my mind, peaceful and tranquil. And time was always on our side.

Susan Böttger, Std. 10

THE COUNTRY OF THE BLIND

Going to a new school is never easy; but this time not only was the school new, but I found myself staring blindly at a sea of white faces. It took time to find the different planes of the faces and learn to recognise characteristics. After a while some of the masks even disappeared and I could look at individuals. I could interact with and respond to people. I was no longer blind.

"I have not got anywhere to go this weekend," Joanna remarked.

"Why don't you come with me?" I replied. I knew I was challenging her, but I wanted to prove to myself that she was sincere in her acceptance of me.

"I will have to ask my Mum," she replied rather nervously.

Frustrated, I turned and walked away, trying to think of all the reasons why it was unfair of me to offer such an invitation. Her mother might think it would be

dangerous for her to go to the "other side" of a town. That was absurd, I thought, thinking of our quiet neighbourhood. What would her friend think . . .

"I am coming with you - and Clair is coming with us," Joanna exclaimed enthusiastically as she ran towards me. There was an awkward enthusiasm as we sat down, discussing what we were going to do during her stay. We were quite astonished to find out how difficult it was for two people, having different colour skin, to plan a weekend together in a small town in South Africa.

However, we were both curious and excited about what to expect. Much to our astonishment the weekend went smoothly. Joanna and Clair got on well with my parents, who took us sight-seeing, and they liked my friends. On the spur of the moment we decided to go to the cinema (for coloured people). Too late did I realize my mistake. Poor Clair and Joanna were luminous in the subdued lights and tight-lipped brown masks stared at them from all around. I wanted to flee. I realized that neither of the parties could see behind the masks.

Back in our false environment of a Private School - open to all races - we contemplated what happened. For Joanna and Clair it was an 'experience' and for me it was a warning. A warning that unless all the artificial barriers were broken and people of all races could interact in their everyday environments, a white face would remain a mask at which a black person stares blindly and the other way round.

A few days later Tessa came running into our dormitory crying.

"This black man knocked Steve over - he is dead," she sobbed.

"He did not knock your friend over because he is black!" I shouted, staring into the eyes of the people living in the country of the blind.

Sonja Petrus, Std. 10

AFRICA — CONTINENT OF TURMOIL

Africa — wild continent of lush jungle and forest; immense open plains; copper, golden deserts; mountains and grasslands with abundant wildlife. Africa — civilized continent with growing cities, growing populations and a growing diversity of peoples.

Africa in turmoil. Africa with corrupt governments, minorities struggling for nationalism, coup d'états, violence and world powers from across the Indian and

Atlantic oceans playing Cold War games on spots of tension.

Since Britain, Germany, France and Belgium withdrew their claims in the Continent, turmoil has never ended. The African Elite, educated in the West, returned with hopes of governing their countries, prize ideals of peace, justice, education for all and prosperity. But decolonization had left their countries with a further state of turmoil. Not enough Africans had been trained to administer their lands and economic upheaval paved the way for dictatorships and corrupt governments.

There was turmoil between African and Africa. Tribes fought for dominance over other tribes. Lack of education meant that farming methods were primitive and many of Africa's children died of malnutrition and starvation.

In the very south is South Africa, the only white State. Conflict here is between Black and White with petty laws of apartheid and oppression bearing fruits of bitterness and hatred and radical forces gaining strength and acts of terrorism and violence on the increase. Turmoil reigns in the conflict between Afrikaner Nationalism and African Nationalism.

Communist Russia and the United States of America vie for the support of nations in turmoil — Communists being suspicious of western capitalism and America fearing Communist strength and the rigid one-party state. Occasionally The United Nations referees but stands powerless as the two sides continue their Cold War Games, each fighting for supremacy and a belief in their own ideals.

Meanwhile in Ethiopia, millions starve to death while corrupt governments struggle to stay in power until another Communist-backed government takes over. Colonel Gaddafi continues his ruthless elimination of opposition. In Zimbabwe Mugabe and Kaunda continue their struggle with Kaunda forces fighting for dominance and turmoil in Zimbabwe being a way of life while in South Africa, the Afrikaner government begins bringing about changes for Coloureds and Indians; the twenty-two million Blacks remain outside the political arena.

Is there hope for Africa? Will there be peace after violence and turmoil? When will the Cold War become a Hot War? When will none of Africa's children go hungry? The only flicker of hope remains with the youth of Africa to bring about a New Africa by building bridges, starting in our little continents of the communities in which we live.

Karen Dudley, Std. 10



Tonia-Cara van der Spuy, *Std. 10*

LOOK THY LAST ON ALL THINGS LOVELY EVERY HOUR

Do you not see the wind, the beauty as it passes unseen. The wind that blows life and revives. The wind that can change itself and change other things. It is like a spirit ... moving, unseen.

See the wind, for when you are old the wind can bring much pleasure and great joy. It scatters the petals, for, as always, with life comes death. But the wind is gentle in this act of dying.

The flowers — the life in the wind. Petals tumble, scattered by the wispy breath. In small wisps they pirouette on the fine sharpened blades of grass in a whirlpool — hoary spring snowballs, fragile frangipani, exquisite white dog-roses splashed with golden dew ... elegance, caught up in the faint turmoil.

And all this catches my son's son's eye. An extravagant quiet shout arrests him. I see him calling to the wind. His small hands touch, and feel — what joy, what ecstasy. The silken petals ... yes, I see him feel them in his eyes — the velvety frangipani ... the rapture of his touch. His transportation to another world. Unhurried and deliberate, he touched one and then another, and then gathering with purposeful intention and a keen spirit, he wrapped them next to his small stomach inside his big red shirt.

Gathering his boyish joy, he scampered to his grandmother, up the wide wooden steps, across the wide, wooden boards to the huge wooden chair at the end of the porch, and scattered the petals over her hoary hair. What glee!

"Grandmother, aren't they wonderful?" he asked in pure ecstasy.

Together they shared the perfume — unbelieving that the wind had not swept it away — hesitant with wonder.

Petals are for gathering — flowers are not for picking; no that would be sacriligious in the eyes of my son's son.

They did not know that it was from this that I obtain my joy. The simple pleasures, those few wonderful, meaningful seconds when grandmother held her son's son's hand as they gathered the fallen petals from her hair and off the wide, wooden boards — the beauty: the wind, the petals, my son's son, grandmother — petals, son's son, wind, grandmother all tumbled together — to look on these as to never look again is for me much joy.

Beth Stuart-Findlay, Std. 10

PAMPOENDORP, PAMPOENDORP

Pampoensdorp — a funny sounding name to most people but not to me, for that is the place where I spent the happiest days of my life.

It was a little "dorp" in the heart of the Boland, in a valley surrounded by mountains — high, softly sculpted blue mountains that rose up from the fertile valley to form an almost protective ring around our "dorp" and valley.

We lived in an old Cape Dutch house and I remember the whitewashed walls, the yellowwood beams of the high ceiling and the rich, brown stone floors that would warm in the winter sun that shone through the big windows. There was a wide stoep in front where an old gnarled vine clung to the wooden poles for support before it trailed up over the pergola over the stoep, turning it into a cool, shady haven. Many Sundays were spent on this stoep with the rest of the family, watching the passing parade of friendly, familiar faces.

During the long, hot summer, we would go down to the river that flowed through the valley. The people called it "Riviersonderend", meaning "river without end" because it seemed to go on forever.

I always thought that the seasons of the year were more beautiful in Pampoensdorp than anywhere else. In Spring and Summer everything was bright and green and then Autumn, when everything turned gold in the soft golden light. Even Winter was beautiful, though bitterly cold, when the mountains were sprinkled with snow and frost-covered fields glistened in the morning sunlight.

