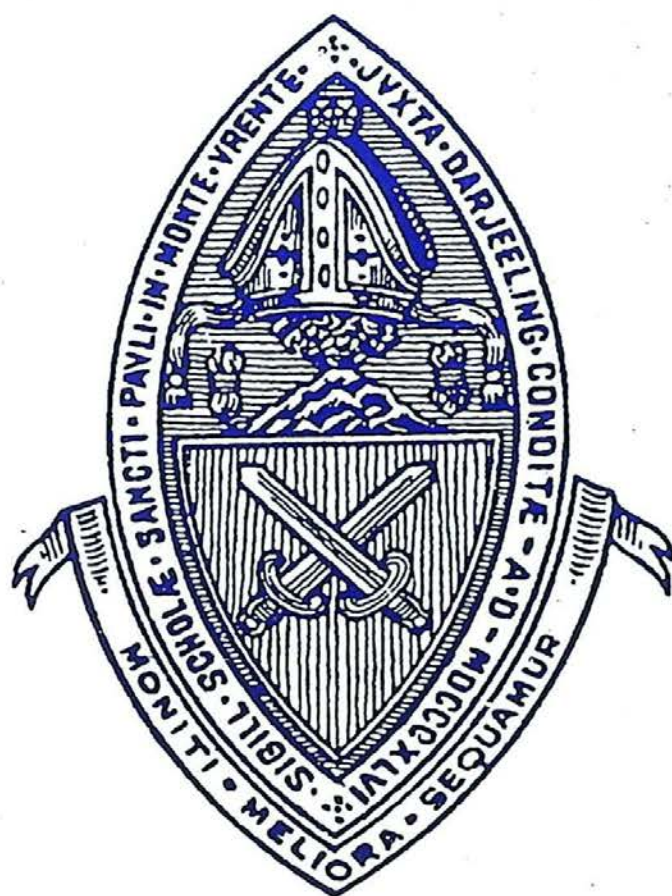


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Words of encouragement to budding photographers

EDITORIAL

For centuries, India has lived in the heritage of her past. She was known as the gem of the east, the land flowing with milk and honey, the land of prosperity and the birthplace of spiritualism. For years we've been living in the aura of our past glory.

Fortified with confidence and intellect we were bound for new glory. We entered the year 2000 at a heady pace. Suddenly, the future is here and we're right in it. The power of the Indian mind will be experienced in every corner of the globe. It's the power to rule.

Over the centuries Indians have shown a phenomenal ability to adapt to the 'modern' while retaining a strong connection with their cultural heritage. Today India is like a snake with its head in the 21st Century and its tail in the 17th Century. This admirable characteristic will certainly be put to test in the years to come. However, as a student of history which is what being a futurist is really all about — knows that you can't always depend on what got you to today to get you to tomorrow. We must assume a proactive role as the 'story of the world' has never moved as fast as it is going to move in the next 25 years get ready to be swept off your feet.

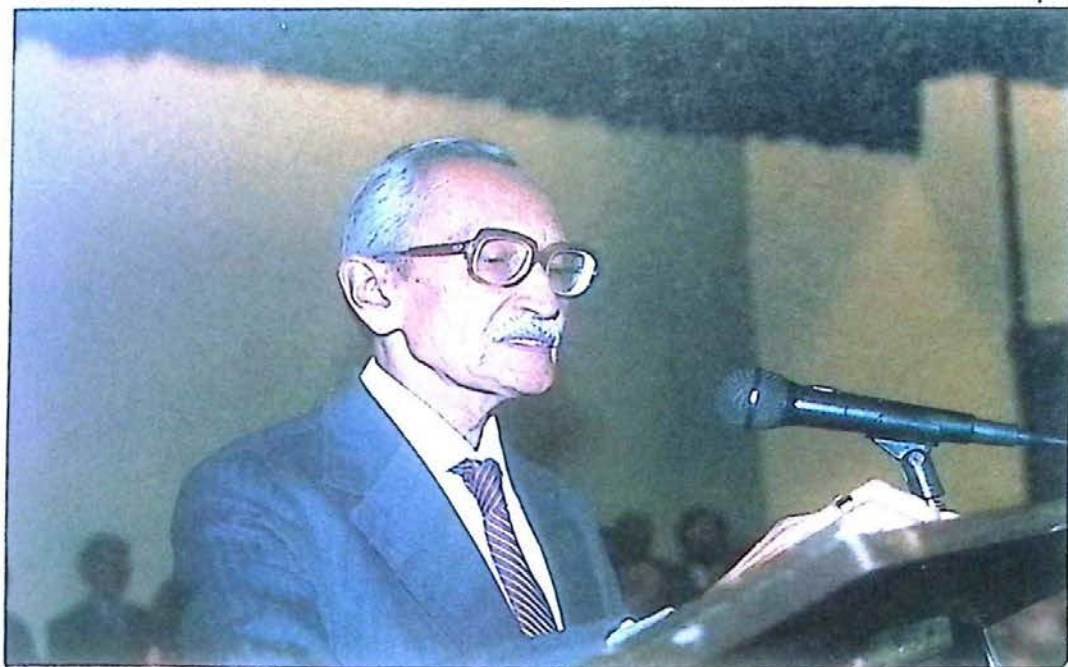
Finally, I would like to record my gratitude to all the staff members, the boys and the photography club for their contributions without which this chronicle would not have been a reality.

Thank you once again.

Devendra Kumar
Editor



Rector presenting his Annual Report on Speech Day



Mr. S. K. Mukherjee, IAS (Rtd.) Member Board of Governors —
Chief guest on Speech day.



Esteemed twosome



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JUNIOR WING

G. R. Anthony, M.A., B.Ed.	Head, Jr. Wing	Wilson's
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PRIMARY WING

Ms. E. R. Howard, C.T.	Head, Pry. Wing	Rectory
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A. Alva, T.T.C.	Benson's
Ms. R. Anthony, B.A., B.Ed.	Wilson's
D. Bagchi, M. Stat, B.Ed.	Carter's
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Ms. S. Dwivedi, M.A., B.Ed.	Lyon Hall
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M. C. Kharga, M.A.	Singamari
Punam Lama, B.Sc., (Hons.), B.Ed.	Gibbs
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P.S. Singha, M.Sc., B.Ed.	Gibbs
Tony Sullivian, T. T.C.	Pry. Wing
P. Tamang, B.Sc., B. Ed.	Dali
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Ms. T. N. Tshering, B.A. (Hons.), B.Ed. (till Aug.)	Toong Soong
N. V. Vincent, B.Sc. (Hons.), B. Ed.	Benson's
Wyane Peters, T.T.C.	Gibbs

MEDICAL OFFICER

Dr. P. K. Sharma, MBBS, DPH, MD.,	Resi. Sch. Doctor	Lefroy
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NURSING STAFF

Sister N. L. Bhutia, SRN, SRM.	Gibbs
Sister D. Sharma, Dip. Nursing	Lefroy
Sister Bishnu Tamang, SRN, SRM.	Pry. Wing.

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Ms. P. Bagchi, M.A.	Carter's
Ms. M. M. Pandey	SPS Estate
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Ms. B. Chakraborty, B.A., S.T.T.	Benson's
Ms. K. Giri Lama, B.Sc.	Gibbs
Ms. B. Chetri, B.A.	West Point

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B. C. Cecil, B.Com.	Bursar	Benson's
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N. Bhattacharya, B.Com. (Hons.)	Accountant	Nihar Lodge
S. Bhattacharya, B.Com.	Cashier	Monastery Rd.
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A. Dutta	Office Asst.	Marion Road
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K. T. Lama	P.W. Caterer	Cater's
P. Tamang	Office Asst.	Carmichael Road
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S. Thapa, B.A.	Office Asst.	Ghoom



The Senior WIng Staff with the Rector.



The Junior Wing Staff with the Rector.



The Primary Wing Staff with the Rector.



The Administrative Staff with the Rector.

SCHOOL PREFECTS

School Captain and Captain of Clive House	-	Sanjeev Mehra
School Vice-Captain and Captain of Hastings House	-	Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Captain of Lawrence House	-	Kesang Tashi Sherpa
Captain of Havelock House	-	Omar Hyder Ali

HOUSE PREFECTS

Clive House	-	Amit Bansal
Hastings House	-	Mitadru Koley
Havelock House	-	Sonam Ghale
Lawrence House	-	Stephen Singsit
		Dhabup Prasai



The Senior Wing Prefects with the Rector.

RECTOR'S LETTER

As I write this, on 1st January, 2001, we are now in the 21st Century of the new millennium. But, future generations will never be able to decide where the millennium actually began - 2000 or 2001? The media hype for "Y 2K" with the International party that heralded in the year 2000 quite overrode logic and thus provided an excuse to have a second Millennium party in January 2001.

As far as the school is concerned the year has been a successful one with achievements in many spheres — academics, games, debates, quizzing and good health. However, there has been an undercurrent of worry with the resurgence of the local aspirations resulting from the creation of three new States in neighbouring Bihar, UP and MP. Another annoying factor is the frequency of 'Bandhs' being called in the district and at Siliguri. Such cat-strikes prove bad for tourism and morals, besides being highly inconvenient.

The most significant achievement on the campus has been the completion of the Alooari project of eleven semi-detached prefabricated huts for the use of the Domestic Staff ; the completion of the new Gibbs's Building just below the Basketball Court on Mount Vernon to house the Staff ; the near-completion of the highly visible Dorm-cum- Lab. — Complex adjacent to the main field. I would like to thank all Parents, Old Paulites and well-wishers for their cooperation and help in raising necessary funds.

I take this opportunity of wishing everyone a Happy and joyful New Year.

Rev. Dn. D. A. Howard
Rector

RECTOR'S SPEECH - 2000

Mr. Mukherjei, Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of the entire school community it is my privilege to welcome here this morning Mr. S. K. Mukherjei, IAS (Retd) and a member of our Board of Governors. Mr. Mukherjei is the longest serving member of our Board and I have always been deeply grateful for his sensible advice based on years of experience in the IAS where, amongst other posts, he was Secretary to Ms. Padmaja Naidu the first Governor of West Bengal. We are doubly grateful to him for being here as he also stands in for Bishop P.S.P. Raju of Calcutta, who had to make a last-minute cancellation due to a personal tragedy in his family.

This year some new members have joined the Board. These include the Rt. Rev. Dr. D. K. Sahu, Bishop of Eastern Himalayas, Mr. Anil Verma, IAS, District Magistrate of Darjeeling, Prof. Dipak Roy, Principal, Darjeeling Govt. College. On behalf of the Board we would like to thank the outgoing members, Bishop Andrews, Mr. Naveen Prakash and Dr. D. K. Sarkar.

Over the course of the year we have bid farewell to some very senior members of the Admn. Staff. Ms. Pem Pem Tshering, Senior Matron attached to the Pry. Wing retires at the end of this month. She has served here for 30 yrs. and will be gratefully remembered by generations of Paulites. She is the daughter of Tenzing Norgay and has the distinction of having a father, a brother and a son who have all climbed Mount Everest. She is a leading light in the Sherpa community and we wish her success as she embarks upon new enterprises in the future. Mr. M. K. Pradhan, Secretary in the Snr. Master's Office, retired in July having served 30 years. Mr. Pradhan was a cheerful, hardworking person who always gave off his best. He was willing to put his hand to anything and yet maintain his own dignity. Mr. R. B. Gurung, Office Assistant in the Pry. Wing retired in June having served here for 21 years. Mr. Gurung was a painstaking worker and a talented artist who invariably stepped forward each year to help paint the scenery and

backdrop for the Pry. Wing plays. We wish all these persons a happy and peaceful retirement.

Other staff members who have left during the course of the year include Ms. Anjali Tshering and Ms. Tseten Norbu Tshering from the Pry. Wing. Ms. Anjali Tshering left to join her husband in Canada. Anjali served us for 13 years. She was a fine teacher and extremely artistic ; she mounted beautiful exhibition each year and her artistic flair was clearly seen as she helped design costumes for the various school plays. Ms. Tseten Tshering left us to join her husband in Australia. Her service with us was of a shorter duration but her gentleness and cooperation was noteworthy. We wish her happiness in the future. Mr. S. D. Lama, who taught Mathematics and Physics left us in April when he was selected to become an Officer in the State Bank of India. I have recently heard from him that he now lectures new recruits on the need for correct attitudes towards work, drawing heavily on his experiences here at St. Paul's. Mr. Amlan Majumdar, who recently got married, will be leaving us in early November for personal reasons. Mr. Majumdar teaches Geography and has grown in confidence. We wish him all success in the future.

Each year as we comment on those who have left the staff body, we also take time to welcome those who have newly joined in. Mr. Arnold Mukhia joined us in March to teach Commerce in the Snr. School. Arnold is an old boy of the school and his cheerful presence has made him popular with the boys. Mr. Asish Kumar Das joined us in July to teach Physics. He has tried his best but has a problem in that his family is still in Calcutta and this tears at his loyalties. Mr. Rajesh Pradhan joined us in June as an Office Asstt. in the Pry. Wing and Mr. Subash Thapa joined us in August as an Office Asstt. in the Snr. Wing. Both these gentlemen are pleasant and I hope they enjoy working with us.

We also welcome in our midst the GAP students from the U.K—Mr. Joel Bamford, William Hine, Mr. Richard Baker and Mr. Connor Short from Paris.

The ICSE and ISC Public Exams results were published at the end of May. 40 students appeared for the ISC Class XII

Examinations and all of them were successful. At the ICSE level 76 students appeared with 75 being successful. The quality of the results at the ICSE level has shown an improvement and this is encouraging. I take this opportunity of thanking the entire academic staff for these improved results. The glamour of success in training students for Public Exams usually attaches itself to the teachers of the senior school but such success is not possible without the combined effort of all the teachers from Class I upwards. All of you may glory in this success.

It is only right and proper that we should also here thank our Doctor and Nurses who work throughout to ensure the health of the students. Then there are the Matrons and the Caterers who ensure that the students are well cared for and fed throughout the year. The Bursar's office and those attached to the various offices work quietly throughout the year to ensure the well being of the students. The E.M., E.S. and Storekeeper work ceaselessly round the year to provide comforts of the students and to ensure proper maintenance throughout the year. The Dom. Staff work devotedly in the kitchens, dormitories and play fields. Without their help and cooperation living conditions would be difficult.

On the games field the beginning of the year saw success on the Cricket field as we shared the Edinburgh Shield with Mount Hermon and St. Joseph's School. The annual cricket fixture against the Old Paulites was a keenly fought contest with the present team being the victors. The school Volleyball team showed exceptional calibre this year. They took part in the H.D. Lama Inter-School Volleyball Tournament and were the District Champions. This is no mean success since, in general terms, the local schools specialise in Volleyball ; to defeat them is a singular success. In the second term football was the major game played. Here we had mixed success. The school hosted the Inter-School table-tennis tournament. We had visiting teams from 17 schools and the whole programme was spread over two full days. Our own team fared creditably though standards from other schools were better than ours. Over the wet season the boys have played Badminton, Squash and Eton Fives. The marathon season was

conducted successfully in the first week of September. I would here like to thank the Officers at Jalapahar for graciously allowing our students to use their roads for their practice runs. The recent spell of heavy rain has cramped for time the running of the heats for the athletics. However, a last minute spell of good weather allowed us to complete these events. Credit for all these games fixtures must go to our games masters and all those masters-in-charge of the various games in their different seasons.

The school stage and hall has been in constant use throughout the year with a variety of activities. This year we hosted the N. M. Master Memorial English Elocution Contest with our school coming second. The boys were also trained for Inter-School Elocution in Hindi, Nepali and Bengali. In addition there were the usual elocution contests in all three Wings. In the field of debating the boys have met regularly as a Society. This year we hosted the North-eastern segment of the All India Frank Anthony Debate conducted by the ISC Council. Our students won this segment and then went on to Calcutta where, in a second elimination round, we lost to La Martiniere. The Hindi Society took part in the local "Hindi Himachal Bhavan" competitions. The boys were adjudged the best at Quizzing and Poster Making. They also won the team championship for the most active participation. Quizzing forms an enjoyable entertainment in all three Wings and is keenly contested. Once again two of our students have qualified for the Bournvita Quiz Contest, the finals of which are being presently conducted in Mumbai.

Throughout the year the NCC troop functioned under careful coaching of the officers of the 5th Bengal Bn., NCC, of which our school is a member. On Independence Day they provided an excellent Guard of Honour and March Past for Col. Vijay Singh, Principal, H.M.I, who was our Chief Guest. The boys were also actively engaged in the Indian Youth Award Scheme. Large numbers of boys have qualified for the Bronze, Silver and Gold medals. The most enjoyable aspect of this scheme is trekking, and camping, followed by efforts with hobbies and handicrafts. Most of the work seen in the exhibitions is rooted in the achievements of these boys.

Our music department continues to go from strength to strength. This year 23 boys appeared for the Trinity College of Music Examinations in Piano and Singing. All of them were successful. Our School Choir now sings with almost professional skill. They have produced new anthems every month and joined in for a special choir service at Dr. Graham's Homes. We were happy to share and rejoice with the Homes, as they complete their Centenary this year. Our Brass Band continues to make strides. This year the annual music concert given by the students who study music was of a particularly high standard.

St. Paul's has always boasted that its students can hold their own when facing an audience. We attribute this to the constant encouragement the students receive to perform on stage. Training in dramatic productions starts all the way in Pry. Wing with their annual inter-house drama competitions. It extends into the Jnr. Wing and Snr. Wing through the House Plays and the Annual School Productions. At the end of May the Jnr. Wing presented an adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivan's opera "The Mikado". The Senior School has worked hard to produce Galsworthy's "Loyalties" which was performed yesterday.

Over the last two years the school has embarked upon an ambitious building programme. This became necessary as the lease for the property of "Edenfalls" expired in March this year and we handed back the property. The largest and the most complex structure is the new Lab-cum-Dorm. Complex. Estimated to cost Rs. 2 crores the building is nearing completion. It comprises four classrooms, three dormitories with attached toilets and bathroom space ; three staff flats attached to the dormitories to enable proper pastoral care, and four laboratories—one each for Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Information Technology. The four classrooms are already in use and the three dormitories will ease congestion in the existing Jnr. Wing Dormitories. As part of this project we will not only landscape the area to provide two basketball size playing fields but also an underground water reservoir to harvest rain water upto two lacs litres. We hope to install solar panel heating devices to provide hot water in the bath

rooms. We have also completed the new staff quarters building near the school basketball court. Currently this "Gibbs" building houses four staff families with inbuilt facilities to expand this for a further four flats. A large number of our Domestic Staff used to live at Edenfalls and these persons had to be relocated. This was done on our south facing slope near Alooari village where we have constructed 11(eleven) semi detached pre-fabricated houses. These have all gone into use. The Staff Quarters and Alooari Project together come to another Rs. 1 crore. As you can appreciate such an expansion programme, though necessary, is also extremely expensive. We have recently sent out a special appeal to our parents and we have begun to receive a positive response. I take this opportunity of thanking all our parents for their help and cooperation.

At a personal level I am pleased to inform you that I was ordained a Deacon in the Church of North India by the Rt. Rev. P.S.P. Raju, Bishop of Calcutta, at St. Paul's Cathedral. I am deeply grateful to Bishop Raju for detecting any potential he may have seen in me. I was once told by Bishop Bryan that sometimes the Church needs a person and when that happens, it is one's duty to serve. I leave behind this message for all of you that, in the final analysis, we are all called to serve. He who can do this cheerfully and obediently will be happy.

CHIEF GUEST'S ADDRESS ON SPEECH DAY 2000

Mr. and Ms. Howard, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Because of the tragic death of Right Reverend Bishop P.S.P. Raju's grandson within a week of his birth and the state of the mother's health, he has been unable to come. Therefore the onus is on me to address this gathering.

I have been associated with St. Paul's Darjeeling, for some time. It shall be my endeavour to analyse the reasons why this School occupies a unique position in the field of education in West Bengal.

St. Paul's is a residential school. Its students come from different families and from different backgrounds. But in the School they get the experience of living together as members of a community ; they learn how to share and care. In the process they realize that as opposed to the way of life they have been accustomed to there are other ways of living. Their vision gets widened, their views become broadened, their judgement becomes enlightened and they are turned out as citizens with a tolerant and compassionate outlook in a vast country with a population of almost infinite diversity.

