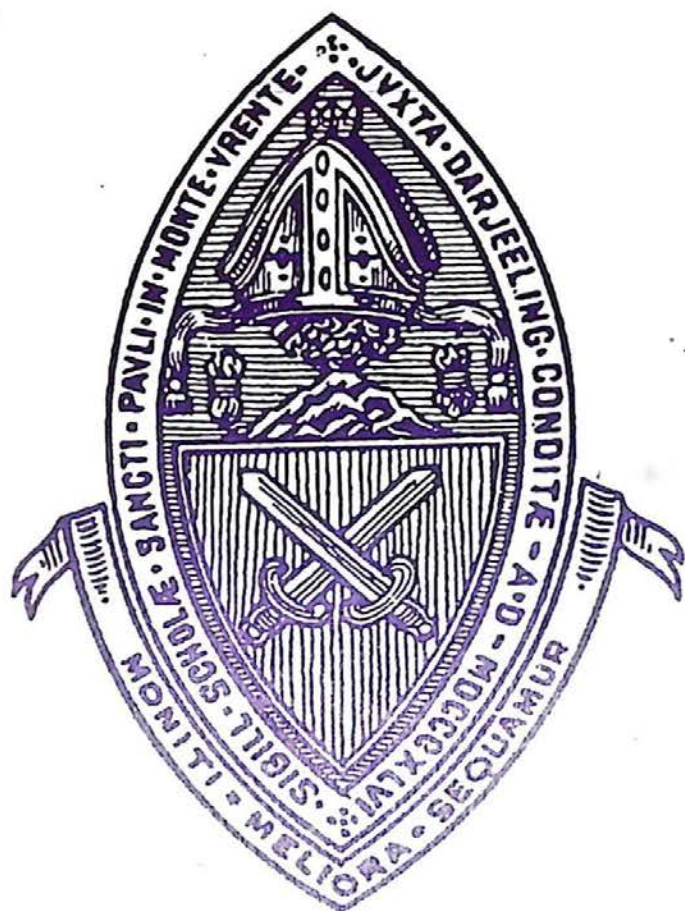


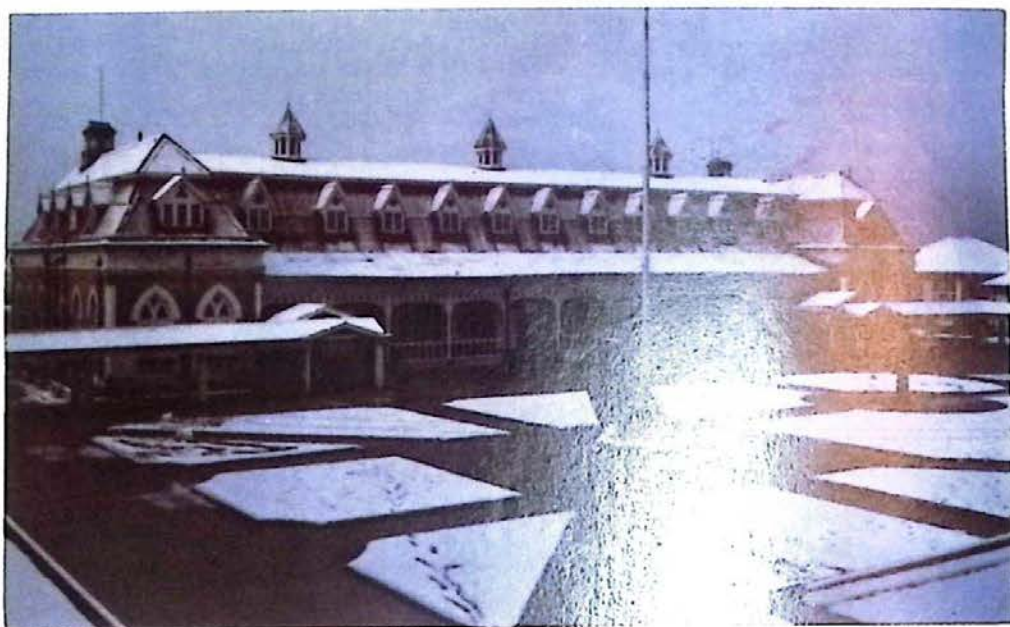
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EDITORIAL

As the last year of this millenium draws to a close a new day awaits us with its ever prestine glory. The past has revealed to us both our capacity to annihilate vis-a-vis our ability to re-grow and metamorphise through love, empathy satyagrah and ahimsa.

Generations of Paulites hare been goaded to 'Fight on' with a 'pure soul' till 'Life's course is run' with the courage and fortitude of a true warrior fearing not the 'darkest night' nor the outcome of his life's struggle.

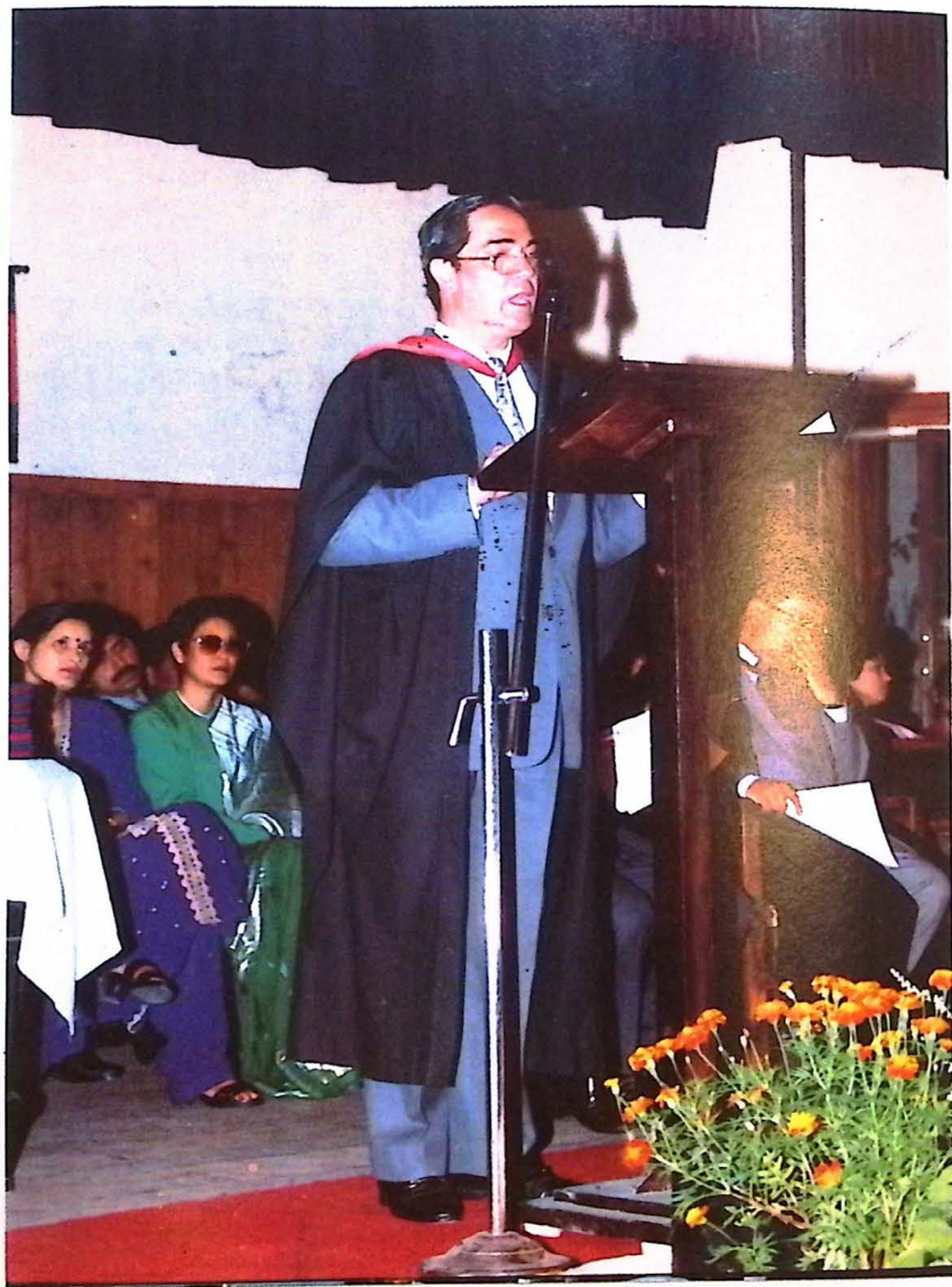
In a world fraught with internecine and deceit St. Paul's, like the Mahatma, preaches love and forgiveness to overcome all adversaries. So don't put off for tomorrow what you can do today, because if you enjoy it today you can do it again tomorrow.

This small world tucked away in the corner of our great nation paves the way for the future. The various activities, societies and houses, teachers et-all, aiming to help each little child charter his course for the star that they purpose. The chronicle endeavours to recapture the past year as it has been in the past one year.

However, I would be failing; in my duty if I did not record the unconditinal cooperation from the staff and the boys without whom this task would have been impossible. Thanks also to the camera club and its M. I. C. for the visual records.

I have tried to make this chronicle a comprehensive insight into the workings of the future Mahatmas, their physical and mental processes - achievements both great and small and above all their resolve to live and love as one community, one society one nation for a better and lovable tomorrow.

Devendra Kumar
Editor



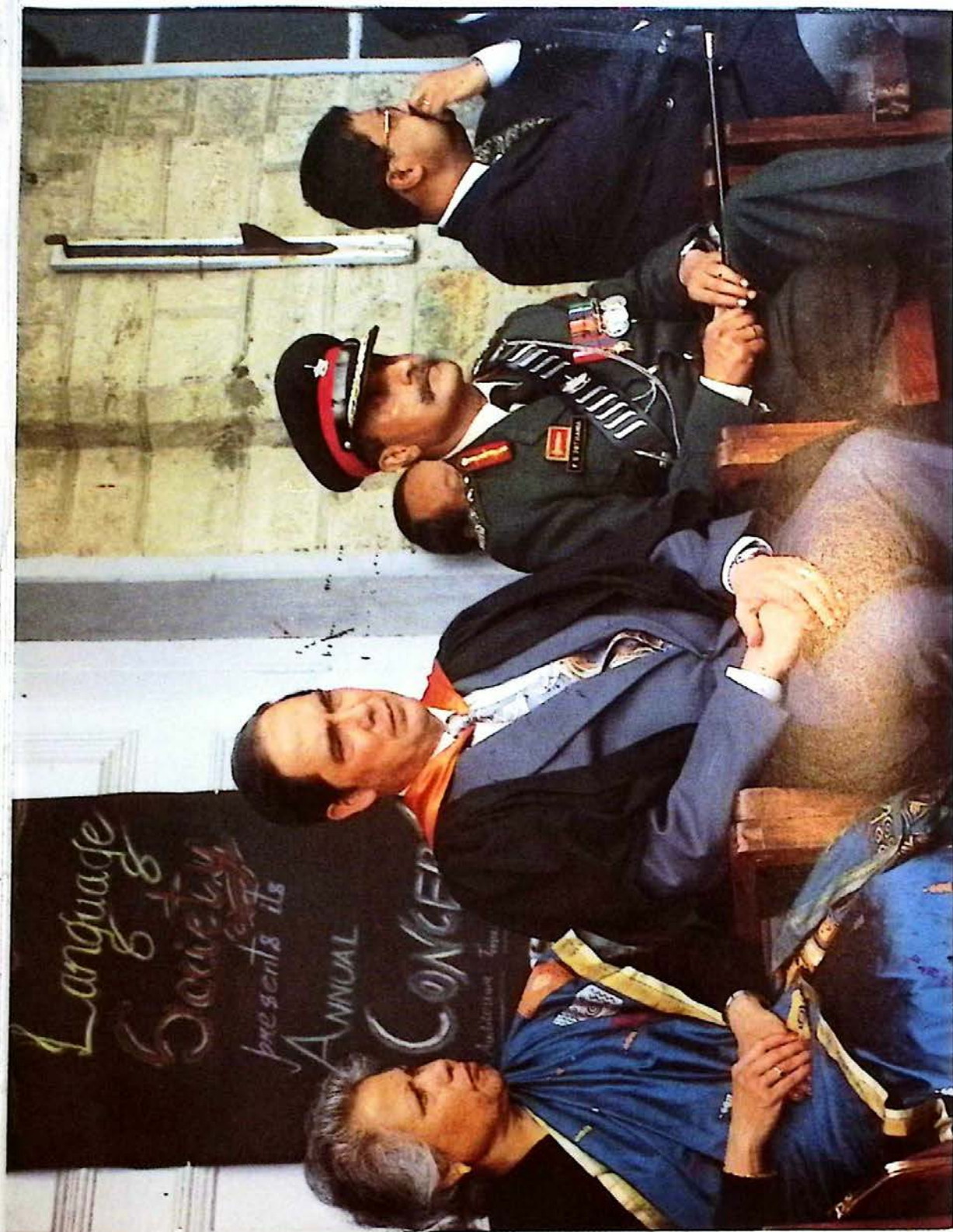
Rector presenting his Annual Report on Speech Day



Rector and Mrs Howard with Mr. Subhash Ghisingh, Hon'ble Executive DGHC at the Inauguration of the refurbished Panchayat



Mr. Subhash Ghisingh, at the New Panchayat



The Rector and Mrs. Howard with Col. R.S. Pathania, Group Commander, NCC
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Rev. Fr. G. Van Wallegghem S.J. with teachers on Speech Day

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The Primary Wing Staff with the Rector



The Administrative Staff with the Rector

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The S. W. Prefects with the Rector

RECTOR'S SPEECH - 1999

Rev. Father Van Wallegghem, Ladies and Gentlemen,

On the occasion of this Speech Day, the last of this millennium, it gives me great pleasure to welcome Rev. Father Van Wallegghem, Rector, St. Joseph's College, North Point. When I served as a young master at St. Paul's, Father Van was already a Senior Administrator at St. Joseph's and he has had years of experience in the field of education. I understand that he has been recalled out of semi-retirement to serve as Rector of St. Joseph's, a tribute to his experience. Though the boys of St. Paul's School and St. Joseph's are rivals, the relationship between Rectors and Head-masters is extremely cordial. We are all there to help each other. It also gives me great pleasure to welcome this morning Mr. Kenneth Jackman, an old Paulite from 1914 and who, at 94 years of age, has made it here for speech Day from his home in the U.S.A. We also welcome his daughter and her husband, Mr. & Mrs. John Kemp.

At the end of last year we bade farewell to Mr. Ashok Thackur, Housemaster of Hastings and Senior Biology Master. Mr. Thackur had served us for 16 years and left to become Vice Principal of National Institute of Sports, Rai, Haryana. His wife, Mrs. P. Thackur who served as a Matron in the Jnr. Wing joined him a few months later. Mr. Nicholas Gomes also left as at the end of March this year, to become Vice-Principal of the Himalayan Academy, Jalpaiguri. Mr. Gomes was Housemaster of Clive House and a Senior Commerce teacher who had served for 18 years. His wife Mrs. S. Gomes also joined him by the end of May. Mrs. Gomes was Matron in the Pry. Wing. We wish both these couples success in their new ventures. Over the course of the year two senior members of the Admn. Staff retired, Mr. H. B. Chhetri, Cashier, at the end of April, and Mr. D. B. Tamang, Office Assistant, at the end of September. Both these gentlemen served the school for 23 years having joined and retired in the same year. They both brought with them a background of ex-servicemen from the Army. Both served with integrity and to the best of their ability. Since they live in Darjeeling we will be able to keep in touch over the years. We wish them a happy retirement. At the end of this year Mr. Thomas Mukhia will retire. Mr. Mukhia is a talented Commerce Teacher and is our Second Master. He has proved his loyalty and devotion to the school over the last 21 years. We will miss his cheerful, good-natured presence but at the same time wish him every happiness and contentment in the future.

We welcome on to our staff body Mr. Partha Sarthi Singha who joined us to teach Chemistry in October last year. Mr. P. K. Ojha joined to teach Commerce and Accountancy. Mr. Anil Deep Rai joined as an additional Games Master. Mr. Asish Sen, an Old Paulite, joined us as the new Art Master. All these gentlemen share a common feature, being modest, quiet and hardworking. I am sure they will grow from strength to strength, giving all their best. We welcome on to the Admn. Staff Mrs. Kalyani Giri Lama and Ms. Bindu Chhetri as Matrons. Mr. Alokesh Dutta joined us as an Office Assistant in the Bursar's Office. A warm welcome to all of them.

We also welcomed our GAP students who have helped out with the teaching of French and middle school Sciences. In the first term we had Adam Brand and Edward McGown. A cheerful ebullient pair who wrote and directed a special version of "An Urban Jungle Book" which they performed with the VIth Form taking lead roles. In the second term we have welcomed Mr. Paul Dicken and Mathew Ganazzini.

The ICSE and ISC results were declared at the end of May. Of the 73 boys who appeared for the ICSE Exams, 69 passed. We were, of course, disappointed about the four boys who failed, yet, on the other hand, the qualitative results of these ICSE candidates was far better than before, with a greater number of distinctions being achieved in the various subjects. At the ISC level all 37 boys passed giving us a sense of quiet satisfaction. Congratulations to all those teachers who handled these boys in the course of their careers through the school.

On the games field the year started with the cricket season. The highlight of this was the Edinburgh Cricket Match and a gala match against the Old Paulites. The present team lost both games though there was considerable enjoyment amongst the players. Other games played in due seasons included Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Table-Tennis, Badminton, Eton Fives, Squash, Marathon and Athletics. We have had varying degrees of success at these games, the most outstanding being from Dhendup Sherpa who won the Inter-district Junior Championship at Table-Tennis. The annual football fixtures against the Old Paulites from Sikkim brought great happiness in terms of reunion and success to the present football team. Our NCC troop functioned effectively throughout the year. The highlight of its activities was a parade and guard-of-honour presented on 15th August. I am deeply grateful to the Officers of the 5 Bengal Bn, N.C.C., who took a personal interest in our

troops. I would also like to thank the Commandant and Officers of the Army Cantonment, Jalapahar, for their help and cooperation throughout the year.

The boys entered a number of competitions at the local level. The Himachal Hindi Bhavan organised a series of activities in Hindi. Vishal Agarwal won first place at extempore speaking. Momocha Thangjam and Tenzing Dekeva won first & third places respectively in the Essay Competition for non-Hindi-speaking candidates. The Marwari Yuva Manch, in collaboration with 'The Statesman', organised an Inter-District Quiz Competition where our team placed first. At the N. M. Master Memorial Inter-School Elocution Contest we were placed third on the whole, with Birat Thapa winning the Jnr. Division.

The stage has been constantly used with a series of House Plays produced by the Jnr. Wing and Snr. Wing houses, plus the Second Language Societies: Hindi, Bengali and Nepali. The Pry. Wing produced their annual concert in May - "Ali Baba and the forty thieves". This colourful musical used a large cast and a choir of a 100 students. The School Play which we witnessed last night, "An Inspector Calls" used a small cast but demanded a high calibre of acting which the boys were able to carry through, successfully.

After Speech Day last year the school choir went down to Calcutta to sing at St. Paul's Cathedral for a specially arranged Service celebrating 175 years of the school's existence. The end of the year saw the annual Carol Services in all three Wings with the choir presenting special items throughout the programme. The highlight of this year's Chapel celebrations was a choir festival done in conjunction with the students of Dr. Graham's Homes. The choir of both schools performed brilliantly, each employing its own distinctive style. This was a happy innovation and I hope we can draw the children closer in a true spirit of community welfare and joy. At the Trinity College of Music Examinations 21 candidates appeared for Piano and Singing; 18 were successful.

The year has been one of development in terms of the Estate with three major building projects all going on simultaneously. A set of six Domestic Staff quarters are being built on our Estate near Aloobari, this in addition to the set of four quarters completed last year. Near the Basketball court a Staff Quarters Complex is nearing completion. It will

solve an immediate need for four staff flats with the longer-term-prospect of four more flats, (eight altogether). Hopefully this will be completed by the end of the year. By far the most spectacular of the building projects (and the most highly visible) is the Laboratory-cum-Dormitory Complex rising below the Main Field, near the Jnr. School. When complete it will house four classrooms, three dormitories and four laboratories for Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Computers. All going well this building will go partially into use by March 2000. These elaborate building plans became necessary in order to house structures and facilities which are currently at Eden Falls. The property known as 'Eden Falls' once housed an independent Prep School called St. Andrews. In 1976 the Board of Governors of St. Andrews School handed over its running to the Governors of St. Paul's School. After a transition period of two years the erstwhile St. Andrews became the 'Primary Wing' of St. Paul's School. By 1982, when the new Pry. Wing complex was completed on the St. Paul's Campus, the children were moved out but we retained the buildings for use as our Infirmary and to provide Staff and Dom. Staff living quarters. When we absorbed St. Andrews School in 1976, we had assumed that the property belonged to that school. Imagine our dismay when we discovered that St. Andrews had functioned in rented buildings. I know, because I was the first Headmaster from St. Paul's to administer the transition years when St. Andrews changed to St. Paul's.



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In order to correct the situation the school entered into a 25-year lease with the owners and this expires in March, 2000. The owners were keen to sell the property to St. Paul's School but during the years of the agitation in Darjeeling the original property of Eden Falls was badly encroached upon so that it lost its contiguity with the Estate of St. Paul's. The main building itself was very old and needed constant expensive maintenance. Thus it was found more practical to let the lease lapse at the end of March, 2000, and to relocate in our own buildings on the campus. I have deliberately digressed to give you this background since, at the close of this year a whole chapter in the history of Darjeeling, St. Paul's School, and the erstwhile St. Andrews School comes to a close when we give up the property of Eden Falls. I must also confess that these projects have taken up much of my time this year. Any one who has built his own house will sympathise when I say that between Architect, Engineer and contractor, all the owner has to do is to keep arguing, complaining and paying the bills! However, I must take this opportunity to thank the Architect of these two projects. Mr. Somnath Sanyal of the Modern Design Group, Calcutta, gave us the architectural designs free of cost. Mr. Sanyal is the father of an Old Paulite, School Captain. He was a loyal parent for twelve years. Mr. Shashish Prasad of Darjeeling gifted us his talents and his architectural skills in designing the new Lab-cum-Dorm. Complex. This large and complicated structure that needs constant supervision has been supervised by him from its very inception. He too has gifted us his architectural services free of cost. I would take this opportunity of thanking the Estate Manager, the Estate Superintendent, and the Bursar for their constant help and support in supervising details related to the construction of these buildings. I must also acknowledge the help received from the local Officers of Darjeeling Municipality.

I am deeply aware of contribution made by our Doctor and Nurses to the health of the students and staff; the Caterers and Storekeepers who provide the food upon which the school marches; the Matrons of all the Wings who ensure that the boys are properly turned-out and their home-comforts ensured; the Office Staff who provide all the organisational back-up necessary to ensure smooth functioning. Above all to that vast majority of Dorm. Staff who provide all the infrastructure facilities of a day-to-day nature so necessary for the welfare of the students. My own burdens have been considerably lightened with the loyalty and efficiency of the Heads of Pry. Wing, Jnr. Wing and the Snr. Master. A warm and grateful 'Thank You' to all.

I would like to pay tribute to the Prefectorial Body led by Amber Huria. Now that the year is almost over, I can confess to him that he has done a good job and that his Prefects have worked as a team to ensure that the boys have been happy and not bullied. Well done.

I would be failing in my duty if I did not reach out in gratitude to the Rt. Rev. D. C. Gorai, retired Bishop of Calcutta and, till January this year, Chairman of the Board of Governors. It was Bishop Gorai who first singled me out for honour in 1984 and who was responsible for sending me back to St. Paul's in 1991. He was Bishop of Calcutta for 16 years and in his person he coupled charismatic leadership with a deep concern for all persons and students at St. Paul's. We welcome in his stead the Rt. Rev. P.S.P. Raju, the new Bishop of Calcutta. Rev. Raju served on our Board of Governors as Vice Chairman of the Diocese of Calcutta; his elevation is one of degree and he has fitted into our system with ease, bringing a sense of continuity.

This year has been an eventful one for the country. We started with the trauma of the Kargil conflict. As news filtered through of the casualties it set one thinking of the need for such senseless hostilities. We made an appeal in the School Chapel and were able to send a gift of Rs. 10,000/- from the boys and staff for the war widows. Later we received news that Mr. Protap Roy, Old Paulite (1974), and Senior English Teacher here till 1994 had become critically ill in Bangalore and needed a liver transplant. Once again we raised another Rs. 10,000/- through Chapel collections. The first term saw us go through a severe water crisis. Darjeeling has an erratic water supply at the best of times but the weather Gods were cruel over the winter of 1998/99 so that we suffered drought conditions this summer. Even the *Jhoras* around us began to dry up. Fortunately we were able to get through the worst of the crisis on a highly rationed water supply. The month of September has seen us in India go through the elaborate exercise of a General Election. Now that we have a new Govt. in place, I hope we can all look forward to an era of stability, peace and prosperity as we enter the new millennium.

CHIEF GUEST'S ADDRESS ON SPEECH DAY 1999

Rev. Father G. Van Walleggem S.J.

Respected Rector & his gracious wife Evelyn, Staff, students and parents of St. Paul's.

I cannot begin without greeting Mr. Kenneth Jackman along with his daughter and son-in-law. To return at the age of ninety-four to a school where he began his studies in 1914 is certainly a great joy to him and says much about the loyalty and the love that former Paulites have for the school. It is indeed a great pleasure and even a greater honour to be invited to your Annual Speech Day. I have heard of this day for the past 50 years and often wondered what went on. When Mr. Howard phoned me three or four months ago, the dignity and the mystique or the mystery of the occasion made me hesitate and I tried to beg off. But your Rector brooked no refusal. That is the way of good Rectors. He simply gave me the date and the amount of time at my disposal. Limiting the time at my disposal was a wise move on his part so I decided to write out my speech to make sure I didn't ramble on till lunch time.

So I've decided to begin my speech on a favourite topic of mine, the purpose of school education. Students come to school to learn and that is why undoubtedly parents send them to school. But to learn what and for what purpose? I'm sure that the parents here present scrutinise the term and the annual results very carefully as you are very anxious about how well your sons will do in life. Will they be able to succeed in any profession? Will they be sought after by the top firms? These are certainly reasonable questions, especially since you have sent your sons to one of the most prestigious institutions in the land hoping that they will have bright futures.

But the results you gauge this by are measurements of objective knowledge of the world out there rather than what happens within your sons. Students can learn the facts of Chemistry, of History, of Mathematics without developing as persons. They can write reams on subjects in the examinations, yet remain untouched by the things they have learned, indeed unchanged. My proposition is that this can be quite dangerous and often is. St. Paul's is a school which, I'm sure, is aware of the inherent danger in this kind of knowledge and therefore has done all in its power to emphasise that the learning imparted here is not just facts and figures but results in a real transformation of each student.