It was actually too cold or too wet to play outside during winter and so I would spend my time in the old, dark attic of our house. It was a fascinating place for me, full of secrets and untold stories. There were all kinds of things up there but my favourite was the huge trunk filled with my Grandma's old clothes and photographs. I would sit there for hours and explore, trying on the old faded, lace dresses and looking at the photographs, yellowed with age, of people from the past, while the rain pattered against the single dust-covered little window.

The community of Pampoensdorp was a friendly, close-knit one and everyone knew everybody else (and everybody else's business too!). There were not many shops, but enough for the people who lived there. My favourite shop was one called "Alles en Nog Wat" and I do not think that there was anything that it did not have stuck away in some dark corner or on some high dusty shelf. Mr Rabie, the owner, was

an old man who never liked children to come snooping around his shop. Many of the children were quite scared of him but I was not and many afternoons, after school, I would sneak in and look at all the strange old medicines and herbs he kept amongst all the other things. Sometimes he caught me but he never shouted at me but glared at me and that was enough to send me racing home!

Those were wonderful years! I often wonder whether my life would have been different if we had stayed there and not moved away after Grandma and Grandpa died. All I have now are memories but I know that when we left, a part of me stayed in Pampoenstorp — that place with the funny name . . .

Jahanara Williams, Std. 10

YOU NEVER CAN TELL

With the end of my school days hovering like a bright lantern at the end of a long, dark tunnel, I often wonder what it is that the future holds in store for me.

Since a very early age, it has been my ambition in life to marry Prince Charles, but, unfortunately, because of the addition of Lady Diana to the Royal Family, my plans have had to be altered. I subsequently considered having an oil sheik for a marriage partner, but the desert climate did not really appeal to me, and besides I am allergic to camels. I realised then that a more practical and constructive approach was necessary — possibly that of a university degree, but after that, well, you never can tell . . .

The uncertainty of what lies ahead of me is, however, a small drop in the ocean, when we consider the fate

of the world, and in particular our own country, South Africa. The present state of political unrest around us has made a crack in the cocoon that I had wound around myself. It has allowed me to see that South Africa is not the harmonious retreat I had so ignorantly believed it to be; it has enabled me to discover both sides and most important, it has given me the ability to be my own judge of the situation. It saddens me deeply to think that, perhaps, all the beauty that surrounds us might be taken away — to think that the country of my birth might be reduced to a tangle of violence and devastation. I hope with all sincerity that those who are the leaders of both sides will have the strength and open-mindedness to restore our country once more to its natural beautiful self, but who knows . . .

South Africa is once again a minor portion of the earth, that, rotating patiently on her axis, is no reflection of the turbulence and activity that she carries around with her. The fate of our environment is far from certain and when we think of the starving millions and in comparison the lavish dinner parties that we hold, what hope can there be for us?

Returning to my own small world I realise now that to contemplate these uncertainties is beyond my and anyone else's power, but I do know that there is a life outside the tunnel waiting for me, a life in which I must face the challenges to the best of my abilities — I must be prepared for anything and everything because you never can tell . . .

Joanna Growse, Std 10



Gabrielle Raaff, Std. 7

**NETBALL U-10A TEAM**

Back Row L. to R: Nicola Godson, Reyl Haylett, Amber Ramsden, Annabel Overstone.
Middle Row: Tamaryn Hammond, Arlene Benjamin (Captain), Mrs Goodrick, Allison Porter, Kirsten Tharing.
Front Row: Candice Noakes.

**NETBALL U-11A TEAM**

Back Row L. to R: Susan Tyson, Caroline Kaye, Sarah Rice, Zurina Hisham.
Front Row: Kay White, Dinah Millar, Mrs Goodrick, Lindsay Marx (Captain), Carol Duncan.

Preparatory School Report 1985

Three closely related factors stand out as being responsible for the very successful year we have had at the Prep in 1985, namely the close association of the staff, good communication with parents and the co-operation of the girls. They are of equal importance, and without any one factor we should not have been able to achieve as we have done. On each level communication has played an important part.

As a staff we are a closely-knit team working together to make school the experience it should be for the children. We discuss the syllabus in every subject so that there is no over-lapping from standard to standard, but fresh and new content to stimulate interest, bearing in mind the necessity of constant revision, particularly in Mathematics. In these days of rapid expansion of available scientific knowledge in every sphere, we are very conscious of the need to be on our toes academically. By attending lectures and undertaking serious reading we are able to keep abreast of the times, and to examine new ideas, sounding out and helping each other by constructive suggestions. Because of our common aim in giving our best to the children and the closeness of our association, we are able to discuss problems openly without fear or hurt or offence. This honesty with each other and the willingness to see our own faults, and to be humble about them, gives us a very special relationship which would be hard to match. It is also encouraging as a Head to know that every one of the staff is prepared to carry responsibility, not for her class or subject alone, but for other needs within the school. Together we are able to forge ahead and improve our standards of education in the very broadest sense and also in a very individual way because of our concern for each child and the desire to help her achieve her potential.

Our parents have taken on a newly supportive rôle in 1985 and communication between staff and parents has never been better. It has given us food for thought and we have been able through the Preparatory School Committee, to express opinions openly. Communication through a third party, the child, is certainly not the best way of making one's wishes known. Many garbled tales are carried home, and it is good when parents question the veracity of statements. Mothers who serve the school in various ways, are able to bring to our attention, in an informal way, needs and concerns that we are unaware of. Many have given time to transporting our sporting teams

and some of our outings would not have taken place at all, were it not for the kindness of so many parents in being willing to convey the children and also being physically part of an expedition. The ladies who work in the Library week by week and those who came in to help with the stocktaking have made it possible for the Librarian to get on with other tasks of importance. The Second-Hand Shop ladies have an unenviable task — often taking home a load of clothing to be laundered before Shop-Day. We have benefitted by the profit made and a beautiful cupboard and several good stop-watches have been purchased from this money. Every week the vestibule and my office are supplied with flowers by the ladies who are artistic and able to use their talents in this way to beautify our surroundings. There has been dedication on the part of those who come on a regular basis to help with the needlework classes. Your help is so much appreciated. Many of you responded to our cry for help when our garden was being restructured and how grateful we are for the plants, cuttings and cash that were donated to the School. Both fathers and mothers did yeoman service in organising the bulb distribution in the first term. Our thanks to you all.

The third factor is the children themselves; their zest for life and their eagerness to learn make them very special to us. In their youth and enthusiasm, they may not always react just as we expect them to, but where there is understanding and sympathy a solution can always be found. How excited we become when we see a child succeeding, not necessarily only in the academic sphere, but perhaps coming to terms with herself as a person, achieving on the sports field, becoming aware of her spiritual needs or realising her social responsibilities. Our girls have shown themselves to be individuals with their own personalities and because they have a sense of justice and fair play, they have been able to work together towards a harmony within the School.

We have come to realise how important it is for the girls to meet with children from other language groups and towards the end of the first term two staff members and twelve pupils spent a day at Groot Drakenstein near Paarl. We were hosted by a small Afrikaans-medium school, the idea being to improve the girls' Afrikaans and also to forge good relationships. It was a successful day and one was beginning

to think in Afrikaans by lunch-time! Six of our Std V girls changed schools for a day with six pupils from Groote Schuur Laërskool and they thoroughly enjoyed the different environment. We are finding too, that by watching television, many of our girls are assimilating vocabulary and getting a feel for Afrikaans by hearing the language spoken on a regular basis.

The Std III, IV and V classes, with their teachers, spent three days at the Froggy Pond Fresh Air Camp during the second term. The outing was of an educational nature and the museums and historical monuments in and around Simonstown provided us with an interesting programme. Environment studies relating to the coastal area were also carried out and the staff felt that the girls had benefitted by the experience. The communal dormitories provided much fun and the swings and roundabouts proved most popular.