The School instills courage and the spirit of endurance in its pupils. It achieves this through games, sports and trekking. The students are thus prepared to face life and its problems with fortitude.

The School lays stress on the intellectual development of its students. The last few years have seen a progressive improvement in the performance of the boys sent up for the ISC and ICSE examinations. Training in computer science has recently been arranged so that they may step out of the School well-equipped to face the twenty-first century.

But the School imparts not only knowledge. It stimulates the students to acquire wisdom, that is, to apply knowledge not for

destruction but for constructive purposes. Thereby the quality of integrity is developed in them. In the classroom and in the playing field, they learn that justice and fair play are more important than mere worldly success.

Above all, the School implants in them a sense of values. It fashions an ordering of their minds. They learn that while animals survive by depriving a weaker member of food and shelter, Man has a sense of right and wrong which guides him when he acts. They discover that in the scale of civilization Socrates occupies a higher position than Alexander, Newton than Napoleon, Albert Schweitzer than Adolf Hitler, Mother Teresa than Catherine de Medici. If the students carry away in their hearts this sense of right and wrong and continue to be guided by it when they leave the School, they will not only have peace in their souls but also contribute substantially to the building of a new India.

Ladies and gentlemen, I now call upon you to give a hand to the Rector and his staff for the manner in which they have been maintaining the traditions of this institution.

Finally, I thank you for giving me a patient hearing. I convey my best wishes to each and every one present.

**ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DARJEELING
SPEECH DAY**

Saturday, 30th September 2000, 11.00 a.m.

Chief Guest : Rt. Rev. P. S. P. Raju,
Bishop of Calcutta and Chairman Board of Governors

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS

PROGRAMME

Arrival of the Chief Guest

School Song

Rector's Report

Prize Distribution

Chief Guest's Address

Vote of Thanks

National Anthem

PRIZE LIST - 2000

<i>Class</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Progress & Application</i>
1	Chiranjeevi Chandran	Naman Mitruka	Sagar Jain
2	Sujoy Chakravarthi	Ghanshyam Prasad	Krishnan Agarwal
3A	Saharsh Agarwal	Ashish Kumar	Akash Kumar Gupta
3B	Ashwin Agarwal	Harsh Agarwal	Anwasha Sen
4A	Adarsh Modi	Deepayan Biswas	Nitish Kandoi
4B	Aamir Azam	Nitin Jain	-
4C	Adarsh Sharan	Shubham Khetan	Md. Abdulla Siddiqui
5A	Anindya Maity	Debarghya Ghosh	Sonam W. Bhutia
5B	Subanta Neogi	Rahul Bansal	Aashik Sikaria
5C	Mushahid Hussain	Dhendup Gurung	Yonten Tenzing
6A	Bamdev Saha	Saswat Bajracharya	-
6B	Peeyush Agarwal	Ankur Agarwal	-
6C	Shyam Murarka	Javed Iqbal	-
7A	Rajib Roy	Gaurav Kr. Agarwal	Aman Bansal
7B	Rohit Agarwal	Parimal Agarwal	-
7C	Rachit Dudhwewala	Devdas Ghosh	-
8A	Adarsh Saxena	Harshit Kumar	-
8B	Anindya Das	Mayank Kumar	-
8C	Aamil Shakri	Mohit Gourisaria	-
9A	Anil Kumar Roy	Kushal Batabyal	Amar Bajracharya
9B	Amit Khetan	Saurabh Upadhyay	-
9C	Aditya Sanyal	Nayeem Karim	-
10A	Abhishek Chanani	Nikhil Agarwal	Udaya Gartaula
10B	Tushar Chandra Singh	Ashwini Kumar Todi	Sudipto Munshi
10C	Mukesh Kumar	Amanbir Singh Grewal	-
11Com.	Arun Agarwal	Om Prakash Gupta	-
11Hum.	Anirban Sinha	Rohit Lakhotia	-
11Sc	Shankha Chakraborty	-	-
12Com.	Amit Bansal	Sanjeev Mehra	-
12Hum.	Tosanlang Kharsati	Siddhanth Rajbhandari	-
12Sc.	Mitadru Koley	-	-

SPECIAL PRIZES

PRIMARY WING

<i>Class</i>	<i>Good Conduct</i>	<i>Art</i>
1	Siddharth Rai	Utsav Mukherjee
2	Ekram Akhtar	Gaurav Agarwal
3A	Rahul Jain	Avik Mullick
3B	Ashish Kharel	Saurya Shah
4A	Rahul Rohan	Ujjwal Gurung
4B	Dandivar Kathar	Soden Gurung
4C	David Zhimoni	Nabin Dani
5A	-	Anup Sijapati
5B	-	Zoheb Bhutia
5C	-	Jigmed Gensapa
	Essay Prize	Dandivar Kathar
	Moore Divinity	Dandivar Kathar
	Best Actor	Amrit K. Tiwari
	Saxena Prize for Quizzing	Roshan Jaiswal
	Jyoti Kundu Memorial Medal	Yonten Tenzing

JUNIOR WING

J. W. Art Prize	...	Animesh Tuladhar
B. J. Sharma Prize for the Best Sportsman	...	Parvez Khan
Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer in JW	...	Parvez Khan
Jyoti Kundu Prize for Elocution	...	Brendon Benjamin
N. Shanmugam Memorial Medal for Good Conduct in Class 7	...	Bubu Patrick Golmei
Disawala Prize for the Best Actor	...	Murtaza Shah
K. N. Sahgal Prize for Bible Reading	...	Brendon Benjamin
Moore Divinity Prize (Junior)	...	Jimmy Thangjam
Gayatri Kanti Prize for Consistent Academic Achievement in the Junior Wing	...	Aamil Shakri
Karanjai Prize for Quizzing	...	Adarsh Saxena
B. P. Dutta Science Prize	...	Aamil Shakri
Bhattacharya Music Prize	...	Vishal Pakhrin

SENIOR WING

Kabra Proficiency Prize (ISC '00)	...	Amber Huria
A. H. Miller Prize for Science (ISC '00)	...	Lalramdinpuia Khiangte
Rai Bahadur D. N. Singh Prize for Hum. (ISC '00)	...	Girish Agarwal
Badridas Modi Prize for Commerce (ISC '00)	...	-
Leslie Goddard Scholarship & Medal (ICSE '00)	...	Arun Agarwal
Renuka Dang Proficiency Prize (ICSE '00)	...	Shankha Chakraborty
Kamlesh Kanti Prize for Hindi (ICSE '00)	...	Om Prakash Gupta
Rajbhandari Prize for Nepali (ICSE '00)	...	Sumit Mangal
K. L. Pradhan Prize for Economics (ICSE '00)	...	Rohit Lakhotia
Rudra Hindi Prize	...	Saket Bairoliya
Madhukar Rana Nepali Prize	...	Tashi Ghaley
Usha Rani Bengali Prize	...	Gautam Ghosh

Tower History Prize	...	Vidyut Jain
Class of '89 Economics Prize	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Clarke Geography Prize	...	Not Awarded
K. N. Sahgal Accountancy Prize	...	Amit Bansal
K. N. Sahgal Business Studies Prize	...	Not Awarded
Anil Chaudhuri Art Prize	...	Sabal Tuladhar
Moore Divinity Prize	...	Omar Hyder Ali
Karun Majumdar General Knowledge Prize	...	Aaditya Cintury
Saraf Short Story Prize	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Maj. Bhatnagar Prize for 'Brain of St. Paul's'	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Carter English Essay Prize	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Nanibala Dey English Literature Prize	...	Anirban Sinha
Gal Gregory Maths Prize	...	Amit Bansal
Majumdar Science Prize	...	Ajitesh Jaiswal
Kothari Physical Science Prize	...	Not Awarded
Robin Banerjee Life Science Prize	...	Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Luv Kumar Ecological Studies Prize	...	Rabin B. Pandey
R. S. Prasad Prize for Computer Science	...	Ashwini Kumar Todi
Adams Music Prize	...	Sonam Ghale
Rahoul Music Prize	...	Tosanlang Kharsati
G. V. Swaika Prize for Drama	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Nilima Bose Prize for Excellence in Theatre	...	Anirban Sinha
Best Actor for 2nd Languages	Hindi	...
	Nepali	...
	Bengali	...
Bible Reading Prize	...	Omar Hyder Ali
Sakraney Prize for Elocution	...	Rabin B. Pandey
Air Force Trophy & Prize for the Best Public Speaker	...	Rabin B. Pandey
N. K. Mitra Prize for Club Activities	...	Anirban Sinha
Best Artist Prize for 2000	...	Omar Hyder Ali
Best Craftsman Prize for 2000	(a) Batik	...
	(b) Woodwork	...
Gibbs Prize for Outward Bound Activities	...	Stephen P. Singait
Kamlesh Kanti Prize for the	...	Saif Zaman
Best Photographer of the year	...	Shankar Gurung
Das Studio Prize for Consistent	...	Nishan Rai
Good Work throughout the year	...	Harsh Madhogaria
Darjeeling Photo Stores Prize for	...	Om Prakash Gupta
Excellence in Photography	...	Abhishek Behani
General Virendra Prize for NCC	...	Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Jack Warren Medal for Cricket (Cl. X and below)	...	Vivek Risal
Darjeeling Rotary Award for	...	Avik Mukherjee
Social Service (Cl. X and below) *	...	Jyoti Prakash
O.P.A. Prize for the Best All Round Sportsman	...	Ashish Dalmia
O.P.A. Prize for Social Service	...	Tenzing Kutsabpa
G. J. Shaw Trophy & Prize for the	...	Rabin Pandey
Best All Rounder (Cl. X)	...	Amit Bansal
K. K. Mukherjee Trophy & Medal for the	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Best All Rounder (Cl. XII)	...	Sanjeev Mehra
Bishop's Prize	...	
School Captain's Prize	...	
Rector's Prize	...	



The Prize Catch ! Rabin Pandey with Saif Zaman in the School Play.



ISC Batch of 2001 with Mr. N. Vincent and Mr. T. Calvert



ICSE Batch of 2001 with Mr. P. Lama, Mr. M. Dutta and Mr. P. Singha

CLIVE HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master : Mr. G. Bhattacharya

House Tutors :

Mr. D. Bagchi

Mr. Michael Dutta

Mr. P. Ojha

The year 2000 began with the appointment of the new prefects and captains. S. Mehra was appointed the School captain and Clive house captain and A. Bansal the House Prefect.

We began on a positive note as we were able to lift the cricket shield. This was very special, as we had won it for the 5th year in a row. Before we were fully conscious, the responsibility of the concert was on us. However, we managed to overcome this difficulty and presented a one Act play titled 'Stroke of Twelve'. The overall performance was a grand success and was enjoyed by one and all. S. Mehra, Amit Bansal and S. Bhandari need to be commended on their performance.

We did not fare too well in the major court games and came 4th in B'ball, 2nd in Volleyball, and 3rd in Lawn Tennis but special mention needs to be made to Tenzing Dukpa XII who was awarded House colours for B'ball. Surprisingly we did better in the minor games. We walked away easily with the Eton Fives and Badminton Cup. Haider Ali of X was awarded House Colours for badminton.

The monsoons accompanied us throughout the 2nd term and what better way to smile away the blues than to play 'Football' which we did with undiminished enthusiasm and walked away comfortably as victors. Our performance on stage this year was a sort of 'mixed-bag'. We won some, we lost some. We stood first in the Hindi and Bengali Elocutions and sadly stood 3rd & 4th in the Nepali and English Elocutions !

On the debating front we broke the jinx of coming 2nd to Hastings and remained undefeated and our boys (S. Mehra, A. Sinha, S. Bagchi and N. Singh) were highly praised for their performances. Well done, boys !



Clive House with (Seated L-R) Mr. P. Ojha, Mr. G. Bhattacharya, Mr. M. Dutta and Mr. D. Bagchi

Inspite of having many good athletes in the house we were placed 2nd for the Athletics Shield. Though our boys didn't do well in the house levels Majid-ul Islam, T. Kutsabpa, N. Singh, T. Dukpa, E. Manandhar and S. Bhandari did very well in the Inter-School competitions.

S. Bhandari and S. Mehra represented the house in the Brain of St. Paul's. S. Mehra got the title of 'The Brain of St. Pauls' and Clive managed to remain on top throughout. We failed to get anywhere near the P.T. & Marathon cups. The last shield for the year Hockey also eluded us and with a few hits & lots of misses we stood 3rd.

Some of the special achievements of the boys are as follows:

1) 2nd Proficiency Prize -IXA- Kushal Batabyal.

2) Anirban I. Sinha - XI Hum - 1st Prize

Air force trophy & Prize for Best Public Speaker.

Nanibal Dey literature Prize

Nilima Bose Prize for excellence in Theatre.

3) Amit Bansal : 1st Prize : Commerce XII

Bishop's Prize, Gal Gregory-Maths, K. N. Sahgal-Accountancy, Best Actor - Hindi.

4) S. Mehra - 2nd XII Com.

G. Swaika for Drama, Sanat Short Story Prize, Carter English Essay ; Maj Bhatnagar Brain of St Paul's, Class of 89-Economics & the S. Cap's & Rector's Prize.

Congratulations !

5) S. Rajbhandari - 2nd Prize in Class XII

T. Kutsabpa - Best All Rounder X

S. Chakraborty : 1st - Science.

Arun Kumar Agarwal for 2nd highest marks in the ICSE and returning to school.

This year the school participated in an All India Debate (The Frank Anthony Memorial Debate) organized by the ISC council. Both the participants were from Clive. S. Mehra & A. Sinha. They did a fine job and were placed 2nd in the East Zone of India.

We have had a successful year and this would'nt have been possible without the help of our house tutors. I would also like to thank my house prefect A. Bansal for his co-operation. On behalf of the 6th form I wish Clive all the best for the years ahead & hope its flag flies high above the rest - ALWAYS!!

S. MEHRA

HASTINGS HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master :
Mr. D. P. Pradhan

House Tutors :
Mr. D. Kumar
Mr. A. Sen
Mr. V. Lama

House Captain :
Dibyadyuti Ghosh

House Prefect :
Mitadru Koley

'They Came, they saw, they conquered'.

The year 2000 displayed the able exuberance of all the members of the Hastings House. In the beginning, the sixth forms were allotted most portfolios and the authority vested in them were the following :

Dibyadyuti Ghosh	:	Vice-Captain Hastings House Captain Cricket Captain Table Tennis Captain Sgt. Major : NCC.
Mitadru Koley	:	Hastings House Prefect Secretary of Science Forum Secretary of Industrial Chemistry Secretary of Computer Society
Saif Zaman	:	Batik Secretary
Tashi Dorji Ghale	:	Basketball Captain
Gautam Ghosh	:	Bengali Paulite Editor
Shankar Gurung	:	Woodwork Secretary
Tosanlang Kharsati	:	Secretary English Literary Society
Jyoti Prakash	:	Athletics Captain
Saket Bairoliya	:	Paulite Editor (Hindi)
Ashish Dalmia	:	Games Secretary



Hastings House with (seated L-R) Mr. D. Kumar, Mr. D. Pradhan, Mr. A. Das and Mr. A. Sen

We bade farewell to one of our most dedicated teacher — Mr A. K. Das who served in the Physics Department. Throughout the year, the boys were enthusiastic to get going and showed the right attitude, spirit and positive body language in every sphere.

CRICKET : In spite of a very competent side, the team showed complacency and failed to achieve the expected, however, the performances of the following players did not go unnoticed, namely — Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Jyoti Prakash, Saif Zaman, Arindam Ghosh, Goutam Ghosh, Mitadru Koley, Amir Adeel Khan and Amanbir Grewal. The cricket captain Dibyadyuti Ghosh, was awarded school colours and Jyoti Prakash house colours for their splendid performances.

FOOTBALL : This too proved to be very keenly contested but unfortunately it wasn't ours for the taking. Kinley Dorji, Toshi Dorji Ghale, Shankar Gurung, Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Goutam Ghosh, Saif Zaman and Jyoti Prakash were very promising on the field.

HOCKEY : The year 2000 proved to be a great one for Hastings as far as Hockey was concerned. The boys played extremely well to lift the coveted cup and never let the opponents an inch over them. Shankar Gurung, Saif Zaman, Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Tashi Dorji Ghale, Kinley Dorji and Arun Adeel Khan deserve special mention for their contribution in lifting the cup.

RACQUET GAMES : Among the racquet games, we could only lay our hands on the Table Tennis cup under the captaincy of Dibyadyuti Ghosh, who needs to be lauded for his refined skill with the ping-pong.

Our house was represented by Amir Adeel Khan, Kinley Dorji, Saif Zaman in Lawn Tennis. Our boys proved very dedicated but were placed second.

In badminton we were represented by Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Ashish Dalmia and Saif Zaman, but were unsuccessful. We didn't have luck with squash either.

BASKETBALL : Our captain Tashi Dorji Ghale, Kinley Dorji and Yonten Raggay starred in this sport, although we lost.

MARATHON : A sport where every individual counts in the path to success. Credit goes to each and every participant from Hastings. Gautam Ghosh, Tashi Dorji Ghale, Bikash Chamling, Phub Dorji, Kinley Dorji, were awarded meritorious positions.

VOLLEYBALL : In spite of renowned players like Shankar Gurung, Gautam Ghosh and Kinley Dorji, we missed the cup by a whisker.

Elocution, Debate, Quiz were all snatched out of our hands, although Amir Adeel Khan, Amanbir Grewal, Saif Zaman and Mitadru Koley delivered some remarkable passages.

ATHLETICS : Dedication and hard work are the pillars to success. Under the able leadership of Jyoti Prakash we lifted the Athletics shield. He was also considerably supported by Dibyadyuti Ghosh, Kinley Dorji, Arindam Ghosh, Bikash Chamling, Mukesh Kumar, Tenzing Lama, Santosh Singh and Abhijeet Tarafdar. We congratulate all the above athletes for a job well done !

SPECIAL PRIZES ON SPORTS DAY

OPEN DIVISION

Jyoti Prakash	:	100 m	— 1st
		200 m	— 1st
		400 m	— 1st
		800 m	— 1st
		Broad Jump	— 1st
		Triple Jump	— 1st
		4 x 200	— 1st
	Kinley Dorji	:	100 m
		200 m	— 2nd
		400 m	— 2nd
		800 m	— 2nd
		1500 m	— 2nd

	Discuss	— 2nd
	Shot Put	— 1st
	4 x 200	— 1st
	High Jump	— 3rd
Dibyadyuti Ghosh :	100 m	— 3rd
	200 m	— 3rd
	400 m	— 3rd
	4 x 200	— 1st
Arindam Ghosh :	Javelin	— 1st

SPECIAL PRIZES ON SPEECH DAY

9A : Progress and Application	—	Amar Bajracharya
9B : Second Proficiency prize	—	Saurabh Upadhyay
9C : First Proficiency prize	—	Aditya Sanyal
Second Proficiency prize	—	Amit Khetan
10A : First Proficiency prize	—	Abhishek Chanani
Second Proficiency prize	—	Nikhil Agarwal
10B : First Proficiency prize	—	Tushar Chandra
10C : First Proficiency prize	—	Mukesh Kumar
Second Proficiency prize	—	Amanbir Grewal
12 Hum. : First Proficiency prize	—	Tosanlang Kharsati
General Proficiency prize	—	Mitadru Koley
Rudra Hindi Prize	—	Saket Bairolia
Usharani Bengali Prize	—	Gautam Ghosh
Robin Banerjee Life Science Prize	—	Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Rahoul Music prize	—	Tasanlang Kharsati
Best Craftsman's Prize : Batik	—	Saif Zaman
Woodwork	—	Shankar Gurung
General Virendra for NCC	—	Dibyadyuti Ghosh
O.P.A. Social Service	—	Ashish Dalmia
Best Sportsman	—	Jyoti Prakash

We staged our annual house concert on the 7th of May, which included an entertaining one-act play entitled — "The Boy

comes home", directed by Mr. Devendra Kumar. Mitadru Koley and Saif Zaman had the audience in splits. The programme also included a variety of items which proved to be entertaining. The combination of Dibyadyuti Ghosh and Mitadru Koley along with the guidance of Mr. D. P. Pradhan, our housemaster, held the reins of the house and co-ordinated all the activities very smoothly. I'd like to congratulate them on behalf of the entire house.