My education bible is a book "To know as we are known" written by a man of deep insight, **Parker Palmer**. From him I've come to learn that education is really a spiritual journey, that to learn is to face the possibility of an inner transformation. We often avoid knowledge that calls for our own conversion. We want to know in ways that allow us to convert the world out there to our own purposes by dominating it, but not in ways that require us to change as well. And this is why I say, that though learning of objective facts may have its importance, it is not the main purpose of learning in our schools. Such learning must lead us to questioning how it relates to our own inner experience, how does it affect our relationships, do we come to an inner sense of the truth. The question that each school, nay, each teacher must ask is **how can places where we learn to know become places where we learn to love.**

HOW CAN PLACES WHERE WE LEARN TO KNOW BECOME PLACES WHERE WE LEARN TO LOVE ?

True knowledge originates in compassion. As St. Bernard of Clairvaux said ten centuries ago, the more one loves, the more one knows. The more a teacher loves his students, the more he will know them, the more he will understand them, the more he will be able to relate to them, the more he will be able to lead them to a fuller life, the more he will reveal to the student an awareness of who he himself really is.

The same is true of married life, the more we love, the more we get to know our partner, the more successful the marriage relationship will be. The more we love the people we meet in our professional life, the more ready we will be to relate to them in a constructive, fruitful way. We are all aware that this world we live in is a very broken world and it certainly requires mending and this can only be done by people who have learnt to love.

There is a true story about the harm that can come from objective knowledge divorced from its relationship to one's inner self and its relationship to others. For objective knowledge alone easily leads to the passion of power, of self-importance. The Story comes from a documentary called "The day after Trinity".

"Trinity" strangely was the code name for the original explosion of the atom bomb over Hiroshima, Japan, in August 1945. The film is full of images of horror but the most fantastic horror image was that of intelligent and educated people enthusiastically working hard month after month, driven passionately by the power of their knowledge to create that bomb to find out how much havoc it could cause. Some even felt, it seems, that it might explode the atmosphere burning up the whole world, even themselves. Even so, the experiment went on as scheduled, the passion driving them to see the outcome of the knowledge they had that made it possible.

The outcome has been graphically described by Dr. George Hudson, a former Victoria, Kurseong student, in his book - "PIKA - DON", Japanese for lighting and thunder. Hiroshima had seen many planes pass over it for months on end but it had never been bombed and this lulled them into a sense of security. At 8:00 am on August the 6th, 1945, the whole workforce and school going population of Hiroshima was on its way to duties of the day. They looked up casually at two planes passing over the center of the city, but somewhat apart. As they watched, they saw that it was soon followed by another plane that flew on a line between the previous two. The third plane suddenly dropped a parachute and everyone excitedly watched it descend. Could it be true that an enemy was defecting to their side? Eagerly they questioned one another. Then suddenly a flash of light, an explosion and all the seventy thousand looking upward were instantly blinded. The air was full of the stench of burning flesh, the noise of crumbling buildings, and much screaming and wailing, all the result of technical arrogance that overcomes people when they see what they can do with their minds. Only on the day after did they begin to agonise over the outcome of their work.

My friends, true education has to call us out of isolation and self centeredness into compassion and into the vast community of love. Truth calls us into relationships, patient dialogue, mutual transformation. It calls us to open up an inner space of heart and mind. Genuine solutions and authentic answers to the problems of our fractured world will come from within students trained to reflect compassionately, students led by their teachers and their school on a pilgrimage to their own center, to their own heart.

Fortunately, there are people in this world of ours who have been educated to love and be compassionate. One example that has touched my life is the story of a couple, Nellie and Joe Lemay. In 1952, this couple received a telephone call from the superintendent of the Milwaukee General Hospital. They had already, with a great spirit of sacrifice, successfully launched their own five children into the world and were looking forward to the rewards of retirement, travel and leisure. The superintendent said, *"We have a problem and at a meeting it was suggested you might help us for a short time"*. Six months previously a child was born in the hospital with cerebral palsy. The child was like a vegetable, blind, without any movement, no signs of any emotion and kept alive only through forcefeeding. The parents in great distress had left him in the hospital where such children die very early. When the superintendent asked her to take on this burden, Nellie replied, *"If I take the child, he will not die and I will take him"*.

She already knew what love could do. I cannot explain to you the long saga of thirty years during which she lovingly and patiently coaxed him to swallow and eat, at the age of eight to walk, at the age of twenty three to play the piano, at the age of twenty eight to speak, till at thirty he was ranked as the best pianist on American TV. When asked by investigating psychiatrists and psychologists how he had avoided dying, he simply said, *"It is a MIRACLE of LOVE!"* Yes, Nellie's love truly created him into a full human being. Love is the most powerful force we know of, it not only changes people but truly creates them.

Another example closer home is what two women, Mrs. Ranu Baneerjee and Mrs. Indrani Roy, are doing in Calcutta. Years ago they become concerned about handicapped children, especially spastics. Now they head the **Spastic Society of Eastern India**, and with great love are giving over 200 of these handicapped children the most modern education possible. When I visited their school in May, I was overwhelmed by how they are creating life for boys and girls who would have forever lived on the margins of society, neglected and scorned. One of them who can control only his big toe is running a computer with it. The intelligence bottled up in these handicapped bodies has been given free play and all of them are on their way to a loving, productive, fruitful life.

Again it is the creativity that flows from people who have learned to love and be compassionate. It is this kind of education that can change all of us from being distrustful of one another, or suspicious or prejudiced or violent and destructive, all so common when we are proud of the objective knowledge we have received when it is divorced from learning loving relationships.

All you teachers here have a great mission to unleash this creative power of loving in the students you meet daily in your classrooms and about the campus. The words you use have the power either to destroy or create. I don't think there is any other profession that can so effectively transform this nation into the nation of our dreams, a land

"Where", in the words of Rabindranath Tagore in his prayer poem,

*"the mind is without fear and the head is held high;
where knowledge is free;
where the world has not been broken up into fragments by
narrow domestic walls;
where words come out from the depths of truth;
where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;
where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the
deary desert sands of dead habit;
where the mind is lead forward by thee into ever widening
thought and action -
into that heaven of freedom, my father, let my country awake."*

Or again with Henry Wadsworth Longfellow in his poem, "A Psalm of Life",

*"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."*

It is to leaving these footprints behind that I beckon each one of you in this temple of learning.

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DARJEELING
SPEECH DAY

Saturday, 16th. October 1999, 11.00 a.m.

Chief Guest : Rev. Fr. G. Van Wallegghem S. J.

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS

PROGRAMME

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Rector's Report

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Vote of Thanks

National Anthem

PRIZE LIST - 1999

<i>Class</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Progress & Application</i>
1	Sujoy Chakravarthi	Loma Taba	Ghanshyam Prasad
2	Ashwin Agarwal	Ashish Kumar	Biswadeep Choudhury
3A	Adarsh Modi	Amir Azam	Subham Khetan
3B	Nitin Jain	Priyanka Ray	Anish Agarwal
4A	Mushahid Hussain	Priyam Chowdhury	Ang T. Sherpa
4B	Abang Taba	Smriti Sharma	Zoheb Bhutia
4C	Anindya Maity	Subanta Neogi	Gareth Macfarland
5A	Swarnadeep Banerjee	Ashutosh Kumar	Somesh Kumar Murarka
5B	Shyam Prasad Murarka	Peeyush Agarwal	Ankit B. Shrestha
5C	Afroz Adnan	Saswat Bajracharya	Ankur Agarwal
6A	Rachit Dudhwewala	Prasenjit Biswas	-
6B	Rajib Roy	Parimal Agarwal	-
6C	Rohit Agarwal	Bijan Kumar Saha	-
7A	Anindya Das	Mohit Gourisaria	Ankur Maskara
7B	Amil Raza Shakri	Harshit Kumar	Anindya Paul
7C	Adarsh Saxena	Mayank Kumar	-
8A	Kushal Batabyal	Saurabh Upadhyay	Shafin Ahmed
8B	Aditya Sanyal	Amit Khetan	Ikramul Haque
8C	Nayeem Karim	Ayush Shrestha	Gautam Kumar
9A	Nikhil Kumar Agarwal	Abhishek Chanani	-
9B	Ajitesh Jaiswal	Tushar Chandra Singh	Anil Gurung
9C	Mukesh Kumar	Prafull Saraf	Subham Kumar
10A	Tushar Ujjwal Kumar	Naman Mawandia	Arun Agarwal
10B	Navin Kumar Gadia	Abhishek Jalan	Sajal Kayan
10C	Momocha Thangjam	Gaurav Chhawchharia	Ankit Goenka
11Com.	Amit Bansal	Sanjeev Mehra	-
11Hum.	Tosanlang Kharsati	Shankar Gurung	-
11Sc.	Mitadru Koley	-	-
12Com.	Vishal Agarwal	Ritesh Agarwal	-
12Hum.	Rupesh Kumar	David Cecil	-
12Sc.	Lalramdinpuia Khiangte	-	-

SPECIAL PRIZES

Primary Wing

Class	Good Conduct	Art
1	Pem Singhal	Gaurav Agarwal
2	Ujjwal Baral	Chikahito Rochill
3A	Adarsh Saran	Dorje T. Gurung
3B	Pradeep Swar	Nabin Dani
4A	Wasi Abrar	Atokavi Sukhalu
4B	Vilota Zhimoni	Mingma T. Sherpa
4C	Divesh Shah	Yonten Tenzing
5A	—	Hridesh Thapa
5B	—	Kalden Lama
5C	—	Khangseng Mein
	Essay Prize	Kushal Shrestha
	Moore Divinity	Abhishek Gautam
	Best Actor	Vikramjit Sen
	Saxena Prize for Quizzing	Priyam Chowdhury
	Jyoti Kundu Memorial Medal	Kawaljit S. Randhawa

JUNIOR WING

J. W. Art Prize	...	Sabal Tuladhar
B. J. Sharma Prize for the Best Sportsman	...	Majidul Islam
Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer in JW	...	Majidul Islam
Jyoti Kundu Prize for Elocution	...	Amar Bajracharya
N. Shanmugam Memorial Medal for Good Conduct in Cl. 7	...	Subham Kumar
Disawala Prize for the Best Actor	...	Amar Bajracharya
K. N. Sahgal Prize for Bible Reading	...	Abhijit Tarafdar
Moore Divinity Prize (Junior)	...	Diganta Chowdhury
Gayatri Kanti Prize for Consistent Academic Achievement in the Junior Wing	...	Kushal Batabyal
Karanjai Prize for Quizzing	...	Adarsh Saxena
B. P. Dutta Science Prize	...	Nayeem Karim
Bhattacharya Music Prize	...	Diganta Chowdhury



SENIOR WING

Kabra Proficiency Prize (ISC '99)	...	Amit Tibarewala
A. H. Miller Prize for Science (ISC '99)	...	Vivek Kandhari
Rai Bahadur D. N. Singh Prize for Hum. (ISC '99)	...	Amardeep Banerjee
Badridas Modi Prize for Commerce (ISC '99)	...	—
Leslie Goddard Scholarship & Medal (ICSE '99)	...	Amit Bansal
Renuka Dang Proficiency Prize (ICSE '99)	...	Aaditya Cintury
Rector's Special Prize for proficiency (ICSE '99)	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Kamlesh Kanti Prize for Hindi (ICSE '99)	...	Amit Bansal
K. L. Pradhan Prize for Economics (ICSE '99)	...	Rabin Pandey
Rudra Hindi Prize	...	Amit Periwal
Madhukar Rana Nepali Prize	...	Dawa Sherpa

Usha Rani Bengali Prize	...	Ritesh Agarwal	
Tower History Prize	...	Amber Huria	
Class of '99 Economics Prize	...	Amber Huria	
Clarke Geography Prize	...	Rupesh Kumar	
K. N. Sahgal Accountancy Prize	...	Amit Gupta	
K. N. Sahgal Business Studies Prize	...	Ajay Agarwal	
Anil Choudhury Art Prize	...	Yeatin Giri	
Moore Divinity Prize	...	David Cecil	
Karun Majumdar General Knowledge Prize	...	Anirban Sinha	
Saraf Short Story Prize	...	Lalramdinpuria	
		Khiangte	
Maj. Bhatnagar Prize for 'Brain of St. Paul's'	...	Ashish Chettri	
Carter English Essay Prize	...	Amber Huria	
Nanibala Dey English Literature Prize	...	David Cecil	
Gal Gregory Maths Prize	...	Kunal Chaudhury	
Majumdar Science Prize	...	Gaurav Saha	
Kothari Physical Science Prize	...	Yeatin Giri	
Robin Banerjee Life Science Prize	...	Saket Bairoliya	
Luv Kumar Ecological studies Prize	...	Yeatin Giri	
R. S. Prasad Prize for Computer Science	...	Not awarded	
Adams Music Prize	...	Isaac Kharkongor	
Rahoul Music Prize	...	Not awarded	
G. V. Swaika Prize for Drama	...	Isaac Kharkongor	
Nilima Bose Prize for Excellence in Theatre	...	Not awarded	
Best Actor Prize for 2nd Languages	Hindi	...	Amit Periwai
	Nepali	...	Not awarded
	Bengali	...	Omar Hyder Ali
Bible Reading Prize	...	Kunal Arora	
Sakraney Prize for Elocution	...	David Cecil	
Air Force Trophy & Prize for the Best Public Speaker	...	Amber Huria	
N. K. Mitra Prize for Club Activities	...	Rupesh Kumar	
Best Artist Prize for 1999	...	Yeatin Giri	
Best Craftsman Prize for 1999	(a) Batik	...	Sachin Pradhan
	(b) Woodwork	...	Kunal Chaudhury
Gibbs Prize for Outward Bound Activities	...	Not awarded	
Kamlesh Kanti Prize for the Best Photographer of the year	...	Nikhil Goyal	
Das Studio Prize for Consistent Good Work throughout the year...	...	Amit Gupta	
Darjeeling Photo Stores Prize for Excellence in Photography	...	Om Prakash Gupta	
General Virendra Prize for NCC	...	Rupesh Kumar	
Jack Warren Medal for Cricket (Cl. X and below)	...	Arindam Ghosh	
Darjeeling Rotary Award for Social Service (Cl. X and below)	...	Amir Adeel Khan	
O.P.A. Prize for the Best All Round Sportsman	...	Rupesh Kumar	
O.P.A. Prize for Social Service	...	Yeatin Giri	
G. J. Shaw Trophy & Prize for the Best All Rounder (Cl. X)	...	Tarak Nand Joshi	
K. K. Mukherjee Trophy & Medal for the Best All Rounder (Cl. XII)	...	Rupesh Kumar	
Bishop's Prize	...	Isaac Kharkongor	
School Captain's Prize	...	Amber Huria	
Rector's Prize	...	Amber Huria	





ISC Batch of 2000 with Mr. N. Vincent and Mr. D. Kumar



ICSE Batch of 2000 with Mr. M.C. Kharga, Mr. D. Bagchi and Mr. M. Dev

CLIVE HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Master : Mr. G. Bhattacharya
House Tutors : Mr. B. B. Tamang
Mr. A. S. Iyer

House Captain :
Amber Huria
House Prefect :
Amit Gupta
Zorba Laloo

The year 1999 began with the house bidding farewell to Mr. N. Gomes who had been housemaster of Clive for 18 years from 1981 to 1999. Mr. Gomes was solely responsible for focusing the house's image as the most envied house in the school. During Mr. Gomes tenure Clive inevitably bagged the majority of the shields and cups. The void created by the departure of Mr. Gomes was filled in by Mr. Gautam Bhattacharya. Mr. Bhattacharya joined the school in 1989. He is the head of the Bengali Dept. Mr Bhattacharya has produced a number of Bengali plays through the years which has established his reputation as an excellent director.

The following boys of Clive were appointed to positions of responsibility for the year 1999.

Amber Huria : School Captain, House Captain, Captain of Tennis, Captain of Badminton, Secretary of Debating Society.

Amit Gupta : House prefect, Hockey Captain, IAYP Secretary, Secy. Photography Club.

Zorba Laloo : House prefect, head Chapel Warden

Shashank Agarwal : Captain of Eton Fives.

Ritesh Agarwal : Student Editor of Bengali of the Paulite Newsletter.

Vishal Agarwal : Games Secy. and Student editor of Hindi Paulite Newsletter.

Nitin Agarwal : Secy. of Audio Visual Club.

The year began fruitfully with Clive easily winning the cricket shield thus keeping up the tradition by winning the same for four years in a row.

There was a surprise in store for us when our volleyball team beat the much coveted Lawrence House team to lift the Volleyball Cup. We did not fare too well in Basketball despite the captains Md. Hanif's best efforts.

On stage we narrowly missed the Bengali Elocution Cup. However, we won the Nepali Elocution with ease and the Hindi Elocution was shared with Hastings despite our best efforts. We didn't win the English Elocution Cup.

The disappointment of the English Elocution was compensated by Clive coming joint first with Hastings in the Brain of St. Paul's contest. The quiz team comprising of Amber Huria and Sanjeev Mehra need to be commended on their performance. Amber Huria narrowly missed the individual prize for the Brain of St. Paul's by 3 points.

In spite of having a talented lot of players we did not fare too well in football this year. Some poor defence and lack of quality striker brought our downfall. Tenzing Kutsabpa needs to be commended on his performance. He received minor colours in Football for brilliant display of his skills.

The monsoons weren't so bad for Clive. We made a clean sweep of the Badminton house matches thus winning this most coveted indoor game cup. The team led by the badminton Captain Amber Huria and including Amit Gupta, Jewell Choudhury and Farhan Hyder need to be commended for their excellent performance.

On the 28th of August Clive staged its annual house concert in the Prep Mall. The concert comprised of songs in Hindi, English and Nepali. A dance choreographed by Zorba Laloo on "The Bombay Boys" Song and a one Act play entitled "The Re-Union". The play was directed by Mr. G. Bhattacharya and had Amber Huria, Hanif Md. and Sanjeev Mehra in the lead roles. On the whole it was a thoroughly enjoyed evening for all.

In the course of the second term began the debating season with the very first debate being Clive against Lawrence. It was an easy victory for Clive. The next debate was against Havelock and once again Clive proved to be superior with Amber Huria being declared the best

speaker. Thus we had to be content to share the debating shield with Hastings and Havelock.

Marathon this year was a bad season for the Clive as and we were nowhere in the second.

The Eton Fives was also lifted by Clive although we had to share the cup with Hastings. Congrats to Shashank Agarwal for his great work. In Athletics we, however, fared better and were placed 2nd in the standards cup. We also won the 20 x 100 relay cake on sports day and our 4 x 200 team finished second. Among the promising athletes were Amit Gupta, Farhan Hyder and Tenzing Kutsabpa. Kutsabpa received minor colours in Athletics for a record breaking throw in javelin at the Inter school meet.

The Tug 'O' war was also bagged by Clive on sports day. Mention must be made of the team comprising of S. Rajbhandari, S. Mehra, Md. Hanif, G. Sarada, T. Kutsabpa, E. Manandhar, A. Ghosh and D. Saha.

On speech Day the following boys from Clive were awarded prizes.

Gaurav Chowcharia - Second prizes (X C)

Amit Bansal : 1st proficiency prize 11 com.

Sanjeev Mehra : 2nd proficiency prize 11 com.

Ritesh Agarwal : 2nd proficiency prize 12 com.

Arindam Ghosh : Jack Warren Medal for the best cricketer cl. X and below

Amit Bansal : Leslie Goddard Scholarship and Medal (ICSE 99) & Kamlesh Kanti Prize for Hindi (ICSE 99)

Sanjeev Mehra : Rector's Special Prize for proficiency in I.C.S.E. 99

Ritesh Agarwal : Usha Rani Bengali Prize

Amit Gupta : Das Studio Prize for consistent good work in photography.

K. N. Sahgal : Accountancy Prize

Amber Huria : Carter English Essay Prize, Tower History Prize, Class of 99 Economics medal, Air force Trophy and medal for Best Public Speaker, School captain's medal and Rector's prize.

After a pleasant and much needed Puja break the house reassembled to play Hockey.

Tennis was played during November this year. Clive lifted this cup with Lawrence. Amber Huria and Tenzing Kunga's performances were commendable. Despite the efforts of Amber Huria and Rajib Miah we finished second in squash.

I would like to thank the boys of Clive for co-operating with me and whose united efforts brought us so many cups. I would also like to thank my perfects Amit and Zorba for helping out with the house in their even ways. My report would be incomplete if I failed to mention my gratitude to Mr. Bhattacharya my housemaster who despite his first year as housemaster and his M. A. Exams coming up in the end of November was always willing to help the house boys in whatever form they required the help.

Wishing the next house captain and next year Cliveans the best for 2000.

Amber Huria
House Captain



Clive House with (seated L-R) Mr. S. Iyer, Mr. G. Bhattacharya (House Master),
Mr. B.B. Tamang

HASTINGS HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Master : Mr. D. Pradhan House Captain : Rupesh Kumar

House Tutors : Mr. D. Kumar House Prefect: Kunal Chaudhary

Mr. S. D. Lama

Mr. Partha Singha

N.T.S. affiliated

to the House Mr. D. Cecil (Bursar)

Mrs. S. Chakravarty (Matron)

The maxim 'Men may come and men may go, but I go on forever', sums up the character of Hastings House. At the end of last year we were shocked by the sudden resignation of our housemaster, Mr. A. Thakur. A person who was more than a housemaster to us, infact he was a father to us. We were like a captainless ship amidst the vast and boundless ocean but when Mr. D. Pradhan took over, no shock to us in Hastings, we were given a new phase of life. He has proved his mettle and if he ever was to leave us, we would again be orphans.

The year began with the appointing of Rupesh Kumar as the house captain, Athletics captain as well as the machine workshop secretary. I, Kunal Choudhury as the house prefect, table-tennis captain, wood-work secretary and Paulite Editor (English). Abhishek Dokania was appointed as captain of Squash and secretary of the Industrial chemistry. David Cecil was appointed as the Carrers Club secretary and the secretary of the English lit. Society. Saif Zaman was appointed as the compiler of the Paulite Newsletter for the year 1999. Hastings, thereafter rose to be a house of responsible and able leaders.

The games field and other inter-house competitions were the areas where Hastings lead. We came second in Volleyball but the effort of Shanker Gurung cannot be overlooked. The cricket shield, although the game was not our cup of tea, narrowly slipped out of our hands. However, it would be unjust of me to not mention the efforts put in by Jyoti Prakash, Saif Zaman, Dibyadyuti Ghosh and Rupesh Kumar and others.

The next game scheduled was Basketball and although we came 4th, it was not a spiritless fight we put up. Tenzing Lama, Lalram Khiangte, Kinley Dorji, Tashi Dorji Ghale played excellently. The

football shield again narrowly slipped out of our hands. Special mention to Kinley Dorji, Tashi Dorji Ghale, Shankar Gurung, Saif Zaman and others for their fine performance. The table tennis cup was lifted by us due to the performance of Kunal Choudhary, Nikhil Goyal, Dibyadyuti Ghosh and Tushar Chandra Singh. After that there was no looking back for Hastings. In quick succession, we lifted the marathon cup, mainly due to Jyoti Prakash, Tashi Dorji Ghale, Kinley Dorji, Shankar Gurung etc., the Athletics shield and standards cup mainly due to Jyoti Prakash, Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Tashi Dorji Ghale, Kinley Dorji, Tenzing Lama and Rupesh Kumar.

For Hastings '99 was a brawn and brain effort. We lifted the English Elocution (David Cecil, Karan McDonald, Amanbir Grewal and Anirban Sinha), the Bengali Elocution, the Hindi Elocution, the Quiz-zing Cup as well as the Debating cup.

In the beginning of the year we put up our concert, 'Mother's Day' where Anirban Sinha, Abhishek Behani, Naman Mawandia and Amanbir Singh Grewal excelled themselves. The music concert - '99 was the showcase for talents of Zothanchamma, Tosanglang Kharsati, Saif Zaman, Shanker Gurung, Tenzing Lama and Zakee Shah.

Tennis too was our's for the taking.

The icing on the cake was the award of the Sikkim shield which was the most coveted and keenly contested.

In conclusion, I would like to thank our Housemaster and House captain for their guidance and house boys for their kind cooperation.



Hastings House with (seated L-R) Mr. S.D. Lama, Mr. P. Singha,
Mr. D. Pradhan (House Master), Mr. D. Kumar

HAVELOCK HOUSE REPORT

House Master :	Mr. U. K. Dwivedi	House Captain :	Isaac Kharkongor
House Tutors :	Mr. M. Dutta Mr. M. Dev Mr. P. Ojha	House Prefect:	Vivek Pradhan

The boys returned to school on March 3. There was enthusiasm in every heart as it was the beginning of a year with old friends and teachers. Many boys were appointed secretaries of various departments and captains of various games. They were :

Isaac Kharkongor :	House Captain Football Captain Marathon Captain Music Secretary
Vivek Pradhan :	House Prefect Science forum secretary
Sudeep Ghosh :	Bengali Society Secretary Computer Society Secretary

The sports year started with cricket, in which we came third, but we did play gallantly. Our 2nd XI team was unbeaten in the matches.

Basketball, the year's second game was won by Havelock as we beat Lawrence by a hair's breadth. The boys who helped us came out victorious in this game were Phuntsok Gyalnam (ala), Peter Sailo, Sonam Ghale, Sersang Tenzing, Namgay Rangdo', Anil Gurung (Sr) and Saurav Shrestha.

In Volleyball, we stood third in a gruelling round of league matches.

On the 15th of May the annual house concert was put up by Havelock. We put up an entertaining one-act play entitled 'The Dear Departed'. The concert also contained a variety of English songs and a Nepali song. There were two dances, which were really thoroughly enjoyed by the boys. Mamocha Thangjam, Isaac Kharkongar, Reynold Anthony, Kwok Wai Chay, Omar Haider Ali, Siddharth Poddar, Vivek Risal and Ravi Shah need to be commended for their excellent performances.

Straight after the June holidays, the football season began. Here again, our boys played with effort showing their prowess, but we were placed third. Our first XI team contained nine players from the school team, no wonder we didn't lose a single match. Our team was such that we routed Clive 10 goals to 1. Sersang Tenzing, Isaac Kharkongor and Sonam Ghale performed splendidly. Isaac Kharkongor, the school football captain received the old paulites trophy for the Best Footballer and was also awarded minor colours in the sport.

In the English Elocution, we stood second. Isaac Kharkongor came first in the Drama Section, Siddharth Poddar stood first in the Extempore section, Mamocha Thangjam was placed second in the under X prose and Omar Hyder Ali came third in the plus two prose section. We stood second in the Nepali Elocution and Binayak Thapa was the only one to come first from our house. We didn't fare well in the Hindi and Bengali elocution finishing 4th and 3rd respectively.