We undertook a most successful fund-raising venture in the first term — we took orders for plant bulbs and realised a profit of approximately R7 000. A great deal of hard work was involved for the staff and also for a group of parents but, all in all, we felt that the effort was justified by the profits! Part of this money has been used to install an Inter-Com system in the School. This has proved a boon and we are thoroughly enjoying the luxury of being able to contact the classrooms, kitchen, Boarding-House, gardener's room or music-rooms without moving out of the Secretary's office.

Founder's Day on 15 February was a happy occasion when we joined the rest of the school in celebration at St. Saviour's Church. After the ceremony our Prep School Drum Majorettes gave an exhibition of their prowess. They also opened the Senior Citizens' Sports Day at Athlone the following day. In December they will be performing at The Link in Claremont to open the festivities planned for the Christmas Season.

Outings serve to stimulate and motivate and these have been many and varied. During the course of the year, the National Art Gallery, the Museum, the Boland Open Air Museum, the Animal Farm at Noordhoek, the Golden Acre, Groot Constantia, Central Cape Town, the World of Birds, the Simonstown Museum, The Martello Tower, Kirstenbosch, the Malay Quarter and a Hindu Temple have been visited and have provided us with "the real thing" as opposed to pictures, slides and films, to make lessons come alive. The Std IV and V classes have both participated in mountain walks. Unfortunately, some of our intended visits had to be cancelled

because of the unrest situation.

Teams from every age group in swimming, tennis, netball and squash played against other schools in our area on a weekly basis and this regular practice helped to improve our standard of play. All our teams were entered in the Inter-Schools events and although no team won a cup, they all did well and we are proud of our girls.

In addition to the Inter-Schools competitions, we held Inter-House competitions in sport and general knowledge. Special mention should be made of the very successful Inter-House Gala in March and Sports Day in October. Mrs Goodrick has engendered tremendous enthusiasm and has used her expert knowledge of all aspects of sport and gymnastics to the advantage of the school as a whole and also to the children as individuals.

Clubs were held on Friday afternoons in the winter terms and the girls enjoyed participating in the activities of their choice. We are fortunate in having so many talented staff members who have such a variety of interests that we can offer the pupils clubs ranging from chess to a Keep Fit class. The Social Responsibility Club decided not to disband but to continue their efforts this term. They entertained pensioners from Arcadia and the George Starck Homes with the help of Std V's in the third term and are presently engaged in efforts for the Alpha Crèche in Hanover Park.

The Scripture Union continues to meet regularly during lunch breaks on Wednesdays. We try to vary our programme as much as possible to maintain a high interest level among the children attending and include films, visiting speakers, choruses, stories, quizzes and games. During the September holidays nine of our girls attended a Mini Camp at Noordhoek run by Scripture Union and we enjoyed hearing about their experiences during the first meeting of the term. Four Std IV girls also attended a "Learning to be involved" camp one weekend in September in order to be able to assist in a leadership capacity in the S.U. group next year.

This year Mrs Justine Hammond and Mrs Sneddon have been very ably assisted by an enthusiastic and dedicated Std V committee consisting of Ceiri Davies, Simone le Fèvre and Dolly Fink.

In the third term a Scripture Union group was run as a club for the Std II and III girls by Mrs Broom, who was with us in a temporary capacity. Mrs Butler, our Sub A teacher, very kindly agreed to take over the group which now meets on a Friday at lunch-time. It

is so good to have the two groups catering for the girls from Std II to V. We are a Christian school and we know how important it is for our girls to come to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus. Jesus himself said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me," and we know that none are too young to experience His love and grace in their lives.

This year our charity money has been donated to Operation Hunger and the children brought roses on Rose Day to be sold for the Child Welfare Society. We have also been involved in helping raise funds for the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals and the Community Chest.

On Friday 11 October, girls, staff and parents made their way to Tokai Forest where we were to have our Blisters for Bread Walk in aid of the Peninsula School Feeding Scheme. Some mothers and fathers manned the tables and others walked with the children. It was an exceptionally hot day but the girls managed very well indeed. Afterwards we all enjoyed our lunch together in the shade of the trees before returning to school.

We celebrated Arbor Day by inviting Dr Silberbauer to plant a tree in the grounds. In spite of the inclement weather, the whole school gathered around to watch the ceremony and to hear Dr Silberbauer speak. Miss Geldard and Dr Silberbauer then joined the staff at lunch in the Staff Room.

It was decided to hold the Std V Open Day at the end of the third term this year as the girls have so many commitments in the last quarter that they would not be able to give their display as much time as we should like. This was a most successful change, and all the classes were able to view the work at leisure, taking time to look at projects and to read creative writing. The Std V's were invited by a representative of the Cancer Association to produce a No-Smoke Show in connection with our Health syllabus, which includes the harmful effects of smoking and drug abuse. When the girls had compiled the programme, they spent a morning in town having it taped. This was shown to parents on Open Day and will be used by the Cancer Association as an educational visual aid.

We have participated in several Inter-Schools activities and a group of girls took part in the Mini-Maths Competition arranged by the Mathematical Association of South Africa. Herschel hosted the Inter-Schools General Knowledge Quiz in April and although we did not qualify for the next round, our girls acquitted themselves well. The Problem-Solving Bowl was held this year in September. Eleven teams of four members each competed, the venue being Sea

Point Primary School. The topic was "Violence in the Media" and each team had to present a systematically-deduced solution to a selected aspect of the problem. Although our girls did not win, they did very well and benefitted greatly from the experience.

At the beginning of the year we welcomed Mrs Forrester as our new Librarian. From the day she took charge, she has run the Library and Audio-Visual centre most efficiently.

There is constant pressure on the facilities of the Audio-Visual Room, with classes competing for the use of the computers, the video machine and the film projectors. An elaborate but flexible time-table has been drawn up to cope with the situation. The room is a hive of activity even during breaks and after school. Next year, with the Std II's and III's starting Computer Literacy programmes, the pressure on the room will be even greater.

Music, Art, Drama and Ballet continue to play a large part in the life of the School. Many of our girls take these subjects as optional extras, but the first three are also included in the time-table. Music workshops were held and very enjoyable Music Evenings were arranged during July for the parents. Music pupils are encouraged to work for examinations in both practical and theory and we had a record number of entrants this year. Twenty-one girls entered the Royal Schools of Music examinations in piano, violin and flute. Katy Crowther (flute), Caroline Kaye and Leanne Louwe (piano) obtained Merit. At the end of last year Susan Tyson wrote the Royal Schools of Music Gr. III Theory examination and she obtained 97 out of 99 marks. Seventeen Girls ranging from Gr. I to Gr. IV wrote the Theory examination this year and we expect the results in December. In the Eisteddfod, Katy Crowther (flute) and Vanessa van Spronsen (piano) obtained Honours and Tamsyn O'Hanlon (violin) achieved two Honours awards.

The Speech and Drama Department is flourishing and about fifty pupils are participating in after-school classes. Many were entered for the Speech Examinations of the South African Guild of Speech and Drama Teachers, and we await the results.

Ballet classes are held on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and girls are prepared for the examinations of the Royal Academy of Dancing ranging from Pre-Primary to Senior Grade and D.E.S. levels 1 to 3 and Elementary in the Major Syllabus. All pupils entered this year were successful and we congratulate Chenè Roberts who obtained Honours. Our thanks go to the teachers who work so hard to help the girls to achieve their potential in these cultural activities.

Mrs Timoney came to Herschel in July, 1967 to teach the Std II class and it is with a sense of loss that we say good-bye to her as she retires. She has many talents, especially in the creative sphere and has taught both Art and Music at various times. She has a flair for English, and Drama in particular, and her wide general knowledge and interest in Nature have made her a most stimulating teacher. She has been House Mistress of Rolt since 1976 and has looked after the Costume Cupboard for more years than I care to remember. When plays have been produced she has been in the background finding suitable costumes and even making them herself when necessary. We know that in her retirement she will be as busy as ever and will be able to pursue her many other interests. We wish her well and thank her for her loyalty.