"Hastings, Hastings, the best house in
the school....."

In conclusion, I wish all the associates of Hastings, a very prosperous future and hope that Hastings continues its glorious march in the years to follow.

Compiled by
Saif Zaman, VIth Form, 2000

HAVELOCK HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master : Mr. U. K. Dwivedi **House Tutors :** Manas Dev
Partho Singha

The year 2000 began with a lot of enthusiasm. The year began with Omar Haider Ali being appointed the House Captain and Sonam Ghale and Stephen Singsit being given the responsibility of House Prefects.

As usual, the year began with the cricket season. At the end of the season, we came second and the performances of Stephen Singsit and Vivek Risal must be commended, for they kept Havelock House's head held high, even though we lost.

Cricket was followed by basketball and in this game too we came a very close second. In the match for the 1st and 2nd place, Havelock lost to Lawrence by a solitary point. The spirit shown by the boys was excellent for having started as underdogs. We really did give the Lawrencians a run for their money.

Volleyball didn't go very well with us as we came 4th, though not disgraced.

In the 2nd term, we had the football season in which we came 2nd yet again. The boys who really played well were Jigme Penjor, Sonam Ghale, Jan Rymbai, Stephen Singsit and Omar Haider Ali. We really missed the services of Sersang Tenzing as he left school after the end of the first term. His presence would have ideally boosted the spirits of our players.

We stood second in the Bengali, Hindi and Nepali Elocution contests. However, we proved our supremacy in the English Elocution yet again and bagged the shield. In the Drama section for class X and below, Reynold Anthony came first. In the Extempore section, also for classes X and below, Siddharth Poddar stood first for the second consecutive year. Omar Haider Ali came second in the plus 2 drama and Sonam Ghale 3rd in the plus 2 prose sections respectively.



Havelock House with (seated L-R) Mr. M. Dev, Mr. U. K. Dwivedi and Mr. P. Singha

Reynold Anthony and Siddharth Poddar also represented the school in the N. M. Master's Memorial Elocution contest and both came first. They did Havelock proud.

Debating this year wasn't our cup of tea as we came fourth. Though we weren't successful, we saw some exceptional performances by Vidyut Jain, Sonam Ghale, Omar Haider Ali, Binayak Thapa, Reynold Anthony and Siddharth Poddar.

Havelock staged its House concert on the 5th of August. We put up a play entitled 'Sorry, wrong number' and this was probably the first of its kind in St. Paul's School. The Class X boys led by Namgay Rangdol and Vivek Risal put up an excellent dance which hailed them as the 'New Hrithwiks'. The one act play was enjoyed by all. Omar Haider Ali put in a stellar performance, playing the lead role and was ably supported by Sonam Ghale, Stephen Singsit, Vidyut Jain, Pankaj Tiwari, Prashant Sahal, Siddharth Poddar and Jigme Wangchuk. There was also a Hindi skit which had Preetam Kumar, Binayak Thapa, Shubhodeep Bandhopadhyay, Manish Gupta and Anil Kumar Roy acting. The skit was also enjoyed by all. On the whole, the concert was a runaway success.

At the end of the three rounds of the Brain of St. Paul's Quiz, we finished third, but Sonam Ghale, Stephen Singsit and Siddharth Poddar performed commendably.

Havelock finished a close second in Marathon this year but a number of boys performed extremely well.

Intermediate Division :	Vishal Lohia (2nd) Jigme Wangchuk (8th)
Open Division (Div. open, I & II) :	Shubham Bhagat (4th) Anmol Basnett (5th) Namgay Rangdol (8th) Vishal Ranjan (10th) Vivek Risal (12th) Dhiraj Gurung (16th)

This year Havelock finished second in Eton Fives and Squash. Omar Haider Ali's & Anil Gurung's performances must be appreciated as they fought to the end. In badminton too, the Captain Omar Haider Ali took us close to the shield, but we came second. In Table Tennis too, we came second with Vishal Ranjan, Dibyendu Shah, Kanishika Kushaan and Dipendra Singh representing us. After all the disappointing 'seconds' we finally won the Lawn Tennis shield. Sonam Ghale, Jigme Penjor and Sonam Rinchen performed exceptionally well for the house.

In Athletics, we finished third this year as we didn't perform up to the mark. On speech day this year, many boys won special prizes. They were :

Vivek Risal — Jack Warren Medal for Cricket (X and below)

Om Prakash Gupta —

Kamlesh Kanti Prize for Hindi (ICSE '00)

Das Studio prize for consistent Photography and

Raj Studio prize for excellence in photography

Vidyut Jain — Tower History prize

Stephen Singsit — Best Artist prize for 2000

Sonam Ghale — Adams Music prize

Omar Haider Ali — Best Actor prize for Bengali

N. K. Mitra prize for Club Activities and

The Moore Divinity prize.

Vivek Risal was awarded minor colours in Cricket and Sonam Ghale was awarded minor colours for basketball. Finally, I would like to thank my house master Mr. U. K. Dwivedi for guiding us and also the house tutors and boys for cooperating. I would also like to thank Stephen and Sonam for helping me throughout the year. I wish the Havelockians all the best for the year 2001.

OMAR HAIDER ALI

LAWRENCE HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master : Mr. Arun Jayal **House Tutors** : Mr. T. Calvert
House Captain : Kesang Tashi Sherpa Mr. N. Vincent
House Prefect : Dhabup Prasai Mr. M. Kharga
 Mr. P. Lama

The performance of the house in 2000 was very encouraging. We had many new talented boys joining our house from the junior wing and from other schools. We welcome Mr. Poonam Lama as our new tutor and look forward to a long association with him.

CRICKET :

Shashikant Singh, Rahatul Khan, Golam Faisal, Dhabup Prasai and Tsewang Dorjee — though good in their own ways, could not get their teams to win their matches.

VOLLEYBALL :

With Dhabup Prasai as the Captain and the coach, it was easy for the boys to win the cup. Congratulations to Dhabup and Pema Dendup who played excellently. They were both awarded minor colours.

BASKETBALL :

The boys were good, played well and won the cup. Pema Dendup, Pemba Sherpa and Lalfakzuala all need to be specially commended. Pema Dendup was awarded minor colours.

FOOTBALL :

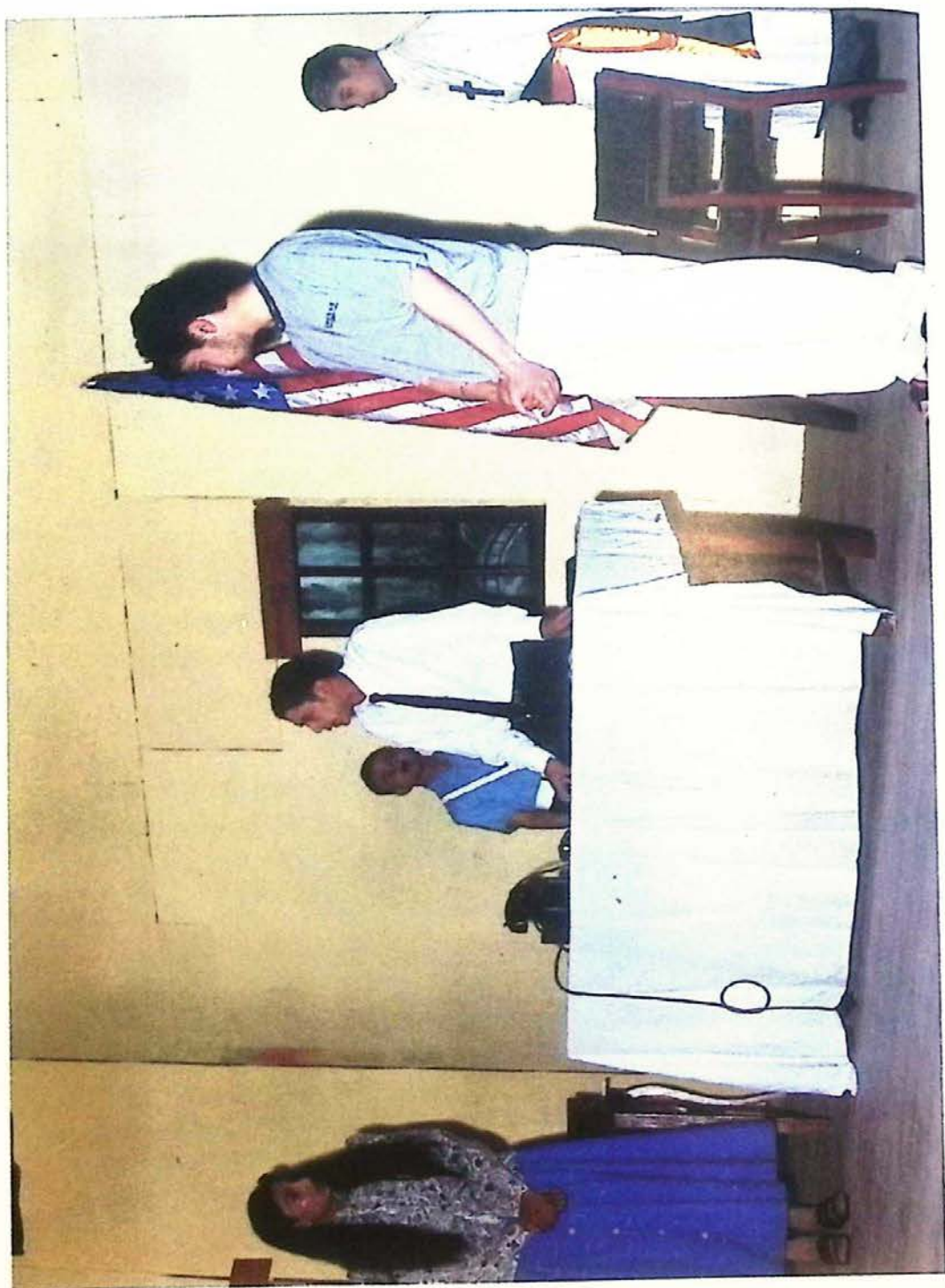
Pema Dendup was the captain and he played exceedingly well. Rabin Pandey, Nishan Rai, Arjun Gurung were all very good. Pema was awarded major colours.

MARATHON :

Although the boys did their best, we had to settle for the 2nd place. Dhabup Prasai needs special commendation for standing 1st in the Opens division. He was awarded minor colours.

SQUASH :

Rabin Pandey and Namgyal Sherpa were in excellent form and lifted the cup quite easily.



Lawrence 'House Concert' — Aug. 2000



Lawrence House with (seated L-R) Mr. N. Vincent, Mr. T. Calvert,
Mr. A. Jayal, Mr. M. Kharga, Mr. P. Lama

BADMINTON :

Not of much consequence but Pema Dendup and Divya Kant Baid played well.

ATHLETICS :

This was not really our sport but the boys tried.

HOCKEY :

Even though we were no where in the reckoning for the cup the boys played well and ultimately stood second.

ELOCUTION :

Lakeesh Gurung, Sagun Poudyal, Rabin Pandey and Aaditya Cintury did well in their respective zones. Although we won the Nepali elocution contest, the others we lost.

DEBATES :

We had a very good team and the boys spoke very well. However, we were placed second. Rabin Pandey, Aaditya Cintury, Tenzing Dekeva and Lakeesh Gurung need to be congratulated.

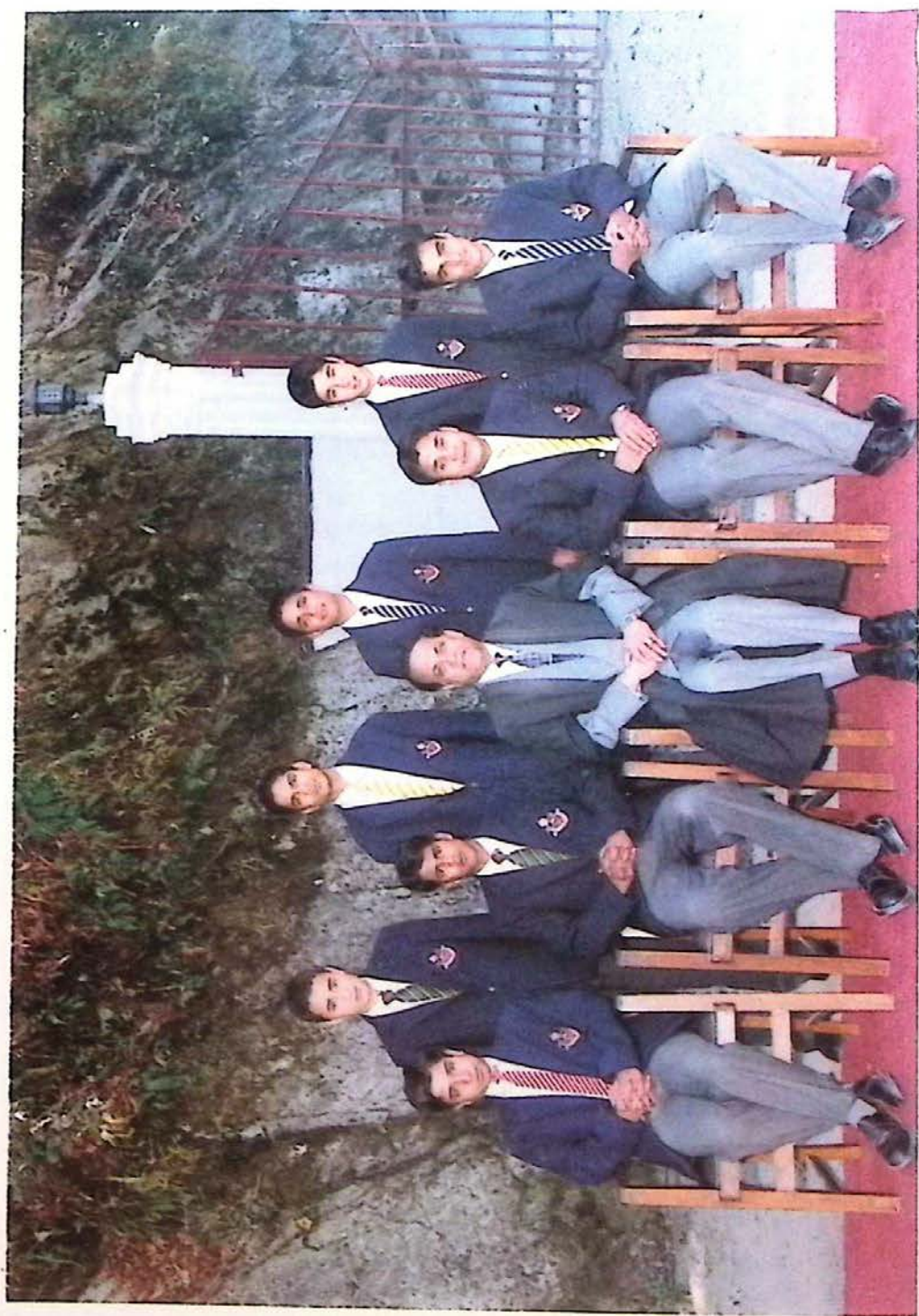
DRAMA :

At the house concert the boys presented a very moving and powerful play, 'The Valiant'. Rabin Pandey, Prince Raj Prasad, Aaditya Cintury and Lakeesh Gurung all acted very well. A big thank you to all the VIth formers for putting up the skit 'Cinderella' — very willingly and sportingly.

Rabin Pandey and Aaditya Cintury took part in the school play 'Loyalties'.

It has been a year with mixed results but one that has been very satisfying in the sense that everyone tried their best. I thank my House Master Mr. A. Jayal for his support through the year. I am also thankful to the house prefect Dhabup Prasai for his co-operation and the House tutors for their help over the year.

Kesang Tashi Sherpa
House Captain



Junior Wing Monitors with Mr. G. R. Anthony

JUNIOR WING NOTES 2000

The new millennium commenced and on the 3rd of March the Jnr. Wing students returned after a long and restful winter vacation full of zeal and enthusiasm looking forward to the eventful year which lay ahead of them. Among the students about 20 of them were new admissions who gradually settled down in the course of the year. They adjusted well inspite of the biting cold in the month of March.

At the end of the last year we bade farewell to Ms. Baoni. She taught Hindi and Art in the Jnr. Wing and worked really hard to shape the students. Our Wing wishes her a happy and prosperous life. To fill up this gap we welcomed Ms. M. Sinha who teaches Hindi in the Pry. and the Jnr. Wings in a temporary capacity. Mr. A. Banerjee who left us in the beginning of the year was replaced by Mr. J. Deb Roy in the computers department.

We also welcomed in our faculty, four GAP students Mr. J. Bamford, Mr. W. J. Stewart Hine, Mr. R. Baker and Mr. Conor Short to teach various subjects in the Jnr. Wing. We also had to bid farewell to Mr. T. Mukhia who retired in the beginning of the year. We wish him all the best in his future. He worked sincerely and put in his best for a long tenure of 20 years. May God bless him ! Nevertheless, his son Mr. Arnold Mukhia joined us to teach Mathematics. He being an Old Paulite should have a good career here. We also bade farewell to Mr. A. Majumdar who decided to leave us at the end of the year.

The Gibbs building, which was built by a former Rector, Mr. Cross, in 1975/76 was demolished and four classes, 8B, 8C, 7B and 7C were shifted from here to the new building. The project is almost under completion and the classrooms are already in use.

The following class 8 boys chosen as House Monitors to help and ensure that the Jr. Wing runs smoothly.

Anderson House	:	Adarsh Saxena, Utsav Pradhan
Betten House	:	Abit Manandhar, Rakesh Roshan
Cable House	:	Aamil R. Shakri, Vishal Pakhrin
Westcott House	:	Md. Parvez Khan, Zahir Rahman

The first of the Jnr. Wing house activities were conducted on the 15th of March. These activities are held to get the new-comers familiar with their senior/juniors as well as housemasters/housemistresses. The last house activities were held on the 21st of November.

The Cricket season started off with a bang in March. The regular house leagues were played with great enthusiasm and zeal. A number of Inter-School fixtures were also organised. At the same time the boys were engaged in Basketball practices also. For this game too, Inter School fixtures were organised. In cricket, our under 10 team played against North Point at their field and won the game. The outstanding batsmen were Parvez Khan and Ibne Sina Khan and the bowlers who bowled well were Nehal Mazhar and Bikash Goyal. Nehal Mazhar also represented the under 8 team and took 6 wickets against Mount Hermon, after an incredible spell of bowling ensuring us a victory over the Hermonites. Parvez Khan and Harsh Nathani also represented the school against Mount Hermon. Unfortunately we lost the match. The cricket season concluded in the month of May—the Cup went to Westcott House. My congratulations to all the promising players of the Jnr. Wing.

Meanwhile, basketball leagues and as well as house matches were played and at the end of it the cup was shared by Cable and Betten.

The Jnr. Wing Football season kicked off after the June break. All the boys who participated played with great excitement and in the end the cup was taken by Betten. A few boys also took part in the 4' 10" team of the school. They too excelled in their matches against various schools. The under 8 team also showed some good spirit in terms of the game. Abit Manandhar and Vishal

Pakhrin represented the school at the under 10 level too. They also showed their skills and a lot of promise.

This year there was a table-tennis Carnival held in our school and from the Jnr. School the following boys took part—Shanky Adavani, Ayush Agarwal and Aman Bansal. They fought back against their opponents but could not make it to the higher level. The housematches in table-tennis were also played and Westcott house emerged victorious.

The Badminton house matches were also completed and once again Westcott House won the cup. The inter-school badminton carnival was held in the Gymkhana Club and the boys who represented the school from the Jnr. Wing were Ibne Sina Khan and Shishir Thade. They played quite well.

In Squash too housematches were completed resulting in Cable bagging the cup.