This year, a very interesting series of debates were held in the senior wing and the results made even more interesting reading- Havelock sharing the cup with Clive and Hastings. Varun Goenka was the best speaker in the debate against Lawrence and Isaac Kharkongor was the best speaker against Hastings house. The rest of the team including Omar Hyder Ali, Momocha Thangjam, Ankit Goenka, Rajib Miah, Reynold Anthony and Siddharth Poddar need to be commended for their performances.

At the end of three rounds of Brain of St. Paul's, Havelock finished a close third. Girish Agarwal & Utsav Sharma performed well but due credit must be given to Ashish Chhetri who bagged the Bhatnagar Medal for quizzing after finishing a close second last year.

Havelock finished third in the Marathon. The following boys performed exceptionally well.

Open Division	:	Isaac Kharkongor	(2nd)
Senior Division (I & II)	:	Sersang Tenzing	(1st)
	:	Shubam Kumar	(3rd)
	:	Vishal Kanjan	(4th)
Intermediate (III & IV)	:	Anmol Basnett	(1st)

Squash, Badminton and Tennis were sports in which we didn't perform well. This year in the fight for the Athletics shield we finished second. Satyabrata Sen needs to be congratulated on winning the Victor Laudurum in Division 1.

On speech Day this year, many boys won class prizes as well as special prizes.

The last game of the year was hockey. We could not win the shield although we performed well for the house.

Drawing to a close, I would like to thank all the boys of Havelock and Mr. M. Dutta, Mr. M. Dev. and Mr. P. Ojha, our house tutors for their utmost cooperation and most of all Mr. U. K. Dwivedi, my Housemaster who has guided me throughout the year and helped me to lead the house.

Isaac Kharkongar
House Captain '99



Havelock House with (seated L-R) Mr. M. Dev, Mr. D. Bagchi, Mr. U.K. Dwivedi (House Master),
Mr. M. Dutta and Mr. P. Ojha

LAWRENCE HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Master : Mr. A. Jayal
House Tutors : Mr. T. Calvert
 Mr. N. Vincent
 Mr. M. Kharga
 Mr. A. Sen

House Captain : Sachin Pradhan
House Prefect : Yeatin Giri

"Education is the apprenticeship of life"

The wise man who spoke these words could not certainly scale his intelligence, but, in a moment of unconscious brilliance, he displayed the meaning of true Education that Lawrencians received throughout the year of 1999.

Lawrence started the year '99 with many boys holding the various positions of authority. They were :

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| 1. Sachin Pradhan : | School Vice Captain
House Captain
Batik Secretary
Volleyball Captain
Sergeant Major N.C.C. |
| 2. Yeatin Giri : | House Prefect
Art Secretary
Nepali Society Secretary |
| 3. Dawa Sherpa : | Student Editor, Paulite (Nepali) |
| 4. Amit Periwal : | Hindi Society Secretary |

We bid farewell to Mr. D. Bagchi who went on to join Havelock house as its tutor. We would also like to bid farewell to our dear old Art master and our house tutor Mr. R. S. Baoni who retired after serving the school for 23 years.

Mr. N. Vincent and Mr. M. Kharga were our new house tutors this year. Mr. A. Sen, an old paulite of the late 70's, was also included as a tutor in our house, and as an Art teacher in the faculty.

Throughout the year Lawrence fared well in every field but failed to grab the Sikkim Shield for yet another year. The following reports reveal the attitude of Lawrence in various curricular activities :-

CRICKET :

We had a fair chance of winning the Cricket Shield had we paid much more attention. The win of 1st. XI over Hastings upset their chances of walking away with the shield but we could not push our chances any further.

VOLLEYBALL :

We were the hot contenders for the volleyball cup but the unexpectedly lost again. The Lawrence house volleyball team comprised of school team players but we couldn't be victorious. Clive turned the table around. Lawrence stood 2nd in the ranking.

BASKETBALL :

Though we had the best on paper, somehow we were toppled by Havelock in the final game and we had to be content with the 2nd position.

FOOTBALL :

Lady lucks smiled on Lawrence House during the football season. The boys put in their level best in the house matches and the house leagues as well. After days of patience and determination, we were awarded the football shield. Pema Dhendup of Class XI was one of the chief architects behind this achievement and deservingly, he was one of the three who received House Colours.

The Lawrencians '99 put up their concert on the 10th of July. The play was entitled "The five at the George". Saurav Das and Tarak N. Joshi Should be commended for their excellent performance on stage. A Hindi play was also put up by the class 9 boys. There were a variety of songs and other entertainment items.

MARATHON :

The boys put on a splendid show on the final day of the Marathon but it was just a matter of chance that we could not win the cup. Dhabup Prasai [First in open Division] and Ankit Seth [Second in Senior Division] brought glory to the house.

RACQUET GAMES :

Eton Fives cup belonged to us right from the beginning as Robin Panday, Jitesh Mehta and Piyush Maskara were very confident and displayed it in their games.

Badminton was the game which we were supposed to play the best. However, the loss of nerves at the crunch of the situation resulted in Lawrence accepting the 2nd position. Ankit Seth played the under X single and was able to defeat everyone in his category.

Lawn Tennis was played by Lawrence with utmost ease and Dhendup Sherpa, Ankit Seth, Rahul Khaitan and Pema Dhendup were responsible for the cup win which was cherished by the whole house.

Table Tennis seemed to be our forte after Dhendup Sherpa won the 'Ujjwal Rana Memorial trophy' for inter district T. T. But upsets were set on the cards and we had to be satisfied with the 2nd position, Dhendup Sherpa was awarded House Colours.

P. T. :

Lawrence has hardly ever won the P. T. Cup and it was not a surprise to be counted from backwards this year too. Must be lack of discipline!

ATHLETICS :

A collective effort could not be displayed on the tracks in order to bag the Athletics shield. Anyhow, there were sparks of brilliance such as -

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| 1. | Ankit Seth (Division II) | 800 mts. 1st, 1500 mts.
2nd, 400 Mts. - 1st. |
| 2. | Albert Squire (Division I) | 100 mts. & 200 mts. - 1st |
| 3. | Dhabup Prasai (Open Div.) | 800 mts. 2nd
1500 mts. - 3rd |
| 4. | Tashi Sherpa (Open Div.) | Hurdles, Javelin - 1st
Triple Jump, Broad Jump - 2nd
High Jump - 3rd |

Tashi Sherpa was awarded House colours, well done!

HOCKEY :

The Hockey shield finally fell into our nest which made me feel happy as I always wanted to win this shield. The last time we won the hockey shield was in 1996 when I was in class 9. I would like to personally congratulate Robin Pandey, Bardan Shah, Tashi Sherpa, Dhendup Sherpa, Pragyan Pradhan, Ajitesh Jaiswal, Pema, Pemba Sherpa, Yeatin Giri, Arjun Gurung, Dhabup Prasai, Sabin Tuladhar, Tarak N. Joshi and all the boys in the 2nd XI hockey team for contributing their effort to win this shield. Thank you once again and well done.

There were debates, quizzes, Elocutions (English, Bengali, Hindi and Nepali) held during the course of the year but Lawrence failed to grab the attention in any of these events. However, Saurav Das needs to get a pat on his back for his excellent performance in the debates, quiz and elocution.

'Awards are nothing but recognition' and Lawrence house boys grabbed quite a handful on speech day.

Class Prizes :-

9 B	-	1st Ajitesh Jaiswal
9 C	-	2nd Praful Saraff
10 A	-	1st Tushar Ujjwal; P & A - Arun Agarwal

Special Prizes :-

Class 10

Tarak Nand Joshi - Best All rounder in class X below
Gaurav Saha - Karum Majumdar Science Prize

Class 11

Aaditya Cintury - Renuka Dang Proficiency Prize for I.C.S.E. '99
Robin Pandey - K. L. Pradhan Prize for Economics in I.C.S.E. '99

Class 12

Yeatin Giri - Social Service, Anil Chaudhary Art Prize for Best Artist, Kothari Physical Science Prize, Luv Kumar Ecological Prize, and the Best craftsman in the Art section.

Amit Periwal - Rudra Hindi Prize and Best Actor in Hindi

Ajay Agarwal - K. N. Sahgal Business Studies Prize

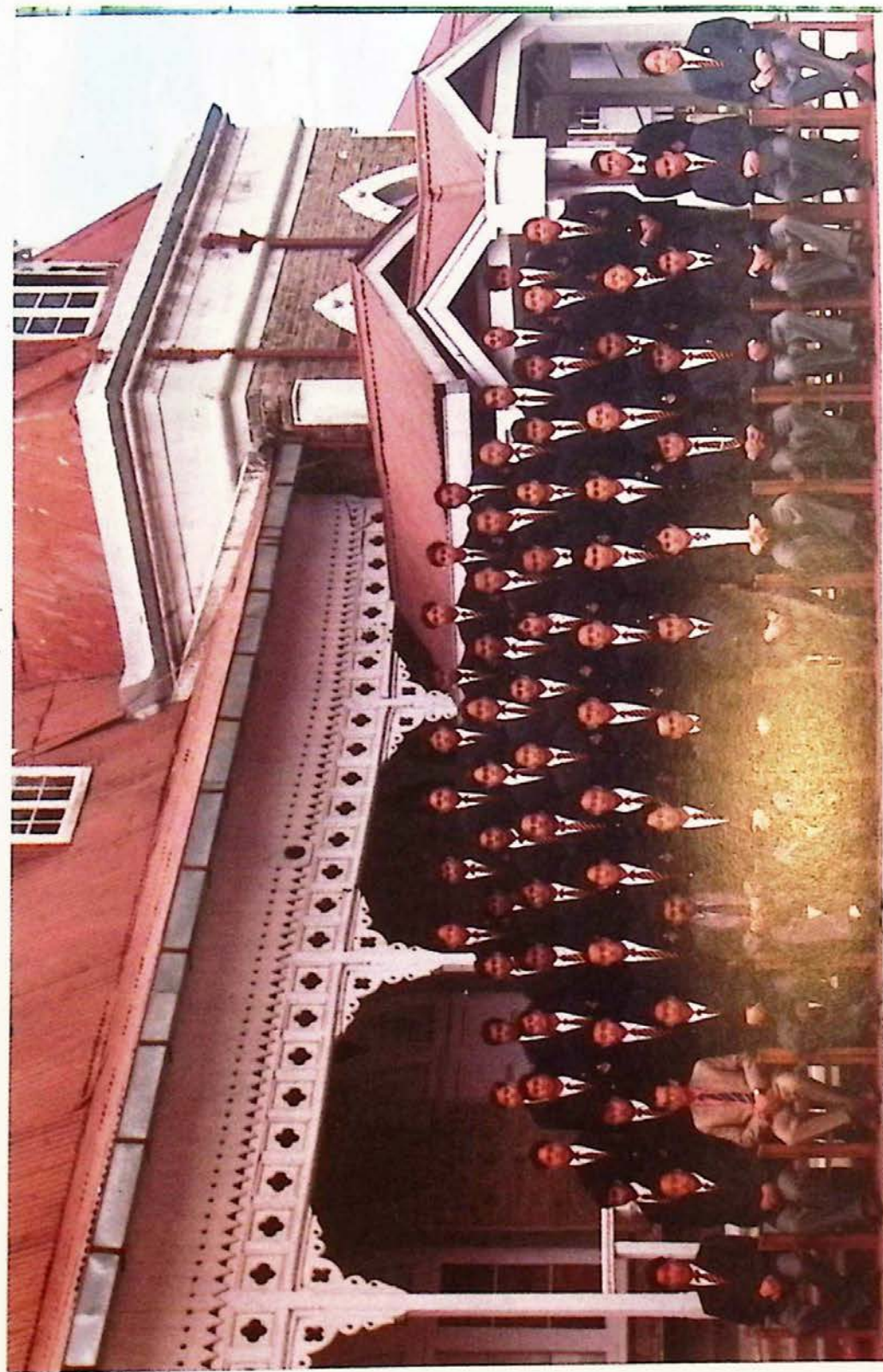
Dawa Sherpa - Madhukar Rana Nepali Prize

Sachin Pradhan - Best Craftsman Medal in the Batik Section

I would like to conclude by sincerely thanking all boys of Lawrence '99 for their utmost co-operation and die-hard loyalty; my colleague and prefect Yeatin Giri who has been with me through thick and thin; my house tutors, Mr. M. Kharga, Mr. T. Calvert, Mr. N. Vincent and Mr. A. Sen, above all my dear House master, Mr. A. Jayal, who has helped and guided the house through the year '99 and who has led me throughout my captaincy and through the entire four years I have spent in Lawrence.

"We Lawrencians, we Lawrencians
we Lawrenceians are best....."

Sachin Pradhan
House Captain '99



Lawrence House with (seated L-R) Mr. A. Sen, Mr. N. Vincent, Mr. A. Jayal (House Master),
Mr. M.C. Kharga

JUNIOR WING NOTES 1999

The toughest task for the Head Jnr. Wing for the entire year comes when he sits down at his desk for the year's Jnr. Wing report. This year proved to be quite eventful with many activities taking place in the wing.

The JW boys returned to school after a long, enjoyable winter break on the 5th of March. This year we had about twenty freshers who didn't take much time to adjust to the school routine.

The following boys were appointed as house monitors for the year '99 and have greatly helped in the smooth running of the wing.

Anderson House	:	1. Majidul Islam
		2. Om Shree Narsingha
Betten House	:	1. Kaustav Chaudhuri
		2. Sabal Tuladhar
Cable House	:	1. Abhijit Tarafdar
		2. Ankit Kishorepuria
Westcott House	:	1. Amar Bajracharya
		2. Shafin Ahmed

We gave a warm farewell to Mr. B. S. Baoni who retired at the end of last year. We welcomed an Old Paulite, Mr. A Sen to replace Mr. Baoni.

We also bade farewell to Mr. & Mrs. A. Thackur. Mr. Thackur left us at the end of last year to take up the job in the Motilal Nehru School of Sports at Rai in Haryana as Vice Principal and Mrs. Thackur left us to join her husband this year in the month of May. Mr. Thackur is a sincere and devoted teacher and he helped me in the JW as the Examination Coordinator. We wish them best of luck in the times to come. Mrs. B. Chhetri filled up Mrs. Thackur's vacancy as the Matron of the Johnson Hall dormitory. We also had Mr. N. Gomes leaving us at the end of March to join the Himalayan Academy at Raigunj near Jalpaiguri as Vice Principal. He was teaching Mathematics in the J. W. We welcomed Mr. P. Ojha who took over the reins from Mr. Gomes. We also had four GAP students visiting us throughout the course of the year. Mr. Adam

Brand and Mr. Edward and Mr. McGown stayed with us till June to teach French, Physics, Chemistry respectively. Mr. Paul Dicken and Mr. Matthew Ganazzini joined us later in the year. Mr. Somanto Dey also helped us with some science classes in the JW and he needs to be thanked for the hard work he had put in during his stay. Mr. Tyrone Marcas and Mr. Jude Baptist two TTC trainees came for their practice of teaching and taught class VI boys in the JW. This year saw the introduction of the weekly tests in all subjects, each out of 20 marks.

This year we were indeed delighted to have in our midst Mr. John Jacob after a gap of 4 years. He took some cheerful chapel services and preached through parables to get his message across. He is an Old Paulite and represents the Scripture Union which is an International Organisation.

House activities were conducted on 13th March. The boys, particularly the new ones were given the chance to meet their peers and their house tutors and housemasters / mistress.

This year dramatics and elocutions were positively of high standard. On the 27th of March Anderson and Cable staged their annual house concert. It was an entertaining evening. The school also witnessed the dramatical skills of the JW boys on 26th June, when Betten and Westcott put up an equally enjoyable and applaudable performance. My congratulations to the house masters / mistress and all who helped in these concerts.

The first Inter-House Elocution contest was of Hindi which was held in April. My sincere thanks to Dr. M. Kumar and Mr. D. K. Mishra for preparing the students on lines of a very high standard and also for organising the contest. The cup was bagged by Betten House. This was followed by the English Inter-House Elocution contest. There were some very impressive passages which were elocuted quite well and the participants need to be commended for their effort. Westcott house emerged victorious. Mr. N. S. Lawrence needs special mention for doing all the work in the preparation of the contest. Amar Bajracharya, Murtaza Shah and Birat Thapa represented the school in the N. M. Masters Shield Inter-School English Elocution contest. Birat Thapa stood first in his category. I would also like to thank Miss R. Rozario for kindly sharing her valuable time in training these boys. I would also like to thank Mrs. P. Bhattacharya, Mr. B. B. Tamang and Mr. S. M. Pradhan for preparing the boys for the Inter-School Second Language Elocution Programme.

The Debates also began with the knockout rounds and the cup was won by Betten. Adarsh Saxena was adjudged the Best Speaker for the year 1999. Congratulations Adarsh! My thanks to Mr. S. K. Mishra for organising this activity.

Beside the concerts and elocutions the JW boys were kept well entertained by the movies screened in the Prep Hall and tuck hall throughout the year. The JW boys witnessed some acrobatic skills which was performed by two foreign Acrobats in the Prep Hall. They also enjoyed their Blackies treat at the end of every month and got a day off once a month.

The Quiz Cup was bagged by Anderson due to the sincere efforts put in by Adarsh Saxena. The Karanjai Quiz Medal for the best quizzier was also won by Adarsh Saxena. My hearty congratulations to him. My sincere thanks to Mr. B. Cecil for taking up the responsibility of Quiz Master and conducting the contest.

This year we conducted the House expeditions batchwise. Cable and Anderson were clubbed together and so were Betten and Westcott. In the former the class 8's went to Kalimpong, 7's to Rimbick/Shrikhola and the 6's to Gangtok. While in the latter the class 6's were out to Gangtok 7's to Matidhar and the 8's went to Jorethang. All these expeditions were thoroughly enjoyed by the boys. I am extremely thankful to all the teachers, parents and well wishers who have helped to organise these trips to give the boys enjoyable weekends.

In the field of music the Jnr. School boys really deserve special commendation. 13 candidates appeared for the Trinity College, London examination in piano and singing. All were successful. Eight boys have appeared for the theory examination in November. The results are much awaited. From this year we have introduced a prize for the Best Musician in the Jnr. Wing. This has been endowed by Mr. S. N. Bhattacharya. This year it was awarded to Diganta Choudhury. Jnr. School Choristers have been an integral part of the school choir and have sung at all special chapel services. The school choir sang beautifully at our Carol Services. They sang six special carols. Most of the musicians have performed well. Special thanks to Mr. S. Pande.

In July our Chapel hosted the Choir Festival in which our school along with the choristers of Dr. Graham's Homes sang numerous melodious hymns and anthems. Both the choirs need to be congratulated for this wonderful vocal display.

Under the guidance of Mr. S. Pande we have introduced corridor displays by respective classes. All these were very interesting and had a wide variety of subjects. Well done boys!

Mohit Gaurisaria (Cl. 7) represented the school in the Essay Competition at the Himalayan Mountaineering Instt. in April and bagged the first prize. Parvez Khan and Aditya Katwal took part in the sit and draw competition at the HMI.

Another new prize was introduced this year which was endowed by Mrs. Dutta in memory of her husband who taught Physics in our school a long time back. This is for the boy who scores the highest aggregate in the Sciences in Cl. 8. The 'B. P. Dutta Science Medal' was awarded to Nayeem Karim for 1999.

After the boys returned from the winter holidays we could see that they had put on weight. But the school knew the ways to put them right with the facilities of various games it provided.

The Cricket season started in March. We had a few matches against Mount Hermon School and St. Joseph's. In spite of the great effort, zeal and enthusiasm displayed by our boys, we lost the matches. Abhishek Pande, Rahatul Khan and Ankit Kishorepuria did well in their batting and bowling. During all this time the cricket leagues continued with the World Cup fever in the backdrop. Eventually Anderson was victorious in the leagues and as well as in the housematches. Anderson also emerged victorious in both Basketball and Volleyball. Om Shree Narsingha, Karma Rongdol, Tashi T. Sherpa and Anil Gurung represented the school in the under 10 Basketball team. My congratulations to all of them. Our Basketball team did pretty well at the carnivals also.

As we moved into the second term we started with the football season. Cable got the highest points in leagues while the cup was once again taken away by Anderson. We had several Inter-School under 8 matches in which our boys played well, but were outplayed by superior players. Abit Manandhar and Om Shree Narsingha were a part of the under 10 team. Squash and Badminton continued alongwith football, and here again, Anderson won both the cups due to the good performance of Majidul Islam.

The Marathon season, most hated due to the monsoons, began after football season. In spite of this the boys took it seriously and performed well. The marathon cup for a change, fell into Cable's hat this time. The boy who excelled were, Siddharth Khetan (Ca) came first in



Junior Wing Monitors with Mr. G.R. Anthony (Head, Junior Wing)

Pry. Division, Abhishek Pradhan (We) was first in Jnr. Division and Karma Rangdol (An) came second in Intermediate Div. My congratulations to all these boys.

Apart from these games, Shanky Advani, Gautam Kumar (Sr) and Aditya Bajla represented the school at the table-tennis carnival held at Rockvale Academy. We were placed 4th overall. Well done!

The table tennis was won by Betten and as for the Lawn-Tennis, it added a feather to the cap of Cable.

We started the Athletics standards immediately after the marathon finals. In this season a lot of emerging talent were seen on the field. Cable stood number one in both the sections, the standards as well as the house matches. Abhijit Tarafdar, Majidul Islam, Santosh Singh, Ibne Sina Khan, Om Shree Narsingha, Parvez Khan and Gautam Kumar (Sr) fared well in the Inter-School Athletics Meet and deserve a special mention. Abhijit Tarafdar, Majidul Islam and Ibne Sina Khan were awarded the Best Athlete award in their respective divisions in the Inter-District Meet, held at Himali School. The 'Best Sportsman Medal' and the Jack Warren Medal for the 'Best Cricketer' in the JW was awarded to Majidul Islam. Well done! During the wet and dull season the boys were kept well occupied by various indoor game tournaments like chess, table-tennis and carrom. The winners and the runners up were awarded the cups.

After the Puja Break we started our Hockey leagues and soon completed the house matches. Betten house won the Hockey Cup this year. After many weeks of practices, under the supervision and direction of Mr. J. Singh the performance of marching, P. T. and gymnastics display was conducted in June and again in November with the rest of the school. All the boys performed splendidly. My sincere thanks to Mr. Singh. The P. T. Cup was shared by Cable and Anderson and the best PT commander for the year 1999 was Majidul Islam.

On Teachers Day, the JW boys did a good job by entertaining the staff body. They in turn were entertained by the staff members on 'Childrens Day'. Some JW boys entertained the whole wing after the 2nd term exams. The boys also enjoyed their Diwali with a packetful of crackers.

The boys of class 8 remained very busy during the months of July and August with the NCC practices and rehearsals for the Independence Day. Some JW boys of Cl. 6 and 7 were also busy with the second language

concert practices which was staged on the eve of Independence Day.

The JW exhibition this year was the fruit of the hard work, skill and talent of the boys which they showed. The JW hall was given a different look being colourfully decorated and the display of flashing hobby pieces. Due to the consistent hard work of the boys and the guidance of the teachers, they put up a very beautiful exhibition. The Cl. 8 boys had 'Sabrina' as their exhibition mascot this year. Some of the hobbies put up were Fabric painting, T. shirt painting, Mecrame, Tie and Dye, Photography, Sketching, Card making, Pin and Thread, Tile painting, Rug making and a new hobby, Stuffed Toys was introduced. I would like to thank all JW teachers for their guidance and cooperation. My thanks to Mr. N. S. Lawrence who was the hobby coordinator this year.

In brief, the year flew past without many obstacles and problems. The boys did their duty on their part and so did the staff members. I am extremely grateful to all the house masters / mistress, house tutors, hall masters, matrons, monitors and other responsible people concerned. Lastly I would like to express my gratitude to the Rector for his help and guidance throughout the year, especially in times of difficulties.

G. R. Anthony
Head, Jnr. Wing.



Junior Wing Hindi Elocution participants with Dr. M. Kumar



Junior Wing Debating Society with Mr. S.K. Mishra

ANDERSON HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Master : Mr. S. M. Pradhan

House Tutors : Mr. P. Pradhan

Mr. A. Banerjee

Mr. G. Dutta

Mr. K. R. K. Singh

House Monitors :

Majid - Ul - Islam

Omsfree Narasingh

Though this year we could not prove ourselves as good as last year, still we the ANDERSONIANS fought through to come out victorious.

As usual the year began with the selection of monitors - Majid-Ul-Islam and Omsfree Narasingh. This pair led the House in times of trouble and really proved themselves worthy. They did a splendid job.

We began with cricket where we fared quite well in the leagues and in the House matches. The boys tried hard and played with a good spirit of sportsmanship and proved to be the best by winning the Cricket cup. There were brilliant performances by Omsfree, Majid-Ul and Soham.

The Volleyball and Basketball cups were also bagged by us. The boys to be commended are Omsfree Narasingh, Anil Gurung, Tashi Sherpa and Majid-ul-Islam. Our special thanks to Mr. S. M. Pradhan and Mr. A. Banerjee for encouraging our boys and training them.

Our Annual House concert was staged on 27th March, just 22 days after of our coming from home. We performed our concert along with Cable House. Our play was entitled "Something to talk about" by Elliott Philips. Our special thanks to Mr. S. M. Pradhan, our House Master and Mr. S. G. Pande, House Master of Cable House and the House Tutors without whose help our concert would not have been successful.

After the June break the boys returned ready for new challenges. We began with the football leagues in which we did very well. Then we had our house matches in which the boys took part quite seriously and ultimately ended up making a hatrick of winning the football cup, which added another feather to our cap. The boys to be commended are Omsfree Narasingh, Majid-ul-Islam, Tashi Sherpa & Anil Gurung.

The Andersonions also proved themselves the most intelligent by winning the quiz cup by a huge margin and thus making a hatrick. The boys to be commended are Saurav Upadhaya and Adarsh Saxena.



Junior Wing English Elocution participants with Mr. N.S. Lawrence

After many years Andersonians did quite well in both English and Hindi Elocutions.

After the Elocution we had our Squash and Badminton House matches. The boys played well and we won both the cups and thus added another two feathers to our cap. There were brilliant performances by Majid-ul-Islam and Dehan Sharuz.

This year we really did well in Marathon and for a change we came second. A narrow miss by the Andersonians. Then we started off with athletics. This year we did not do well due to unfortunate circumstances. The boys who tried very hard were Majid-ul-Islam, Omshree Narasingh, Karma Rangdol, Fahad Chowdhury and Golam Gaisal.

Luck was not on our side during the Hockey matches and we fared quite badly.

The P. T. cup we shared with Cable. Majid-ul-Islam was adjudged the best commander.

The debate cup was wrested out of our hands. The debate team consisted of Saurabh Upadhyay, Dehan Sharuz, Adarsh Saxena and Sayan Mitra. Adarsh Saxena was adjudged the best speaker.