I feel that as we have worked together, we have been drawn closer as a staff and I should like everyone to know how much I have appreciated their help during the year. Mrs Davies, Mrs Bray and Mrs Nixon have

given me the support I have needed and many of our decisions concerning the school have come from our discussions together.

My thanks to Mrs Taylor and the domestic staff for their cheerful help on all occasions and the Senior School office staff and Prep School ground staff for their willingness to go the extra mile when necessary.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to our Headmistress, Miss Geldard. The seven years she has been with us seem to have flown past. We have shared successes and faced problems together which have shown me her strength of purpose, her understanding of human nature and her deep feeling for people. I have learnt much from her wise counsel and as a fellow traveller, I have come to respect her commitment to the Christian way of life.

Ad Dei Gloriam

P. R. Brown
Head of Preparatory

PHYSICAL EDUCATION REPORT — 1985

Netball:

Captain: Suzanne Louw

Vice-Captain: Ceiridwen Davies

The general standard of netball has improved tremendously due to the enthusiastic approach by all the girls who attended practices regularly.

Herschel fielded seven teams and each of these played twelve matches.

Our U-10A team was unbeaten and must be commended for their fine efforts and excellent team spirit.

The U-10B team played their very first match during the second half of the season. They lost only one match and showed promise for the future.

The U-11A and B also played some fine netball and finished joint second in the Peninsula Girls' Schools League. The U-12A won 6 matches, drew 3 and lost 3. The U-12B won 5 drew 2 and lost 4 matches.

Our Open team was newly formed this year, and they lacked the experience other Open teams had gained through playing previous years. However, they progressed with every game they played and thoroughly enjoyed the matches in the process.

Unfortunately the Inter-Schools U-11/U-12 tournament was rained off.

All the girls were in high spirits for the Inter-House netball tournament and some exciting netball was displayed. Merriman came first in the competition with 10 points closely followed by Jagger with 8 points and Rolt third with 6 points.

A special thank you must go to Mrs Marx, Mrs Kempthorne and all the other "mums" who helped by transporting the teams to and from schools.

Swimming:

Captain: Bridget O'Neill

With the expert help of Mrs A. Thaning, which was gratefully received by the girls, we maintained a good standard of swimming.

Training regularly once a week, everyone improved their style, stamina and speed.

Most Fridays the girls competed in friendly galas which were enjoyed by all. We came consistently 3rd in all the friendly galas, as well as 3rd in the Inter-Schools, which was held at Newlands on 7th March. This is an excellent result considering we are one of the smallest girls' schools in the area.

Kirsten Thaning must be highly commended on making the Western Province side after breaking the

record in backstroke.

The swimming ladder which involves everyone in the school in various age groups, has definitely given the girls further incentive to improve their strokes.

Last, but not least, the Inter-House gala was another highlight of the season. Jagger took 1st position with 473 points, Merriman 2nd with 446 points and 3rd Rolt with 431 points.

Merriman won the diving cup with some outstanding dives. A special thank you must go to Mrs Whitson for coaching the girls in diving and judging the Inter-House competition.

Jessamy O'Hanlon is to be congratulated on coming 1st in the Western Province diving trials in the U-10 age group and thus received her colours for the province.



SWIMMING TEAM

Back Row L to R: Alison Louw, Clarissa Berry, Sarah Baigrie, Emma du Plessis, Candice Noakes, Claire Christie, Leigh-Anne Bird, Vanessa Cowgill, Sarah Boardman, Leanne Louw

Third Row L to R: Jacqueline Evertse, Stephanie de Keyser, Belinda Boyes, Caroline Kaye, Emma O'Hanlon, Celeste Holmes, Suzanne Loow, Robyn Sturgeon, Carolyn Lander, Alexandra Nortier, Hazel Sparks, Juliet Sturrock.

Second Row L to R: Joanna Wayland, Donna Christie, Simone le Fèvre, Bridget O'Neill (Captain), Mrs Goodrick, Jodi Kattor, Adrienne Lombard, Catherine Southern, Charlotte van Dugteren.

Front Row L to R: Karen Melrose, Lissa Christie, Tamsin O'Hanlon, Kirsten Thuning, Bronwen Davie, Samantha Harris, Megan van Zyl, Catherine Roberts, Jessamy O'Hanlon, Kate Parker, Michelle du Preez, Gabi Christie.



MINI HOCKEY A TEAM

*Back Row L to R: Lindsay Marx, Joanna Wayland, Celeste Holmes, Lauren Kellner.
Front Row: Bridget O'Neill (Captain), Mrs Goodrick, Belinda Boyes.*

Hockey:

Captain: Bridget O'Neill

Vice-Captain: Simone le Fèvre

Four teams were entered in the Mini-Hockey league and with the assistance of Mrs Fletcher, the A and B teams positional play improved greatly.

The season opened with a Mini-Hockey tournament held at Constantia Hockey Club. We came 3rd in both our sections. All the teams played on average 10 league matches. Besides the Mini matches we played 11-a-side games against Micklefield A and B.

The girls showed a marked improvement towards the end of the season, being able to apply their skills within the game situation and had acquired a more thorough understanding of the rules.

Our Inter-House hockey tournament was played with enormous zeal. Merriman took 1st place with 7 points (only on goal average, 19 for 14 against). Rolt also with 7 points came 2nd (12 for 13 against) and 3rd Jagger with 4 points.

Tennis:

Captain: Frances Kiewitz

This year we began the season with four teams entered in the league. Our A and B teams played in tough leagues mainly comprising boys' teams. However, they maintained a high standard of play. Our C and D teams, who were all new at competing against other schools, played some promising tennis.

During the first term two couples represented Herschel in the Inter-Schools tournament, which was held at Sans Souci. Belinda Boyes and Frances

Kiewitz played in the Open section and played some long hard rallies, but were outclassed in the end by stronger opponents. Sarah Worthington and Justine Peters played outstandingly in the U-12 section, where they won all their matches. They went through to the Finals meeting Rustenburg. Long, hard, well-placed rallies were played and Justine and Sarah must be commended on their team-work. The games went from 1-1 to 2-2, 3-3, 4-4 and finally Rustenburg took the match 6-4. Better luck next time!

Mrs J. Goodrick, Phys. Ed. Teacher

**TENNIS A TEAM**

Back Row L to R: Sarah Rice, Justine Peters.

Front Row: Frances Kiewitz (Captain), Mrs Goodrick, Sarah Worthington.



WATER — RELATED ACTIVITIES . . .

"... and don't
throw him out
with the bath-
water."

A Junior Pre-
paratory outing
to Dalebrook



The Pyjama
Race in progress
at the Inter-
House Gala

Dressing up . . .

. . . to support
Rolt at the
swimming
gala



. . . for the
Junior
Preparatory
concert





STD I OUTING — "Op Die Plaas".



KINDERGARTEN OR JUNIOR PREPARATORY NOTES

Mrs K. Alexander joined the Junior Preparatory Staff as the second Sub B class teacher this year and Herschel has gained an enthusiastic and well-organised teacher. She soon became part of the team and I thank her for her cheerful willingness and support this year. My thanks also go to Mrs Butler, who has the responsible job of teaching Sub A. It is in her classroom that the basic training for a happy school life at Herschel begins. Her attractive classroom, her well-organized lessons and her positive approach are greatly appreciated. Mrs Munro provides a stimulating pre-school year for those fortunate enough to be in her Pre-Prep class. Using fun and play the girls are led through a readiness programme which makes going "to big school" so easy. I thank her and Mrs Bossi, her assistant, for their dedication and interest.

To produce a play involving every child in the Pre-Prep, Sub A, Sub B and Standard 1 classes requires team work and the success of *Hansel and Gretel*, our concert, as the girls call our show, was due to the co-operation of the staff and the music teachers, Mrs Ekuma and Mrs Grant. Mr Klotz made a video-recording of the play and gave us a copy. What fun it was for the girls to see themselves on television! My thanks to Mr Klotz for making this possible.