The Marathon season took centre stage and this was really an exciting one. My congratulations to all the following boys who excelled with good positions in their respective divisions. Nawraj Tiwari (Be) Came first and Shubham Kumar (Ca) came second in the Jnr. Division. Abhishek Pradhan (We) stood third in the Intermediate Division and Parvez Khan (We) also came 3rd in the senior Division. Well done boys ! The Marathon Cup was awarded to Betten House this year. The Athletics season commenced straight after August as Marathon ended. All the boys took part in the Athletics standards and Cable House emerged victorious and on the Sports Day Westcott House won the Athletics Cup this year. The Best Sportsman was Parvez Khan in the Jnr. Wing and he was awarded the Victor Ludorum Medal also in Div. II. Congratulations Parvez.

The Darjeeling Zonal Athletics Meet was held at North Point in October. Parvez Khan, Ibne Sina Khan, Aniket Pradhan, Aditya Khetan and Shankho Ghosh represented the school. These boys took part in the District Inter-School Athletics meet also at Kalimpong in which we were placed second. Well done Jnr. Wing boys.

Hockey too was played with keen interest and soon the house matches were completed. The cup was awarded to Betten House this year. The Lawn Tennis cup was won by Cable House.

The Inter-House P.T. Competition came to a close in the final term and the Cup was won by Cable house. The Best P. T. Commander for 2000 was awarded to Animesh Tuladhar of Anderson House. I would like to give my sincere thanks to Mr. J. Singh who supervised the boys morning P.T. and trained them for the competitions which was of a high standard.

Independence Day was celebrated patriotically by the boys. The boys of class 6 and 7 sang a Hindi song written by Mr. D. K. Mishra while the class 8 boys took part in the NCC March. They all were looking very smart.

This year also the standard of concerts and elocution was quite high which was really commendable. The event of these was the annual concert of Betten and Cable. The production was the joint effort of both the houses. It was a refreshing evening for one and all. In July the boys witnessed a house concert presented by the students of the two remaining houses Anderson and Westcott. Their programme which offered a variety of items was a treat to the eyes. My congratulations to all the housemasters/housemistresses and the actors for their commendable performance.

The Jnr. Wing's major production this year was Gilbert and Sullivan's 'The Mikado'. It was directed by Mr. S. Pande. The production reflected a beautiful blend of acting quality and singing capability. In this regard a special word of mention should be made of Murtaza Shah, Vishal Pakhrin, Animesh Tuladhar and Vineet Pradhan. Murtaza Shah acted in the school play as well. He was awarded with the Best Actor's Prize for the year 2000 in the Jnr.Wing. My congratulations to Mr. S. Pande and all those teachers who worked on and off the stage. The play was enjoyed by everyone.

The next event was the Inter-House English Elocution competition. This keenly contested elocution with participants from

all four houses was enjoyed by one and all. The cup was bagged by Westcott house. My sincere thanks to Ms. R. Anthony who organised this activity. Following up the former event, was the Inter-House Hindi Elocution contest. The boys participating put up a creditable show. The cup was shared by Betten and Westcott. My sincere thanks to Dr. Manoj Kumar and Mr. D. K. Mishra for their help and guidance. The Inter School second language Elocution programme was held in July. Ashutosh Bairoliya of Cl. 6 and Mohit Gourisaria of Cl. 8 from the Hindi section participated at North Point, Nilutpal Chowdhury of Cl. 6 and Anindya Das of Cl. 8 from the Bengali section went to Mount Hermon and the Nepali Society boys Saswat Bajracharya of Cl. 6 and Shahil Karki of Class 8 went to Loreto Convent. My congratulations to all these participants for a fine performance. Birat Thapa of Cl. 7 represented the school at the Inter-School English Elocution Contest and stood second in his section. Well done ! The Second Language concert in August was a great success. The following boys from the Jnr. Wing participated in the plays — Shishir Thade, Shahil Karki, Anindya Das, Anindya Paul, Shanko Ghosh and Ravi Shankar Karanjai. All these boys acted quite well and deserve a pat on their back.

The Jnr. Wing debate started with the knock out rounds and in the end Anderson House took away the Cup. Birat Thapa of Cl. 7 emerged as the best debator for the year 2000. Though we had a brief round of debating, it was educative for one and all and some talents were discovered. I would like to thank Mr. S. K. Mishra who looked after this event sincerely.

The final round of the Jnr. Wing Karanjai Quiz Contest was held in July and once again Anderson bagged the cup. The Best Quizzer for 2000 was Adarsh Saxena. Well done Adarsh. Adarsh Saxena along with Rajib Roy also took part in the Bournvita Quiz Contest held in October in Mumbai.

On the 5th of September the boys entertained the teachers on the occasion of Teacher's Day. The programme was thoroughly enjoyable. On the 14th of November the teachers paid back a day of entertainment for the boys on Children's Day which was enjoyed to the hilt.

In the first term as there was a strike the boys were escorted to the Tiger Hill-lunch was served there. It was an enjoyable and exciting sight seeing trip for the boys.

Adding to this there were a number of expeditions organised during the course of the year. The Cl. VI and VIII's of Cable and Westcott went to Jorethang while the Cl. VII boys were taken to Rimbick. The Cl. VIII boys of Anderson and Betten went to Jorethang while the VI's and VII's went to Gangtok. All these expeditions were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and they enabled the teachers and the students to get to know each other at a rather informal level. Besides these a number of movies were screened for the boys on Saturdays in the Prep Hall.

This year it was decided to go back to the old systems of having two terms—Trinity and Michaelmas. Inbetween these, two tests in each subject were conducted. These comprised of two period orders and the report cards of each period order were sent to the parents. The Half-yearly examinations were conducted in the beginning of July and the Final examinations at the end of November.

The Jnr. Wing exhibition was put up before the Puja break. The Cl. 8 boys worked very hard. The Mascot chosen this year was 'MAD'. The exhibition was of a high standard. The popular hobbies this year were T Shirt painting, Macrame and Lap weaving, Tie and Dye, String Art, Photography, Card-Making, Fret Work, Tile painting, Pencil Sketching, Patchwork and Soft Toys. I would like to thank all the teachers and the boys for their hard work for the exhibition. My thanks to Mr. N. S. Lawrence for taking up the responsibility of coordinator. The special corridor Displays were put up by the three batches of Jnr. Wing. These were also of a high standard. A special musical evening was organised by the entire Wing in the Jnr. Wing tuck hall. These activities enabled the boys to develop the art of independence and team work.

In the field of Music the Jnr. Wing has moved from strength to strength. Thirteen boys have taken formal music lessons and appeared for the practical and theory examinations conducted by

Trinity College, London. Five boys represented the Wing as soloists at the Annual Music Concert and 35 boys were the members of the School Choir. They had also taken part at the Annual Choir Festival held on the 14th May at Dr. Graham's Homes, Kalimpong. At the end of the year we had the Carol Service in the Chapel. The Chapel was full of candles and flowers and looked gorgeous. The choir sang seven special carols. My sincere thanks to Mr. S. Pande for all these. We were privileged to have the Rev. Kiran Sharma with us at this service.

The Moore Divinity Prize in the Jnr. Wing was awarded the Jimmy Thangjam this year. Vishal Pakhrin received the best Musician's Prize for the year 2000.

Summing it up, the year 2000 was smooth and prosperous. The boys and staff members stuck to their jobs dedicatedly, ensuring a peaceful year without many disturbances. At the end of it all, I would fail in my duty if I do not mention a special word of appreciation to all the Housemasters/Mistresses, House Tutors, Hallmasters, Matrons and the monitors. They all did a splendid job. I would like to express my gratitude to the Rector for his considerable help and guidance during the year and for his understanding approach in times of difficulties. Thanks to one and all.

G. R. Anthony
Head, Jnr. Wing

ANDERSON HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master : Mr. S. M. Pradhan
House Tutors : Mr. J. D. Roy
Mr. G. Dutta
Dr. K. R. K. Singh

House Monitors :
Utsav Pradhan
Adarsh Saxena

This year the Andersonians returned full of expectations and enthusiasm. They were given an impetus by the fact that we had just won the SOLOMON CUP three times in a row.

As usual the year began with the selection of Monitors. Utsav Pradhan and Adarsh Saxena were the ones to be chosen from the exceptionally talented class 8 boys of our house.

Cricket the first game of the year, was taken up enthusiastically by the boys of the house. Despite all our efforts, the cup was snatched by Westcott. We were placed second. The ones who put up a good show were Nehal Mazhar, Utsav Pradhan, Ibne Sina Khan and Bikash Goyal.

Unfortunately in volleyball we were forced to play three consecutive matches and ended up in the third position. The boys who need to be commended are Utsav Gartaula, Utsav Pradhan, Jemin Manandhar, Md. Hanif and Kunga Sherpa.

Basketball proved to be our very own cup of tea as we clinched the cup from the hands of Betten. Special commendations to Utsav Pradhan, Utsav Gartaula, Md. Hanif, Jemin Manandhar and Kunga Sherpa without whom this would not have been possible.

Football was also played with great fervour. Again, due to a stroke of bad luck, we were pushed into second spot. The ones who dedicated themselves to this game were Utsav Pradhan, Utsav Gartaula, Md. Hanif, Shahil Karki, Abhishek Chettri and Jemin Manandhar.

This year, we were clubbed together with Westcott for our annual concert. Our play was entitled "Refund" and was thoroughly



Anderson House with (seated L-R) Dr. K. R. K. Singh, Mr. S. M. Pradhan, Mr. G. Dutta

enjoyed by all. The programme also included a variety of songs, dances & skits. Our special thanks to Mr. S. M. Pradhan, Mrs. R. Anthony and Mr. S. K. Mishra for making this venture of ours a success.

Table Tennis proved to be a disaster for us as we were placed 4th. The boys who kept up their ping-pong were Bikash Goyal, Nehal Mazhar and Tashi Rapgyal.

In spite of the valiant efforts by Subir Saha and Ibne Sina Khan we were placed third in Squash.

Badminton, or 'Baddy', as it is called was also not our cup of tea as we were placed third. Even then Nehal Mazhar, Ibne Sina Khan and Susovan Chowdhury played well.

In English elocution we were placed third even though Animesh Tuladhar, Sayan Mitra and Kushal Shrestha tried their best.

In Hindi elocution too, we were placed third. Mohit Gourisaria and Tushar Dwivedi performed well.

Marathon was out of reach for us. We were placed third even though Nehal Mazhar, Utsav Gartaula and Shahil Karki did well in various divisions.

In the Athletics Standards we managed to attain second position due to the combined effort of Ibne Sina Khan, Nehal Mazhar, Adnan Afroz, Kaushik Das and Akhilesh Yadav.

The Athletics Championships ended disastrously for us. We were placed 4th.

In Quiz, however, we were outright winners, thanks to Adnan Afroz, Sayan Mitra and Adarsh Saxena. The Best Quizzer Award went to Adarsh Saxena.

Debating was ours all the way. Special commendations to Animesh Tuladhar, Adnan Afroz, Sayan Mitra and Adarsh Saxena.

The boys who received prizes on speech day were :

Class Prizes :

First Prizes : Adarsh Saxena 8A
Second Prizes : Mohit Gourisaria 8C

Speical Prize :

Karanjai Prize for Quizzing : Adarsh Saxena

JW Art Prize : Animesh Tuladhar

N. Shanmugam Medal for Good Conduct in class 7 : Bubu
Patrick

In Hockey, we did not fare well. The boys who need to be commended are Nehal Mazhar, Utsav Pradhan, Utsav Gartaula and Jemin Manandhar.

In Tennis too, we were placed 3rd. The Leander Paes and Mahesh Bhupati of our house were Utsav Pradhan and Kunga Sherpa.

In PT, we attained second position due to the efforts of all the boys of the house. Animesh Tuladhar was adjudged the Best commander for the year 2000.

Thus we would like to end our house report for this year. At this point of time, we would like to thank all the boys of the house, especially class 8's 2000 for their help & cooperation. We would also like to thank our house tutors, Mr. J. D. Roy, Mr. G. Dutta & Dr. K. R. K. Singh for their invaluable guidance. We would finally like to thank our beloved and caring housemaster, Mr. S. M. Pradhan, who is the heart, soul and spirit of our house. Thank you Sir. So here is the end of another year for Anderson. Even though we were not so successful this year, we hope that the future Andersonians will be able to chalk up even more victories than we have.

Utsav Gartaula 8B
Adarsh Saxena 8A

CABLE HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master : Mr. Sudeep Pande
House Tutors : Dr. (Ms.) A. S. Rai
Mr. D. K. Mishra
Mr. A. R. Mukhia

House Monitors :
Vishal Pakhrin
Aamil Raza Shakri

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. And it indeed paid off at the end when the House was awarded with the most prestigious SOLOMON CUP. 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 Vishal Pakhrin and Aamil Raza Sahkri for inspiration and example. They have been courteous, firm and led from the front. They have been extremely helpful and obliging and I am indeed very grateful to them.

The year for the Cablites started with the House concert which was staged on the 25th of March. We were clubbed together with Betten House. The concert had a wide variety. There were choral items, an English one-act play, Ballroom, Techno and Naga dances, a Bengali skit and a host of musical items.

In the JW Major Production, 'The Mikado', a number of Cablites have taken major roles. A special word of commendation goes out to Vishal Pakhrin, Jimmy Thangjam, Aniket Pradhan and Vineet Pradhan for an excellent work on stage.

In music the House has indeed done very well. Ten boys appeared for the Trinity College London examination in piano and singing. They were all successful. Six boys have appeared for the theory examination. Results are awaited. Sixteen boys are regular members of the School Choir while Alexius Dhungel, Vineet Pradhan, Kalden Lama and Karma Ghale are soloists. They have



"Ballroom Dance — Cable House Concert"



"A Naga Dance at the Cable House Concert"



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

all taken part at the Annual Music concert in group and solo items. Jimmy Thangjam and Sugat Halwai are regular and sincere members of the School Band. Vishal Pakhrin was awarded with the Best Musician's Award for the year 2000. He also read the First Lesson at the Carol service on behalf of the choir.

On the games field our boys have played with vigour and enthusiasm. We were successful in winning the Volleyball, Lawn Tennis, Squash, Athletics Standards and P.T. cups. Many of the boys played in various school teams and did creditably. The outstanding performers in games have been Vishal Pakhrin, Aamil Shakri, Harsh Nathani, Amar Gurung and Vishal Pakhrin.

In the field of elocution we were good. A special word of commendation goes out to Birat Thapa who not only came first at the inter-house level but also represented the school at the 'N.M. Masters English Elocution'. He was also adjudged as the best speaker for the year 2000 at the inter-house Debate where the House stood second. In quiz, we were rather unfortunate !

In academics, we have maintained our standard. We shared the 'Classwork Cup' with Betten and Westcott. Aamil Shakri was awarded with the 'B. P. Dutta Science Prize' and the 'Gayatri Kanti Prize for consistent Academic Achievement in the Junior Wing'. Jimmy Thangjam won the 'Moore Divinity Prize'. Aamil Shakri, Anindya Das, Harshit Kumar, Bamdev Saha and Rachit Dudhwewala were awarded with various class prizes.

Cable House strongly believes in social service. Sugat Halwai and Aamil Shakri have served as faithful chapel wardens. The latter read one of the lessons at the Carol Service. Shreya Manandhar has been chosen to serve as an acolyte in the school chapel. Subodh Adhikari and Jolly Singh have been the roll-call monitors of the House. A number of Cablites were strong stalwarts of the JW Annual Exhibition and the three Corridor Displays.

Three expeditions were organised over the year, along with Westcott House. Boys from Classes VI and VIII were taken to Jorethang and the VII's were taken to Rimbick and Shrikhola.

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 which has always been a strong quality of the House.

At the end of an extremely successful year, I would like to thank my two worthy monitors, Vishal and Aamil, who have always been beside me and eased half my load. I would also like to place on record my gratitude to Jimmy Thangjam Subodh Adhikari and Harsh Nathani who were strong pillars of the House, to Sonam Ghale who was a constant moral support and an inspiration to each and every one 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, HJW, for his help and guidance.

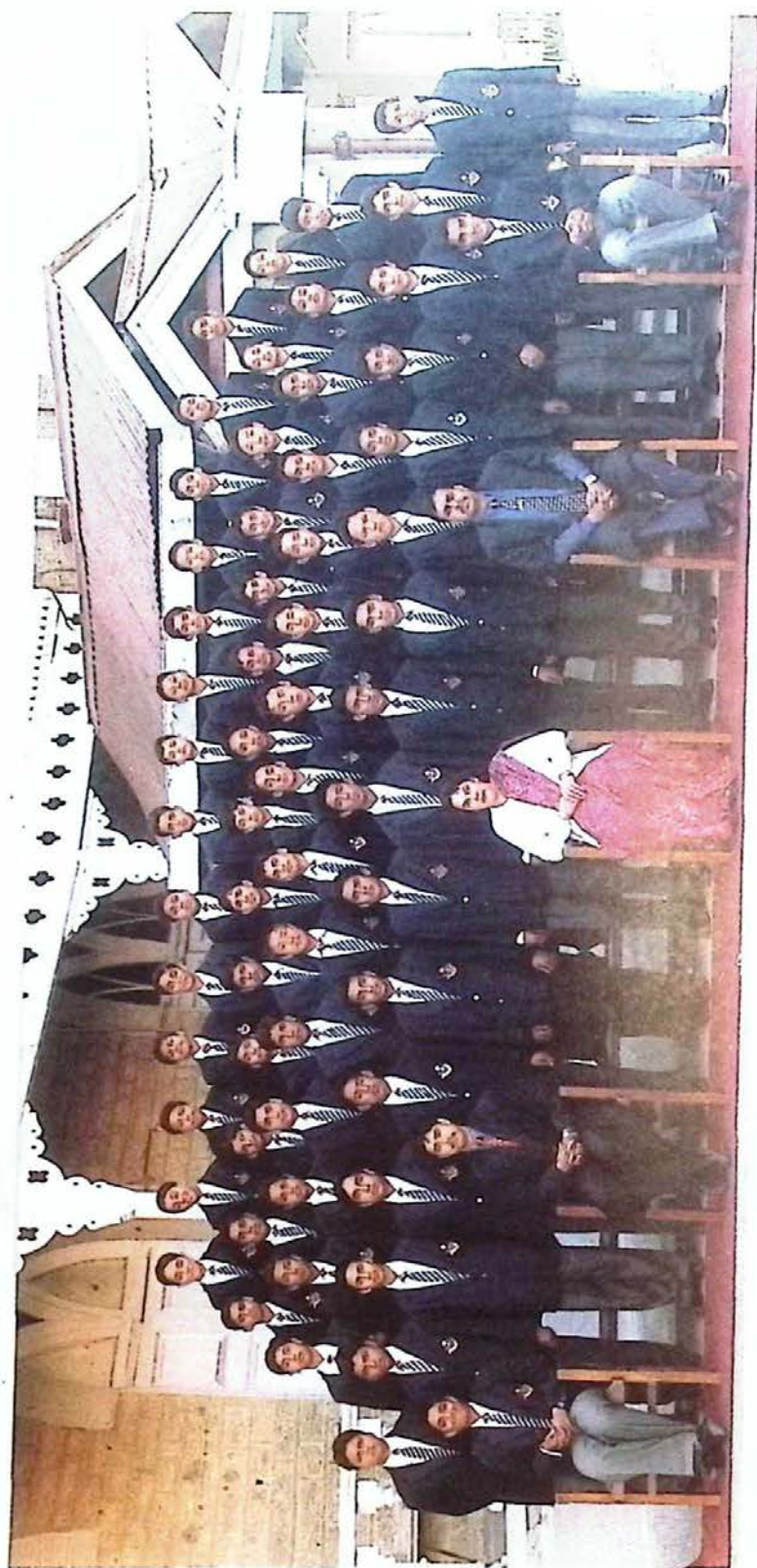
Sudeep Pande

It is my pleasure and privilege to congratulate Mr. Sudeep Pande and all the Cable House boys on winning the SOLOMON CUP. It is indeed known as the most loving and caring house and thereby, the most popular house. The spirit of true sportsmanship has always been a quality of the House, which has enabled them to win this prestigious cup. I hope and pray that each Cablite will grow from strength to strength year after year.

Tenzing R. Lama
Cable House Monitor - 1998

Congratulation to Mr. S. Pande, Vishal, Aamil and all the Cablites on winning the Solomon Cup. You are indeed worthy of such a victory and recognition.