The boys who won the prizes on the speech day were :

First Prize - Adarsh Saxena

Second Prize - Saurabh Upadhyay, Amit Khetan, Ayush Shrestha and Mohit Gourisaria.

The Best Sportsman and the Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer was won by Majid-ul-Islam. Well done boys!

The most prestigious and the most sought after cup the SOLOMAN CUP, was won for the third consecutive time resulting in a HATTRICK, which we are sure that no other house has ever dreamed of achieving. We are sure that the coming generations of Anderson House will continue their march to victory, as long as Mr. S. M. Pradhan is there to guide and support the House always.

We would like to thank all our House Tutors and class 8's 99 for their cooperation and help.

And last but not the least we would like to thank our House Master Mr. S. M. Pradhan who continually encouraged and helped the boys. He was there whenever we needed him. Thank you Sir !

We also wish him success for the years to come. Good Luck!
MONITI MELIORA SEQUAMUR

Saurav Upadhyay
Majid-ul-Islam

This is my privilege to thank Mr. S. M. Pradhan, the House master of Anderson House and the boys for winning the SOLOMAN CUP for third consecutive year. Well done Sir! Well done boys! I believe that the Andersonians will continue their march to victory. I wish you all good luck.

Nikhil Goyal
Anderson House Monitor-1998

Being in Anderson and being a monitor of the house was a true privilege. During the hours of the year when I was the monitor, the boys were very cooperative and with the continual encouragement given by Mr. S. M. Pradhan, we were successful in lifting the Soloman cup.

I owe my deepest gratitude to the House. The memories of my three years in Junior school in Anderson House still lingers in my mind.

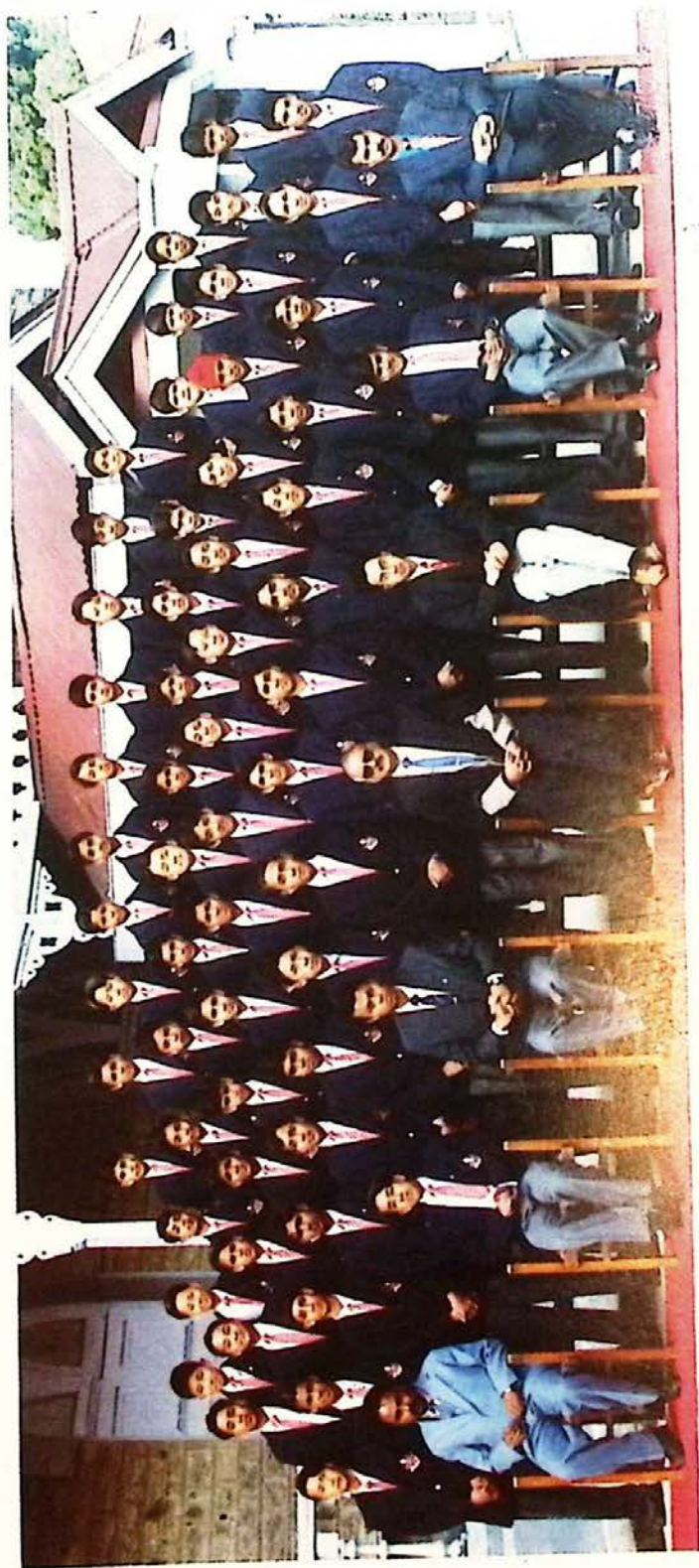
Tarak Nand Joshi
Anderson House Monitor -1997

I take this opportunity to congratulate Anderson House in performing well and also winning the most prestigious SOLOMAN CUP for the third consecutive year.

Robin Pandey
Anderson House Monitor -1996

This year too the House was able to win the most prestigious cup the SOLOMON CUP for the third consecutive year resulting in a hatrick, The Greatest Victory of the Millennium. This is the result of tremendous hard work and mutual cooperation. I dedicate this cup to all the boys of Anderson House. I would like to thank my House Tutors Mr. A. Banerjee, Mr. P. Pradhan, Mr. G. Dutta and Mr. K.R.K. Singh and my House Monitors Majid-ul-Islam and Omshree Narasingh and special thanks to Saurabh Upadhyay and Majid-ul-Islam for compiling the House report.

S. M. Pradhan



Anderson House with (seated L-R) Mr. K.R. Singh, Mr. A. Banerjee,
Mr. S.M. Pradhan (House Master), Mr. P.M. Pradhan and Mr. G. Dutta

BETTEN HOUSE REPORT.

House Master : N. S. Lawrence

House Tutors : Dr. M. Kumar
Mrs. P. Bhattacharya
Mr. A. Majumdar

House Monitors :

Kaustav Chaudhuri
Sabal Tuladhar

The year 1999 has been an eventful year and a successful one for Betten House. From the very outset, the boys performed with zest and commitment in the classroom and on impetus which produced the indomitable spirit conducive to healthy rivalry. Throughout this year, everyone's been talking about the new millennium. Well then, the boys of Betten House have certainly strived to establish standards which will be suitable stepping stones into the new millennium -2000.

On 30th November, at the G.H.D. Supper when the cups were awarded to houses which were victorious in various competitions; Betten House was proud to receive the awards for championships in Hockey, Debating, Hindi Elocution and Table-Tennis. Many other cups would have been awarded to Betten if they hadn't been lost by just a single point in each case.

In the combined Betten and Westcott house concert held on Saturday, 26th June, the boys were given the opportunity to 'come out of their shells' and perform before the entire school. A one-act play in English, entitled 'The Sheriff's Kitchen' was staged. The histrionic talents of Kaustav Chaudhuri (Robin Hood) Abhishek Pande (Little John), Murtaza Shah (the cook) and Amar Bajracharya (the steward) were thoroughly appreciated. Sweet music it was then to the ears of the audience when Rohan Dhar on the harmonica, Rohit Agarwal on the casio and Saurav Rajkarnikar on the guitar, took over the stage. A skit in Hindi, directed by Mr. Sanjay K. Mishra was also appreciated. A fashion show and pop dances gave the boys the chance to shake, rattle and roll.

In academics, the winners of the 'FIRST' class prize were Rohit Agarwal (6 C) and Kushal Batabyal (8 A). The winner of the 'Second' Class prize was Mayank Kumar (7 C). 'Progress and application' Prizes were awarded to Anindya Paul (7 B), Ikramul Haque (8 B) and Gautam Kumar (8 C). The J. W. Art prize was awarded to Sabal Tuladhar (8 C) and the Gayatri Kanti prize for consistent academic achievement in the Junior Wing was awarded to Kushal Batabyal (8 A). Mijash Pokharel (7 C) was awarded the Victor Ludorum of the class four division in Athletics.

The Football cup which was lost by a single point was nevertheless well contested. The most spirited footballers of our house were Tashi Sherpa, Rahatul Khan, Walid Sikder, Saumya Saha, Naveen Kumar, Sabal Tuladhar, Abhishek Pande, Varun Singh, Raunak Singh, Abit Manandhar and Mijash Pokharel.

The Marathon Cup which had been won by Betten House for six continuous years was snatched away this year and the house was plunged into the third place. The following boys must be mentioned, for their efforts were commendable in contributing well over a hundred points each - Shree Hang Nembang, Rohit Agarwal, Vivek Bhattarai, Rohan Dhar, Gautam Kumar, Varun Singh, Mukhia Gurung, Mrinal Paul, Abit Manandhar, Saurav Rajkarnikar, Rahatul Khan, Neveen Kumar, Tashi Sherpa, Intekhab Hussain, Rakesh Roshan, Sabal Tuladhar, Saumya Saha and Shahzadul Alam.

Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Manoj Kumar and the complaisance of Gautam Kumar, Mayank Kumar and Rohit Agarwal; Betten house was able to clinch the cup for Hindi Elocution.

Winning the Table-Tennis Cup came as a pleasant surprise, and only the concerted efforts of Tashi Sherpa, Rahatul Khan and Aman Bansal made this victory possible. Well done!!

On behalf of Betten house, I wish to compliment Kaustav Chaudhuri, Rohan Dhar, Abhishek Pande, Mayank Kumar and Rohit Agarwal on winning the cup for debating. Rohan Dhar who was new to our team surprised us all when he was adjudged the 'Best Speaker' in the final and most crucial debate.

Congratulations to the players of the first and second eleven hockey teams for helping Betten to bag its fourth cup. The first eleven was outstanding for it didn't lose a single match, Betten House acknowledges the hard work and interest put in by Walid Sikder, Rahatul Khan, Tashi Sherpa, Abhishek Pande, Saumya Saha, Naveen Kumar, Abit Manandhar, Vivek Bhattarai, Mijash Pokharel, Intekhab Hussain, Rakesh Roshan, Murtaza Shah, Shree Hang Nembang and Ankur Sherpa, for they all played like Trojans.

Betten House thanks all the boys of class eight for their loyalty and support throughout the year; for helping to strike a balance at sustaining the harmony, the enthusiasm and the competitive spirit of their junior members. We wish them happiness and success as they move on to continue their studies in the Senior Wing.

If the Bettenites can be inspired by the cliché of 'NIKE' to 'Just do it', then Betten House will undoubtedly emerge as the 'Top dog' at the end of A. D. 2000.

In conclusion, I would like to thank our house tutors - Mrs. P. Bhattacharya, Dr. Manoj Kumar and Mr. A. Majumdar for all their support and help during the year. Thank you colleagues!

Audentes fortuna juvat!

N. S. Lawrence
(House Master)



Betten House with (seated L-R) Dr. M. Kumar, Mr. N.S. Lawrence (House Master), Ms. P. Bhattacharya

CABLE HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Master : Mr. Sudeep Pande
House Tutors : Mrs. A. S. Rai
Mr. P. Lama
Mr. D. K. Mishra

House Monitors :
Abhijit Tarafdar
Ankit Kishorepuria

Cable - A House that does not believe in winning trophies only. It is a House that believes in higher living, higher thinking and, above all, inculcating the gift of love and care and concern for others. 'If you are willing my child, you can be disciplined?' Cablites have indeed lived up to this great spirit of discipline and sincerity in little things. It is the quality of leaders for the most part, that infuses the spirit of enthusiasm into the boys which enables them to strive for better things. This year the House indeed looked up to Abhijit Tarafdar for inspiration and example. He was courteous, firm and led from the front. He has been extremely helpful and obliging and I am indeed very grateful to him.

The year for the Cablites started with the House concert which was staged on the 27th of March. We were clubbed together with Anderson House. The concert had a wide variety. There were choral items, an English one - act play, Nepali and Western Dances, Hindi Parody and a skit. The Guest - of - Honour was the Rev. Canon Hugh Farlie from Hastings, U.K.

Games was not our forte' but the boys played with vigour and enthusiasm. Nevertheless, we were successful in winning the Marathon, Athletics Standards, Athletics and P. T. cups. Many of the boys played in various school teams and did creditably. In this connection I would like to congratulate Abhijit Tarafdar for having set two new records in athletics, Mohijit Mukherjee for setting anew record in High Jump, Santosh Singh in Broad jump and Vishal Pakhrin for winning the Rahul Trophy. The other outstanding performers in games have been Jolly Singh, Sugat Halwai, Angvito Zhimoni, Karma Ghale and Amar Gurung.

In the field of elocution we were good. Birat Thapa represented the school at the N. M. Master's English Elocution and came first. Ishan Malla and Mohijit Mukherjee came second at the Inter-House English Elocution and Siddharth Khaitan came first in Hindi Elocution. In debating we were adjudged second with Mohijit Mukherjee as one of the Best Speakers. In quiz, we were rather unfortunate!

In music the House has indeed done very well. Eight boys appeared for the trinity college London examination in piano and singing. They were all successful. Three boys have appeared for the theory examination. Results are awaited. 14 boys are regular members of the school choir while Alexius Dhungel and Karma Ghale are soloists. They have all taken part at the Annual music concert in group and solo items. Jimmy Thangjam, Ritesh Mangal, Nayeem Karim and Sugat Halwai are regular and sincere members of the school Band.

Cable House strongly believes in social service. Abhijit Tarafdar and Aamil Shakri have served as faithful chapel wardens. The former read one of the lessons at the carol service. He had won the 'K. N. Sahgal Bible Reading Prize'. Nayeem Karim has worked as a sincere letter-monitor right through the year. Gulshan Rajguru has been the roll-call monitor of the House. A number of cablites were strong stalwarts of the J.W. Annual Exhibition and the three corridor Displays.

As mentioned earlier in this report, the House strongly believes in discipline and good moral upbringing. Shubham Kumar of class VII was awarded with the 'Good conduct Prize' and the house was awarded the Discipline cup '99. Chins up!!

In academics, we have indeed been the best. Nayeem Karim won the prestigious 'B. P. Dutt Science Prize' and the first Proficiency Prize of his class. A number of boys were awarded with class prizes. Aamil Shakri, Anindya Das and Rachit Dudhwewala won the First Proficiency Prize of their respective classes. Harshit Kumar came second. To prove the point further the Academic Cup was awarded to our house.

Three expeditions were conducted over the year, along with Anderson House. The class VI boys were taken to Gangtok, VII's to Rimbick and Shrikhola, VIII's to Kalimpong. These expeditions, which were thoroughly enjoyed, enabled the boys to get to know each other and their teachers at a rather informal level, and thus, build up a healthy rapport and friendship.

At the end of a rather successful year, I would like to thank my two worthy monitors, Abhijit and Ankit, who have always been beside me and eased half my load. I would also like to place on record my gratitude to Santosh Singh, Gulshan Rajguru and Debasish Kar who were strong pillars of the House. I also wish to thank the three tutors who have been extremely kind and helpful. And finally, to Mr. G. R. Anthony, H.J.W, for his help and guidance.

Sudeep Pande.



Cable House with (seated L-R) Mr. P. Lama, Ms. A.S. Rai, Mr. S. Pande (House Master), Mr. D.K. Mishra

WESTCOTT HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Mistress : Mrs. R. Anthony

House Monitors :
Shafin Ahmed
Amar Bajracharya

The boys were happy to be back after a restful, enjoyable and a long winter break. Westcottians opened their doors to welcome the new boys, specially the Class VI.

Soon the two monitors Shafin Ahmed and Amar Bajracharya took up the challenging responsibilities of the house and on the 13th of March, House Activities were organised to give the boys a chance to know each other well. In the beginning of the year we only had 53 boys but by the month of May we had 56 boys as Veeresh Bibra, Aditya Bajla and Arindam Choudhury joined us late.

As the year progressed, the different games and activities were held, but it wasn't a very successful year for us as we were not fortunate to win the cups and trophies all the time. Though it wasn't a bright year for us, all the players played with good team spirit.

Individually many boys excelled in the various games and extra curricular activities. Parvez Khan represented the school in the Annual Inter School Sports and did well. He also won the Victor Ludorum from his division on Sports Day. Shanky Advani and Aditya Bajla represented the school in the Table-tennis matches held at Kurseong. In the Inter School Cricket, Tamal Chakraborty and Bijan Saha took part and in the Inter School Football Samir Mohammed, Avik Mukherjee, Jigme Wangchuk and Tamal Chakraborty participated. Some of our finalists in the Inter-House Athletics were Sankho Ghosh, Aditya Katwal, Sanjay Saha, Pervez Khan, Tamal Chakraborty and Shafin Ahmed. Our best Marathon racers were Aditya Khetan, Jigme Wangchuk. Brendon Benjamin and Abhishek Pradhan, Diganta Chowdhury received the Moore Divinity Prize and the music Prize of the Jnr. Wing and Amar Bajracharya received the Best Actor and the Best Elocutionist Prize. Some of the boys who got the proficiency prizes on speech Day were Aditya Khetan, Aditya Sanyal, Shafin Ahmed, Rajib Roy, Prasanjit Biswas and Parimal Agarwal.

Luck has been in our favour for the 7th consecutive year as once again we won the English Elocution contest. The Elocutionists were Class VI Poetry _ Adarsha Atal, Class VII-Prose- Brendon Benjamin, Class VIII Prose- Amar Bajracharya. Amar also participated in the N. M. Masters Inter School Elocution held at North Point.

On the 26th of June the house put up their Annual Concert, 'The Sheriff's kitchen' and a Hindi skit called 'Aaj ka Naukar'. A lot of boys were able to flaunt their talent on stage while acting, singing and dancing.

From time to time excursions were organised to different places for each class. Each time a class went out we were well looked after by kind and generous parents in Jorethang, Matithar and Gangtok where classes eight, seven and six went respectively. The entire House thanks Mr. Anand Agarwal, Mr. A. K. Bansal, Mr. S. K. Bansal, Mr. B. K. Pradhan and Mr. S. G. Kaleon and Mr. N. R. Bhattarai for their wonderful hospitality.

It is to be hoped that in the future Westcott will try as hard to excel in the classroom as well as on the games field. On the whole, it was an enjoyable year for all of us and I wish to thank all those boys who cooperated and went out of their way to help, specially Amar and Shafin. My thanks are due also to Mrs. Baoni, Mr. S.K. Mishra and Mr. P. Tamang for their unfailing support through the year.

Mrs. R. Anthony



Westcott House with (seated L-R) Mr. P. Tamang, Ms. R. Anthony (House Master),
Ms. U. Baoni and Mr. S.K. Mishra



Cassim (Nilotpal Choudhury) pleads for his life



Fatima being coaxed to drink some soup

PRIMARY WING NOTES - 1999

In early March, life suddenly began to unfold in the Primary Wing as the first batch of arrivals began to trickle in. After a hot meal and a film in the Prep Hall they were tucked into their new beds. Fires were lit in the dormitory grates as the weather was still winterish. Within a few days we had our full quota of 245 boys all set for the year ahead.

The first of the House Activities took place within the opening week when, on a sunny afternoon, the boys dispersed to their appointed venues. Together with their House Teachers they spent time getting to know each other. Cool drinks and snacks were provided and some of the lucky ones even won prizes. When I enquired how they had enjoyed themselves, the standard reply was : "Ma'am when's the next House Activity?"

As soon as the quarantine period was lifted a picnic was organised to the Shrubbery Park near the Raj Bhavan. The boys were allowed to take their toys and indoor games with them provided they carried the stuff themselves. The walk included a gentle stroll down, past the Mall, to the Shrubbery, a trip of about 45 minutes. The open space of the Park was ideal for the groups to spread out independently while the teachers kept a benevolent eye on them all. Later the school Jeep arrived with Lunch that included treats such as chocolate crunchies, cokes and ice-cream. By 4 p.m. everyone was back in school tired, sunburnt and happy.

In April was held the Saxena Quiz and the Drama Competition. The budding actors with their House Teachers worked hard at their rehearsals to stage four entertaining plays for the final performance. Hillary was overjoyed to win their first cup.

The following weeks saw the whole Pry. Wing gear up for the main event of the year : The Annual Concert. We chose the musical, "Alibaba and the forty thieves". With a cast of 54 and a choir of 37 young voices all the adults in the Pry. Wing gave a helping hand. Rehearsals started under the capable guidance of Ms. Renee Razario as the director while Mr. Lepcha spent many hours at the piano training his choir - Ms. Anjali Tshering designed the costumes with taste and Mr. Manuk painted and supervised the picturesque stage sets. Mrs. Calvert clearly choreographed all the dances to metamorphorise a number of boisterous little boys into graceful dancing girls! The final performances were a

huge success as the photographs will vouch. Special mention needs to be made of the following actors : Adnan Afroz as the Robber Captain; Mushadin Hussain as Alibaba; Karan Rai as his impetuous daughter; Vikramjit Sen as Cassim's adopted son and Abhishek Gautam as the attractive resourceful slave girl.

Five boys, accompanied by Mr. Lepcha, took part in the Darjeeling district Schools Wild Life Nature Art Competition. St. Paul's School was placed on top with Hridesh Thapa bagging the 1st Prize, Saswot Bhattacharya the 3rd Prize and Jigme Tashi and Kalden Lama winning consolation prizes.

Class IV, escorted by their teachers, visited Barnesbeg Tea Garden to learn how TEA is processed. Mr. Ishwar Lama, the Manager gave them a lovely time as they all returned well satisfied with their trip.

On Labour Day, the Pry. Wing held its own sit and draw competition. The number of topics were varied enough to allow everyone to take part. Commendable artistic talent was shown by a number of boys. The House results placed Hunt 1st followed by Hillary.

In the same month a Book Exhibition was held in the SW Library. The primaries showed much excitement running from one table to another finding it difficult to make up their minds. At last they were shooed out by the patient but harassed librarian. That week-end saw many boys spend their free time in quieter pursuits.

After the June break the Essay and Moore Divinity Prize Exams were held. In the former Kushal Shrestha was judged the best essayist while Peeyush Agarwal and Subhrodeep Poddar were highly commended. A surprised Abhishek Gautam won the Moore Divinity Medal pipping Swarnadip Banerjee by barely a point. Later in the year Priyam Chowdhury proved to be the best quizzier with the highest points. The Best Actor Award was settled on Vikramjit Sen. The Jyoti Kundu Memorial Medal for good conduct in Class V went to Kawaljit Randhawa, a unanimous decision.

With the monsoons at its height in the month of August, the Staff kept the boys busy preparing for the Elocution Competition, the Music Concert and the Marathon Races. On Independence Day, the Primaries sang a Nepali song - 'DESH KO MATO LE VANCHHA' and renewed

their Cub Promise in the presence of the Chief Guest, Col. Patania.

The second language concert took place in early September. It was a combination of short skits, poems, songs and folk dances which draw a great deal of talent from among the children. This was soon followed by an entertaining juggling and acrobatic show performed by a couple from Europe who were on a world tour.

The remainder of the term was devoted to Class exhibitions and athletics. On Sports Day the following athletes received honorable mention : B Division- Vaibhav Agarwal and Prashant Rauniar, C. Div. - Somesh Murarka and Pradhat Basnet, D Div - Ashok Tarafdar followed by Apurba Rana, E. Div. - Rahul Jain followed by Shubham Khaitan.

At the Inter School Athletics Meet Ayush Jain and Ujjwal Singh were placed second in their High Jump events while our 4 x 100 Relay team came 1st, with Vaibhav Agarwal and Prasant Rauniar participating.

The Pry. Wing Class exhibitions displayed all the creative work done over the year. Each room was decked up in its own unique way. Parents and visitors were greatly impressed by the ingenious and colourful exhibits on display.

On the last day of term was held the Carol Service. Many parents joined us as we gave praise and thanks to God for all his blessings bestowed on us over the past year. The brightly lit candles, the green and red floral decorations, the angelic music all brought a sense of peace and goodwill. After the Service the boys rushed down the hill to receive their Christmas presents and to tuck into the Special GHD Supper.

I wish to thank Mr. John Jacob (OP '40) for giving the boys three delightful sessions based on the scriptures in the form of stories and slide shows.

At the end of May, Ms. Gomes our Matron decided to leave us to join her husband in Jalpaiguri. Her pastoral care of the boys was always foremost in her thoughts while she served here and we wish her a happy and prosperous future in her new surroundings. We also welcome Ms. Kalyani Lama as the new Matron in Pry. Wing.

Ms. Anjali Tshering broke the happy news that she was to marry Mr. Passang Tshering on 14th October. The Staff were invited to a grand

reception at 'The Park'. We, at the PW, congratulate them and wish them every happiness.

On a sadder note we remember Ms. Pauline Calvert who is convalescing from an illness that kept her away since the Puja break. We pray that she will recover her strength by the New Year.

My grateful thanks to the entire Staff Body of the Pry. Wing for carrying out their duties smoothly and efficiently to give the children a sense of security and contentment.

Ms. E. R. Howard
Head, Primary Wing



EVEREST HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Mistress : Mrs. M. Sharma

House Tutors :
Mr. T. Sullivan
Mrs. T. N. Tshering

This year has been a year of striving for Everest House. All the boys worked very hard at their studies and gave of their best in the Inter house games and activities.

The following is the resume on activities conducted over the year.

Drama : The house concert was held on the 23rd of April. We staged a play called "The pipe Lighter". Although Everest house came fourth, I would like to congratulate the five actors for their excellent performance.

Elocution : Everest house came second in the Inter house Elocution. Congratulation to Kushal Shrestha (5 A) and Rhett Calvert (Cl. I) for coming first in the individual group.

Cricket : A popular game enjoyed by all the Primary Wing boys. Everest house shared the cup along with Hunt and Tenzing house. The hockey cup was also won by Everest.

In football and basketball we were placed third and second.

Table Tennis : In Table Tennis, Everest was able to smash its way to second position.

Quiz : Quizzing is another keenly contested event in Primary Wing. Everest was placed third in the final round.

P. T. : The house came first and Hriday Thapa was adjudged the best commander.

Marathon : Was held on the 4th of September. We did fairly well and were placed second.

Athletics / Standards : In Athletics once again we proved our superb

muscular co-ordination by winning the Standards Cup followed by the Athletics Cup by a big lead.