Another highlight this year was our Mini-Walk. The Pre-Prep, Sub A and Sub B girls walked seven times through the park and around the school. We raised, through the girls' sponsors, R1 326 for the Peninsula School Feeding Scheme. My thanks to the mothers and fathers who came to help and walk with the girls. Next year we plan to walk with the big girls in Tokai Forest but on a shorter course.

Usually during the third term the Sub B classes go on outings to add interest to Environment Study projects but due to the unrest, we were advised not to go too far afield. We have, therefore, made use of the school environment. The Arbor Day tree planting led to a project on "Trees in the School Garden". We also planted seeds and started mini-gardens.

This year ways were devised so that the Sub A, Sub B and Standard One teachers could see more of one another and we have all benefitted by the closer contact. Mrs Moser and Mrs Robb have been able to share ideas with us and it has been interesting to follow the progress of the girls who were once in our classes.

The Staff have attended lectures on 'The Emotional and Behavioural Problems of Childhood' at Cape

Town Training College also on Environment Study Workshops at U.C.T. Lectures on the use of calculators have led to their introduction as a revision and consolidation tool in Sub B.

The Sub A and Std 1 class representatives arranged social evenings for the parents and we thank Mrs Borland and Mrs J. Louw for their hospitality and for providing a time for parents to get to know one another.

My thanks to Mrs Nixon, the school secretary, for her cheerful support in so many ways and to Mrs Brown for her interest and encouragement this year.

Marguerite Davies

Head of Junior Preparatory Department

LIBRARY REPORT

The activity in our Library and Audio-Visual room increases daily, and we now find it necessary to have two girls on duty during each break. Not only do we have to cope with book-changing, re-shelving of books, processing of new books, problems in the Audio-Visual room, but we also have two sets of "Trivial Pursuit" which does, at times, add extra volume to the already "busy buzz!" My thanks to all the willing helpers, especially my librarians of the last six months — June Franco, Doris Fink, Linda Wilson, Frances Kiewitz and Lauren Kellner.

We have added approximately 300 books to our stock; most of these were bought but some were donated. Without these continuing generous donations we would be unable to keep abreast of the latest publications that we feel are necessary for the girls' education. Extra shelves had to be bought which has solved our shelving problems for a while. Here I would like to thank Mrs Brathwaite for the excellent bookstock she has built up over the years.

We have acquired a wooden cabinet which, in due course, will house our picture collection. This is a huge task and I shall tackle it as soon as the cataloguing of the library books is complete.

Much use is made of the Audio-Visual room. Two more BBC computers have been bought, bringing the total to six. The girls book time to use the computers during break and after school.

Our collection of video-tapes is increasing and good use is being made of our video-recorder.

My grateful thanks and appreciation go to the Mesdames Overstone, Richardson and van Dugteren, who have devoted many Tuesday mornings to helping in the Library.

Mrs N. Forrester, Librarian

LONDON MEETING OF THE OLD HERSCHELIANS

This was held at 57 Eaton Place, London S.W. 1 the home of Diane Townsend (Mrs Yassukovich), on Thursday 23rd May, 1985.

Those present were Mrs R. Bird, (Valerie van der Bijl), Mrs S. Bourcier (Sonja Hollebome), Mrs Cooper, Miss Karisia Cooper, Mrs Forester-Bennett (Pat Halley), Mrs B. Hyde (Mary Hebditch), Mrs H. James (Mary van der Bijl), Mrs O. Jordan (Oswynne Buchanan), Miss Yvette Stockwell, Mrs M. Wilson (Marjorie Aitchison), Mrs Woollan (Phoebe Scrivenor), Mrs H. Wells (Heather Kelly) and Mrs Yassukovich (Diane Townsend), and Mrs Smuts (Judy Corder).

Pat welcomed everyone and thanked Dinny Yas-

sukovich for once again opening her home for the meeting. Pat explained her continuing interest in Herschel and why she felt honoured to be President of the London Association — her great-uncle W.D. Baxter married Ethel Jagger, the founder's daughter. Pat was exceedingly naughty at school and was sent as a boarder, but instead of being a punishment those were her happiest times.

Pat would love to hear from more Old Herschelians who are living or working in London, as she is keen to expand the Association in the U.K., and would especially like to make contact with the younger members, so many of whom go to the U.K. to study or travel.

O.H.A. LONDON MEETING
23 MAY 1985

Karisia Cooper, Mrs Tanamarie Cooper, Mrs Pat Forester-Bennett.

Old Herschelians' Association

MINUTES OF THE 57TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE OLD HERSCHELIANS' ASSOCIATION HELD IN THE LIBRARY AT HERSCHEL ON FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 1985 AT 11.30 A.M.

PRESENT: Miss Geldard (President), Fenella Douglas (Vice-President), Brenda-Lynne Hoffman (Chair), Diana Burns (Secretary/Treasurer), Mandy van Dugteren (Magazine), Judy Smuts (Functions), Staff members and Old Herschelians.

WELCOME: Brenda-Lynne welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES: As the magazine in which they appear has not yet been published, they were read and confirmed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: There is a sum of R2091.24 in the bank, of which R245 represents subscriptions for 49 magazines, leaving a balance of R1846.24.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Newsletter: This year it was sent out in the cheapest format. It was agreed that a better format would be desirable. Diana Burns will investigate printing costs.

2. Magazine News: The magazine includes news of Old Herschelians who have left school within the last 5 years, and also the university round-up. Adele Fouche said that all the news should appear in the magazine as it made for continuity. The meeting agreed unanimously.

3. Computer: Mandy van Dugteren said that it would be possible to transfer the information from the cards of members onto a computer. Anita Gilmour said she would inquire about a word processor.

4. Achievements of Old Girls: None have been submitted, but it is important to inform Mandy of any special achievements, so that we can share in the pride of Old Girls.

5. New Members: Brenda-Lynne welcomed 41 new members from the 1984 matric class to the Association. This is an indication of confidence in the school. The increased membership and higher subscriptions have led to a healthier bank balance which will enable sponsorship of school projects and an improvement in the Newsletter.

6. Bursary: This is available for the daughters of Old Herschelians. It is allocated by the Financial Committee of the Council. It was felt that Old Herschelians should be advised of its availability. The identity of

the recipient would be kept confidential.

7. Nicola Caine was congratulated on winning the Old Herschelians' Prize, and on her excellent farewell speech on Speech Day.

8. The meeting stood in silence in memory of Mr Traill-Wood, for many years honorary auditor of our accounts, and Joanne Hvidsten, a member of the Association.

9. Honorary Auditor: A volunteer was called on to offer her services as honorary auditor. In the absence of a suitably qualified Old Herschelian being found, Jill Eckstein offered to approach her husband, Paul.

10. Mary Browne: The Association conferred honorary life membership on Mary, and it was agreed that a gift should be sent to her in England, where she is living.

11. Functions: Judy Smuts said that it was hoped to arrange a lunch, with a guest speaker, preferably an Old Herschelian, towards the end of April. She will also try to arrange a fund-raising bridge drive to be held at the school. Evryl Kelsen congratulated Judy on the lunch held at the Vineyard Hotel in October, at which Pauline Mann (Vogelpoel) was the guest speaker. Evryl also expressed the need for meeting one's contemporaries, and the desirability of meeting in small groups, covering a 3-year age gap. In order to foster more interest in luncheons and the A.G.M. one should contact a contemporary to encourage her to attend, as one is far more likely to attend if one knows that there will be others of the same vintage present!

12. Archives: Brenda-Lynne thanked Mrs Stockwell for the excellent display of archival material that she prepared for Founders' Day in the area outside the library. So great was the interest shown in the display that it was difficult to drag people away in order to attend the meeting! Jill Eckstein suggested financial aid for materials, etc. used by the archivist. This was agreed upon. Evryl suggested the purchase of a tape recorder for her use.