Abhijit Tarafdar
Cable House Monitor - 1999



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

WESTCOTT HOUSE REPORT - 2000

House Mistress : Ms. R. Anthony

House Tutors :

Mr. S. K. Mishra

Mr. P. Tamang

The Westcottians, specially the class eights, were eager to be back, after a long and restful winter vacation. A few days later, as usual, the JW monitors were selected and Pervez Khan and Zabir Rahman were chosen for the house. These two did a splendid job in leading the house to almost the top. Pervez Khan was the backbone of the house and till the end he worked laboriously and sincerely.

To make the class VI comfortable and welcomed we had the House activities on the 15th of march. Besides the 'grub' there was a lot of fun and laughter in the various games played by the boys.

This year the House did incredibly well by winning a number of cups. We began with cricket where boys like Parvez Khan, Ratul Dey, Shanky Advani, Rajib Roy and Bijan Saha played extremely well to bag the cup. They also represented the school in the Inter School Cricket fixtures.

When it comes to elocute whether in Hindi or in English we are undoubtly the best as both the Elocutions were won by the Westcottians, the English for the 8th consecutive year and the Hindi which we shared with Betten. Special thanks to Mohit Advani, Adarsha Atal and Brendon Benjamin for English and Manant Maheswari Parimal Agarwal and Akhil Bansal for Hindi.

The rains compelled the boys to remain indoors and thus the Racquet games and some of the in-door games began. Boys like Parvez Khan, Ratul Dey, Shankey Advani and Prasanjit Biswas not only played for the House to win the table-tennis and badminton cups but also represented the School in the Badminton Carnival. Shankey Advani represented the school in the Table-Tennis carnival. In Debating we won the first round but in the second we were not so fortunate and in the overall result we came second. The Karanjai Quiz was also lost by a very narrow margin. The House hopes to do well in the future as we have two promising quizzers—Swarnadeep Banerjee of VI and Rajib Roy of VII. Rajib

also participated in the Bournvita Quiz Contest held in October in Mumbai.

Before the June Break the boys of Class VI and VII were taken for an overnight excursion to Jorethang and Rimbick respectively. Later on the eights were also taken to Jorethang, as the boys enjoy swimming the river. Thanks to Mr. J. Singh for his help.

On the 29th of July our Annual Concert was staged. An English play, "Refund" and a Hindi Skit, "Chhoti Muh Aur Bade Baat", were appreciated and enjoyed by everyone. The Hindi skit was directed by Mr. S. K. Mishra.

In Marathon Abhishek Pradhan and Parvez Khan did exceedingly well in their respective divisions. Some special boys like Vaibhav Agarwal, Abhishek Pradhan, Aditya Khetan and Parvez Khan need to be given a pat on their backs as we bagged the prestigious Athletics championship Cup on Sports Day because of their super achievements. Congratulations to Pervez Khan for winning the Victor Ludorum in his division.

On Speech Day a few Westcottians received prizes. The winners were Shyam Murarka, Parimal Agarwal, Devdas Ghosh and Rajib Roy. The very special prizes for the Best Cricketer and the Best Sportsman in the JW were awarded to Parvez Khan. The KN Sahgal Prize for Bible Reading and the Best Elocutionist in the JW were awarded to Brendon Benjamin. Congratulations !

Towards the end of November we had another House activity, in which, besides the games and fun the class eights became a little sentimental. The House wishes each of the eights every success in the years to come. On the last dinner of the year we were surprised to hear the announcement of winning the Academic Cup shared by other two houses.

It has been a successful year for the Westcottians and it is hoped that the hardwork and the good reputation will be continued by the boys. Pervez Khan and Zabir Rahman need special thanks and my deepest gratitude for shouldering their duties and responsibilities very well throughout the year. My sincere thanks to my two tutors Mr. S. K. Mishra and Mr. P. Tamang for their unfailing help and guidance to the boys. Thank you !

Ms. R. Anthony

BETTEN HOUSE REPORT 2000

House Master :

Mr. N. S. Lawrence

House Tutors :

Dr. M. Kumar

Mr. A. Majumdar

Ms. P. Bhattacharya

House Monitors :

Abit Manandhar

Rakesh Roshan

It was indeed a very impressive year for Betten House. Dedication and skill was demonstrated both in the classroom and on the playing fields. Inspiration and encouragement motivated the boys to perform, by all odds, exceedingly well even when sometimes victory was in the balance. Who are the fountain-heads then of all this inspiration and encouragement ? The answer is—the teachers who are attached to Betten House, the House Monitors and the Betten House boys of Class Eight who are emulated by the boys of Class Six and Seven. All our accomplishments this year were real 'tours-de-force' that deserve a standing ovation.

The first cup won was Volleyball. After a very well contested tournament, our volleyball team, comprising mainly of Class Eight boys, was able to surpass the other teams quite comfortably to win this cup.

The second cup won was the Inter-house Hindi Elocution contest. Betten House places on record its gratitude to Dr. Manoj Kumar for training the three boys—Mayank Kumar, Rohit Agarwal and Ashutosh Bairoliya who performed exceedingly well to bring victory and the cup home to Betten House.

The third cup which Betten clinched was Football. The league teams together put Betten House on top throughout the season. When the final house matches began, Betten was, by a long chalk, the winning house all the way, which tipped the balance in favour of winning the cup.

The fourth cup won was in the thrilling, arduous race—the Marathon !! Winning this race requires a concerted effort from all



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

members of the house to be able to win it. Navraj Tewari—Class 7A, came first in Division 'A' and Ashutosh Bairoliya—Class 6B, came third in this same division, but every other runner of Betten House also worked very hard to complete this race on time ; so Betten House won this race and the cup, beating the house which came second by two hundred and sixty-seven points.

The fifth cup came at the end of the Hockey season. This indeed was a nail-biting season because everyday the league points began to fluctuate for six continuous weeks. Just before the final house matches, Betten House was declared the winner of the leagues, but this wasn't a guarantee that the cup would also be won and during the final house matches, loses and wins were juxtaposed. Calculations after every match brought anxiety which began to increase till the last match was played—Betten had won the cup by one solitary point.

The sixth cup won was for producing the best results in the classroom, it was the cup for Academics. Once again, a corollary of co-ordinated effort by all members of the house. Betten House also has a number of Pundits who are as versatile as Proteus—who can coruscate in the classroom and on the playing fields too.

The seventh cup for Discipline presented at the G.H.D. Supper produced the perfect finish, nonpareil, to complete the perfect picture of the year's achievements.

On Speech Day, the following boys were awarded for merit in the classroom, they were—Saswat Bajracharya, Peeyush Agarwal, Gaurav Agarwal, Rohit Agarwal, Aman Bansal and Mayank Kumar. The Disawala Prize for the Best Actor was awarded to Murtaza Shah—the perfect candidate. He has acted in all house concerts in the JW over the last three years. This year he played a major role in the JW play entitled, 'The Mikado' and he was chosen again to act in the SW major production entitled, 'Loyalties'.

Betten House wishes to thank all the boys of Class Eight for their co-operation and support throughout the year in all its activities and competitions. In particular, Abit Manandhar and

Rakesh Roshan, the two house monitors who strengthened the unity and bond of friendship of its members. The following boys also need to be commended for their whole-hearted participation—Abit Manandhar, Rakesh Roshan, Mijash Pokharel, Mukhia Gurung, Shahzadul Alam, Intekhab Hussain, Vivek Bhattarai, Mayank Kumar, Subhajit Saha, Murtaza Shah, Sunny Singh, Sunny Paul, Gaurav and Saurav Prakash. Navraj Tewari, Shreehang Nembang, Abhishek Gupta, Justin Rodrigues, Anku Sherpa, Saurav Rajkarnikar, Taiz Anowar and Saswat Bajracharya.

In conclusion, I wish to thank our house tutors who have always rendered unconditional assistance whenever it was required. Thankyou colleagues !!

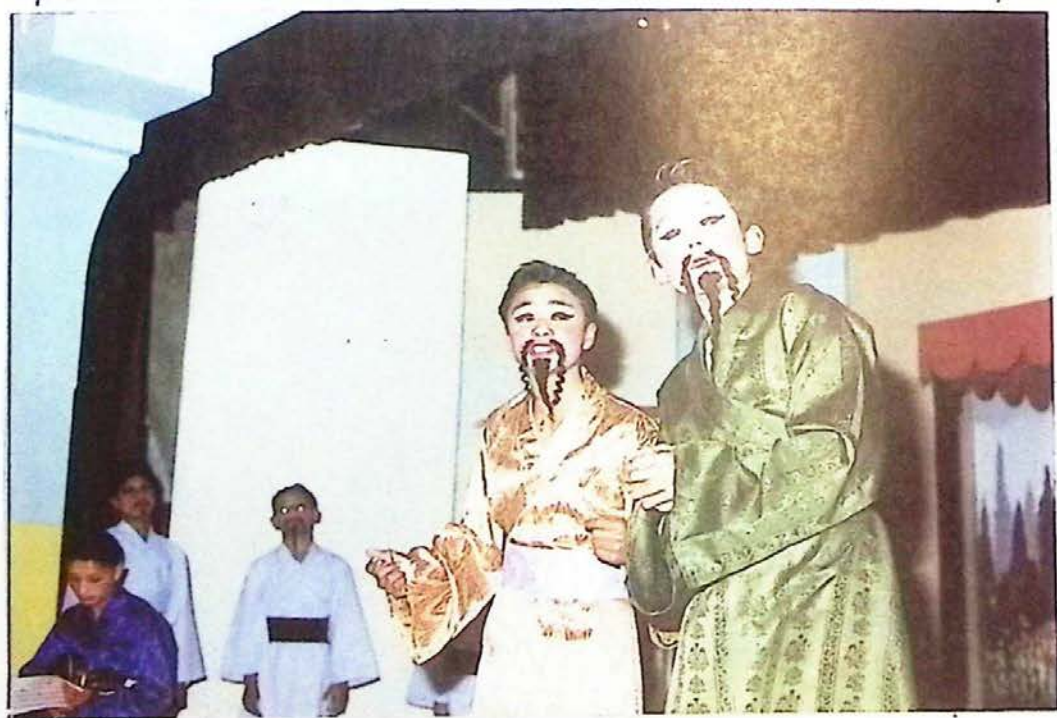
Having by now dealt with the events of this year, it's time now to chart a fresh course for 2001. May the new year be just as successful.

Audentes fortuna juvat !!

N. S. Lawrence



Junior Wing Quiz Team with Mr. B. Cecil



Junior Wing Presentation
'THE MIKADO'



of its magnum opus

Directed by
Mr. S. Pande

PRIMARY WING NOTE - 2000

The Primary Wing came alive on 4th March with 238 eager boys ready to start the academic year. The term began with a medical inspection followed by a timetable of classwork, games and various House Activities. Then the first of the Darjeeling Bandhs struck on 24th March. That meant no formal classes but the school arranged a Book Exhibition. This diversion kept the boys busy for part of the day before they were released to play. Within a week another bandh was announced and this time we organised a 'Tucknic' where upon each class teacher took his or her brood out of the School gate to explore the countryside loaded with goodies and snacks.

The month of April had the whole of the Primary Wing practising for their Elocution competition during their leisure hours. The well rehearsed poems were executed with confidence even by the youngest Class I students. When the results were declared it was Hillary that was placed on top. Later in the year, the Class IV boys prepared a special choral speaking item titled — 'Mother Tabbskins' for the Inter-School performance that went down very well with the audience.

On May Day the ART Competition took place on the PQ Quad, a warm balmy day for artists some of whom nodded off ! Loma Taba's 'Ladybird' was the nicest from Classes I and II ; Ashish Kharel's 'Forest Scene' from Class III and from classes IV and V Sonam Bhutia and Yonten Tenzing were the joint winners of the 'Kargil War'.

The Cricket matches were keenly contested supposedly summer conditions interspersed with rain. Each House put up 3 teams so the matches went on for weeks. Hunt scored the highest number of points and was awarded the cup. Immediately followed the Music Concert involving two items per class which was successfully rendered in the Prep Hall for the delectation of the entire school.

The ever popular Cub Rally was run off with great enthusiasm. Every cub had to participate and prove his skill in one

or more of the 14 items prepared. The winners of each item were rewarded with chocolates. The best over-all team was Hathi Pack.

After the June break the OPA Football Team from Sikkim treated the Primaries to Ice cream at the end of their match with the seniors. The PW would like to thank them for their generosity.

During the monsoon season the Hobby classes got underway, so also the Drama practices. The plays chosen were—

Hunt	— The Prince & the Enchanter
Hillary	— All's Well That Ends Well
Everest	— King Solomon's Judgement
Tenzing	— The Sheriff's Kitchen

All four plays were well enacted with clever stagecraft and colourful costumes. Hillary was judged the best.

During this time we suffered two more bandhs and the 'Rain Cup' tournaments came into existence. All classes competed with each other for the Football cake. At the end of the week, 4 large cakes were sent down to the PW from the SW kitchen for the lucky winners.

The last of the three Quiz Competitions was conducted by Mr. Devendra Kumar while the earlier ones were prepared by Ms. Seal. The best Quizzer for the year was Rohan Jaiswal.

The Football, Table-Tennis, Basketball and Hockey matches all took place as per schedule. The Football Cup was won by Everest while the other three were won by Hunt. This year our interschool matches were only with St. Joseph's, North Point, as Mount Hermon School withdrew. In Cricket we won one match and lost the other ; in Football we drew one match and won the other.

On Independence Day the Primaries sang — 'I'd like to Build The World a Home' — conducted by Mr. Lepcha.

The Marathon Run had all the boys eager to participate but classes I to III had to be satisfied with rounds on the top field. This year in the Primary Division Yonten Tenzing (Ev) came in first.

In the Moore Divinity and English Essay Competition both prizes were bagged by Dandivar Kathar of Class IVB.

The Second Language concert held in September gave an opportunity to other talented boys to show their ability. The audience was well entertained in Hindi, Bengali, Nepali and French.

The Corridor Displays and the Class exhibitions were maintained at a high standard throughout and involved all classes.

At the Athletics meet the best athletes in each division were:

- Div. E — Ashwin Agarwal
- Div. D — Rahul Jain
- Div. C — Nitin Jain
- Div. B — Prashant Rauniar

who also represented the school in the Inter-School Athletics meet and won two certificates.

'Komputer Kid' at Siliguri organised a package of entertainment and quizzing called 'Small Wander' for the Primary Students of Darjeeling District. Six of our students took part and came back loaded with heaps of gifts and broad smiles. Gareth Macfarland came first in his Division with Karan Pradhan a close second.

For the Diwali celebration each boy was given own packet of crackers to ignite. This took place on Carter's Field around a huge bonfire. On Children's Day a sports carnival was organised with many prizes for the winners. The novelty events had the children excited and amused throughout the programme. A very enjoyable day.

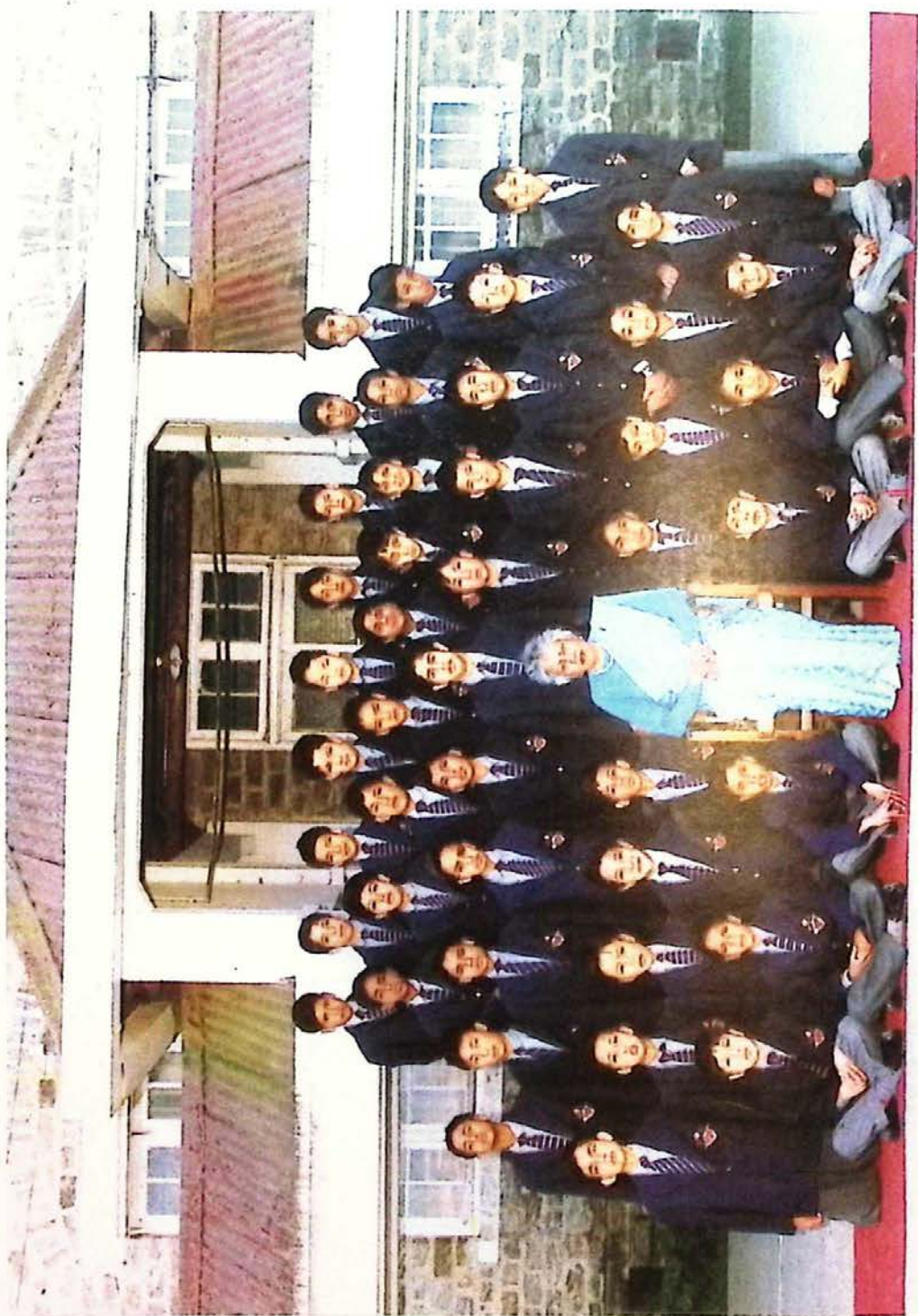
The Year closed down with an appropriate Carol Service in the Chapel where the boys sang beautifully and thanked God for his bounteous blessings.

The PW lost four members of staff during the year. Mr. R. B. Gurung retired at the end of March after a long service in the PW Office - Ms. Pem Pem Tshering our Senior Matron retired at the end of September having served more than 28 years. Ms. Tseten Norbu Tshering and Ms. Anjali Tshering both left mid-year to join their husbands in Australia and Canada respectively. To each of these fine people my grateful thanks for their devoted service to the boys and to the school. I also thank Ms. Kalyani Lama who has ended her term.

Mr. Agnelo Dennis took over Tenzing House from 1st April and Mr. Angelo Alva returned to class teaching from mid July. Mr. Rajesh Pradhan joined our team in the office while Mr. Bhupendra Tamang and Ms. Subheda Sharma helped out in the classroom till the end of term.

I am grateful to all members of the Teaching and Administrative staff for their help and co-operation throughout the year. A special word of thanks also goes to the Domestic Staff who worked smoothly and quietly behind scenes.

E. R. Howard
Head, Primary Wing



Primary Wing Monitors with Ms. E. Howard



Everest House with (seated L-R) Mr. A. Alva, Ms. M. Sharma, Mr. T. Sullivan

EVEREST HOUSE REPORT - 2000

House Mistress :
Ms. M. Sharma

House Tutors :
Mr. A. Alva
Mr. T. Sullivan

First of all on behalf of the House and myself, I would like to bid farewell to the class V boys of the house and wish them all the best and success as they move on into the Junior Wing.