Special prizes were awarded on Speech Day to the following boys:

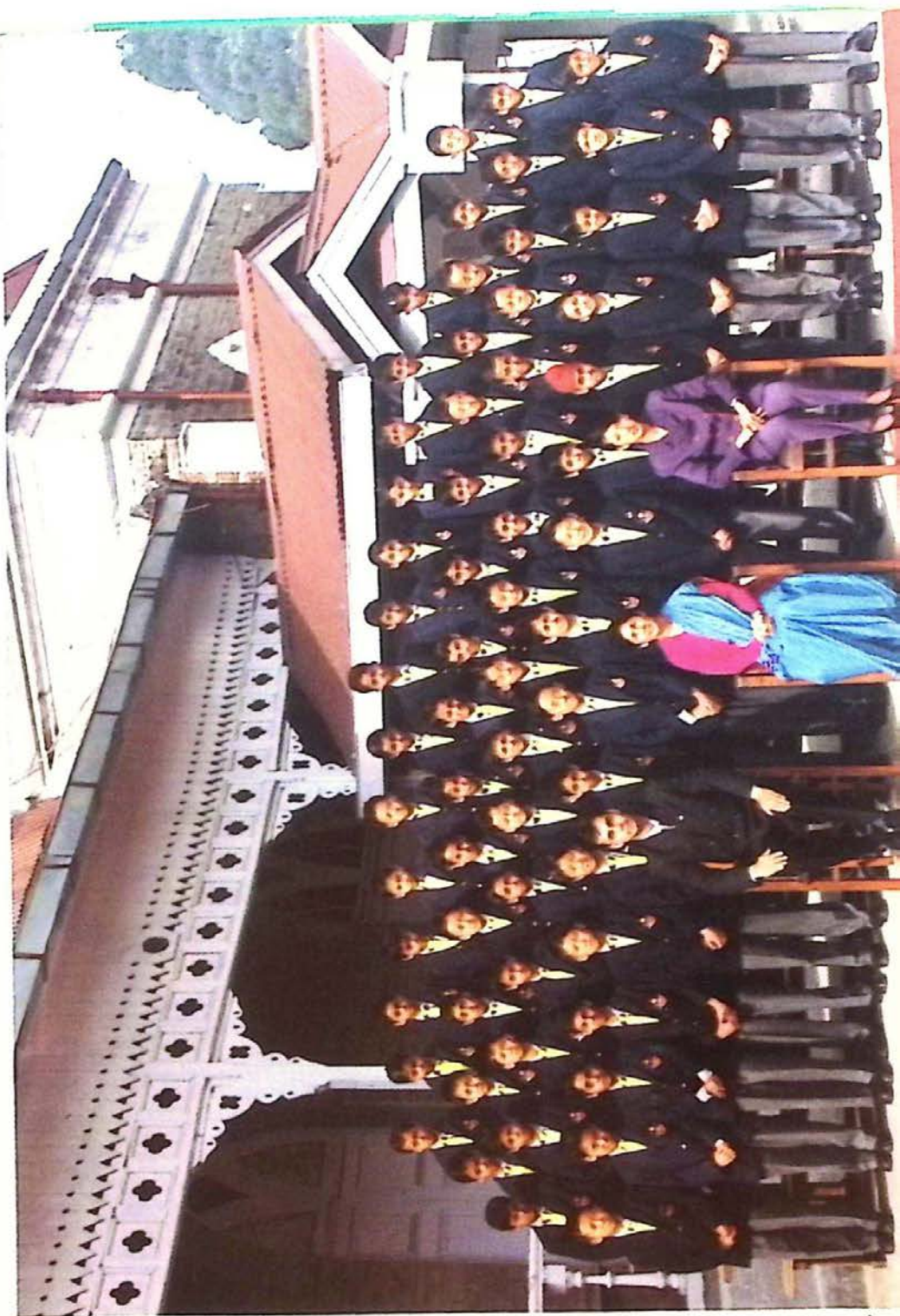
Class Prize - Amir Azam (3 A), Subanta Neogi (4 C), Ashutosh Kumar (5 A), Shyam Murarka (5 B), Saswat Bajracharya (5 C)

Art Prize : Atokavi Sukalu (4 A), Tenzing Yonten (4 C) Hridesh Thapa (5 A) Khensang Mein (5 C)

Essay Prize : Kushal Shrestha (5 A)

Jyoti Kundu Prize : Kawaljeet Sing (5 A)

In the end I would like to express my sincere thanks to the monitors, Mr. Sullivan and Mrs. Tshering for their help and co-operation throughout the year.



P. W. HILLARY HOUSE REPORT.

House Mistress : Mrs. C. Lawrence

House Tutors :
Mr. Sean Manuk
Mrs. Ila Seal.

As another year has come to an end, it's time when we can look back at how Hillary House has fared over the year. I would like to congratulate, at the outset, all those members of the house who helped us to bag the 'Best House Cup' for the year 1999.

The first competition for the year was Cricket where we started off rather badly and attained the 4th position. But this did not deter us in any way, for in the next competition which was the inter-house drama, we stood first!!

Hillary staged 'Miss Louisa and the Outlaws' Special mention must be made of Miss Louisa's role played by Vikramjit Sen and the two outlaws Abhishek Gautam and Chiwang Lama who did a commendable job. Vikramjit Sen was awarded the prize for 'The Best Actor' of the year in the P. W.

We did extremely well in Football and were able to obtain another cup due to the goals scored by Abu Sayeem Chowdhury, Abhishek Gautam and the team effort made by all members of the team.

In the inter-house Elocution, even though we gave of our best, we were slotted third.

Then with the boys who put their heart and soul into the marathon run, we were able to clinch yet another cup. Ashutosh Kumar Bairolia came second in the entire Primary Wing and needs to be congratulated.

The boys fought hard at Hockey and Basketball, and it was by a very narrow margin that we stood second. The P. T. competitions were rather discouraging, for on both occasions the commanders got cold feet and put the whole house into a quandary. As a result we were placed fourth : In athletics we managed to secure the third position, but won the cake for the march past. The quiz competition was very exciting and keenly contested. Special mention must be made of the three boys who took part - Subhro D. Poddar, Peeyush Agarwal and Abhishek Gautam. Subhro. D. Poddar needs to be singled out because

it was he who brought us the most number of points and thus earned us the second position. The boys in the table-tennis matches did their best and we stood third. The house activities were always looked forward to by the boys for it brought fun, laughter and enjoyment.

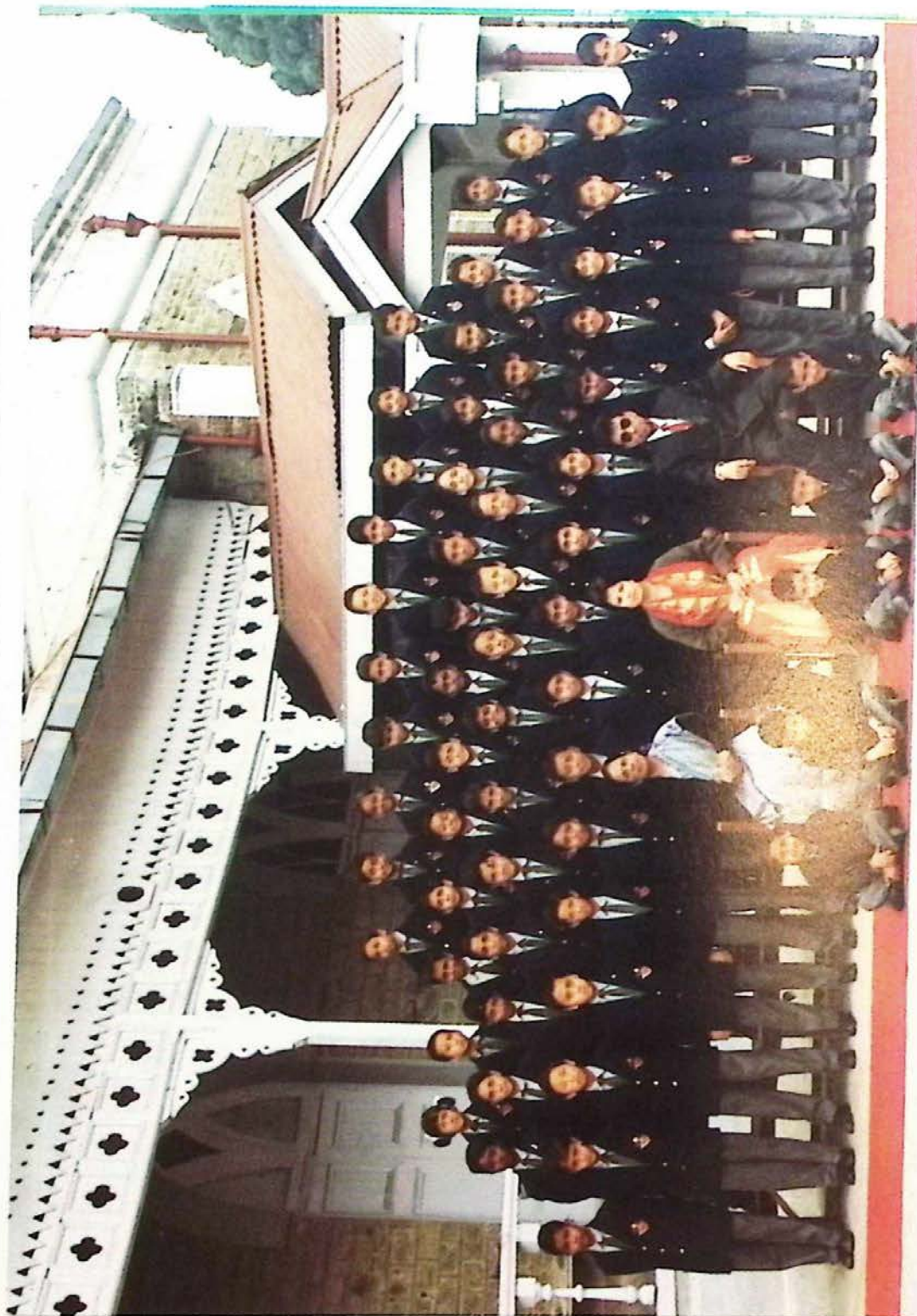
The biggest surprise of all was when Hillary was awarded the study Cup (Which is equal to four game's cups) which enabled us to bag the cup for the 'Best House'. To all those boys who worked hard at their books and brought home victory - well done! and keep up the good work!!

In conclusion a big 'Thank You' as always to Mr. Sean Manuk and Mrs Ila Seal for all their help and co-operation extended to the children of Hillary House.

MRS. C. LAWRENCE.



Primary Wing Inter House Drama—Hillary House—'Miss Lousia & the Outlaws'.



Hillary House with (seated L-R) Ms. I. Seal, Ms. C. Lawrence (House Mistress) and Mr. S. Manuk

HUNT HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Mistress : Mrs. P. Calvert

House Tutors : Miss. R. Rozario
Ms. S. Mukhia, Mr. W. Peters

This year can be termed as 'a mixed bag' as we had our ups and downs.

The season kicked off with cricket, where each house was as good as the other and the end result was that three houses shared the trophy Everest, Tenzing and Hunt.

The Art competition was keenly contested but Hunt proved far too superior for the rest, we came first.

The Inter-House Quiz Cup was bagged by our team. Priyam Chowdhury was awarded the best quizzier. With pleasure he received the Saxena Prize for Quizzing.

When it came to running and kicking the ball my boys lacked the initiative and drive. We came second in Football, Athletic Standards and the Athletic finals.

The boys performed well for the P. T. competition. They came first in the 1st Term and second in the 2nd Term. Thank God! there was no competition in the 3rd Term.

My boys certainly took Chapel and Moral Instructions very seriously. The Moore Divinity Prize was bagged by Hunt.

We came third in Marathon, Essay-writing competition and Hockey, while we had no chance in Elocution, Table-Tennis and Basketball. We came second in the Class-work prize for 1999.

Hunt house staged a soft play called 'A bucket of tears'. It was well appreciated. We came 2nd.

The Cast was follows :

King Richard	-	Wasi Abrar
Tom	-	Adnan Afroz
Old Woman	-	Nafiz Uzzaman
Royal Housekeeper	-	Nilotpall Chowdhury
Prime Minister	-	Shallaz Kumar
Mary	-	Bishal Bajracharya
Katherine	-	Somesh Murarka
Clarence	-	Vineet Pradhan

I would like to put on record my appreciation to Mr. W. Peters for substituting me in my absence. I would like to thank Miss R. Rozario and Ms. S. Mukhia for their help.



Primary Wing Inter House Drama-Hunt House- 'A Bucket of Tears'



Hunt House with (seated L-R) Ms. R. Rozario, Mr. W. Peters and Ms. S. Mukhia
(Ms. P. Calvert, House Mistress is absent)

TENZING HOUSE REPORT 1999

House Mistress : Mrs. A. Tshering

House Tutors :

Mr. A. Dennis

Mrs. S. Dwivedi

This year all the boys of Tenzing House returned to school from their long winter vacation after celebrating Holi at home — a rarity, which is longingly looked forward to.

As always, the House was ready to take on the challenges of 1999 with valiant effort, vigour and relentless optimism. The new members were welcomed to the fold and the old loyalties renewed with the first round of house activities.

"The ghost and the Dissolution" was staged by Tenzing for the Inter-House Drama competition and judged third. The Elocution Cup was ours again this year. Here I must truly congratulate Devdeep Karanjai (Cl. II), Pradeep Swar (3 B) and Karan Rai (4 B) for bagging the first positions; Swarnadeep Banerjee (5 A) who stood second and Akhilesh Singhania (Cl. I) who managed a third. Class 3 and 5 clinched the first position in the choral speaking, while class 4 had to be satisfied with a third.

Tenzing shared the Cricket Cup with Everest and Hunt. The House was awarded cups for Table Tennis and Basketball. The Essay Prize was ours too. We were disappointing in the other competitions, where we stood third in P. T., Hockey and Athletics and fourth in Art, Football, Marathon and G. K.

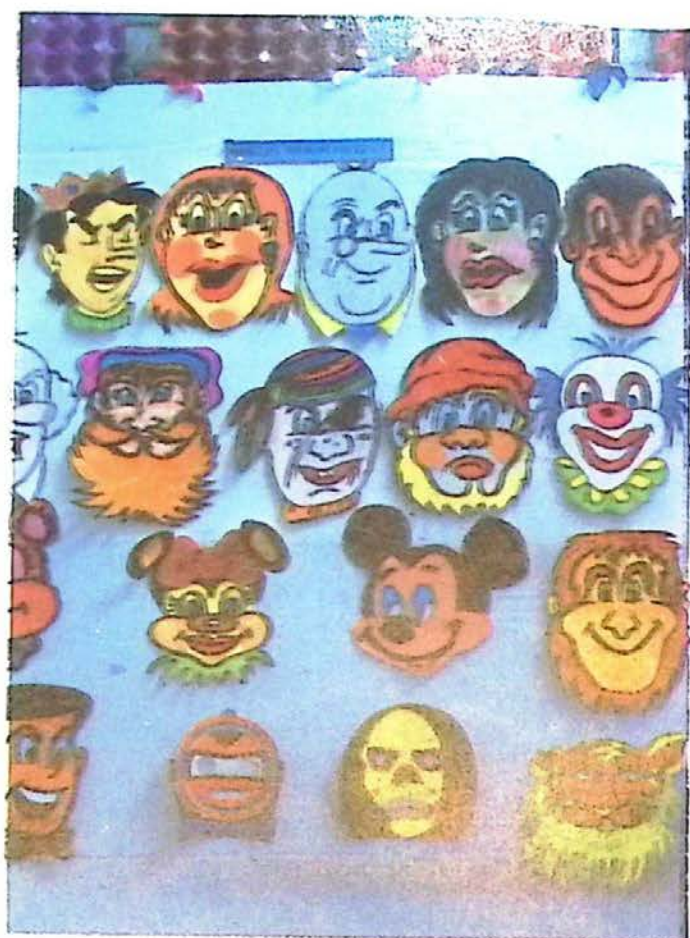
Prizes on Speech Day were awarded to Pem Singhal, Gaurav Agarwal, Biswadeep Choudhury, Rochill Chikahito, Pradeep Swar, Anish Agarwal, Mushahid Hussain and Swarnadeep Banerjee. Their efforts are to be highly commended.

In conclusion, I would like to express my gratitude to our House Tutors Mr. A. Dennis and Mrs. S. Dwivedi for their support and guidance. I also thank all the boys and monitors for their co-operation and loyalty. I wish the boys of class 5 happiness and success as they move on into the Junior Wing this Millennium.

Mrs. A. Tshering



Tenzing House with (seated L-R) Mr. A. Dennis and Ms. S. Dwivedi
(Ms. A. Tshering-House Mistress is absent)







Abdul Hassan (Vikramjit Sen), Mustapha (Tenzing Sherpa) and
Alibaba entertain the Prince of Ispahan



The Procession of slaves bearing Fatima's Dowry



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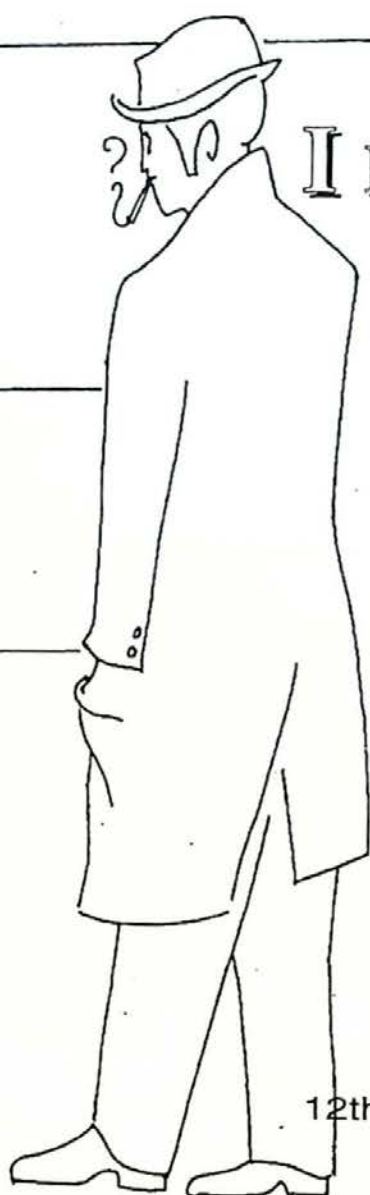
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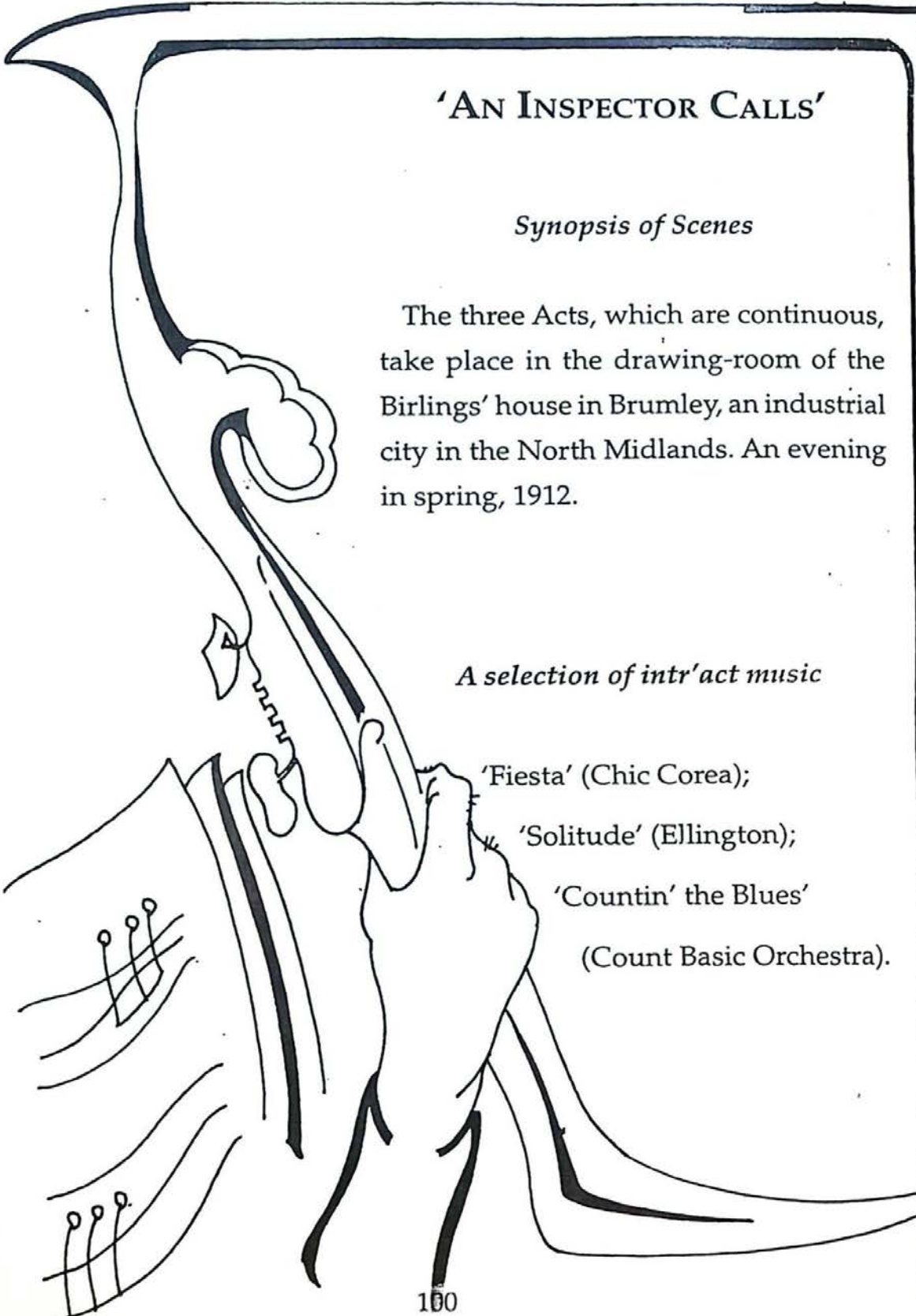
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J. B. PRIESTLEY

Venue : The Prep Hall
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12th, 13th & 15th October, 1999





'AN INSPECTOR CALLS'

Synopsis of Scenes

The three Acts, which are continuous, take place in the drawing-room of the Birlings' house in Brumley, an industrial city in the North Midlands. An evening in spring, 1912.

A selection of intr'act music

'Fiesta' (Chic Corea);

'Solitude' (Ellington);

'Countin' the Blues'

(Count Basic Orchestra).

THE CAST

Arthur Birling ... Saurav Das
Gerald Croft ... Sanjeev Mehra
Sheila Birling ... Amanbir Singh Grewal
Sybil Birling ... Momocha Thangjam
Philip ... Omar Hyder Ali
Eric Birling ... Anirban Ishan Sinha
Inspector Goole ... Issac R. Kharkongor

Directed By – Mr. P. M. Pradhan

Produced By – Mr. Manas Dev

Acknowledgement

- Sets:* Mr. Manas Dev
- Properties:* Mr. Manas Dev with Mr. D. Pradhan,
Mr. S. D. Lama, Mr. P. Tamang
- Lights:* Mr. Mahesh Kharga with Robin Pandey and
Vivek Risal
- Music:* Zorba Laloo and Yeatin Giri with
Mr. P. Pradhan.
- Costumes:* Mr. P. Lama with Amit Bansal and
Pankaj Tewari
- Make up:* Mr. S. M. Pradhan, Ms. A. Rai,
Ms. A. Anthony, Ms. D. Alva, Ms. P. Bagchi,
Ms. B. Chakraborty
- Special Effects:* Mr. Amlan Majumdar with R. Pandey and
Vivek Risal
- Stage Crew:* Jyoti Prakash, Vidyut Jain, Saif Zaman,
Gautam Ghosh, Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Pawan
Tewari, Priyaank Gupta, Ravi Shah, Arindam
Ghosh, Pragyan Pradhan, Naqqash Mazhar,
Jewel Choudhury, Nikhil Goyal, O. P. Gupta.
- Prompters:* Abhishek Gupta, Rudolf Lyndoh.

*A special word of thanks to the Estate Department and
all those who made this production possible.*

SCENES FROM THE SCHOOL PLAY







THE ENGLISH LITERARY SOCIETY

President : D. A. Howard (Rector)
Vice President : Mr. S. K. Mishra

Secretary : David Cecil

Everyman, I will go with thee,
And be thy guide,
In thy most need to go by the side.

The year of '99 awoke to the bustle of activity of the English Literary Society. A series of meetings and talks were conducted, culminating in cheerful interaction between members and guest speakers.

For, its first meeting, the literary Society invited Mr. H. M. Issa, Principal Ruhiyyih School, and Mr. Gautam Bhattacharya, Head of the Bengali Department. Mr. Issa spoke to the Society on 'World Peace', its importance in today's context and how we can go about achieving this objective. Mr. Bhattacharya, talked to the boys on the 'Public School System'. He read passages from books by Bertrand Russell and Rabindranath Tagore, and reflected much upon his own school days in Shantiniketan.

As the year proceeded the Literary Society had the pleasure of welcoming of Mr. Manuel Coutino and Prof. Menakshi Chakraborty. Mr. Coutino guided the members on the 'Importance of Public Speaking', where he invited members to speak impromptu from the floor. Prof. Chakraborty discussed the prospects of 'Literature as a Career or a Profession'. She gave an excellent talk on the avenues one can approach if one opts for Literature as "a mainstay in Life".

The Literary Society is grateful to all these eminent persons who have so kindly given of their time to address the Society, and to add to our knowledge and perspective.

The Society also came out with a weekly wall magazine 'Ecstasy', a brainwave of Mr. S. K. Mishra, which has provided a colourful, yet reliable source of English vocabulary and expression.

A number of English-related Prize Examinations were conducted; the Carter English Essay Prize (Amber Huria), the Saraf Short Story

Prize (Lalram Khiangte) and the Nanibala Day Literature Prize (David Cecil). Other aspects of the Society such as Elocution and Debating are found separately elsewhere in this Chronicle.

There is no doubt that a lot of hard work has been put in to coordinate these activities and this would not have been possible were it not for the constant help and guidance of an ever-willing and ever-ready President and Vice President.

Reading, being one of the pillars of English Literature, all the Literary meetings were held in the School Library. The Society also thanks the Librarian and the Estate Department for their cooperation.

It has been a great privilege and pleasure for me to work with the Literary Society and I extend my heartfelt thanks to all concerned. I wish the Society continued success in the future.

"Literature always anticipates life. It does not copy it, but moulds it to its purpose" - Oscar Wilde.

David Cecil
(Secretary)

ENGLISH ELOCUTION REPORT

Master-in-Charge : Mr. D. A. Howard **Secretary :** David Cecil

Inwing Berlin had once commented "the toughest thing about success is that you've got to keep on being a success."

The Inter-House English Elocution competition serves the purpose of giving speakers and aspiring speakers a chance to discover themselves as well as their talents. It is an opportunity to test one's ability and the suitability of pieces keeping the Inter-School Competition in mind.