13. Representative for 1984: Linda Willis was nominated as Circle Secretary, assisted by Nicky Caine and Nicky Newton-King, who are both at Stellenbosch University.

14. Library Artworks: Mrs Brathwaite asked if any-

one could provide any information on the origin of the picture above the fireplace in the library, and the identity of the donors of the three statues. It was established that one of the statues was donated by Mrs Jonker.

15. Thanks: Brenda-Lynne thanked the committee for its work during the year. She also thanked Mrs Gillham for editing the magazine and Miss Geldard for her hospitality. The meeting adjourned at 12.30 p.m. for lunch.

THOSE PRESENT AT THE 57TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING — 15TH FEBRUARY 1985

Miss Geldard, F. Douglas, D. Múzik, A. Gilmour, J. Wynne, S. Sparks, N. Caine, D. Duncan Smith, N. Newton-King, E. Fourie, S. Sturgeon, S. Bosma, J. Napier, P. Thesen, B. Morris, B. Longmore, A. Impey, M. van Reenen, M. Ward Able, A. Fouche, J. Eckstein, C. Symons, A.-G. Greenwood, H. Harsant, S. Gillham, C. Brathwaite, L. Gower, H. Montgomery, M. Westgate, M. Saffery, C. Sweet, E. Stockwell, B.-L. Hoffman, J. Smuts, M. van Dugteren, D. Burns.

THE OLD HERSCHELANS' ASSOCIATION WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

To circle XX: L. Bailey, W. Bray, N. Caine, L. Carlyle, V. Clark, D. Crane, S. Cross, S. Dicey, C. Dunckley, S. Dutkiewicz, C. Fioravanti, D. Flanagan, S. Gatt, L. Graaff, V. Green, I. Hommerson, K. Hutchinson, K. Jameson, D. Krause, J. Krige, A. Leith, S. Levett, L. Maisel, M. Malherbe, C. Mannion, A. McMillan, N. Newton-King, W. Perold, N. Perry, J. Postlethwaite, I. Richter, H. Schubert, J. Sedgwick, C. Shub, G. Siyotula, H. Tasker, D. Taylor, J. Upton, L. Willis, L. Wynne, D. Zelezniak.

To circle UU: A. Robins.

PLEASE NOTE: Founder's Day and Old Girls' Day will be held on Friday 21st February 1986. All Old Herschelians are welcome to attend the service at St. Saviour's, tea on the lawns and lunch. Please diarise this date as individual invitations will not be sent. For further details please telephone Diana Burns (64-1647) or the school (64-4010).

1985 COMMITTEE

President: Miss P. Geldard
Vice-President: Miss Fenella Douglas
Chairman: Mrs Brenda-Lynne Hoffman (Tyers)
Hon. Sec./Treas.: Mrs Diana Burns (Dicey)
Functions Sec.: Mrs Judy Smuts (Corder)

Games Sec.: Miss Ruth Butters
Directory: Mrs Adele Fouché (Jooste)
Magazine: Mrs Mandy van Dugteren (Noakes)

CIRCLE SECRETARIES

Group 1 (A - H)
Miss Fenella Douglas, 1 The Albany, Oak Avenue, Kenilworth (77-4631)

Group 2 (I - Q)
Mrs Adele Fouché (Jooste), 23 Lovers Walk, Kenilworth (71-5374)
Mrs Tanis Robins (Guicherit), 7 Marne Avenue, Rondebosch (61-5627)

Groups 3 & 4 (R - Z)
Mrs Anita Gilmour (Lockwood), Box 93, Lansdowne (71-5094)
Mrs Jennifer Wynne (Brimble), Eyton House, Eyton Road, Claremont (77-9053)

Group 5 (AA - EE)
Mrs Janeen Keyser (Kipps), 12 Irene Road, Newlands (65-2447)
Mrs Mandy van Dugteren (Noakes), 3 Alphonse Close, Constantia (74-1237)
Mrs Karolyn van Zyl (Wood), 45 Palmboom Road, Newlands (69-5878)

Group 6 (FF - JJ)
Mrs Delia Charton (Beck), Poplar Grove, The Valley Close, Constantia (74-2694)

Group 7 (KK - OO)
Mrs Sally-Ann Silberbauer (Wells), 1 Nooitgedacht, Hout Bay (790-3317)
Mrs Terry Morrison (Lloyd-Roberts), 502 Seven Oaks, Main Street, Newlands (69-2917)
Mrs Sally-Anne Brown (Brimble), Box 61, Somerset West (024-48682)

Group 8 (PP - TT)
Mrs Judy van Aswegen (Wilson), 8 Woodland Road, Rondebosch (69-5726)
Mrs Karen McLennan (Croome), Makady Cottage, 6 Staines Road, Plumstead (797-2248)
Miss Susan Burns, 6 Rose Street, Newlands (64-1647)
Miss Lynn Stamper, Blofield, Cornwall Road, Simonstown (86-1631)
Miss Kerynne French, 23 Avenue Road, Newlands (64-4453)

Miss Geldard

The Old Girls would like to wish Miss Geldard a very happy retirement and thank her for always making us feel so welcome and at home on our visits to the school.

ENGAGEMENTS

HANNAY-ROBERTSON — BEROLD

The engagement was announced in April, 1985, between Doune, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Austen Hannay-Robertson of Claremont and Grant, son of Mrs. Joan Berold of Johannesburg and the late Mr. Ralph Berold.

STAMPER — HENDERSON

The engagement has been announced between Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stamper of Simonstown and Pete, son of the late Mr. Eric Henderson and Mrs. Van Carr.

WOMERSLEY — CORRIN

The engagement was announced earlier this year between Juliette Womersley and Christopher Corrin.

MARRIAGES

COWARD — HARDING

On the 27th July 1985 in Cape Town, Elizabeth (nee Appleyard) was married to Wallace Harding.

DE KOCK — DU RAND

On the 9th August Lindy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. de Kock married Arn, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. du Rand of Durban in the Bishops Chapel.

FISHER — BURNS

On the 22nd November, 1984 Lesley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wares of Constantia was married to John, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Fisher of Rondebosch.

FRANCK — NEWMAN

FRANCK — WATLING

On the 3rd August, 1985 a double wedding took place in the Congregational Church in Claremont — Martine Franck married Chris, son of Mrs. Mary Newman of Sweden and the late Mr. D. Newman and Jeanne Franck married Robin, son of Mrs. Joan Watling of U.S.A. and the late Mr. C. Watling. Martine and Jeanne are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Franck of Kenilworth.

LLOYD-ROBERTS — GUSTAFSSON

In January 1985, in London, Susan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lloyd-Roberts of Bishopscourt, married Jonas, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Gustafsson of Karlskrona Sweden and Hastings, England.

MALHERBE — BEYERS

In February Vivienne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Malherbe of Bishopscourt, married Solms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jannie Beyers of Riviersonderend.

MURDOCK — EMARY

On the 31st July 1985, in Chester, England, Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Murdock of Claremont, married Peter, son of Mrs. Mary Emary of Rugby, Warwickshire.

SIMPSON — MURIE

On the 24th August 1985 Peta-Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Simpson of Citrusdal, was married to Mr. Peter Murie of Milnerton.

BIRTHS

ANDERSON

To John and Karin (nee Attwell) a daughter, and sister for Ross, at the Morningside Clinic on the 24th June 1985.

CHARTON

To Delia (nee Beck) and Bulldog a son at the Kingsbury on the 16th January 1985.

CLEWS

To Ronny and Linda (nee Storch-Nielsen) a daughter, Nina, and sister to Michelle, born on 3rd April 1985 at the Kingsbury.

HUGO-HAMMAN

To Shushy (nee Fuller) and Chris a daughter, born 15th April 1985 at the Kingsbury.

KAREMACHER

To André and Elizabeth (nee Cooke) a son born on January 1985 in Sydney, Australia.