We started the year with a keen sense of determination to bring out the best we had. The house was ready to take on the challenge of 2000 with valiant effort and vigour. We did our best even though we suffered a disappointing experience on the games field and were able to clinch 2 cups this year, in football and athletics. The Essay cup was also won by Everest house. In other competitions Everest stood :—

2nd in Cricket, Drama and Hockey

3rd in Table Tennis, Elocution, Quiz, P.T. and Basketball.

Prizes were awarded on Speech Day to Ghanshyam Prasad (2), Amir Azam (4B), Debarghya Ghosh (5A) and Subanta Neogi (5B). The Jyoti Kundu Memorial Medal for Good Conduct, was awarded to Tenzing Yonten. Their efforts are to be highly commended. It is hoped that this year's failure will review our effort and determination to achieve better success in the forthcoming year and we look forward to a brighter and more fruitful year. On behalf of the boys of Everest House, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude and thanks to both Mr. Alva, Mr. Sullivan and the monitors for their unfailing help, support and cooperation at all times.

Ms. M. Sharma



Hillary House with (seated L-R) Mr. B. Tamang, Ms. I. Seal, Ms. C. Lawrence, Ms. S. Sharma

HILLARY HOUSE REPORT - 2000

House Mistress :
Ms. C. Lawrence

House Tutors : Ms. I. Seal
Mr. S. Manuk

The year 2000 has been quite a successful one for Hillary House.

We started the year by winning the Elocution Cup. Utsav Mukherjee and Vikramjit Sen stood first in their respective divisions.

The Art Competition followed next. Utsav Mukherjee and Ashis Kharel stood first in their respective groups and Hillary was able to clinch its second cup for Art.

In the Drama competition, Hillary House put up 'All's Well That Ends Well.' All the members of the cast did a splendid job and Hillary bagged its third cup for Drama.

The Saxena Quiz competition was keenly contested by all the boys who took part. In the end, Hillary came second, losing by a narrow margin. Three boys need commendation for their excellent performance, they are—Dhendup Gurung, Adarsh Sharan and Vikramjit Sen.

Although Hillary House came third in Cricket, Football, Hockey, Marathon and Athletics, I would like to thank the following boys for the tremendous effort they made nevertheless. They are—Tribikrants Thapa, Dhendup Gurung and Sanyog Pradhan. The boys won the Shuttle Relay, however, and for this all the participants deserve commendations.

In Basketball, Hillary House under the captaincy of Dhendup Gurung was able to secure a 2nd place for itself.

In the first round of the P.T. Competition, held on Sat., 8th July, Hillary House was a runner-up and Vikramjit Sen was adjudged the Best Commander. In the final round of this same competition held on 11th Novemehr, Vikramjit Sen wasn't the best

commander, but he and all the members of the House were well co-ordinated and Hillary House was, therefore, able to clinch the P.T. Cup.

On Speech Day, held on 30th September, Hillary House was represented by a number of boys who were awarded for merit in the classroom. Those who won first prizes were :

Chiranjeevi of Class One
Sujoy Chakravorty of Class Two.
Ashwin Agarwal of Class 3B.
Adarsh Sharan for Class 4C.

Progress and application prizes were awarded to :

Sagar Jain of Class 1.
Nitesh Kandoi of Class 4A.
Abdulla Siddiqui of Class 4C.

Art prizes were awarded to :

Utsav Mukherjee of Class 1
Avik Mullick of Class 3A.
Sourya Shah of Class 3B.
Zoheb Bhutia of Class 5B.

In the end, I thank the house tutors and all the boys of Hillary House for all their help and co-operation which helped in making this a successful year.

Ms. C. Lawrence



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

HUNT HOUSE REPORT - 2000

House Mistress : Ms. P. Calvert **House Tutors :** Ms R. Rozario
Ms. S. Mukhia
Mr. W. Peters

The year 2000 has been a rather eventful year for Hunt House. The boys worked hard in every field particularly in the field of athletics.

They constituted the best teams and were lucky enough to win most of the games trophies. They managed to bag seven cups in all. Credit goes to Anup Sijapati, Ashaya Joshi, Suman Kumar, Taba Abang and Ang Tshering Sherpa for their outstanding performance on the games field.

They boys worked with team spirit and diligence right from the start and expected to emerge victorious in every event. The house had its first meeting in March when the old members warmly welcomed and acquainted themselves with the new. The older boys were a united group and did much to create that spirit among the younger ones. Their unity won for them the 'Best House Cup'. They deserved it. A good effort also showed up in the field of academics. Ashish Kumar, Subham Khetan, Nitin Jain, Adarsh Modi, Rahul Bansal and Anindya Maity received awards on Speech Day. I wish to congratulate these children on their excellent performance in class.

The Best Actor Award went to Amrit Tiwary. His performance in the House Play and the Hindi Play was well appreciated by the audience.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation for the amount of work, effort and interest put in by each and every member of the house right from the 'tiny-tots' of class one to the 'big boys' of class five. They have performed commendably and made us proud of them.

I extend a sincere thanks to Mr. W. Peters, Ms. R. Rozario and Ms. S. Mukhia for their willing help and support throughout the year.



Tenzing House with (seated L-R) Mr. G. Lepcha, Mr. A. Dennis, Ms. S. Dwivedi

TENZING HOUSE REPORT - 2000

House Master : Mr. A. Dennis **House Tutors :** Ms. S. Dwivedi
Mr. G. Lepcha

The academic year started on 4th March with the Primary Wing filled with little faces looking as dull as the rains in Darjeeling. To enliven the little hearts the first of the house activities was held on the 8th of May. This brought the students together, enlivened their spirits and helped them break through their shells.

From the beginning of the year it was evident that the students of the house would display little or no colour on the games field. In cricket, football, table tennis, marathon and hockey the house came fourth. Harsh Kumar is congratulated for coming 6th out of 106 runners in the marathon race. In athletics, many boys did well in various disciplines though we stood third. They are congratulated for their good performance.

Having performed rather poorly on the games field the house was determined to repair the damage in the intellectual arena. Unfortunately the house stood joint third in Elocution with Devdeep Karanjai retaining the first position and Pradip Swar coming second. In Drama we were placed fourth. It needs to be mentioned that the boys acted excellently, specially, Sourabh Shah and Ngukato Rochill. All was not lost when Mushahid Hussain, Souvik Chakraborty and Rohan Jaiswal did the house proud by winning the Saxena G. K. Quiz. Rohan Jaiswal was the proud recipient of the medal 'Well Done ! Rohan'. We, thereafter, came first in the Moore Divinity Exam, as well. Pradip Swar missed winning the Divinity medal by half a mark.

The finale was at G. H. D supper when it was announced that the house had won the prestigious 'Studies Cup'. With this win the house came close to winning the best house cup but lost by a few points. All the students of Tenzing House are congratulated for doing well in their studies—'Keep up the good work ! - Students'.

At the speech Day function, Naman Mitruka, Ekram Akhtar, Harsh Agarwal, Saharsh Agarwal, Rohan Jaiswal and Mushahid Hussain received special prizes for their good work in class—'Well Done ! boys'.

I was given the responsibility of taking care of the house after Ms. A. Tshering left for Canada. Ma'am Tshering is a person of novel ideas who was of great help always. The hard work put in by her will be carried on.

I take the opportunity of thanking Ms. Dwivedi, Mr. Lepcha and all other teachers for their help rendered. I also take the opportunity of thanking the monitors for taking care of the house. I wish the class five boys the very best as they move up to the Junior Wing.

All Tenzing House students should keep in mind that participation is the essence of proper growth.

God Bless !

Mr. A. Dennis



Hillary House—"All's Well That Ends Well"



Hunt House—"The Prince and the Enchanter"



Everest House—"King Solomon's Judgement"



Tenzing House—"The Sheriff's Kitchen"

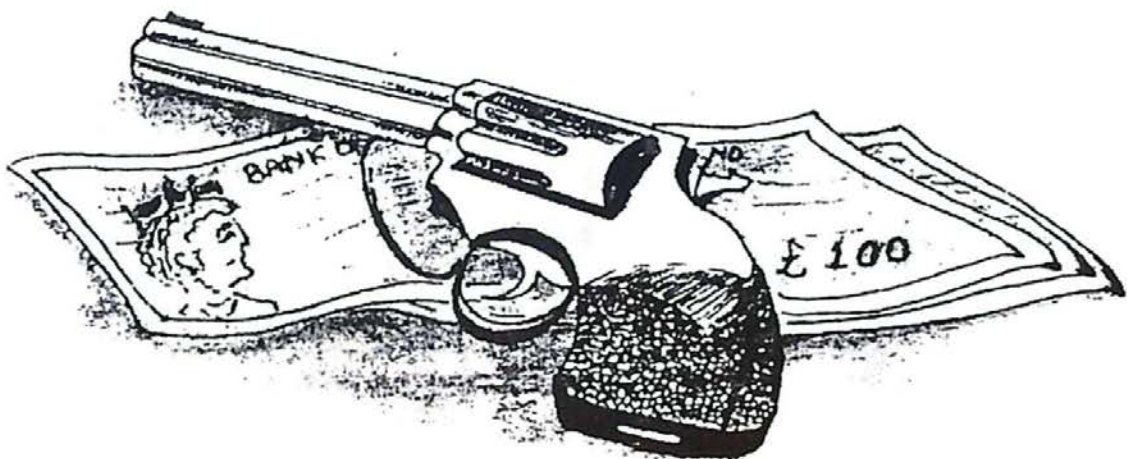


St. Paul's School
Presents

LOYALTIES

BY

JOHN GALSWORTHY



Venue : The Prep Hall
on
27, 29th of September 2000

LOYALTIES

Loyalties is perhaps John Galsworthy's finest play. It is a play in which the dramatist deals with the subject of class prejudice or caste-feelings. It is basically a cry against racial prejudice shown by the upper class Christian people to the nouveau riche — Ferdinand De Levis, a Jew. Different kinds of loyalties are presented in this play. The most noticeable being the loyalty to race, friendship, loyalty to profession and to married life.

The central episode of the play is a theft of about a thousand pounds from the bedroom of De Levis, a young Jewish guest of Charles Winsor. The other guest of Winsor's are General Canynge, Margaret Orme, Ronald Dancy, and his wife Mabel. De Levis accuses Dancy of having stolen the money. Such an accusation against a 'Gentleman' assumes alarming proportions and becomes a conflict between two races. In the course of this conflict various kinds of loyalties get displayed. The different loyalties and prejudices cutting up against one another can be conspicuously seen through the course of the play.

The main theme of the play, however is that Loyalty to one's class, though better than selfish egoism, still comes short of what is required of us. Class-feelings isolate ; only sympathy and co-operation unite.

ACT1 : MELDON COURT, (NEAR NEW MARKET)

SC1 : Winsor's Bedroom

SC2 : De Levis' Bedroom

ACT 2 : LONDON

SC1 : The Card room of a Club (Three Weeks Later)

SC2 : The Dancys' Flat (The Following Day)

ACT3 : LONDON

SC1 : Jacob Twisden's Office (Three Months Later)

SC2 : The Same (Next Morning)

SC3 : The Dancys' Flat (A Few Minutes Later)

THE CAST

(in order of appearance)

<i>Charles Winsor</i>	... Saif Zaman
<i>Lady Adela</i>	... Murtaza Saha
<i>Ferdinand De Levis</i>	... Anirban Ishan Sinha
<i>Treisure</i>	... Amir Adeel Khan
<i>General Canynge</i>	... Rabin Pandey
<i>Margaret Orme</i>	... Rohan Dhar
<i>Captain Ronald Dancy</i>	... Sanjeev Mehra
<i>Mabel Dancy</i>	... Mohijeet Mukherjee
<i>Inspector Dede</i>	... Sonam Ghale
<i>Robert</i>	... Ravi Sah
<i>A Constable</i>	... Nikhil Agarwal
<i>Augustus Borring</i>	... Amit Bansal
<i>Lord St. Erth</i>	... Arun Agarwal
<i>A Footman</i>	... Omshree Narasingha
<i>Major Colford</i>	... Siddharth Poddar
<i>Edward Graviter</i>	... Amanbir Grewal
<i>A Young Clerk</i>	... Ankit Lochan
<i>Gilman</i>	... Vidyut Jain
<i>Jacob Twisden</i>	... Aaditya Cintury
<i>Ricardos</i>	... Siddhanth Rajbhandari

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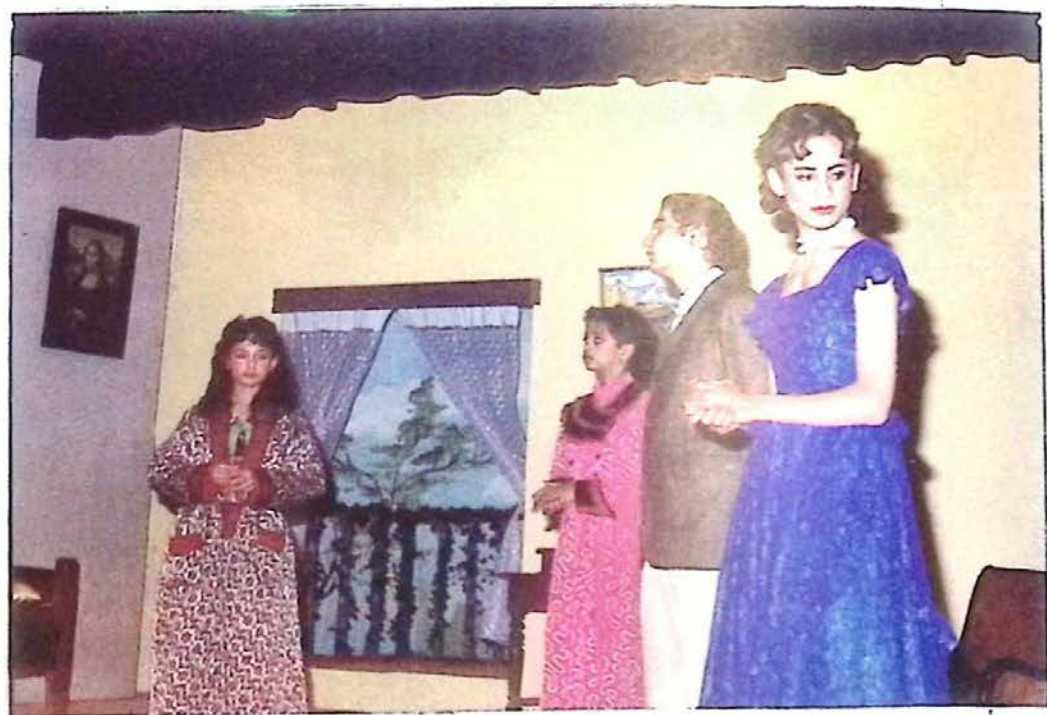
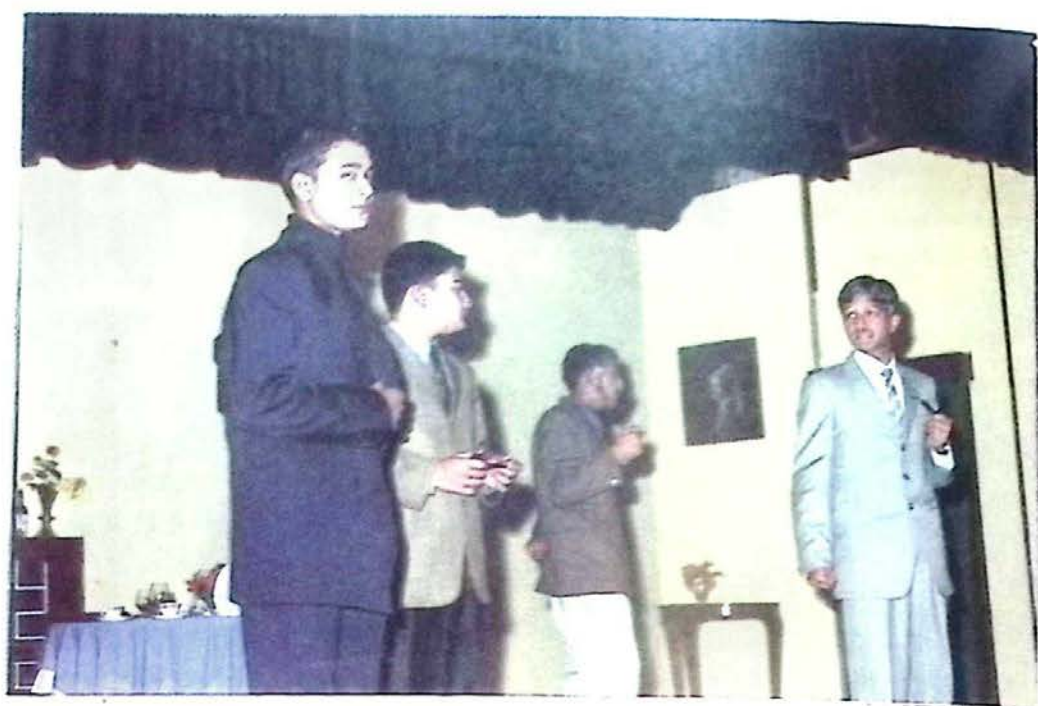
- Director :* Mr. Devendra Kumar
- Sets :* Mr. Manas Dev
- Properties/Costumes :* Mr. D. Pradhan, Mr. T. Calvert
- Lights :* Mr. G. Dutta with the A. V. Club
- Make up :* Mr. S. M. Pradhan, Ms. D. Alva,
Ms. P. Calvert
- Stage Crew :* Jyoti Prakash, Gautam Ghosh,
Pankaj Tiwary, Arindam Ghosh,
Mohammed Tanveer, Om Prakash Gupta,
Bishnu Khetan, Abu Syed Choudhury,
Jaideep Cheema, Dibyendu Saha,
Tanvir Rahim, Priyaank Gupta, Tanuj Bajla,
Saurav Upadhyay, Ankit Kishorepuria,
Saurav Agarwal, Soham Bhattacharya,
Majidul Islam, Rahatul Khan.
- Prompters :* Rohit Lakhotia & Harsh Prateek
- Entr'acte music :*
- Piano :* Mr. S. G. Pande
- Violin :* Mr. G. Lepcha

*A special word of thanks to the Estate Department and
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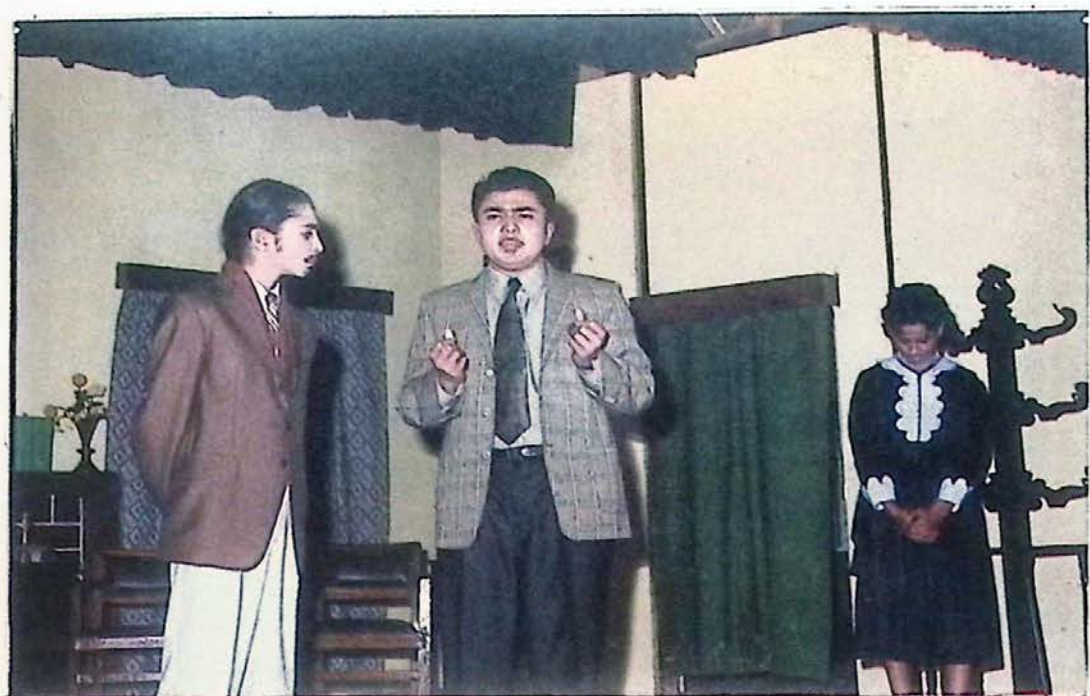
“LOYALTIES”—A CRITIQUE

I do not think I have ever met a few. Certainly, a few has never been part of my social world. However, I am well aware of the prejudice against few that has existed in Europe for centuries. Thus John Galsworthy's play "Loyalties" touches a raw nerve. I am also in a position to appreciate the conflicts arising between those on different sides of the class divide. These two points mean that rather than being an objective reviewer of the St Paul's School Play 2000 "Loyalties" by John Galsworthy, I almost feel that I was myself part of the action. This was action that was slow to get started but during the second scene of Act I the class conflict was beginning to come through. General Canynge played by Rabin Pandey was showing some strong points as might be expected of a military man. Into Act 2 and the action improves with General Canynge coming across strongly. In Scene 2 of Act 2 the conflicting loyalties begin to emerge. Ferdinand De Levis played by Anirban Sinha starts to make an impact on the course of the drama. Aaditya Cintury, playing Jacob Twisden the solicitor, gave a convincing performance. Among the last two scenes the drama was adequately presented by all concerned. The overall impression was of a difficult play presented competently but without touching any great heights.