This year, there were a number of new faces as well as new pieces. A high standard was maintained as participants exerted themselves for their respected houses. After an evening of worry, anticipation, excitement and exhilaration the results declared, were as follows :

1st Anirban Sinha (The Bear Action Checkor)

2nd Momocha Thanjam (Murder in the Cathedral, T. S. Elliot)

XI and XII (combined) Senior Prose

1st David Cecil (Siddhartha, Hermon Hesse)

2nd Sanjeev Mehra (Saved, Rabindranath Tagore)

The XI and XII (Combined) Drama :-

1st Isaac Kharkongor (Dr. Faustus - Christopher Marlowe)

2nd Karan MacDonald (School for Wives, Moliere)

And finally in the IX and X (combined) Extempore :

1st Siddharth Poddar (He who has the Gold Rules the World)

2nd tie - Vaibhav Dugar
 Amanbir Grewal

The House positions were :-

1st Hastings

2nd Clive

3rd Havelock

4th LawrEnce

As the results show it was a keenly contested competition and credit must be given to the participants and those who trained the boys. A word of thanks must also go to the Judges for the evening : Mrs. E. Howard, Ms. Rozario, Mr. Lawrence and to Mr. Manas Dev as tabulator.

At the N. M. Master Memorial Inter-School Elocution Contest our results were adequate : we bagged 3rd position on the whole with Birat Thapa achieving 1st place.

Credit should go to Junior Division boys who represented our school Anirban Sinha, Siddharth Poddar, Amar Bajracharya. A special word of thanks should be given to the Rector, Senior. Master, Ms. Rozario and all others who guided the boys.

On speech Day the Swaika Medal for Drama was awarded to Isaac Kharkongor and the Sakraney Medal for Elocution to David Cecil

David Cecil
Secretary



The NM Master's Elocution team with Mr. S. Chakravarthi and Ms. R. Rozario



DEBATING

M.I.C. : Mr. Devendra Kumar

Secretary : Amber Huria

Debating in St. Paul's has been an improving process ever since its inception. This year, the speakers made the listeners sit back and think.

The 24th of April saw Clive and Lawrence locking horns to prove the statement 'Science is a creator not a destroyer' - right in their own ways Clive debated for the topic and won quite convincingly though Saurav Das of Lawrence house was declared the best speaker.

The second debate of the year on the 19th of June proved to be a good contest between facts and eloquent speeches but the former proved to be superior. Hastings opposed the topic - 'Grandma proves to be a better dispenser of medicines than the modern pharmacists' - and could not avoid the inevitable result. Isaac Kharkongor of Havelock was declared the best speaker.

Clive took on Havelock on the 3rd of July to contend the controversial topic - 'War is necessary' - and even if Mahatma Gandhi is regarded as the Father of the Nation, people still feel that Subhash Chandra Bose's ideas cannot be kept aside, which is why Clive out-witted Havelock; Amber Huria, Clive, being declared the best speaker.

Hastings proved wrong the statement- 'Religion has done more harm than good to us' - against Lawrence on the 24th of July and Anirban Sinha's eloquence got him the best speaker.

The evening of the 3rd of September saw Lawrence and Havelock battle it out. The Lawrencians were unable to convince the judges with their point of view as they argued in favour of the motion - 'lack of killer Instinct is the cause of Indian sportsman not excelling'.

The much awaited debate of the year took place on the 4th of September between the two 'giants' - Hastings and Clive 'The youth of today are ignorant of the population boom, the necessity for education and the need for discipline' Clive proposed but Hastings disposed. Hastings, Clive and Havelock shared the debating shield for the year 1999 and Amber Huria was the winner of the Air Force Trophy for the best Public speaker.

Mr. Devendra Kumar, Mr. T. Calvert and Mr. Manas Dev were greatly instrumental in the fruitious culmination of yet another successful and competitive year of debating.

The School was well represented in three debates at outside venues during the course of this year. The first Inter-School Debate being arranged by the Rotary Club of Darjeeling District. Mitadru Kole spoke against the topic and Zorba Laloo delivered for the motion- 'We acclaim that the youth of today are more blessed than cursed' The motion was dropped and it was an entertaining event. The second outing was an Inter ISC debate held at North Point and our school, represented by Amber Huria and Zorba Laloo did well to convince the audience about the fact that 'Wisdom comes with age. 'Zoo' is a place for conservation and recreation' - This was the final statement for Amber Huria and Kunal Chowdhary who spoke in front of a large audience at the Darjeeling Botanical Gardens. The School's reputation was intact and the school flag flew high.

MUSIC NOTES

M.I.C. : Mr. Sudeep Pande

Secretary : Isaac Kharkongor

1999 has been a rather eventful year for the Music Department with remarkable improvement in its general standard. At the beginning of the year it came as a surprise to many when Isaac Kharkongor was appointed as the Music Secretary. Over the year, Isaac has not only earned the confidence and respect of the boys, but also ably led the senior Music Club and trained boys at various levels (House concerts, Music concert, Inter-House singing concert, etc.). He was, undoubtedly, one of the most popular boys in the hearts of the 'Juniors'. He has served as the head chorister and has also appeared for the Trinity college London examination in singing. He was awarded with the prestigious Adam's Music Prize for the year 1999.

Formal music lessons were given to 21 boys in piano and singing. They were sent up for the practical examination in music conducted by Trinity college of Music, London, in the month of September. 18 of them were successful. The examiner for this year was Christopher Wiltshire, PhD, MMUS, GRSM, LRAM, ARAM, FRSA. Fourteen candidates appeared for the theory examinations in November. Results are awaited.

Retd. Major K. Lama, our Bandmaster, gave individual lessons and trained the school Band. This year many junior wing boys have joined the Band. They have been enthusiastic and sincere. Some of them even appeared for the theory examination. The Band played creditably at the NCC Parade on the 15th of August, Annual Athletics Meet and at the Inter-School Sports.

The Chapel choir has not only been the highlight of the Music Department but of the school in general. It has rendered an anthem every month and at all special and Festal services. Some of the notable ones that were sung were : 'lead me Lord' - Wesley, 'Laudate Dominum' - Mozart, 'Psalm - 121', 'Sing Hallelujah' - Stassen, 'Let all that dwell below the skies' - Attwood, etc. The boy sopranos have done wonders with their innumerable heart-lifting descants. Most hymns were sung in harmony by select choristers. This year we had a choir festival with Dr. Graham's Homes. The services was held in our school chapel. It

was conducted by our Rector and Rev. J. Johnston, visiting chaplain of D.G.H. Each of the choirs sang six anthems, the repertoire having a wide range. The SPS choir sang the seven-fold Amen at the end. This was indeed a grand occasion which fostered the spirit of harmony and friendship between the two schools.

The Annual Music concert was held on the 31st of July. It was a beautiful blend of classical, negro-spiritual, pop, modern, etc. - both vocal and instrumental. The choral items and an instrumental of Eastern and Western combination of Dvorak's 'Theme from large' were the highlights of the evening. The concluding song, 'my way', sung by the Music secretary brought the show to a rather nostalgic end.

The choral singing in the chapel culminated with the junior and senior carol services. The choir carols were: 'Veni, Veni, Emmanuel', 'In the bleak mid-winter' - Cranham, 'Infant Holy, Infant lowly' - Polish carol, 'Rocking' - Czech carol, and 'Ding, Dong Merrily on High' - French tune. Tenzing Lama, a talented Baritone, sang 'We Three Kings' while the Head Chorister, Isaac Kharkongor, sang 'Cantique de Noel'. The other soloists at the services were Karma Ghale, Alexius Dhungel and Taraknand Joshi. Isaac Kharkongor and Om Shree Narasingha read the First lesson, on behalf of the choir, at senior and junior wing services respectively.

A number of music students have performed creditably at their respective House concerts, mostly vocal and a few instrumental. They were all of a fairly high standard. The Inter-House Singing concert in the Senior Wing was indeed a great success. All training and directing was done by the boys themselves. In this connection, I would like to specially commend Zorba Laloo and Isaac Kharkongor on the splendid work with their respective House boys, and to Zakee Shah and Tenzing Lama for a wonderful version of the Duo 'God gives his people strength.'

In conclusion, I would like to commend all the musicians for an excellent performance over the year, for making it a point to prove that the 'Hills are alive to the sound of music' and that 'music' and 'love' are indeed synonymous. I would like to thank the Rector for his ever understanding attitude towards the Music Department.

Sudeep Pande





The Hindi Parishad with (seated L-R) Mr. D.K. Mishra,
Mr. G.R. Anthony, Dr. M. Kumar

HINDI SOCIETY REPORT

M.I.C. : Mr. G. R. Anthony

Secretary : Amit Periwal

This year marked the ending of yet another successful year for the Hindi society. This year also marked the ending of 176 years of the schools existence. The secret of success of the Hindi society was love and co-operation between the teachers and the boys.

The editorship of 'The Paulite' in the Hindi section progressed under the guidance of Dr. Manoj Kumar and Vishal Agarwal who was appointed the student editor of 'The Paulite'.

Mr. D. K. Mishra, who joined our family last year was married earlier this year. We wish the couple a happy married life for the years to come.

The activities of the Hindi society began with the Inter-House Hindi Elocution in the junior school. The result of the contest was :

Class VI : Poetry :

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| i) Siddharth Khaitan, | ii) Rohit Agarwal |
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Class VII : Prose

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| i) Akhil Bansal | ii) Mohit Gourisaria |
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Class VIII : Poetry

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| i) Gautam Kumar | ii) Saurav Upadhyay |
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The House Positions were :

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| i) Betten | ii) Anderson |
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This was soon followed by the Inter House Elocution in the senior school. The results were as follows :

Class IX - Poetry

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| i) Nischal Singh | ii) Abhishek Chanani |
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Class X - Prose

i) Nikhil Goel

ii) Tushar Ujjwal

Class XI and XII — Drama

i) Vishal Agarwal

ii) Avishek Dokania

The House positions in the senior school were 1st Clive and Hastings.

Soon after this boys started preparing for the Inter-School Elocution hosted by Mount Hermon. This was not a contest but a concert. The participants were from Mount Hermon, North Point, Loreto Convent and St. Paul's. We were represented by Siddharth Khaitan in the Junior poetry Section, Gautam Kumar in the intermediate section, Nikhil Goel in Senior prose and Vishal Agarwal in the open section drama.

The Hindi society staged a one act play entitled 'Azaadi Aur Shaadi' which was directed by Mr. G. R. Anthony with co-operation from the other teachers of the society. It was a hilarious comedy which showed the problems faced by an orthodox family. The stage cast and crew did a remarkable job to make the play successful.

The leading roles of the play were taken up by Amit Periwal, Avishek Dokania and Rohit Prasad. Amit Periwal won the best actor's medal.

On the 52nd Independence Day, Amit Periwal delivered a patriotic speech in Hindi and received commendable applause from the gathering.

We celebrated the 'Hindi Diwas' on 14th of September. Himachal Hindi Bhawan organised an essay writing competition and a competition in oratorical abilities at the district level. We were represented by Momocha Thanjjam and Tenzing Dekeva for essay writing competition for non-Hindi speaking boys and Tushar Ujjwal, Nikhil Agarwal, Rohit Lakhotia and Naman Mawandia for essay writing for the Hindi speaking boys. Amit Periwal and Vishal Agarwal represented our school in the oratory competition.

In the essay writing competition for non-Hindi speaking boys Momocha Thangjam was placed 1st and Tenzing Dekeva 3rd. Vishal Agarwal stood 3rd in the oratory competition.

This year the prizes in the hindi section were awarded to the following boys— Kamlesh Kanti Medal for securing the highest number of marks in Hindi I.C.S.E. 99 and returning to school - Amit Bansal & Rudra Hindi Prize - Amit Periwal.

Vishal Agarwal and Saket Bairoliya received special commendation in the Hindi Prize exam.

Finally I would like to thank Mr. G. R. Anthony, Head of the Department, Mrs. U. S. Baani, Mrs. S. Dwivedi, Dr. M. Kumar and Mr. D. K. Mishra for their continuous guidance and support for making this year a success for the Hindi Society.

Amit Periwal



The Bengali Society with Mr. and Mrs. Bhattacharya

BENGALI SOCIETY REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. G. Bhattacharya

Secretary : Mr. Sudeep Ghosh

It would be no exaggeration to say that the activities of the Bengali Society had been a complete success throughout the year. We may thus arrive at the convincing conclusion that St. Paul's School's Bengali Society has established a praise-worthy tradition in the history of St. Paul's School and 1999 was another successful year in the history of the society.

The year began with the Inter House Bengali Elocution which was held on the 8th of May. The competition was divided into three categories, they were as follows :

Class 9	-	Poetry Section	: 1st Shivaji Bagchi 2nd Swakshar Kundu
Class 10	-	Prose Section	: 1st Soumik Mukherjee 2nd Sourabh Das
Class 11 & 12	-	Drama Section	: 1st Sudeep Ghosh, Dibyaduti Ghosh and Ritesh Agarwal.

Hastings bagged the cup for the year.

The Inter School Bengali Elocution was held on the 28th of July at Loreto Convent, which included various sections of recitation. Several cultural programmes were staged by the hosts. The participants of our school were Sourabh Das in the extempore section, Soumik Mukherjee in the senior prose section, Rohan Dhar for junior prose section and Rajib Roy for poetry section.

On the eve of Independence, The Bengali Society presented its Annual Cultural Programme. A dance was performed by the students of class 8, which was directed by Mrs. P. Bhattacharya. The audience was enthralled by a group song, which was performed by the class 10 students of the Bengali Society.

Finally a play in One Act was staged, which was written and directed by Mr. G. Bhattacharya. The play was entitled "*A Train To Kargil*". The cast included Omar Haider Ali who played the lead role of

Shamsher Khan. Dibyaduti Ghosh and Shuvankar Ghosh played their roles as parents respectively. Soumik Mukherjee and Rakib Miah were passengers and Tanvir Rahim played a soldier's part. Lastly, Satyabrata Sen and Arindam Ghosh played the hawkers role respectively. The Chief Guest for the programme was Lt. Col. Mukherjee.

The Usha Rani Bengali Prize for essay writing was awarded to Ritesh Agarwal and the Best Actor's Prize was awarded to Omar Haider Ali for his excellent performance.

Lastly, I would like to conclude by thanking our Bengali Teachers : Mrs. I. Seal, & Mr. and Mrs. Bhattacharya who contributed immensely towards the success of the Society's programmes throughout the year.

Sudeep Ghosh
Bengali Secretary '99



The Nepali Society with Mr. B.B. Tamang and Mr. S.M. Pradhan

NEPALI SOCIETY

M.I.C. : Mr. S. M. Pradhan

Secretary : Yeatin Giri

This year, the Nepali Society's Nepali Prize Exam was held on the 30th of April. The topic was the 'Employment problem in India'. The topic attracted a large number of competitors. The Madhukar Rana Prize was bagged by Dawa Sherpa (Lw.)

On the 15th of August, the 2nd language department entertained the boys with plays and songs in their respective languages. Although we had prepared ourselves well, we couldn't perform on the final day. The play was entitled - "Mo harchu Ra?" We had other items such as a Nepali Folk dance, trained by Mr. S. M. Pradhan and Mrs. A. Rai and songs sung in group by Sameer Sijapati and Prakash Karki.

The Inter School Nepali Elocution was hosted by our school on the 28th of July. Sumit Mangal (10), A. Bajracharya (8) and Birat Thapa (6) performed well. Due credit goes to Mr. B. B. Tamang and Mr. S. M. Pradhan for training them.

For the first time, this year we had our Inter House Nepali Elocution that was held on 13th of July (Bhanu Jayanti). Dhabub Prasai (Lw) stood first in the senior division, Sumit Mangal (Cl) in the intermediate and Binayak Thapa (Hv) in the Junior Division. I must congratulate them as they spoke and elocuted with commendable proficiency.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mr. B. B. Tamang and Mr. S. M. Pradhan for their help and guidance throughout the year. I would also like to thank Mrs. A. Rai for helping us in the dance and Md. Hanif for helping to train the boys for elocution. It wouldn't be fair if I didn't thank the Nepali Paulite student Editor - Dawa Sherpa who has helped throughout the year in keeping the 'Paulite' section up-to-date.

Yeatin Giri

ART & CRAFT REPORT

M.I.C. : Mr. Ashish Sen

Secy. Art : Yeatin Giri

Secy. Woodwork : Kunal Chaudhary

Secy. Batik : Sachin Pradhan

"I have spent my life amusing myself by putting colours on the canvas", Renoir would say. "I think that perhaps I have not done so badly because I have worked so hard."

At St. Paul's the preparations for this year's Art & Craft show took off a little after July with Mr. Ashish Sen (Art Sec. '80 and an Old Paulite) as the Master-in-charge in place of Mr. R. S. Baoni. In an all out effort boys got busy restricting their working hours to the stipulated time.

This year's show comprised of new items in terms of design and subject. Almost all the batik pieces were new compositions. The woodwork pieces were exquisite and tell-tale examples of hard work. The water-colour studies were the classroom exercises done by boys who have taken Art as one of their Board subjects.

The oils and acrylics covered important exhibition space. There were landscapes, portraits and animal studies. The oil pastel paintings done by J. W. were their own perception of things reflecting the child's world. The cartoons were humorous and witty.

It would take a very long report to mention every boy whose work featured in this show as they were all equally worthy of praise. Every exhibit was a creation of perseverance and dedication as the onlookers will testify. Indraneil Goswami's reproduction of a constable "The Hallowein Cart" Neil Lawrence's Landscape in Oil and Kamlesh Agarwal's landscape in Acrylics lined the school play stage setting.

This year's Art & Craft Exhibition was liked by all the visitors. On the speech Day the following prizes were awarded. 'Best Artist for the year 1999—Yeatin Giri; Best Craftsman, Woodwork - Kunal Choudhary; 'Best Craftsman' Batik - Sachin Pradhan. The Anil Chaudhary Art prize Exam was held in June. The Prize was won by Yeatin Giri. These winners contributed substantially to the art exhibition this year.

To conclude I would like to thank Mr. Sen and our 'Harka daju' for their help and guidance throughout the year. I also appreciate the sincere effort put in by all the Art & Craft boys and hope that they will always work in the same way and try to do even better in the years to come.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

M.I.C. : Mr. K. R. K. Singh

Secretary : Amit Gupta

As Always the photography club, which is popularly known as Camera Club, was one of the most active clubs in the Senior Wing.

We started the year 1999 with thirty three members on our rolls. Under the able guidance of Mr. K. R. K. Singh, Master-in-charge of photography, our boys worked sincerely throughout the year. The members of the club were constantly in the photography rooms and this became more so as the Puja break drew near. This culminated in a superb exhibition on the eve of the Puja break.

Consistent hardwork throughout the year by the members of the club ensured that the hobby remained one of the most prominent in the school. With an entry of 250 photographs distributed among eleven sections the competition was tough. I would like to convey my gratitude and thanks to Mr. S. Chakravarthi, Mr. G. R. Anthony and Dr. P. K. Sharma for having spent their valuable time judging our competition and helping our boys.

The results of this year's competition are as follows :

Amit Gupta	-	First Prize
Rohan Basu	-	Second Prize
Anup Ghyriya	-	First Prize
O.P. Gupta	-	Second Prize
Nikhil Goyal	-	First Prize
Nikhil Goyal	-	Second Prize
Rohan Basu	-	First Prize
Rohan Basu	-	Second Prize
Rajib Miah	-	First Prize
Abhishek Jalan	-	Second Prize



The Camera Club with Mr. K.R. Singh

Pushparaj Bharadwaj	-	First Prize
Pushparaj Bhardwaj	-	Second Prize
Pawan Tiwari	-	First Prize
O. P. Gupta	-	Second Prize
Anand Tiwari	-	First Prize
Masum Md. Aman	-	Second Prize
Anunay Gupta	-	First Prize
Nikhil Goyal	-	Second Prize
Amit Gupta	-	First Prize
O. P. Gupta	-	First Prize
Nikhil Goyal	-	First Prize
Nikhil Goyal	-	Second Prize

The Three Major Prizes that were given in this hobby are as follows:

1. Das Studio Prizes for consistent hard work awarded to : Amit Gupta
2. Kamlesh Kanti Prize for best photographer of the year awarded to: Nikhil Goyal
3. Darjeeling Photo Stores Prize for Excellence in photography awarded to : O. P. Gupta.

A new Prize introduced by Raj Studio was awarded to : Rohan Basu

In the end, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mr. K. R. K. Singh and all the members of the club for their help in organizing and running the different activities of the club this year.

Amit Gupta



The Lathe Machine Workshop Boys' with Mr. U.K. Dwivedi

MACHINE WORKSHOP REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. U.K. Dwivedi

Secretary : Rupesh Kumar

In order to make the last exhibition of the millennium memorable the members of the machine workshop worked with sincere effort throughout the year to put up their display of skill during their annual exhibition in October. The response and the remarks made by the visitors proved that their hard work and toil didn't go in vain.

At the beginning of the year the rush for membership was very heavy and this shows that the hobby has grown in popularity among the students. But due to lack of space and availability of the lathe machine restricted us to keep the membership to a limited number.

The activities started very early during the course of the year and right from the word go the boys in the hobby worked with full gusto to put up a commendable display. The newcomers to the hobby were trained in the art of operating the lathe machine and shown the intricacies in producing quality work. Many boys with talents were discovered when sufficient opportunity was given to them.

As the annual exhibition was put up some fascinating pieces with intricate designs were displayed. The hardwork of the boys was shown in all the seventy lamps, twenty candle stands and five ash trays.

The N. K. Mitra Prize for club Activities for this year was awarded to Rupesh Kumar who as student secretary of the club gave his full time and effort in raising the standard and quality of the designs of the lamp and candle stands respectively.

Last but not the least, we must give our thanks and gratitude to Mr. U.K. Dwivedi, without whose enthusiastic help and guidance the boys would not have achieved this success.

We hope that next year the club members will be able to produce an exhibition of higher quality. Best of luck to them. Till then Adieu!



The Audio-Visual Club with Mr. G. Dutta

AUDIO VISUAL CLUB

M.I.C. : Mr. Genesis Dutta

Student Secy. : Nitin Agarwal

The Audio Visual Club had a very successful year. It was through the dedicated hard work of the boys under the supervision of Mr. Genesis Dutta that the Society flourished.

We remained extremely busy throughout the year showing movies, as also wiring for various other activities like concerts, Quiz shows, Elocutions, Sports etc. Entertaining Paulites has always been our objective and we have always done it successfully.

Among the movies screened this year, there was the usual variety for the adventure lovers. There was "Robinson Crusoe" and "Mummy"—for action lovers, there was "Extrapment" and "Matrix" for science fiction lovers and for the Hindi Film fans we showed "Kartoos", "Kohram", and "Haseena Man Jayegi".

Apart from showing movies we also worked behind the scenes staging 8 house concerts in the Junior and Senior Wings. Special thanks to - Vivek Risal, Robin Pandey, Subranil Dhar, Arjun Gurung, Vidyut Jain, Yeatin and our secretary Nitin for helping out.

And so another eventful year of selfless work and great fun has come to an end for the Audio visual club members. But this report would be incomplete if I did not record our sincerest gratitude to our Master-in-charge Mr. Genesis Dutta who worked patiently, quietly and devotedly throughout the year. Thank you sir for all that you have done and here's hoping that the club will continue to work as efficiently as we have done during 1999.

Nitin Agarwal



The Computer Society with Mr. S. Iyer and Mr. A. Banerjee

COMPUTER CLUB '99

Master-in-Charge : Mr. A. S. Iyer Secretary : Sudeep Ghosh
Mr. A. Banerjee

In this fast moving age, computers are swiftly gaining popularity. More and more people are wanting to learn computers. Several computer institutions have opened up in the big cities or small towns. Computers are the brains of the next millennium. Our club, therefore, is moving along with the fast moving generation by getting the state of art for our Computer Club and being the secretary I have tried my utmost.

The onset of the monsoons was marked by the departure of our senior teacher Mr. A. Mazumdar and some weeks after that we welcomed our new teacher Mr. A. S. Iyer.

We have moved one step higher as we will be the first batch to give I.S.C. in C++ language. We found this language quite interesting as it is called Object Oriented Programming (OOP).

We had started preparing for our Annual Exhibition from the beginning of the year itself but it slowed down due to the 2nd Terminal Examination.

The R. S. Prasad Computer Prize was not awarded this year due to unavoidable circumstances.

The Computer Exhibition started to function slowly after a lot of greasing and oiling. It was held in the same classroom as last year and according to the remarks given by the visitors, it was a grand success. We put up different programmes, namely :

Study of Optics	:	Dennis Pradhan
Study of Chemistry	:	Dawa Sherpa
Games Programs	:	Sajal Kayan, Amit Saraf, Tushar Ujjwal, Gaurav Chaucharia, Vaibhav Dugar, Sandeep Agarwal and Pawan Agarwal
Quiz Programs	:	Ashwini Todi, Tushar Chandra
Solar Eclipse &		

Horoscope : Deependra Singh, Sudarshan Rai,
Mitadru Koley, Ashish Dalmia.

Charts done by : Tushar Karara, Anmol Basnet, Sudeep
Ghosh, Kamlesh Agarwal, Manindhar
Sandhu.

The Club is grateful to everyone who helped in the slightest possible way in staging this memorable exhibition and especially to the Estate Dept. for their electrical fittings. My special thanks also extends to our computer teachers and members of the club. I wish the Club success in the years to come and a very big THANK YOU TO ONE AND ALL.

Sudeep Ghosh

INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY REPORT '99

The activities of the Industrial Chemistry Club began around the month of August, 1999. A very large number of members, not necessarily those who are science freaks joined the club. Undoubtedly - this was a very popular hobby this year in the senior wing. To be exact our strength was forty eight, which was the biggest number of members for any hobby this year.

We started the year by getting everything arranged in the laboratory. We took stock of the chemicals and then ordered for a new stock that we thought we would require for our club. We received the ordered chemicals rather late, therefore, we used this period to make some model representation of a couple of gas production models with thermocol. It was not an easy job but finally we achieved success. The models were praise worthy. Later when we received the materials we started producing samples of the products for the exhibition this year. This included invisible ink (which proved to be very popular among students of our and visiting schools), talcum powder, blue and black ink, black polish, magic ink, cleansing cream, liquid soap etc. On the other hand the applied part of the chemistry (like caught red handed, blood from nowhere, finger print detection) was the most exciting. The volcano which erupted lava everytime we put some chemicals in it was the most popular.

It is needless to say that the boys had a great time making these products. Our basic aim was to enjoy work and we did so. Every manufacturing session in the chemistry lab was full of excitement and discovery. Finally the hard work of the boys paid as the exhibition was a smashing success. The remark book said it all. Some remarks taken from the book are as follows :

D. A. Howard - Rector - S. P. S. - Good! A number of new experiments that work! - The boys seemed well informed.

S. Chakravarthy - S. M. SPS - I can see you've had fun working on this exhibition! well done! keep up the good work.

Arijit Ghosh - Much better than last year. Well done!