KOHLER

To Derek and Gina (nee Thom) a daughter and sister to Hayley and Ryan, born on February 20th 1985 at the Kingsbury.

NIELSEN

To Henning and Anne Marie (nee Serritslev) a daughter, Julie, born on the 1st January 1985 in Copenhagen.

ROBERTS

To Nicholas and Sarah (nee Leslie) a son, George, born in London.

SILBERBAUER

To Clive and Mary (nee Bettison) a daughter, Nicola Ann, born on July 12th at the Kingsbury.

SMART

To Rod and Liz (Simpson), a daughter, Louise, born on the 29th September 1983.

WATSON

To John and Alex (Adams) a daughter born on the 29th March 1985.

WEYERS

To Anton and Louise (nee Olds) a son, Spencer, born on the 2nd November 1984.

WILSON

To Raynor and Judy (nee Scott) a daughter, Fiona, born on the 26th February 1985 at St. Albans, U.K.

DEATHS**PARTON**

Joy (nee Watson), much loved wife of Richard and mother of William and Timothy, died peacefully on June 19th 1985 in England. Deeply mourned by her sisters Felicity, Hilary and Clemency and their families.

NEWS ROUND-UP

ALLEN (1975) Suzanne lives in Johannesburg and is returning to varsity to do Honours in Civil Engineering.

ANDERSON (1970) (Mrs. Pelt) Suzette and her husband, after spending six years in the West Indies, are moving to Australia, where they hope to settle in Queensland.

BROCK (1960) (Mrs. Lubbe) Biddy writes of the eighteen months she and her family spent in the States: "We arrived in Dallas in 105°F and spent the better part of a week house-hunting. Luck was with us and we found a house close to the schools with the much-needed pool. The following eighteen months were filled with many experiences and we were lucky to do seven or eight major things in and around the U.S. We visited Williamsburg and Washington in the Fall, the former picturesque, clad in red and orange leaves. Disneyworld and Epcot in Florida made a great impression on the children. A Christmas visit to snowy Chicago to stay with my brother was fun. We

hired a caravan-camper and drove down to the Rio Grande on the Mexican border. The semi-desert conditions in the Big Bend National Park there were fascinating, enormous cacti and flowering desert plants. We did several trips in and around Texas and particularly enjoyed the Mexican Gulf area around Port Arkansas where the bird-life is plentiful.

The highlight was a three-week trip through the mid-West covering Colorado, Arizona, Wyoming, Utah and New Mexico. We visited Yellowstone with all its diverse natural wonders, enjoying the wild-life particularly. Old Faithful gushed on time, admired by people from almost every nation. The mountain and lake scenery in the Grand Tetson area, south of Yellowstone, was very worthwhile. We were able to raft down one of the rivers obtaining unusual views of the area.

Exploring the depths of Bryce Canyon on horseback provided a lovely contrast, the weirdly-shaped cliffs and rock formations in brilliant pink and orange were unforgettable. A short day in Zion and then on to the Grand Canyon provided a fitting end to a memorable trip. During the last few months of our stay, we encountered an icy cold winter, some contrast to the heat of the summer, when temperatures of over 100°F are run of the mill. The roads iced over, our pool could be used as a skating-rink and we had to delay our final move as the vans could not reach us.

We were very sad to leave the friendly city of Dallas. The lifestyle is relaxed and casual, the people warm and friendly. It's a city of phenomenal growth, every day the skyline changes, and the city throbs with life and traffic twenty-four hours a day.

We returned to S.A. via Hawaii, New Zealand and Australia. A lazy week was spent on Maui, one of the outer islands, basking in the warm sun and sea. It is as beautiful as the brochures say: palm-fringed beaches, luxurious accommodation and balmy nights. Honolulu was very commercialized and we were glad to fly on to Auckland to visit family and explore the North Island.

The last week was spent in Sydney where Johann visited the Caltex Refinery in Botany Bay. Sydney itself is set on the water, numerous little bays and inlets make for idyllic home settings.

Cape Town family and friends gave us a great welcome back. The children settled into their respective schools with barely a murmur, Anton 13 and Andre 7 at SACS, and Tasha 9 at Rustenburg. I seemed to be the only one battling to settle in; perhaps my feet were just too itchy with all the stimulation!"

BORTON (1968) (Mrs Crawley) Pru is still in Stellenbosch and will once again be running the mushroom stall for the Stellenbosch Food and Wine Festival. She is also kept busy picking and drying strawberries.

BORTON (1969) (Mrs Orpen) Jane is involved with the S.A. Orthoptic Society.

BORTON (1973) Bridget is working with computers which involves much travelling. She has taken up canoeing and recently canoed down the Doring River from Clanwilliam.

BUTLER (1983) Ros is still living overseas. She has been studying for a B.A. through UNISA in Paris, and in between she has been travelling. For the past three months she has been working at Club Med in Spain. She is due back in S.A. for a visit in October.

CLAUSSEN (1983) Nina is doing a Fine Art Course at Tech.

CARLYLE (1984) Leanne has been studying French, and is at present doing a Secretarial Course at Cambridge, and plans to be home for Christmas.

DUTKIEWICZ (1984) Stephanie was lucky enough to be invited to sail on a yacht to America via Brazil, French Guyana and through the Caribbean. At the time of going to press they were waiting at Martinique for Hurricane Elena to abate before going on to Miami. She plans to return to Cape Town at the end of the year.

FOUCHE (1983) Jill has just returned from America, and is doing a Secretarial Course for six months.

FLANAGAN (1984) Diane is loving being at the S.A. Academy of Clothing Technology and Fashion Design where she is doing a one-year course and is busy getting a range of her own together for a show.

GATT (1984) Susan is at Tech. doing a course in Fashion Design and in her spare time is modelling.

GILBERT (1968) (Mrs Hall) Pauline and her family have moved back to Cape Town from Pretoria and are settled temporarily in Wynberg.

GREEN (1984) Vanessa has been holidaying in Greece before studying French.

EVANS (1983) Rowena is studying languages at Rhodes.

HALLEY (1945) (Mrs Forester-Bennett) Pat is still working hard for the O.H.A. as our President in London. Her daughter, Lindsay, was married this year and she and her husband own a wine bar-restaurant in Bristol. Her son, Anthony, is studying Arabic with the Foreign Office, an advanced course in Jordan, prior to his first posting in the Middle East.

HUDSON (1983) Cate is still living in London where she has a job with a Public Relations firm, using the skills she acquired in that field on a course she took in S.A. last year.

HUTCHINSON (1984) Kirsten is nursing at Victoria Hospital.

HENNESSY (1958) (Mrs Fleming) Elizabeth and her family have moved to Dulwich U.K., where her husband has a new and exciting job.

ISMAY (1964) (Mrs Whyte) Penny has two sons at W.P.P.S. and her husband is Chairman of Round Table No. 9 this year.

JOHNSON (1980) Jane is living in London and singing in a band which was invited to perform at the Glastonbury Folk Festival.

KILCULLEN (1983) Jacky is back in S.A. from America. She is doing a course in Interior Design through UNISA.

KINLAY (1983) Michele is doing Jewellery Design and is to be married in November.

KNIGHT (1968) (Mrs Drysdale) Chloë is in Cape Town and does part-time P.R. work for the Breweries.

KOLBE (1983) Bev is at a College for filming and directing in Toronto.

KNUTZEN (1975) Judy is working for a firm of Architects.

KRAUSE (1984) Dee-Anne spent three months learning French in Cannes and has been travelling round Europe. She hopes to start a B.A. Psychology in Cape Town next year.

KRIGE (1983) Jeannette is loving her year of Post Matric at Bishops.

LEIGHTON-DAVIES (1979) Pippa is doing her Higher Diploma in Education at UCT this year.