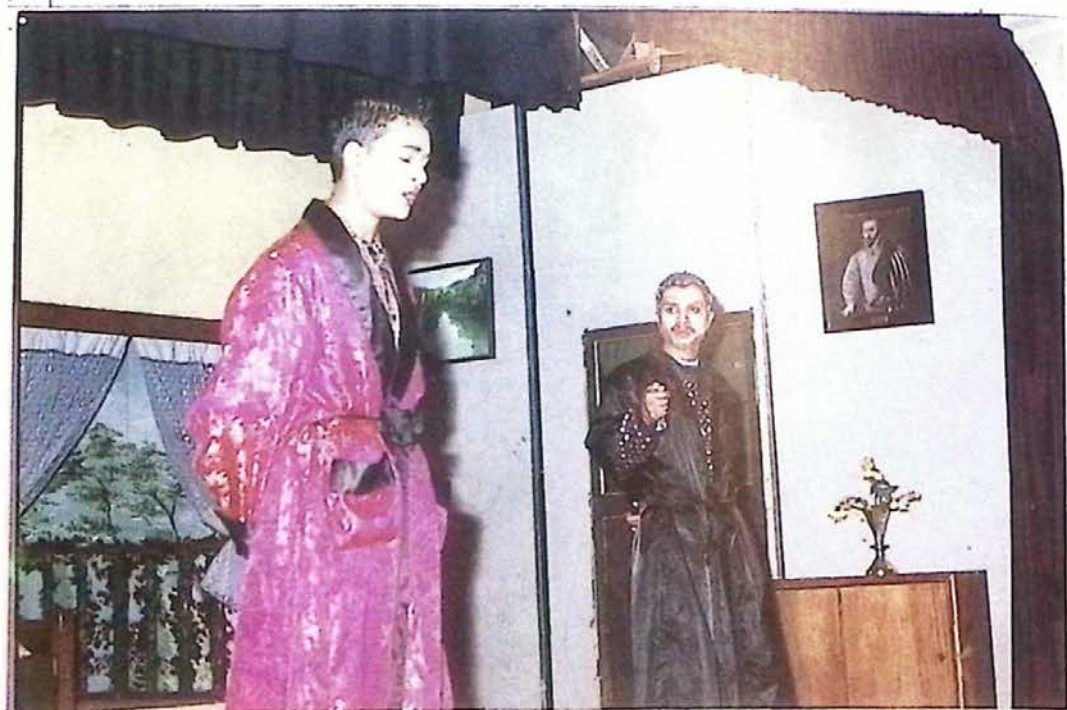
John West
October, 2000



Scenes from the school play



Scenes from the school play



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DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Manas Dev

Secretary : S. Mehra

The new millennium commenced, and the year 2000 was marked with a lot of interesting debates. This year, the Debating Society actively participated in the Inter-House as well as the Inter-School debates. Compared to a few previous years, this year the standard of debating reached a remarkable level. The representatives of all the houses prepared and practiced very hard and spoke with great eloquence on every topic. They delivered when it mattered most and spoke on topics such as "Strong fences make good neighbours", "Can environment and development go hand in hand", "Corruption can make a man successful", "Should gambling in cricket be legalized".

The most interesting and absorbing debate was debated upon by Clive House and Hastings House. It also excited all the viewers as the fate of this debate would decide which house would get the prestigious ANZ Grindlay's shield for Debating for the year 2000, and emerge victorious. The topic for the debate was "To spare the rod ; is to spoil the child". Both sides put forward rather plausible arguments and the debate was keenly contested. After some heated discussions, Clive, emerged as proud victors. Anirban Ishan Sinha was adjudged the best speaker for the debate and was later awarded the Air Force Trophy for the Best Public Speaker. All participants need to be commended on their efforts.

As soon as the Inter-House debates drew to a close, the Inter-School debates took center stage. This year our school hosted the Frank Anthony Memorial All-India Debate for the North-East Zone. Nine schools were invited to participate in this debating fixture but unfortunately only five out of nine could make it. In the preliminary round Anirban Ishan Sinha was awarded the best speaker and St. Paul's came first having qualified for the zonal finals. The school also proposed to send our debating team consisting of 2 boys—Sanjeev Mehra and Anirban Ishan Sinha to Calcutta for the zonal finals which were to be held there. We left for Calcutta on the 16th of August with Mr. S. Pande. It was very

kind on Rev. Noel Sen's part to accomodate our team in the St. James Cathedral.

This final debate was held at St. Thomas' Girls School. The other schools who participated were La Martinere, Calcutta ; Carmel School, Rourkela and a school from Kerala. The subject / topic for the debate was provided to the participants one hour before the delivery, by when the participants were expected to prepare and memorise a speech. The topic read as "A code of conduct is a violation of a student's democratic rights". Anirban Sinha proposed the motion while Sanjeev Mehra opposed. Our team did fairly well with Anirban Sinha and Sanjeev Mehra adjudged as the 2nd and 4th best speakers. Our overall position was second and we lost by a very narrow margin of a meagre 2 points to La Martinere. Our team may not have returned victorious but surely returned as "winners". We got some exposure and experiencè as we returned as quality debators.

Another debate came up. This one was organised by the Rotary Club and the venue was Siliguri. Due to a few unfortunate events we did not fare very well in this one and thus, returned empty handed.

This year provided ample scope for the Debating society and was truly a debators year and participants all over were engrossed and kept occupied. I would take this opportunity to thank the MIC Mr. Manas Dev for supervising and organising the debates. Thank you, Sir ! I trully hope that next year will be as prosperous as this year. All the Best ! I would be doing injustice to my authority, if I donot thank Mr. Devendra Kumar, who had helped us in all the ways and Mr. T. Calvert who was always available.



Debating Society with Mr. M. Dev



The NM Master's Elocution team with Ms. R. Rozario and Mr. D. Kumar

ENGLISH ELOCUTION REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Devendra Kumar

Elocution is a very important aspect of school life and we in St. Paul's give Elocution a lot of importance as through elocuting, young students are given a chance to discover their talents.

This year, as usual, the Inter-House English Elocution competition was keenly contested. The boys put in a lot of effort and worked strenuously to perfect themselves. The results for this year's Inter-House English Elocution were as follows :

XI and XII (combined) Senior Drama
1st Aaditya Cintury

XI and XII (combined) Senior Prose
1st. Rabin Pandey

IX and X (combined) Drama
1st Renold Anthony (Hv)

IX and X (combined) Extempore
1st Siddharth Poddar (Hv)
—(Should India go Nuclear ?)

Havelock House eloquently bagged the Eng. Elocution for the year.

This year, our school hosted the N. M. Master Memorial Inter-School Elocution Contest. We stood 2nd, losing closely to St. Joseph's. Reynold Anthony and Siddharth Poddar stood first in their respective divisions and Birat Thapa came 2nd. A special word of thanks must be given to the Rector, Ms. Rozario, Ms. E. Howard and Mr. Devendra Kumar for guiding the boys for the competition.

This year's Swaika Medal for Drama was awarded to Sanjeev Mehra and the Sakraney Medal for Elocution was bagged by Rabin Pandey.

MUSIC NOTES - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Sudeep Pande

Secretary : Sonam Ghale

2000 has been a very 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 Sonam Ghale was appointed as the Music Secretary. Over the year, Sonam has not only earned the confidence and respect of the boys, but also ably trained and motivated boys at various levels (House Concerts, Music Concert, JW Musical Production, 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 and theory. He was awarded with the prestigious Adam's Music Prize for the year 2000. The Rahoul Music Prize was given to Tosanlang Kharsati and the Junior Wing Best Musicians Prize was won by a budding tenor, Vishal Pakhrin.

Formal music lessons were given to 23 boys in piano and singing. They were sent up for the practical examinations in music conducted by Trinity College, London, in the month of September. All were successful. The examiner for this year was David Sumbler, B. Mus, GNSM. Fifteen candidates appeared for the theory examination in November. Results are awaited.

The School Band played creditably at the NCC Parade on the 15th of August and at the Annual Athletics Meet.

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, "Adoremus in Aeternum"—Allegri, "Crown of Roses"—Tschaikovsky, 'The Three Kings'—Cornelius, 'Ave Verum'—Mozart, 'O Taste and See'—Wesley, 'Now that the Sun has veiled its light'—Wesley and 'Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake'. The boy sopranos have done wonders with their innumerable heart lifting descants. Most hymns were sung in harmony by select choristers.

We had a choir Festival at Dr. Graham's Homes along with their choir. Each of the choirs sang six anthems, the repertoire having a wide range. This was indeed a grand occasion which fostered the spirit of harmony and friendship between the two schools. A repeat performance of the festival was held at our own Chapel with His Excellence Shri Viren Shah, the Governor of West Bengal, presiding over the Service. The choral singing in the Chapel culminated into a peak at the junior and senior carol services. The choir carols were : 'Veni Veni Emmanuel', 'What child is this'—Greensleeves, 'In Dulci Jubilo'—Pearsall, 'The Shepherds' Farewell' from 'L' Enfance Du Christ', 'Dormi Jesu'—Lloyd and 'Ring Christmas Bells'. A solo version of the 'Cantique de Noel' was sung by the Head Chorister, Sonam Ghale. The other soloists at these services were Alexius Dhungel, Vineet Pradhan, Kalden Lama, Karma Ghale, Ayush Shrestha, Tenzing Lama and Tenzing Kutsabpa. Sonam Ghale and Vishal Pakhrin read the First Lesson, on behalf of the choir, at the senior and junior wing services respectively.

The Annual Music Concert ("A Minstrel Evening") was held on the 2nd of September. It was a beautiful blend of classical, negro-spiritual, pop, modern etc. —both vocal and instrumental. The choral items, the Male Voice Quartette and an instrumental of Eastern and Western combination were the highlights of the evening. The concluding medley of 'Be what you wanna be' and 'My Way' brought the show to a rather nostalgic end.

A number of music students have performed creditably at their respective House Concerts. 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 Tosanlang Kharsati and Tenzing Lama on the splendid work with their respective music groups.

This year, I was fortunate to have been invited to Shillong to take part in western classical music concert as a tenor soloist and piano accompanist. It was indeed an enriching experience. His Excellency, Mr. M. M. Jacob, Governor of Meghalaya, was the

guest of Honour at this concert. It was quite touching to see a number of old paulites and paulite-parents at this show.

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.

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast,
To soften rocks, or bend a knotted oak."

—William Congreve

Mr. Sudeep Pande



The School Choir with Mr. S. Pande



The Band with Mr. S. Pande



The School Choir at the Minstrel Evening



'East meets West' — at the Annual Music Concert

HINDI SOCIETY REPORT - 2000

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

Secretary : Amit Bansal

As the first year of the new millennium draws to a close, it marks yet another year of success for the Hindi Society. This year, the performance of the Hindi Society was an encouraging one, as the school, too, completed 177 years. The path to success for the Hindi Society was solely for the fact that the teachers guided and the students went along.

At the end of last year, Ms. U.S. Baoni left us. The Hindi Department wishes her success wherever she goes. We were joined by Ms. M. Sinha in a temporary capacity.

The Paulite, a newsletter of the school had a section in Hindi, and writeups for this section was taken up by the able hands of Dr. Manoj Kumar, who guided the boys to make this section an entertaining as well as interesting one. The slot for the student editor from the students section went to Saket Bairoliya, Mr. D.K. Mishra, too, helped out in this section.

No sooner had the boys returned, than the activities for the year 2000 concerning the Hindi Society began. The pick of item was the Inter House Hindi Elocution. The results were as follows:

Class IX Poetry

1st Gautam Kumar (Cl)

2nd Anil Kr. Ray (Hv)

Class X Prose

1st Nischal Singh (Cl)

2nd Reynold Anthony (Hv)

Class XI and XII - Drama

1st Amit Bansal (Cl)

2nd Manish Kedia (Lw)

Just as the seniors vacated the Juniors took centre stage for their Inter-House Hindi Elocution. Their position were as follows:

Class VI - Poetry

1st Ashutosh Bairoliya (Be)

2nd Tushar Dwivedi (An)

Class VII - Prose

1st Rohit Agarwal (Be)

2nd Parimal Agarwal (We)

Class VIII - Poetry

1st Mohit Gourisaria (An)

2nd Akhil Bansal (We) and
Shubham Kumar (Ca)

The house - positions for both the wings were :

Snr. Wing - 1st - Clive.

Jnr. Wing - 1st - Betten and Westcott.

There was an Inter-School Elocution which was for mere exhibition. The participants who took part were Ashutosh Bairoliya, Mohit Gourisaria, Nischal Singh and Amit Bansal.

The Hindi Society staged a concert entitled 'Adhikar Ka Rakshak' which was directed by Mr. G.R. Anthony, Dr. Manoj Kumar and Mr. D.K. Mishra. There were some creditable performances by Amit Bansal, Amanbir Grewal, Pankaj Tewari and Manish Kedia. Due to his promising effort Amit Bansal was also awarded the best actor's prize in the Hindi Department.

On the 15th of August a patriotic speech was delivered by the Secretary Amit Bansal.

We also celebrated the Hindi Diwas on the 14th of September and did fairly well. Two teams went up for the Quiz. Om Prakash Gupta and Aamir Adeel Khan comprised the 1st team and Amit Bansal and Saket Bairoliya formed the 2nd team. The former crashed out in the semi-finals and latter emerged as winners. Amit Bansal and Saket Bairoliya represented our school in the oratory competitions as well. Om Prakash Gupta and Stephen Singsit sat for the "Chart-Making Contest". The latter emerged winners.

Four boys from Class IX and X, represented our school in the essay writing competition in Hindi Speaking as well as the non-Hindi Speaking section. Since our school actively participated in all the events we were awarded with a participation trophy !

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 ICSE 2000 and returning to school - Om Prakash Gupta and Rudra Hindi Prize - Saket Bairoliya.

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

Amit Bansal



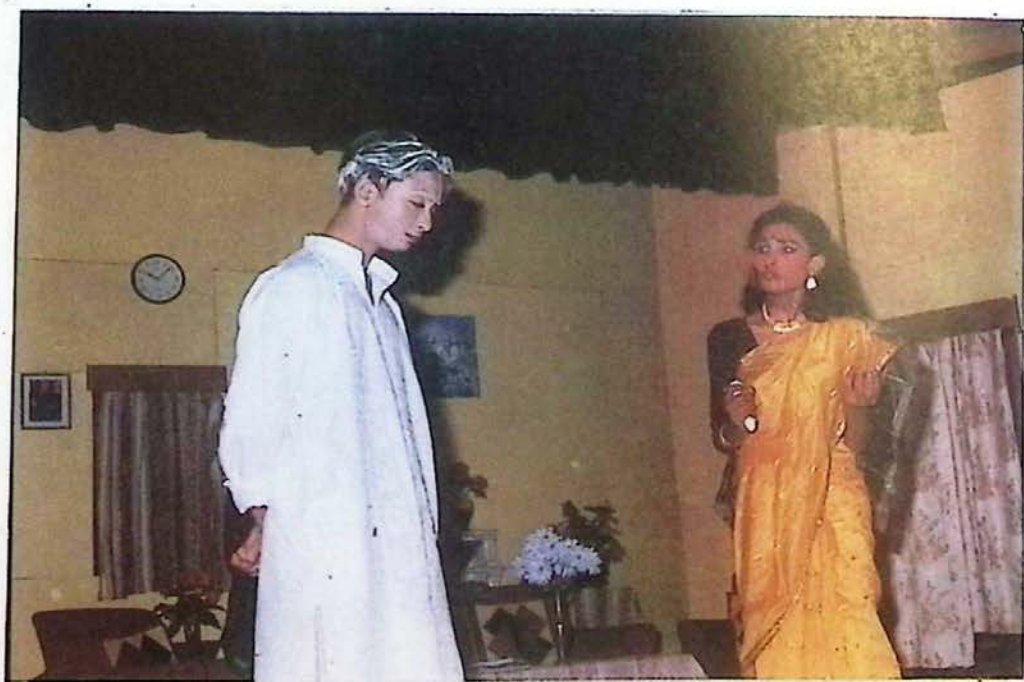
Hindi Society with Dr. M. Kumar, Mr. G. R. Anthony, Mr. D. K. Mishra



Hindi Society Play



Bengali Society with Ms. P. Bhattacharya and Mr. G. Bhattacharya



Bengali Society Play

BENGALI SECTION REPORT - 2000

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

Secretary : Omar Hyder Ali

Like almost every year, St Paul's Bengali Society has once again in this new millennium gone through a successful year. This praise-worthy tradition in the history of St. Paul's had been carried out well making the year 2000 very much successful for which the society has to be praised.

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 Ayon Bhattacharya
2nd Rohan Dhar

Class 10 — Prose Section : 1st Shivaji Bagchi &
Swakshar Kundu

Class 11 & 12 — Drama Section : 1st Shankha Chakraborty &
Omar Hyder Ali

The Inter School Bengali Elocution was held on the 26th of July at Mount Hermon. It included various sections of recitation. Several cultural programmes were staged by the hosts. The participants of our school were Swakshar Kundu in the extempore section, Shivaji Bagchi in the senior prose section, Anindya Das for junior prose section and Nilatpal R. Chowdhury for poetry section.

On the eve of Independence, The Bengali Society presented a play in One Act, which was written and directed by Mr. G. Bhattacharya. The play was entitled 'AGUNTUK'. The cast included Omar Hyder Ali who played the lead role of Polin Roy. Arindam Ghosh and Digantha Choudhury played their roles as parents respectively. Anindya Das as son and Anindya Paul, Sankha Ghosh and Karanjai play the role of friends and Swakshar Kundu as uncle. The Chief Guest for the programme was Dipankar Basu (Head of Govt. College).

The Usha Rani Bengali Prize for essay writing was awarded to Gautam Ghosh and the Best Actor's Prize was awarded again to Omar Hyder Ali for his excellent performance.

We would like to conclude by thanking our Bengali teachers Ms. I. Seal and Mr. and Ms. Bhattacharya, whose contribution throughout the year in all our society programmes has made this year a successful one.

Gautam Ghosh
Bengali Paulite Editor
&
Omar Hyder Ali
Student Secretary

NEPALI REPORT - 2000

M.I.C.: Mr. S. M. Pradhan **Secretary :** Dawa Tshering Sherpa

As usual we started with the Madhukar Rana Prize exam which was held on the 15th of May. After a long wait for the results, it was announced that Tashi Ghaley Gurung had won the prize.

This year the Inter House Nepali Elocution was held on 12th of July. In this elocution, Sagun Poudyal (Lw) stood first in Senior division, Lakeesh Gurung (Lw) in Intermediate division and Amar Bajracharya (Hs) in Junior division. House position were as follows :

1st	Lawrence
2nd	Havelock
3rd	Hastings
4th	Clive

Lakeesh Gurung of Lawrence house went to represent our school in Loreto Convent School for the 2nd Language Elocution meet on the 26th of July.