Pallavi - Good and Simple.

Finally one must not forget Mr. K. R. Singh, who in spite of being pre - occupied with the Camera Club found time to help and guide us throughout the year and Mr. P. Singha whose instructions and guidelines were very helpful. I take this opportunity of wishing the future secretary best of luck and success.

MONITI MELIORA SEQUAMUR

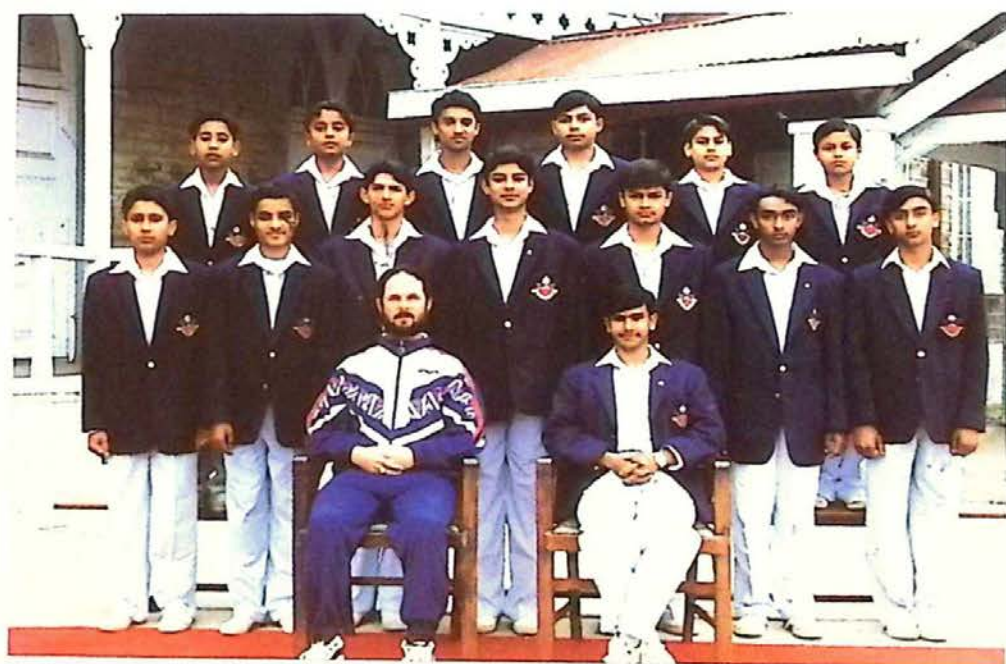
Avishek Dokania
Secretary



The Industrial Chemistry Club with Mr. K.R. Singh and Mr. P. Singha



The School Cricket Team with Mr. A. Alva



Mr. A. Alva with the Junior Wing Cricket Team

CRICKET REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. A. Alva.

As we returned from our long winter vacation, the cricket season began in quick earnest with a lot of enthusiasm from the boys. This year the VIth formers returned on 21st March and after the Prefects' Investiture Ceremony, the first 'Official' match of the year between the staff and the VIth form was played with the staff winning the toss and electing to bat. The Staff were given a sound start by opener Mr. A. Rai, making his debut for the S.P.S. Staff, whose beligerant knock of 78 from 60 balls had the boys chasing leather to all parts of the field. Later, Mr. Dennis tried to hold onto the innings with his patient 38 runs but before he could add any more to his personal score the overs ran out and the staff folded up their innings at 233 for the loss of eight wickets. After lunch, the boys came in to bat and Shashank Agarwal and Rupesh Kumar tore the staffs' bowling to shreds by scoring 88 and 44 respectively, thereby enabling the students to obtain an easy victory over the staff with 5 wickets still in hand and 10 overs to spare. The summarised scores are as follows.

Staff : 233/8	Students : 234/5
Mr. A. Rai - 78	Shashank Agarwal - 88
Mr. A. Dennis - 38	Rupesh Kumar - 44
Karan McDonald - 2/39	Mr. M. Dutta - 2/14

Followed by this was the fixture against Mt. Hermon. The Junior Wing XI went down to M.H.S. and came back victorious and the under X 1st XI played at home and proved their superiority here too. The summarised scores of these matches are as follows.

J.W. XI	Under X 1st XI
S.P.S. : 202/6 (20 overs)	S.P.S. : 157/7 (28.4 overs)
Md. Rahatul Khan - 35	Arindam Ghosh - 44
Ankit Kishorepuria - 33	Tushar Chandra - 32
M.H.S. : 136/10 (18 overs)	M.H.S. : 155/10 (27.1 overs)
Ankit Kishorepuria - 4/13	Arafat Faruque - 3/13
Golan Faisal - 3/24	

Result : S.P.S. won by 66 runs Result : S.P.S. won by 3 wickets.

The next big match for us was played on the 3rd of April against the Old Paulites. The boys were enthusiastic as ever and eager to retain the trophy they had won the previous year. Unfortunately, we fell apart and could not put up a formidable target, and inspite of the tough fight put up by the boys, the O.P.A.s' experience helped them wrest back the trophy from us. The Ajit Prasad Memorial Trophy for the Man of the Match was awarded to Satyabrata Sen for his superb all round performance in the field. In addition, this year, the O.P.A.'s introduced three prizes for the 'Best Batsman', 'Best Bowler' and 'Best fielder' which went to Shashank Agarwal, Naqqash Mazhar and Srikant Sharma respectively. Before going any further, we the Paulites, would like to sincerely thank the O.P.A.'s for making this annual pilgrimage and encouraging out boys year after year. At the end of the day the scores were as follows :

S.P.S.: 205/7 (40 overs)

Mr. A. Alva - 32*

O.P.A. : 208/5 (25.3 overs)

Arindam Ghosh - 3/32

Our next fixture was against Dr. Graham's Homes School of Kalimpong on the 10th of April. We hosted the Grahamites and coasted to an easy 8 wicket victroy over them.

D.G.H. : 156/10 (31.2 overs)

Dibyadyuti Ghosh - 3/10

Rupesh Kumar - 4/23

S.P.S. : 158/2 (20.1 overs)

Shashank Agarwal - 57

Shrikant Sharma - 35

EDINBURGH HIGHLIGHTS

It was finally time for us to lock horns with Mt. Hermon School and St. Joseph's Collegiate School for the coveted Edinburgh Trophy. Our first opponent was Mt. Hermon who were to play us at home. Mt. Hermon opted to bat first and put up a sizeable 234 runs for the loss of 7 wickets in their allotted 40 overs. The excitement changed to desperation with a total collapse in our batting line up and despite a patient knock by Mr. A. Alva, who had the Hermonites on tenterhooks throughout his stay at the crease we were bundled out for a paltry score falling short of the target by 75 runs.

M.H.S.: 234/7 (40 overs)
Mr. Wayne Peters - 2/32
Dibyadyuti Ghosh - 2/41

S.P.S. : 159/10 (26.4 overs)
Mr. A. Alva - 43

Our next fixture against St. Joseph's (N.P.) became inconsequential as M.H.S. romped home with the shield having defeated S.J.C. prior to playing us.

Later, on the 8th of May we met the Josephite's at home and away fixtures with out 2nd XI playing here and our 1st XI going down to N. P. However, unfortunately, due to heavy rain both the matches were washed out.

After the inter school cricket came to a close the enthusiasm did not die out as our inter-house matches took prominence. For a change, the Senior Wing houses fielded 3 teams each and this added interest to the keen contest in which Clive ultimately proved invincible for the other houses. In the junior wing the cricket trophy was awarded to Anderson house while in the Primary wing it was strangely shared by Everest, Hillary and Hunt.

Finally, a big thank you to our coach Mr. A. Alva who assisted and guided us throughout the season, and did his best to bring out the best in us. Thank you also to Mr. A. Dennis, Mr. W. Peters and Mr. A. Rai who assisted in our Edinburgh fixture and contributed with their experience. The excitement was then carried on to the World Cup with everyone keen to know the result of this last tournament of the millennium. In closing, we hope that the standard of cricket in S.P.S. is maintained and goes from strength to strength in the next millennium.

Special prizes for the year 1999 are as follows :

Ajit Prasad Memorial Trophy (O.P.A.)	-	Satyabrata Sen
Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer from Class X and below	-	Arindam Ghosh
Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer in the Junior Wing	-	Majid-ul-Islam

Report compiled by
Dibyadyuti Ghosh XI

FOOTBALL

M.I.C. : Mr. A. D. Rai

Captain : Isaac Kharkongar

The second term began with the dawn of the football season. All the boys were rearing to go out onto the field and get along with the game. This year, our boys showed great interest in the game and won a few laurels for the school.

In the beginning of the season, keeping with the long lasting tradition, the students played the staff. The match was evenly fought and the match ended in a goalless draw. Our first fixtures was against North Point. In the plus 2 match, through S. Dhakals lone goal, we edged out N. P., 1-0. In the under X match played on our ground, we lost to the opponents 2-4. The field was wet and slushy and our boys couldn't perform to their potential. Sersang Tenzing's couple wasn't sufficient and we lost out.

Our next fixture was against M. H. This time around, in the first XI we were drubbed 5 goals to none and in the second XI 3 goals to none, needless to say, our boys put in great efforts. When we next played M.H.S., we performed really well. In the first XI Sonam Ghale struck one goal and that resulted in the final score being 1-1. In the 2nd XI match, we won two goals to one. Our scorers were Sersang Tenzing and Arjun Gurung. During this match, it could be clearly seen that the hard work and dedication put in by the boys was bearing fruit.

The schools last fixture before the Laffey cup was against the Sikkim Old Paulites. It was good to see the old boys of school back in action on the field. However, in this match, our team played extremely well and achieved a remarkable victory. Captain Isaac Kharkongor scored two goals, Sersang Tenzing one and Shashank Dhakal provided another through a superb strike. Our goalkeeper Kinley Dorjee put up an astonishing display and his performance was simply superb.

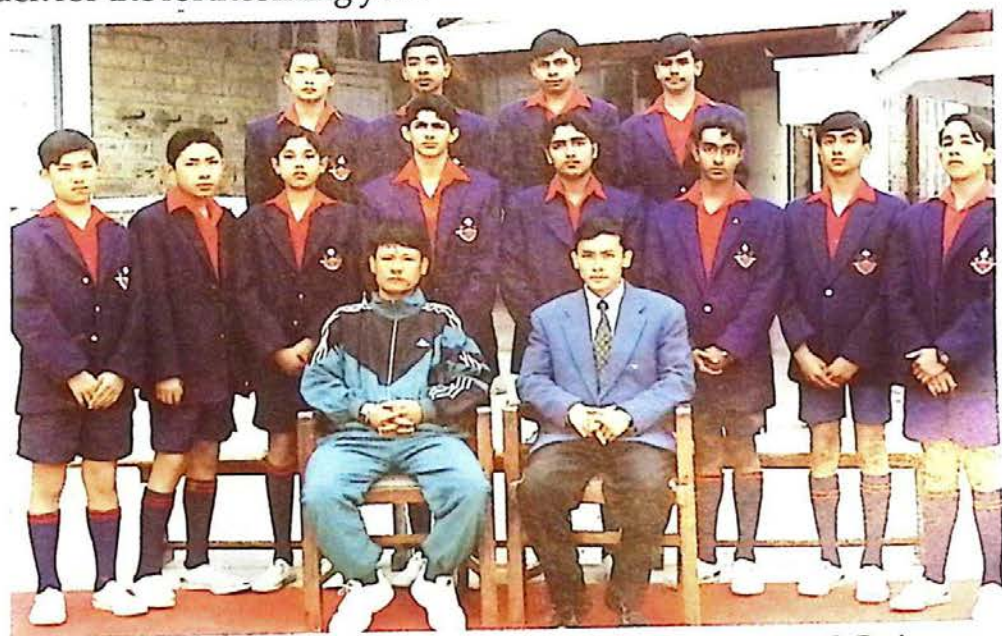
Finally, our under X team played in the Frank Jack Laffey Memorial cup, more commonly known as 'Football Carnival'. We lost to N. P. 2-0 in the quarter finals, though our players performed well. Special credit must be given to our goal keeper Nevil Shrestha who in his first year of goalkeeping performed considerably well and our backs, Tenzing

Kutsabpa, Arindam Ghosh, Mukesh Kumar and Eric Manandhar who also did a good job. Due credit must go to our captain Pragyan Pradhan, who played the crucial match inspite of a sprained ankle. The semi-finals and the final were held in our school. In the final, N. P. beat G.M.S. 3-2 in a thrilling encounter. One must admit that though our school wasn't playing in the final, a large number of boys watched the matches. This is a good sign for the future of football in our school.

In the house matches, in the Senior wing, Lawrence came 1st followed by Hastings and then Havelock. Minor Colours for football were awarded to Isaac Kharkongor (XII), Pema Dhendup (XI) and Tenzing Kutsabpa (IX).

This year, a new kind of tournament was introduced in the senior wing and was called the 'Rain Cup'. Boys from classes XI and XII divided themselves into teams containing eight players each and a few substitutes. The teams were named after European football clubs. The matches were played on a league basis and then the final was played. Manchester and Florentina entered the final and the final ended in a draw. The cake for which the teams played was shared among the two teams. The Rain Cup was a thorough success.

That was the football season '99 in brief and I wish the boys best of luck for the forthcoming year.



Junior Wing Football Team with Mr. A.D. Rai and Mr. S.D. Lama

"SQUASH RAQUETS" REPORT - 1999

The boys returned to school on the 5th of March after a long but well deserved winter vacation and within a few days of their return, the squash recquet court was humming with activities. The boys could be seen walking down to the court every afternoon and this year we had a larger number of students wanting to participate.

The first team was used as a practice session by all boys in the Junior and Senior Wing. The Junior wing seedlings tournament was conducted and this fulfilled our basic aim of introducing and providing an opportunity to every junior enthusiast to show their skills. Amil R. Shakri, Dehan Sharaz and Majid-ul-Islam showed a lot of promise during the tournament.

During the second term, some minor repairs were done promptly to a leaking skylight roof in the court. A special note of thanks to the Estate department for this. The house matches were conducted for the Junior wing as there was no dearth of talents amongst the juniors, the closely contested house matches were concluded in the third term with Anderson house as winners, Cable taking the second position and Westcott and Betten sharing the third position.

It was the senior wing's turn for the house matches in the third term. With a short practice sessions after the puja holidays we kicked off the house matches. The closely contested, electrifying matches were worth witnessing, specially the plus - II matches. The matches resulted in the following house positions.

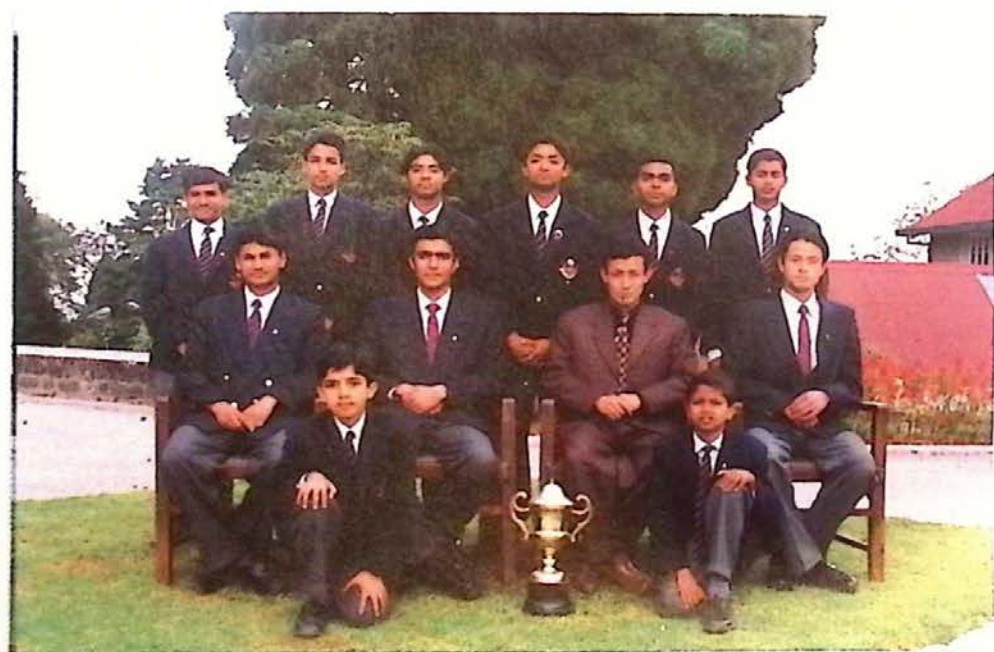
First Havelock, congratulations to Omar Hyder Ali who remained unbeaten, second Clive.

As the squash captain, I had a dream of making this game more popular and as this year draws to an end, I believe I was able to do this to a great extent. One should not forget Mr. P. Pradhan who helped me and gave me all the guidance throughout the year. I take this opportunity to thank Siddarth Raj Bhandari, squash captain 1998, who left me with a strong base to work upon. I hope this coming year will be yet another year of progress for the club and wish the future captains all the best.

Avishek Dokania
(Squash Captain)



The Squash enthusiasts with Mr. P. Pradhan



The School Badminton Team with Mr. P. Lama

BADMINTON REPORT

M.I.C. : Mr. P. Lama

Captain : Amber Huria

Interest in Badminton remains sporadic in St. Paul's. Once the monsoon sets in, forbidding play on the fields, a large number of boys are found in the badminton court.

The game has grown more and more popular in the past few years and with a large number of boys eagerly waiting to play. A single court was felt inadequate. However, with good time management everybody got some time on court.

With the season beginning in June the under X team got off to regular practice for the carnival held in North Point scheduled for the 3rd of July.

The team put up a good fight but the lack of quality training showed in the results. Ankit Seth, Jewel Choudhary, Farhan Hyder and Majidul Islam need to be commended on their performance.

The Inter-house fixtures in Senior Wing were played in July with some very exciting matches. Clive house, however, made a clean sweep and bagged the cup. The team was led by Amber Huria, the Badminton captain and also had Amit Gupta, Jewel Chaudhary and Farhan Hyder.

This year, unfortunately, the plus two team, did not get any exposure as no inter-school matches could be organised for them. Due to this and lack of any excellent display by any member of the U-X team no colours were awarded.

I would be failing on my part to conclude the report without thanking Mr. Poonam Lama, the master-in-charge for his endless support and constructive advice on the technical aspects of the game. My gratitude also goes out to Mr. B. B. Tamang and Mr. A. Rai who helped the boys improve the finer aspects of their game whenever they had the time.

Wishing the best for next years badminton enthusiasts and hoping that they get more exposure.

Amber Huria

ETON FIVES

M.I.C.: Mr. D. Kumar

Captain : Shashank Agarwal

Eton Fives is a minor game in St. Paul's. However, this year a separate set of 4 boys from each house was made. These boys did not have to play football leagues and so they could concentrate on Eton Fives alone. A lot of boys were initiated into playing Fives during their spare time : as a result the court often got over-crowded and the boys had to wait for hours for a chance to play. This speaks volumes for the growing popularity of the sport in St. Paul's.

Every thing went on smoothly under Mr. D. Kumar's, guidance. Unfortunately, in July, Mr. Kumar slipped from the platform in the court and fractured his leg.

The house matches began in September. Clive and Lawrence were the best in both the under ten and the plus 2 sections. Hastings stood 3rd in the housematches.

Amit Bansal, Amit Dalmia, Ankit Lochan and Saif Zaman were some of the promising players of the season.

The renovation of the fives court had been long overdue. Thanks to the Rector & the Estate Manager, we were able to have a new look fives court. The playing condition were much more conducive to enhancing the quality of the game as also attracting young enthusiasts. Thanks to the authorities once again.

I would like to thank Mr. D. Kumar for his help and guidance throughout the year.

Shashank Agarwal



The Eton-Fives Enthusiasts with Mr. D. Kumar

TABLE TENNIS REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. A. Majumdar

Captain : Kunal Choudhury

Table Tennis has been one of the most popular indoor games among the boys. Hence there was large participation as soon as the T. T. season commenced with the onset of the monsoons. The boys showed considerable enthusiasm in taking up the rigorous practice sessions for the T. T. Carnivals (under X) held in Rockvale Academy, Kalimpong. The following boys were finally selected, some of whom were quiet successful.

	Name	Division	Position
1.	Nikhil Goyal	A Singles	3rd
2.	Tushar C. Singh	B Singles	3rd
3.	Rajib Miah	C Singles	2nd
4.	Gautam Kumar	D Singles	---
5.	Shanky Adwani & Aditya Bajla	Junior Doubles	---
6.	Dibyendu Saha & Naman Mawandia	Senoir Doubles	---

The overall position of St. Paul's was 4th out of 10 schools.

Immediately after this the boys participated in the Ujjwal Rana Memorial Championship organised by the Darjeeling District Table Tennis Authority in the Gymkhana Club. It was an inter district affair where Dhendup Sherpa and Dibyadyuti Ghosh were Winner and Runner-up respectively in the Junior Singles. Tushar Chandra Singh secured 3rd position in the senior singles.

The season came to an end with the house matches. Hastings won the cup for this year in the SW. Betten was the winner in the JW House matches.

After many years three boys were awarded Minor colours for excellence in Table Tennis. They are :

Dhendup Sherpa of Class XII

Nikhil Goyal of Class X

Tushar Chandra Singh of Class IX

On the whole, this was a rather successful year and I hope that the boys will perform better in the next year. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the boys and the captain who helped me relentlessly throughout the season.

Amlan Majumdar



LAWN TENNIS REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. D. Bagchi

Captain : Amber Huria

With bitter regrets it must be admitted that the tennis standard in St. Paul's has fallen to a great extent inspite of having a handful of quality players.

The tennis house matches began late as the boys were busy with other activities and it only gained momentum after the Puja break.

The House matches were keenly contested by all the four houses and in the right spirit. In the open 'Singles', Clive House, represented by the Tennis captain, Amber Huria remained unbeaten. He won all his matches. In the mixed doubles, Hastings house represented by Amir Adel Khan and Saif Zaman played with excellent coordination topped this category. In the junior section Ankit Seth proved his point by winning all his matches.

This year a tennis fixture with the Planters Club was organised by the MIC. Our boys played to their full potential though we lost 2-1. Amber Huria needs to be highly commended for his excellent performance on the court. He won against the planters with two sets to one. However, our doubles team represented by Sonam Ghale and Jigme Penjor lost by a narrow margin. Our Junior section also lost in two sets.

Although we had a lot of tennis this year a lot more of tennis needs to be played in St. Paul's in order to revive the game. Thanks to Mr. D. Bagchi for his valuable time, and effort put in to promote this game. We sincerely hope that the standard of tennis is improved over the years to come.



The School Tennis Team with Mr. D. Bagchi

ATHLETICS REPORT YEAR 1999

M.I.C. : Mr. B. B. Tamang

Captain : Rupesh Kumar

The year 1999 athletic season can be viewed as one of the accomplishment & achievement. With so many examples in the forefront we were stirred to great ambition this year and the amount of training which went in to this years season was almost unprecedented.

This year the plus two teams were already put through for the district meet and the under X athletics team had to battle it out on our own topfield for a place in the district meet. The athletes got up early in the morning to get in shape for their respective events. The day finally arrived when our school hosted the inter zonal athletics which was held on 6th of October. Our boys did well to qualify for the district meet.

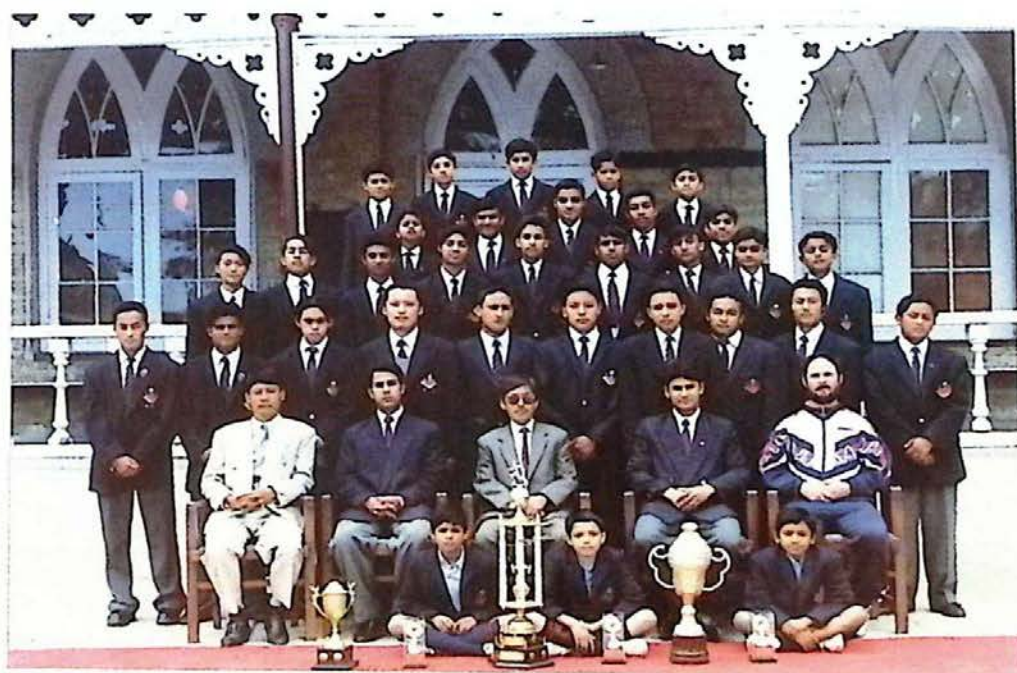
Soon for the SPORTS DAY which was held on 15th October where Mr. Rawat (Gold medalist in the olympic team) was our chief guest. Immediately after the Pujas, the boys who had qualified for the District meet had to compete in Himali on 30th October. (with only 4 days of practice)

The following boys represented the school and the results are given alongside -

EVENTS		RESULTS
OPEN DIVISION :-		
100	Jyoti Prakash	1
200	Jyoti Prakash	1
400	Jyoti Prakash	1
110 hurdle	Tashi Sherpa	1
Triple Jump	Tashi Sherpa	1
Short Put	Kinley Dorje	3
Discuss	S. Bhandari	1
800	Dhabub Prasai	2
1500	Dhabub Prasai	2
4 x 200	Jyoti, Rupesh, Kinley, Rymbai	1
'A' DIVISION :-		
800	Satya	2
Broad Jump	Satya	3
110 hurdles	Sarsang	2
Javelin	Kutsabpa	1* Record 47.26m
Discuss	Kutsabpa	1
Short Put	Eric	1



Relay fever on Sports Day



The Inter School Athletics Team with (seated L-R) Mr. A.D. Rai, Mr. B.B. Tamang and Mr. A. Alva

'B' DIVISION :-

400	Majidul	1
800	Ankit Seth	2
1500	Ankit Seth	3
Short Put	Omsree	2

'C' DIVISION :-

100	Abhijit Tarafdar	1
200	Abhijit Tarafdar	1
400	Abhijit Tarafdar	1
Short Put	Gautam Kumar	1

'D' DIVISION :-

100	Ibne Sina Khan	1
200	Ibne Sina Khan	2
High Jump	Mohijit Mukherjee	3

'E' DIVISION :-

100	Kausik Das	2
4 x 100m Relay	Kausik, Sumajit, Vairab, Prasant	1
Broad Jump	Sumajit Dutta	2

During the presentation ceremony, much to our surprise we grabbed four out of the six cups which were given out that day. They are the 'open' division, 'C' Division, 'D' Division & 'E' Div. We lost the division 'A' and 'B' cups to N.P. by a narrow margin. Jyoti Prakash, Abhijeet Tarafdar & Ibne Sina Khan got the best athletes trophy in their respective division. Colours were awarded this year to the following boys -

House Colours	-	Tenzing Kutsabpa
	-	Tashi Sherpa

School Colours	-	Jyoti Prakash
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Rupesh as captain did a wonderful job throughout the year by training the boys and getting them ready for the events. I would also like to thank Mr. B. B. Tamang who has helped to coach the boys. Here is wishing our young athletes all the best for the years to come.