LEES (1968) (Mrs Millman) lives in London with her husband, son and daughter. She often sees Joanne FAULDS (1968) (Mrs Michie), Joanne also has two children and recently accompanied her husband on a trip to the East. Other Old Herschelians living in London include Sarah LESLIE (1969) (Mrs Roberts), Pip BROADBENT (1968) (Mrs Goring), Marjorie AITCHESON (1968) (Mrs Wilson) and Jennifer SUSMAN (1968) (Mrs Skidmore) who gave birth to a son in January and is hoping to get back to work soon, running a computer company.

LANFEAR (1983) Caroline has completed her studies at Tech, and this year has been working for a Travel Agency.

LLOYD-ROBERTS (1975) (Mrs Morrison) Terry is taking sabbatical leave next year from Rosebank College where she is principal. She is hoping to do Drama Honours and possibly a practical acting course.

LYHNE (1983) Wendy is in the throes of developing a very successful modelling career in London and Paris. She lives in London and commutes to Paris when necessary. She came home to visit her family in July.

LITTLEFORD (1983) Cecily is in her first year at the Royal College of Agriculture, Cirencester, in England.

MAISEL (1984) Lerrisse is at Tech, doing the first year of a three-year course in Computer Data Processing.

MALHERBE (1984) Margaret is doing a one-year course in Interior Design at the White House in Rondebosch.

MALHERBE (1977) (Mrs Beyers) Vivienne was married in February to a wheat-farmer in Riviersonderend.

MATOLENGWE (1983) Ingrid is still studying, and at the same time is teaching in the Ciskei.

MANNION (1984) Clodagh is doing a Fashion

Design course at the S.A. Academy of Fashion Design.

MAUD (1979) Celia is teaching Drama and English at Wynberg Senior Secondary School.

MAGGS (1971) (Mrs Turner) Susan is still a "Londoner" — working free-lance as a Cordon Bleu cookery journalist for cookery magazines. She has a daughter, Catherine, who is now two.

McGREGOR (1957) Sue was named Best Female Presenter in radio last year in London and her Woman's Hour gained the Best Magazine Programme award. She recently hosted Princess Anne on a phone-in chat show.

McKENZIE (1966) (Mrs Emslie) Sheila and her family are now living in Kloof, Natal.

MacFARLANE (1983) Jo is doing a typing course at Boston House and hopes to go to London next year.

McLENNAN (1979) Fiona is working for South African Outlook magazine in Cape Town.

OVENSTONE (1983) Anthea has recently returned from a Hotel Management course in Neuchatel, Switzerland.

PERRY (1983) Nicola has been doing a Secretarial Course in Harare and will shortly be visiting Australia with her mother.

RESNEKOV (1971) Karin is teaching nurses in the Intensive Care Unit of the Whittington Hospital in London.

RESNEKOV (1971) (Mrs Conitsiotis) Michele and her husband produced their third son in July last year. They are busy with their jewellery business, expanding and frequently travel all over Europe with the whole family in tow. They hope to visit S.A. in January 1986.

RATHFELDER (1983) Jacky is continuing with her course in Marketing at Tech.

ROWLAND (1983) Liza is working for the Argus as a photographer. At the moment she is involved with photographing houses for the Property section.

ROBINSON (1979) (Mrs Walford) Gail married

Bruce Walford in January this year. They are now living at Nieu-Bethesda near Graaff-Reinet.

SCHRAUWEN (1983) Britt has given up her course at Tech, and is spending this year doing various interesting things such as typing, guitar, ceramics, sewing and dancing. Next year she hopes to go to Barkly House.

SCHUBERT (1984) Hildegard spent the first six months of this year doing a French course at the Alliance Francaise. She and a friend have opened a stall in Claremont where they sell beeswax polish, beeswax candles, honey and any other bee-related products — they make their own candles and call themselves the "Bees Knees". Next year she is hoping to do a B.A. Archaeology at UCT.

SEYMOUR (1963) (Mrs Hodge) Di held a most successful exhibition of Watercolours at Kirstenbosch in May.

SIMPSON (1969) (Mrs Magnus) Marilyn and her family recently moved into what was an old barn in Kenilworth and are busy converting it into something smarter.

SERRITSLEV (1974) (Mrs Nielsen) Anne-Marie has settled in Copenhagen. She is a goldsmith and partner in a small gallery. She has exhibited in Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Stockholm and New York.

STAMPER (1980) Sue has been working as manageress of a Claremont restaurant. She recently became engaged to Pete Henderson and is moving up to Johannesburg where she will be starting a job with BBC Computers as P.R.O. and Personal assistant.

STAMPER (1982) Lynne is in her third year of Physiotherapy at UCT and has been elected President of the Medical Students Council.

TAYLOR (1984) Diane, together with Diane Flanagan and Clodagh is studying Fashion Design at the S.A. Academy of Fashion Design.

THESEN (1983) Penny is doing Textile Design at Tech.

VAN ALPHEN-STAL (1975) (Mrs Gibson) Barbie is teaching Latin at Groote Schuur School. She and her husband have bought a house in Harfield Village.

VAN RYNEVELD (1979) Tessa is working as an editor for Maskew Miller Longman in Cape Town.

VERSTER (1968) (Mrs Norgarb) Gill lives in Swakopmund with her husband and three sons. She is the current S.W.A. Ladies Golf champion. Her sister, Sandra, and husband recently moved to Swakopmund, much to Gill's delight.

WALKER (1983) Julie is doing a Secretarial course in Cape Town before launching into a three-year interior design course. She sailed in the Mediterranean in the July holiday, on a prize tour which she and a friend won for being the best-dressed couple at the J & B Metropolitan Stakes this year.

WHITE (1975) (Mrs Twigg) Camilla, her husband and daughter are now living in Durban.

WOOD (1963) (Mrs van Zyl) Carolyn has had tremendous success with her book "Perfectly Pregnant" which is being published world-wide. She is at present working on an Afrikaans version and a video to go with the book. She teaches nine classes a week in her Studio in Newlands and will shortly be going to London to teach at the Pineapple Dance Studio in Covent Garden.

VARSIITY ROUND-UP

U.C.T.

FIRST YEAR: Lisa Bailey (B.A.L.I.B.), Claudia Fioravanti (B.Prim.Ed.), Christine Dunckley (B.Sc. Computer Science), Linda Graaff (B.Archt.), Ingrid Hommerson (B.Prim.Ed.), Ailsa Leith (B.Soc.Sci.), Susan Levett (M.B.Ch.B.), Ilse Richter (B.A.), Catherine Shub (B.A.), Linda Willis (B.Sc.), Liske Wynne (B.A.), Dorrit Zelezniak (B.A.Lang.), Janice Upton (B.Prim.Ed.), Lindy de Waal (B.Archt.), Lucinda Richards (B.Comm.), Shelley Durr (B.A.).

SECOND YEAR: Sandy Newton-Thompson (B.Comm.), Debby Bell (B.Soc.Sci.), Sonya Bester (B.A.), Elizabeth Baker (B.A.L.I.B.), Nicky Jones (B.Soc.Sci.), Michelle Smith (B.Soc.Sci.), Sarah Ashley (B.A.), Kerynne French (B.Bus.Sc.), Linda Merrington (B.Sc. Nursing).

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1985

EXPENDITURE	469	INCOME	2 321
School Magazine	207	Membership Subscriptions	2 075
Cost	351	Donations Received	11
Add Postage	30	Sale of Bridge Scorers	20
	381	Interest	215
Less Received	174		
Presentations	101		
Old Herschelians' Luncheon	64		
Cost	148		
Less Received	84		
Petty Cash Expenses	90		
Bank Charges	7		
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>R 1 852</u>		

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1985

ACCUMULATED FUNDS	REPRESENTED BY
Balance at 30 September 1984	56
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year ended 30 September 1985	1 852
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I have prepared the above Accounts from the books of account and information received. To the best of my knowledge and belief they are a true record.

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4th Term: Wednesday 1 October — Friday 5 December