The Basketball Team

BASKETBALL REPORT

M.I.C. : Mr. Jagjit Singh

Captain : Tshewang P. Gyalnang

The boys returned to school after a well deserved winter holiday and many new faces were seen in the Basketball court at Dawkins. The boys were all eager to show their talents in order to join the school team.

The first match was played in April, against D. G. H. The team comprised of players from the Plus Two and the under - X Team. The match was a close one. Our team was winning at first, but due to inconsistency in our game we lost by a minimal margin. The under - X Team took part in the Annual Inter-School Basketball carnival held at D.G.H. The boys played very well but lost in the semi-finals. They played three more matches, two against Mount Hermon and one against St. Joseph's but were unsuccessful in their attempts.

The Plus Two Team unfortunately played only one match against M. H. Due to injuries to our key players we lost the game. The team was also looking forward to playing in many tournaments but due to some unavoidable circumstances no more matches were played by the Plus Two Team. There were a lot of promising players this year in both the under-X and Plus Two section. In the under-X section, players like Sersang Tenzing, Md. Arif, Tenzing Kutsabpa, Albert Squire and Sunny Gurung show a lot of promise in the years to come. Though in the Plus Two few matches were played, players like Sonam Ghale, Tashi Sherpa, Pemba Sherpa, Rodinzuala, Md. Hanif, Sachin Pradhan, Christopher Kynta and Lalram Khiangte showed promise and were very hard working.

The house matches were played in the first week of June with Lawrence and Havelock reaching the finals. It was a nail-biting finish with Havelock emerging triumphant.

Though not very successful, the season came to an end and so did the term. After the Summer Holidays, even though it was the football season, some enthusiastic players, were seen in the court anytime the weather was clear during the monsoon. We hope in the future many more will be enthusiastic about the game and our Basketball School Team meet with success in future.

Tshewang P. Gyalnang
Captain

MARATHON REPORT

It is the marathon event, that truly judges the power of the house. Only the house, which has coordination, and is managed well throughout the season, will shine on the final day. Every point, contributed by the boys, matters !

The Marathon season commenced soon after the Football season. The practices started from the 16th of August, and extended upto the 3rd of September. The finals were held on the 4th of September. This season had quite a few surprises in store for the students. This season, due to its very nature, is very popular amongst the students. As such, there was a constant grudge amongst the boys, about bad weather. There was a short break inbetween, due to the delay in granting of permission to cross the Army Cant during a visit by a senior official. The boys were truly discontented due to this.

This year, the performance of the boys needs a special mention. For the first time in many years, a boy has come the closest ever to Nitia Arora's record (24.23 sec.).

The overall results were :-

Open category : (1) Dhabup Prasai
(2) Isaac Kharkongar

Senior category : (1) Sersang Tenzing
(2) Ankit Seth.

Inter category : Division 3 + 4
(1) Amol Basnet
(2) Karma Rangdol

Junior category : Division A :
(1) A. Pradhan
(2) A. Khetan

Division B + C
(1) S. Khetan
(2) A. Bairolia

The teachers, who very earnestly helped in running the show also need a special mention. They were present during all the runs, and as such need to be specially thanked.

The Marathon cup was bagged by the Hastings House in the Senior Wing.

In the Junior Wing, it was the Cable House, and Hillary House grabbed the cup in the Primary Wing.

Congratulations to all concerned. We hope that the Marathon in the year 2000, will be a season filled with ardour and will be an even bigger event in the school calender.

Isaac Kharkongar
Havelock House Captain



Marathon Winners with Mr. G. Bhattacharya

GYM

M.I.C. : Mr. J. Singh

Captain : Kersang T. Sherpa

Gymnastics, the art of maintaining a strict discipline and grace of the body saw a great year ahead. The season started as soon as the boys returned from a long, but a well deserved vacation.

To start with, there was an increase in the number of boys in the team; we were glad at this interest in this sport. From the very beginning the boys put their heart and soul into it. The Gym was never seen empty. With such enthusiastic boys, who practiced in the afternoons and even braved the early morning cold with strong will and determination to master the fear of performing dangerous stunts the outcome was bound to be good.

This year there was some alteration in the display. The performance day was postponed to the 14th of November giving us an ample time to perfect ourselves.

We had numerous items to display this year. Chair exercises, vaulting, mat work & Parallel bars were all performed with excellence by the boys. The log team also put up a splendid collection of exercises. The log team consisted of the sixth form and this kept them occupied for quite some time.

Lastly, I must thank all the gymnasts whose cooperation made the annual display a success.



The Gym Boys

VOLLEYBALL REPORT '99

M.I.C. : Mr. S. D. Lama

Captain : Sachin Pradhan

The beginning of this year saw the volleyball court occupied by enthusiastic young Paulites trying to perfect themselves for the coming season.

This year several friendly fixtures were held. The various schools were St. Joseph's School, Mount Hermon school and West Point school. We emerged victorious against Mount Hermon but were out played by players of St. Joseph's School and West Point School.

The Inter-school tournament which was held in B.S.M.I. for the under 10 boys saw them sweat in the morning and the afternoon. In spite of the rigorous training put in by the boys, our school failed to make it to the quarter finals.

The boys of the plus II section too showed great interest from the very first day they stepped on the field. These boys were down for morning practices and afternoon practices regularly and showed keen interest in the game by trying to learn more from the coach Mr. S. D. Lama and by trying to teach the junior boys which is how it should work.

Some of the promising players have been Pasang Sherpa, Dhabup Prasai, Tenzing Kutsabpa and Prakash Karki.

We would like to bid farewell to our former master-in-charge Mr. S. K. Mishra who had trained the boys last year. We also express our sincerer gratitude to Mr. B. B. Tamang, Mr. A. Rai and our M.I.C. Mr. S. D. Lama for carrying out the Inter-House Volleyball Matches. A special thanks to Mr. S. D. Lama for coaching the boys throughout the season. The volleyball cup in the senior wing was lifted by Clive house, Lawrence house standing second. The Junior wing cup was conquered by Anderson house.

This year, the boys showed a lot of promise and love for the game and hopefully they will continue to play the game with enthusiasm and improve their prowess in the next millennium.

Sachin Pradhan



The School Volleyball Team with Mr. S.D. Lama

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (FORMER DEAS)

The basic framework of a school Curriculum forms the stepping-stone and acts like an important parameter in judging what it has been contributing towards the personality development of the child. A dynamic curriculum is the need of the present day. In this regard, St. Paul's is a pioneer.

We are among the very few schools which have myraid activities, other than academics, through which the adolescents find a productive outlet of their latent energy they harbour as youth. One such activity offered by the school is the International Award for Young People (formerly called DEAS).

In this Award Scheme the activities are carried out on a non-competetive basis : the only competetor being one-self - i.e., to out do one's own earlier performance. In other words, the scheme is merely a platform to give recognition to an individual's ability to come up to the standard in the activities that already exists in St. Paul's.

In the beginning of the year we were visited by a team of officials from the East Zone Award Authority, Calcutta. They came with a proposal of introducing a system of Registration for the entrants undertaking the Award Scheme at a nominal fees of twenty five rupees. A one time registration will be eligible at all levels of Award. The Registration will also fetch the entrants with Record Books, Identity Card, Certificates and Badges for three respective Levels. Accordingly 175 boys got themselves registered this year.

The session began with introductory lectures by the master-in-charge in the Prep Hall for classes IX and XI. The boys were briefed about the objectives, purpose, various activities, qualifying standards, rules and regulations, maintenance of log book and the procedures concerning the programme.

The monsoon started early this year. During the rains, 114 boys undertook their Bronze expedition to Rambh, 24 boys went to Sandakphu for Silver and 2 boys went to the Base camp for Gold.

I convey my sincere thanks to the Rector and Senior master who were always encouraging. I am grateful to our Residential Doctor P. K. Sharma, Sister N. L. Bhutia and Mr. Dawa for providing the boys with first-aid-kits. Thanks are also due to Mr. A. K. Chakraborty and Mr. Gurung, our school caterer and Mr. O. P. Agarwal, and Mr. A. K. Sinha from the Estate and his department who considerately attended to the last minute expedition lists.

This award is extremely beneficial as it also brings the entrants into an international fraternity of young like - minded people. It is a challenge to the adult to give off his time and help the young entrants to achieve standards and to help assess these standards.

And so another year has come to an end. One now looks forward to the new millennium when I hope all will return more determined than ever before to succeed and usher in greater glory.

Secretary : Amit Gupta
Master-in-charge : Mr. Michael Dutta



The School Band with Mr. S. Pande and Mr. K. Lama (Band Master)

NCC REPORT

M.I.C. : C/0, D. Pradhan

Sgt Mj. : Sachin Pradhan

As usual, N. C. C. activities for the year 1999 began from the 10th of March with the cadets comprising students of classes VIII, IX and X only. After the return of Plus Two and the enrolment of the few new cadets the Troop was complete with 250 cadets.

Apart from the usual training programme of parade and class-room teaching, in the month of May, 83 cadets of class IX participated in the ATC camp held at Lebong and H.M.I. Darjeeling. The aim of the camp was to prepare the cadets for Inter-District-Competition, to select the cadets for BLC and to represent the state in RD parade. This camp was for ten days during which the cadets were trained and tested on Battle-craft, Field-craft, First-aid, Weapon training, Civil Defence and drill parade. In the end of the camp period, 'A' Certificate Examination was conducted and out of 49 of our cadets who took the exam 48 cadets passed the examination. The results are as follows :

4 cadets	-	'A' Grade
40 cadets	-	'B' Grade
4 cadets	-	'C' Grade

Unfortunately, the cadets of Lawrence House could not take the 'A' Certificate Examination owing to the date of their House Concert coinciding with their house concert. However, about 16 of them took the examination in the month of September when the ATC camp was held at Katakpahar for the second time. All these cadets passed the examination with distinction.

All the cadets along with the company sergeants and the corporals became more serious and active with the approach of the month of August with the objective to attain the perfection in drill so as to put up their best on the Independence Day. The Chief Guest on this auspicious day was the Group Commander of 5 Bengal Battalion, Col. Pataniya. Col. Pataniya delivered a motivating and inspiring speech to the cadets as to how they should go forward hand-in-hand to enable the country to emerge on the top.

This years Gen. Virendra medal for excellence in NCC was awarded to Sgt. Rupesh Kumar.

Once again after several years, two of our cadets, Cpl. Dibyadyuti Ghosh and Cpl. Pawan Tiwari will be attending the NIC camp at Kalyani in Calcutta, next year. The camp will be from the 12th of 21st to January, 2000.

"Jai Hind"

Cdt. Harsh Pratik



Col. Pathania taking the salute at the Independence Day Parade



The Chapel Wardens with Mr. M. Dutta

CHAPEL NOTES

M.I.C. : Mr. Michael Dutta

The morning sun warms the side of the chapel as the boys walk down for Matins. As the sun warms the chapel, so too does the chapel warm the hearts of Paulites young and old, near and far. Indeed, the chapel is held dear by those who call it their own.

As the year commenced on the 5th March, the opening of term service was held on the 7th of the month. The long list of services scheduled for the year ensured that the chapel would be exploited to its full potential for the benefit of one and all. The opening of term service was followed by the leaver's service on the 13th for the ICSE and ISC batches.

The first special service of the year was Palm Sunday and was officiated by an old Paulite, Mr. John Jacob. He visits the school once every four years. The Rev. Canon Hugh Farlie was the officiating Minister for the service on the 1st of April.

The Chapel was dressed as a bride in white flowers to mark the occasion of Easter Sunday on the 4th of April which was celebrated by Bishop Andrews. There was also a special service on Good Friday and the Rector was the officiating Minister.

The chapel was cast in an atmosphere of patriotism on the 15th of August, Independence Day. The Chapel was decorated with flowers of orange and white with green leaves. In this service, the Senior Master gave a sermon.

A Choir Festival was held in our school chapel on the 18th of August. The school choir from Dr. Graham's Homes visited us and sang along with our school choir, both giving us a set of beautifully sung songs and anthems.

Teacher's Day was held on the 5th of September where a service was held for the teachers of the school who serve and continue to serve the boys with dedication and love. In the next month, Gandhi Jayanti was observed as dedication to the Father of India - Mahatma Gandhi, on the 2nd. The dedication of the chapel service was held on the 26th of September as we celebrated the sixty fourth birthday of the chapel. Just before the Puja holidays, there was a commemoration service on the 16th of October.

The Chapel observed All Soul's Day on the 2nd of November. On the 14th of November, the children's Day service was held, in it, a boy each from the Primary Wing and Junior Wing read the lessons.

All through the year, there have been a number of collections that were made for the benefit of : the Kargil fund; Mr. P. K. Roy; and the Orissa flood Relief.

The Chapel was at its best, to say the least, in the Carol Services of the Primary Wing, Junior Wing and Senior Wing on the 16th of November and on the 30th and 29th of the same month respectively. The chapel was all a glitter with the numerous candles lit for decoration and the sweet aroma of flowers wafted through the air.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Sudeep Pande, who has helped us in innumerable ways. He has been a source of guidance and inspiration. Thank you Sir.

Thanks are also due to Mr. O. P. Agarwal, the Estate Manager and the Superintendent, Mr. A. K. Sinha. Without their help and support, we would never have been able to run the chapel as smoothly.

I would also like to thank the Mali and his team of gardeners. They did their work quietly and efficiently behind the scenes. I am sure that their hard work is well appreciated by all. Thank you very much.

My team of chapel wardens and I also owe the Rector gratitude for his continued support, guidance and love shown towards us throughout the year. We thank you sir.

It would be fitting to say, on the behalf of my team and myself, that Mr. Michael Dutta was to us as a bridge over troubled waters. Thank you Sir.

Lastly, I hope that with the coming of the new millennium, the school chapel will continue of function as an intrinsic part of St. Paul's School. I wish the future Head Chapel warden a smooth and satisfying year.

Heres to wishing an enjoyable 2000!

Zorba Z. - Laloo
Head Chapel Warden

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DARJEELING

CHAPEL FUNDS

Receipts and payments Account for the year ended 31st. March 1999.

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	Rs.	Rs.
To opening balance	13,133.12	
To School Chapel Collection	48,596.70	
To Interest earned during the year	948.00	62,677.82

PAYMENTS

By Parents own clinic for Deaf Children	1,000.00	
By The Salvation Army School for the Deaf	1,500.00	
By Mary Scott Home for the blind	1,500.00	
By Matri Sangha Janakalyan Ashram	1,500.00	
By Darjeeling Diocese Child Care Project	1,500.00	
By Calcutta Diocese Fund 'B' A/c No. 2	1,500.00	
By India Sunday School Union, Coonoor.	1,500.00	
By Bishop of Calcutta Discretionary Fund.	1,500.00	
By CNI Calcutta Diocesan Central Fund	1,500.00	
By Society for the Protection of Children in India	1,500.00	
By Calcutta Deaf & Dumb School	1,500.00	
By Calcutta Blind School	1,500.00	
By The Treasurer, Leprosy Society, Purulia	1,500.00	
By Missionaries of Charity Mother Teresa's Orphange,	1,500.00	
By Gorkha Dukha Nivarak Sammelan, Darjeeling	1,500.00	
By Bharat Sevaskram Sangha	1,500.00	
By The Leprosy Mission, Calcutta Urtan Leprosy Control Programme	1,500.00	
By The Principal Bishop's College, Calcutta	1,500.00	
By St. Andrew's Church Committee Fund, Darjeeling	2,500.00	
By Bengal Tuberculosis Association	120.00	
By Busty Children's Winter Comfort	26,910.00	56,030.00
Balance as on 31st. March 1999		Rs. 6,647.82

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"The Paulite" Editors

OLD PAULITES AND VISITORS

St. Paul's, the cadillac of schools, the pioneer of education in the hills of Darjeeling is always on the itinerary of tourists. No visit to this outstandingly exquisite hill station is replete without a trip to S.P.S. If it isn't the cultural heritage that lures the tourist, then it must be its scenic beauty that tourists themselves have often remarked upon. Even in its 176th year, St. Paul's welcomed officially and unofficially all its visitors. Given below is our recorded list of visitors of 1999 —

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| 1. March / April | — Mr. John Jacob (OP) |
| | — Bishop Andrews. |
| | — Rev. H. Farlie. |
| | — Rev. Noel Sen. |
| 2. May / June | — Brian Cooke - Professor of Medicine from University of Colorado. |
| | — Mr. P. Nedumaran (Mount Hermon). |
| | — Mr. A. Wadkar (Mount Hermon) |
| | — Dr. P. K. Das (Principal, Mount Hermon) |
| | — Mr. Justin Bergholes from Australia, Lectured on drug abuse. |
| | — Mr. Debraj Bhattacharya (OP) |
| | — Mr. Chandan Basu - Former French teacher of St. Paul's, 22 years ago. |
| | — Mr. Rahul Rana (OP) School Captain 1993 |
| 3. July / August | — Col. Patania (Chief Guest on Independence Day) |
| | — Col. Mukherjee (Chief Guest of the 2nd Language concert) |
| | — Mr. E. Coutinho (Mount Hermon) |
| | — Mr. Sandeep Dey (OP) University of Arizona, U.S.A. |
| | — Mr. D. Basu (Darjeeling, Govt. College) |
| | — Mr. Simon Mainwaring, choirmaster of D. G. H. Choir, Kalimpong. |
| | — Rev. J. Johnston, with the D.G.H. Choir |
| | — Prof. D. Basu, Director of C.I.C.A.C. |
| | — Viraj Oberoi |
| | — Vivek Bansal |
| | — Abhinav Jalan |
| | — Baban Das |
| | — Varun Agarwal |
| | — Vishal Dookania |
| | — Mr. Oscar Henderson, from Australia |

4. September 14th — Scott and Isabelle Harrison and their three year old son Theo, from the U. K. The circus, globetrotting family.
5. October 6th — Col. B. K. Sinha, of the Gorkha Recruiting Depot. (Chief Guest at the Inter-School Athletics Meet.)
6. October 15th — Mr. Chandan Singh Rawat (ex-Olympian Footballer) Chief Guest at our Inter-House Sports Meet.
— Mr. John West of St. Joseph's School & College, Chief Guest at the Final performance of the School Play.
7. October 16th — Rev. Fr. Van Walleghem S.J. Rector of St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling. Chief Guest on Speech Day.
— Mr. Kenneth Jackman, Old Paulite from 1910 to 1918, now 94 years old, was present on Speech Day.
8. November 12th — Mr. Rusi Modi - Old Paulite.
— Lord George Jellies - Old Paulite - Former Leader of the House of Lords and Chancellor of University of Southampton and patron of GAP.
— Lady Jellies with her husband. Further information on the visitors in our list may be perused in the five issues of 'The Paulite'.

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N. S. Lawrence.

CAREERS CLUB REPORT

M.I.C. : Mr. S. Chakravarthi (Snr. Mast.) Secretary : David Cecil

First say to yourself what you would be; and
then do what you have to do.

- *Epictetus*

The Academic year of 1999 saw the revival of the Career Club, and during the year we had a few successful talks by distinguished persons.

In the first semester the Career Club invited Prof. Dipankar Basu, Director of CICAC, Darjeeling. Prof. Basu gave a general talk on the importance of choosing a career early in life. Prof. Basu has also generously aided the Club by supplying data for the Club's Information Bank.

The Second semester saw us welcome Mr. Udaya Mani Pradhan, who gave the members a talk on Business Management. Mr. Pradhan had a profound impact on the members as he illustrated his ideas with the help of a slide projector.

Throughout the year the Careers Club has published on its board, information regarding - acquiring visas for further education abroad; personality development, institutes of business management - their courses, the employment guaranteed etc.

The Club, strives to generate personal interest in one's AMBITION, MOTIVATION, APTITUDE and SKILL and aims at guiding its members to choose careers which will feed their desire to attain success and highlight their satisfaction in the professional world.

The Club, which has only been restarted this year, has, in a short span of time been able to create interest and awareness on career options and future education possibilities.

In conclusion, my task would have been rendered impossible, without the constant support of Mr. Chakravarthi whose own 'Information Bank' is evergreen. I wish the Club and its members all success in the coming millennium and hope that the Careers Club will be more useful to the boys in respect of helping them choose rewarding and meaningful careers.

D. Cecil
Secretary

A FAREWELL SALUTE

David Cecil

Like Footprints
School life leaves
its golden trail of memories
on the sands of time....

I joined St. Paul's on a wintry March morning in 1993- from then, till now, when I am ready to leave, standing upright and on my own two feet I know that St. Paul's has been, will be and shall continue to be an integral part of my system; of my being.

The inbetween years from six to twelve are misty and blurred, but what I have gained within those seven years is very vivid and very permanent. What I have gained is-me-all that I stand for - my ideals, my dreams, the power to face competition, the will to do, the perseverance to strive on and to achieve the target set and more: what I have learnt and experienced.

The sights and sounds of the Old school- the booming voice of the teacher next door trying to outshoot his pupils, the shadowy figure of the Senior Master on patrol, the tolling of the Bell, the masters encased in their gowns with 'Mr. Murdstone' like expressions and the fairy-tale setting of the school itself - all of it- the joys, sorrows, comforts and discomforts make us what we all are proud to be - Paulites.

A question most often asked - what changes have there been in the school during your time? And the answers which comes promptly to mind is- None! There have been no changes - the tradition, routine, dress have not changed, they have been merely altered to accomodate the present circumstances.

But there have been 'Changes'- drastic ones - the metamorphosis which cannot be physically seen, but can only be felt. Feelings of growth, improvement of mind, broadening of views, enhancement of perception and most importantly, self reliance and independence. This is by far the greatest gift St. Paul's has bestowed - the courage and the ability to stand on one's feet, to never feel the need to lean on anything or

anyone- in every sense its given us the 'will of a man'. All you actually need to do is to look at yourself through someone else's eyes -to know the difference - the difference between men and Men.

Your ways, habits, your gait, conversation, your sense of dress, mannerisms - there is a certain dignity, a certain modest pride- bearings of a great man- bearings of a Paulite.

All this I have learnt, albeit, after much complaint and cribbing, but today, seven years later, as I pass out into the world, this lesson shall serve me well.

Of all the places in the school, the secret nooks and cranies, my favourite place, is the Chapel. It is a symbol of unity, of togetherness- a monument to those wonderful friendships made and kept along the road to the end. That is another gift which St. Paul's has given us - our friends. And there is a saying 'Those who pray together stay together'.

I am leaving, like many others before me with these two gifts, the value of which can only be realised when you yourself have gone. And all you will have left is your memories. I am sure that as I go through the pits and falls of life I will remember that precious motto - 'Moniti meliora Sequamur' and as I go further on I will hear my Alma Mater in the pattern of my favourite lines :

'Everyman I will go with thee
And be thy guide
And in thy most need
Go to by thy side.'



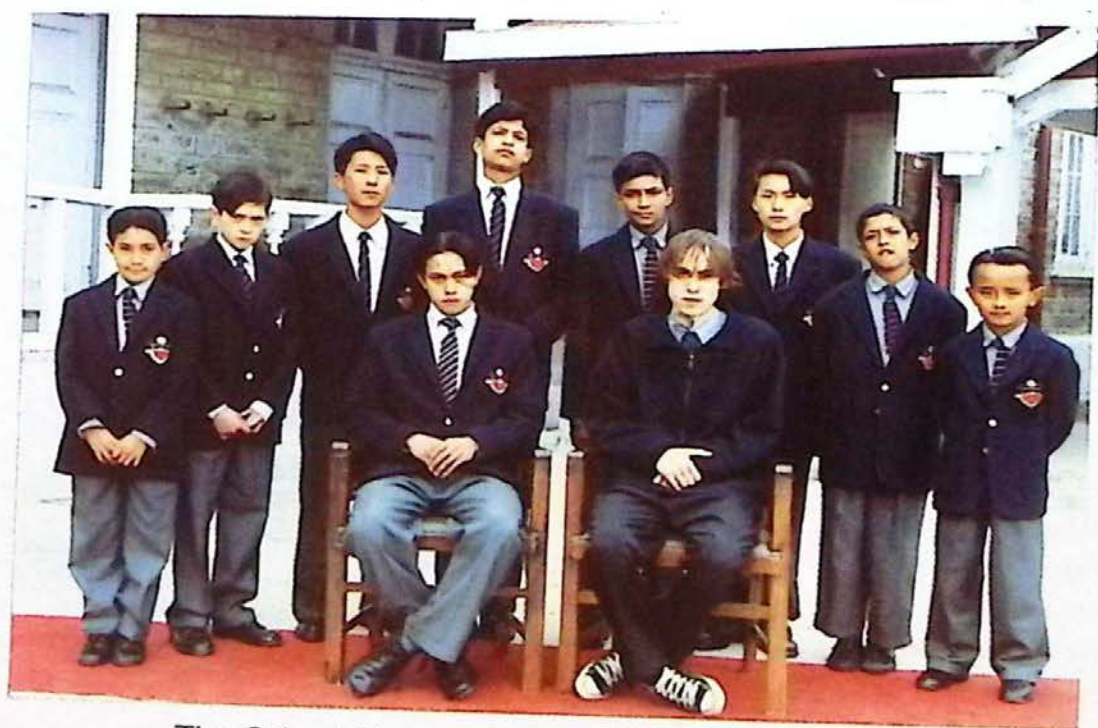
The Log Team



The J.W. Racquet Games enthusiasts with Mr. P. Lama



The J.W. Quiz enthusiasts with Mr. B. Cecil, Bursar



The School French Society with Mr. Genazzini