Finally came up the 2nd Language concert which was held on 14th of August, one day before India's Independence day. The play was entitled — "Mo harchu Ra ?" The characters were as follows :

Deependra Singh
Tashi Ghaley Gurung
Sagun Poudyal
Vivek Basnett and
Dhabup Prasai

This dramatical piece was put up with co-operation of two teachers Mr. S. M. Pradhan and Mr. B. B. Tamang who must be equally commended. The Best Actor Prize of 2000 year to Dhabup Prasai. And I would like to thank everyone who took part in the

Nepali play without whose co-operation, the play wouldn't have been success. Thank you once again.

In this 2nd language Concert Siddhant Raj Bhandari with his troop sang a melodious Nepali song entitled — "Jati Maya Laya Pani" which cheered up everyones mood in the prep hall.

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 the Nepali Paulite student Editor— Tashi Ghaley Gurung who has helped throughout the year in keeping the 'Paulite' section up-to-date.

Dawa Tshering Sherpa



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

ART AND CRAFT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Ashish Sen

Secretary :

Art : Stephen Singsit

Batik : Saif Zaman

Woodwork : Shankar Gurung

As always, during the Annual Exhibitions, the 'Art & Craft' show takes the limelight. So it did at the 177th Annual Exhibition. As the second year of the new millennium approaches, one can look at the past year (2000) as a year where the Art & Craft Exhibition had been a very successful one. "The old order changeth yielding place to new". As change is inevitable, the artists of the past were replaced by the budding artists of today. The credit for producing such wonderful, young artists and craftsmen goes to Mr. Ashish Sen who painstakingly guided these youngsters. The Growing interest can be clearly noticed by the number of boys who were enrolled each in Art, Woodwork and Batik this year.

Earlier in April, some of us took part in an Art Competition organised by WBVHA (West Bengal Voluntary Health Association). The topic was 'Adoloscence and care'. Stephen Singsit bagged the first prize out of many schools who took part. 'The Anil Chaudhuri Art Prize Examination' a noteworthy event was keenly contested and the prize was won by Sabal Tuladhar. In September a Hindi poster making competioin, contested by most schools was held in the Himachal Hindi Bhavan while Stephen Singsit and O. P. Gupta received certificates of merit. We were placed first as a school.

"The merit of painting is undefinable, and that is exactly what precision lacks; in a word, it is what the spirit adds to color and line that appeals to the soul". In the painting section while oils dominated, acrylics, waters colours, pencil shadings and pen inks featured too. Boys absorbed the art of sketching and chariascuro which they applied to perfection, in areas such as nature study, still-life and portraits. Nischal Singh's pencil-shadings of Aishwarya Rai, Juhi and Urmilla were marvelously executed. We had some



The Beautiful fruits of labour

soul stirring oils transcreated from the works of Great Masters. Stephen Singsit's translation of a 'Delacroix' in acrylics won him the best artist of the year 2000 prize. Arjun Gurung dared to do an Albrecht Durer. Shankar Gurung tried 'Ruysdael'. Harsh Prateek's dreamlike oil painting of a cottage by the sea-side was an imagination in a world of make-belief. Timothy Pachuau proved his abilities as an artist by painting in oil a turbulent sea-scape bathed in evening light. Neil Lawrence did a good job of a sea-scape in acrylics. Sabal Tuladhar in his meticulous style rendered the snow-capped peaks of Kanchenjunga accurate and life-like. Kingshuk Guha, Nischal Singh and Amar Bajracharya's oils & acrylics deserve praise.

In the woodwork section most of the reliefs carved out by boys were of a professional standard. Shankar Gurung's 'Circle of reason' won him the 'best craftsman of the year' prize. Here bursting with energy are skillfully executed figures frozen in motion. Siddharth Rajbhandari's portrait of an old woman was no less striking. The highly finished heads of Red Indians, Tigers and Trays along with a few Ganeshaji's added up to quite a number this year. Sumit Mangal, Abhishek Agarwal & Rahatul Khan were the backbone of this section, while Shankar Gurung made sure that all pieces were completed. Our woodwork pieces stunned most visitors.

The Batik section did not go unnoticed. Saif Zaman guided the boys and took dyes aided by his team. His Radha & Krishna was a blown up Rajput miniature master-piece which won him the best craftsman of the year 2000 prize.

Arindam Ghosh's dancing 'Urvashi', Arjun Gurung's 'Illusions', Shankar Gurung's silk saree depicting a Buddhist diety all pointed towards a new trend and style emerging. Stephen Singsit's silk saree was very contemporary in concept. Omar Hyder Ali's Saree was exquisite. The boys had managed to complete almost eighty batik pieces, out of which around sixty were put up. They added life to this show.

The exhibition was inaugurated by the Rector. He was very appreciative and encouraged us all. Apart from many distinguished visitors the D.M. Darjeeling and some more governing body members visited this show. On behalf of all the boys of the Art & Craft dept. we would like to thank our master-in-charge Mr. Ashish Sen and the even cheerful Harka Daju for everything. I wish the Art & Craft dept. a successful future and hope it grows in stature and spirit in the years to come.

Stephen Singsit



Auspicious inauguration of the Photography exhibition

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB - 2000

M.I.C. : Dr. K. R. K. Singh
Mr. P. Pradhan

Secretary : Amit Bansal
Pawan Tiwari

The photography club more is popularly known as the camera club was again one of the most active hobbies in the Senior Wing.

This year was a great year for our club as we had a number of guests coming and also the photographs were of a superior quality than the previous years. Our exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. P. Singh—Principal Secretary of DGHC. The DM of Darjeeling Mr. Anil Verma also came and saw the photography exhibition. We had in total 34 members in the club and under the able guidance of Dr. K. R. K. Singh, the boys worked hard and finally came up with a great exhibition.

This year the BLACK & WHITE section was re-introduced in our club. The Developing and Printing was done in the school itself. This was made possible by Dr. P. Pradhan, who was the incharge of this section. Under his guidance the boys worked hard and were successful in putting up a great show. Night Photography was carried on under the guidance of Dr. K. R. K. Singh. This year we went for various expeditions, one was to Jorethang from where we went to Versey. The second expedition was to Siliguri via Mirik.

The hardwork of the boys culminated in a superb exhibition on the eve of Puja break. We had displayed about 250 photographs which were divided into 12 sections. The competition was tough. I would like to convey my gratitude and thanks to Rev. Dn. D. A. Howard, Mr. S. Chakraborty, Mr. G. R. Anthony, Mr. A. Sen, Mr. M. Dutta and Dr. M. Kumar for having spent their valuable time judging our competition and helping our boys.



Camera Club with Dr. K. R. K. Singh

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

Section	1st Prize	2nd Prize
1) Flower	H. Madhogaria	A. Behani
2) Child	P. Tiwari	P. Tiwari
3) Silhouette	A. Behani	S. Sharma
4) School Building	A. Behani	A. Behani
5) Night	S. Sharma	P. Tiwari
6) Abstract	A. Behani	K. Kushan
7) Scenery	H. Madhogaria	H. Madhogaria
8) Black & White	N. Rangdol	Y. Agarwal & P. Roy
9) Sculpture	O. P. Gupta	O. P. Gupta
10) General	O. P. Gupta	H. Madhogaria
11) Architecture	A. Prasad	O. P. Gupta
12) Potrait	H. Madhogaria	O. P. Gupta

The four major prizes that were given in the hobby his year are as follows :

1) Das studio prize for consistent hard work throughout the year :

— O. P. Gupta

2) Kamalesh Kanti prize for best photographer of the year :

— H. Madhugaria

3) Darjeeling Photo stores prize for excellence in photography :

— A. Behani

4) Raj Studio prize for professional efficiency in photography :

— O. P. Gupta

The exhibition was appreciated by every one.

Mr. P. Singh, Principal secretary DGHC says, "a very fine collection of amateur photography. Almost bordering on professional."

Mr. Howard, the Rector says, "well done, the quality of work was excellent, I'm so pleased to see that you have re-started the black & white printing process."

Ms. E. R. Howard, Head Primary wing says, "your exhibition has given me much pleasure, such amazing talent. Well done."

Mr. Anil Verma, DM-Darjeeling says, "A treat to watch the excellent imaginative pieces and hard work. Congratulations to all."

In the end, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Dr. K. R. K. Singh and Mr. P. Pradhan and all the members of the club for their help in organising and running the different activities and also for putting up a great show. We all hope to put up a great show next year too.

Om Prakash Gupta

AUTOMOBILE CLUB - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Manas Dev

Secretary : Dhabup Prasai

In this fast moving age, along with the new millennium, St. Paul's School has introduced a new hobby related to automobiles, better known as the "Automobile Club". This hobby was started mainly due to the extreme love and knowledge of our secretary in automobiles and for his desire of making more people interested in it.

As we geared up for our hobby, there was a lot of rush for membership but only a handful were actually chosen. Our hobby was introduced this year with 30 members. They proved their dedication and hardwork as our hobby turned out to be one of the best during the annual exhibition held in September.

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 very commendable display. Most of the visitors were attracted to our hobby and we received commendable remarks.

The most attractive thing that was on display were our scale models, which was one thing no visitors missed. These scale models were ordered by our members from "OVERDRIVE COLLECTORS CLUB" in Mumbai—made in Italy by the BURAGO company. These models were made by this company on receiving trademarks and copyrights from the different automotive companies so that they could produce the ditto of the original vehicle on a smaller scale. The models comprised of both cars and motorcycles.

The other attraction was the computer, which drew a lot of attention when we displayed as to how vehicles are produced, tested and driven in different conditions along with their modern technologies of different companies. This basically took our viewers to a virtual tour of the companies and their factories.



Mr. M. Dev with members of the Automobile Club



The Automobile Exhibition

Though there were a lot of catalogues, brochures and charts on display of various companies, still there were many doubts and questions rising in our visitors mind, to which we succesfully gave them answers. This made them very interested and on leaving nearly every talked of the amount they had learnt on automobiles in little span of time.

All the boys of the three wings liked our hobby very much. The primary wing boys were really fascinated on seeing the scale models, but were very disheartened on knowing that the models were not to be touched and played with as it was meant only for display.

The boys have worked extremely hard in gathering information from different companies and learning abut them, so that they could answer and satisfy the visitors who asked questions. This hobby has been successful as the basic purpose of this hobby was to learn and teach more and more on automobiles.

At last we would like to close by thanking our master-in-charge Mr. Manas Dev, without whose help this hobby could not be established and put up the way it was during the exhibition. His help and guidance is unforgettable as he did so much for its success. Lastly we hope that next year the club members can produce an exhibition of better quality with more attractions and useful information. Till than best of luck to them.



The Rector's inaugural visit to the Machine Workshop's exhibition

MACHINE WORKSHOP

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

Secretary : Omar Hyder Ali

From the response and remarks made by visitors, it was clear that the millenniums first exhibition, under the secretaryship of Omar Hyder Ali, was a major success.

The response of the students for membership, at the beginning of the year, was enormous which proves the growing enthusiasm for the hobby.

The club secretary Omar Hyder Ali, worked efficiently throughout and was able to produce an excellent display. Though the hobby commenced late, he worked diligently.

The secretary was assisted in his works by Priyank Gupta who through the course of time, has proved his talent.

The annual display in October, constituted of 53 lamp stands, 10 candle stands and 6 ash trays. Jyoti Prakash made a 'Shivling' which was major attraction this year.

Students in junior classes were trained to use the lathe machine and a few of them showed promise.

The 'N. K. Mitra Prize for Club Activities,' this year was awarded to Omar Hyder Ali, the student secretary, who despite his busy schedule gave his best to the hobby and produced an enthralling display.

Last but not the least, we express our sincere gratitude to Mr. U.K. Dwivedi, the Master-in-Charge of the hobby, for his constant support and encouragement. This year Mr. T. Calvert joined hands with Mr. Dwivedi and became the new M.I.C. Along with him we would also like to thank all those who have been helpful throughout in the functioning of the club.



Audio Visual Club with Mr. G. Dutta

AUDIO VISUAL CLUB

M. I. C. : Mr. Genesis Dutta **Student Secretary :** Rabin Pandey

The Audio Visual Club completed another prosperous year. The club did laudable work under the able guidance and supervision of Mr. Genesis Dutta.

The club remained teeming busy throughout the year screening movies and helping out on various other occasions like concerts, quiz shows, elocution, sports etc. We have made it a point to satisfy the fastidious Paulites with new blockbuster movies.

With the coming of the new millennium a great number of new movies hit the market and we screened whatever we could lay our hands on. Among the usual variety we screened movies like "Project A", "The World is not enough", "Austin Power", "The Shangai Noon", "The Patriot", etc. For action lovers we screened "Mission Impossible - II", "Romeo must Die", "Gladiator", "Double Tragedy", etc. We also screened fictions work like "Hollow man" and "X-men". "Khauff", "Jungle", "Josh", "Hera Pheri" and "Fiza" in Hindi were also screened.

Apart from entertaining boys with movies, we also worked behind the scenes helping out with various stage programs. We helped with the lights for house plays and other plays. Special thanks to Vivek Risal, Lakeesh Gurung, Subranil Dhar, Sumit Mangal, Viresh Veebra and Arjun Gurung.

Finally the eventful year has come to an end. Concludingly I would like to thank Mr. Genesis Dutta who worked patiently throughout the year to keep the AVC at its peak. I do sincerely hope that the club will strive and aim for perfection in one years to come

Rabin Pandey



The Computer Wiz Kids with their member Mr. P. Nath

COMPUTER CLUB - 2000

Computers are the stepping stone towards progress. Ranging from the clerk to the manager, computers at work is a growing necessity. Several computer institutions have opened in big cities, highlighting its growing importance.

The 5th of July was marked by the departure of our senior teacher Mr. A. S. Iyer, who left us to join the Aptech family in Siliguri. Soon after, we welcomed our new teacher, Mr. S. Nath.

We had started preparing for our annual exhibition from the beginning of the year itself, and it gained momentum with the approach of the exhibition.

The R. S. Prasad Computer Prize ended in a tie between A. Todi and T. Singh with the former emerging as the winner.

The programmes put up in our exhibition were as follows :

The School Website — Class 12's

Games — Md. Sameer, A. Roy and friends

Kaun Banega Crorepati — A. Todi and T. Singh

Graphics, Games and Horoscope charts done by Class 9's was thoroughly enjoyed by the boys. K. B. C. was a grand success and this was clearly visible by the comments received from the guests. The enthusiasm of the boys could be seen from the opening day itself.

All in all it was a great success.

My best wishes to all the boys who will be part of Computer Society next year.

Mitadru Koley
Secretary



Industrial Chemistry with Dr. K. R. K. Singh and Mr. P. Singha



A volcanic eruption simulation witnessed by the Rector.

INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY - 2000

M.I.C. : Dr. Raghvendra Singh
Mr. Partha Sarathi Singha

Secretary : Mitadru Koley

Chemistry which describes the future and the past, is a very essential part of our lives. The role of chemistry is immense in almost all spheres of life, and this is exactly what our society tries to show people every year. Items ranging from soap to soda, models of plants and those of various hydrocarbons, the industrial method of preparation of various products, all were displayed during our exhibition.

Our society got to work on the above right after the half-yearly examination. The total number of boys this year was exactly sixty, making it the most populated and sought after hobby. The boys were divided into three groups, under the leadership of Duke Pamnani, Harsh Prateek and Rahul Ghosh. I am grateful to these three for cooperating with me.

Duke Pamnani was incharge of making various models of hydrocarbons like methane, ethane, acetylene etc. This is a totally new concept, which hasn't been tried out before in our school. Rahul Ghosh was incharge of making various items like Shoe polish, liquid soap, soda water, invisible ink and so on. Harsh Prateek helped me by making sure that the models of various industrial processes and plants were in proper condition. Some of the models prepared were that of the industrial preparation of Sulphuric Acid, extraction of copper etc.

With the help of our teachers, Dr Raghvendra and Mr. Partha, we could complete all the required items well before time. On the exhibition day, the Rector inaugurated our exhibition ; his comments being : "Some new items this year. Good. Lots of excitement !"

The most excited amongst the audience were those belonging to the Junior Wing. We had taken special care to make sure that each and every item was labelled, and explained in plain and simple English.

My sincere wishes to all the boys planning to be part of the Industrial Chemistry Society next year.

Mitadru Koley
Secretary

CRICKET REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Angello Alva

Captain : Dibyadyuti Ghosh

As we come back refreshed from our winter vacation more than half the strength of St. Paul's get on with cricket with enthusiasm. We find the boys playing this game in every corner of the school as did the school team boys. The teams were soon chosen and we got on with our regular net practices and morning fielding practices which was supervised by the Master-in-charge and the captain. The greatest achievement of this game was that there was an officially appointed captain after a gap of two years, although Dibyadyuti had been the "Match captain" right from class 10, 1998. The first match of the year was the staff taking on the students. The staff team played pretty well but the students proved to be better. The result of the match was as follow :

Staff : 192/6 (30 Overs)

Mr. A. Alva : 43 n.o.

Mr. J. Singh : 31

Dibya Ghosh : 6 overs—1/26

Students : 195/6 (20.4 Overs)

S. Rajbhandari : 57

S. Zaman : 41

Mr. M. Dutta : 5 overs — 3/43.

After this the regular afternoon and morning practice sessions continued. This year the Edinburgh Shield tournament was not going to be a triangular one but a quadrangular one as the Darjeeling Planter's were joining the tournament as the fourth team. Before the big match was played against them we had a home fixture against them and at the end of the day we were much ahead of them. The scores stood as follows :

Planter's Club : 124 all out (30 overs)

Stephen Singsit : 6 over —4/31

Tushar Chandra : 6 overs — 2/19

St. Paul's : 125/2 (17 overs)

Vivek Risal : 35 n.o

Dibya Ghosh : 30 n.o.

In the meantime we carried on with various fixtures against St. Joseph and Mt. Hermon School. We had a couple of matches

with both of these schools, one being away and the other one a home fixture. In both cases, success on our behalf was 50%. Some new talents were discovered through these weekend games which assured them a berth in the big matches which were coming up.

The very first one was against the St. Joseph's, and this was the Edinburgh tournament opener. This was a very exciting game. The match was bagged with Dibya's and Kunga's splendid batting performances. While fielding Dibya was electrifying and he took a marvellous catch in the gully region which helped Jyoti to scalp a hat-trick. Jyoti bowled very well. After the outstanding all-round performance by our team we went one up in the tournament. The scores are summarized below :

St. Paul's : 220/4 (38.2 overs)
Dibya Ghosh : 50
Tenzing Kunga : 43
Revised Target : 105 from 20 overs,
due to rain.

North Point : 57 all out (11.5 overs)
Jyoti Praksah : 20 overs — 3/4
Stephen Singsit : 1 over 3/3

The Man of the Match without any doubt was our Captain Dibyadyuti Ghosh. Glowing with confidence as we had won this match, our next big game was against the Old Paulities. The cricketers are mostly excited about this game as the Old Paulities throw a big party at Glenary's. So it is a much awaited game. The match was very interesting and at the end our confidence got us to victory and we had another win under our belt. The result of the game was as follows :

St. Paul's School : 177 all out
(29.5 Overs)
Saif Zaman : 36

Old Paulites : 108 all out
(21 Overs)
Dibya Ghosh : 5 overs — 2/22
S. Singsit : 4 overs — 2/22

The Ajit Prasad Memorial Trophy for Man of the Match was won by Dibyadyuti Ghosh.

The crucial game of the Edinburgh tournament was against Mt. Hermon, which we had to win. We did not play upto our ability, but we still gave a good fight to the modest total which was scored by us. It was our bad luck that we did not overcome them.

The scores were :

St. Paul's : 89 all out (13.4 overs)	Mt. Hermon : 90/6 (28.4 overs)
	Arindam Ghosh : 5 overs—2/30
	Dibya Ghosh : 6 overs — 1/11.

The last of all the matches was against the Planter's Club who are new comers in this tournament. But unfortunately, the 1st day of the match was washed off as it poured heavily during the afternoon session. So Planter's gave us a walkover as it would be inconvenient for them to come and play the next day.

Finally, the house matches got through where Clive House emerged winner and they lifted the shield. The cricket season thus finally came to an end. Hope the upcoming youngsters will prove much better next year.

Some important milestones in the game were :

Batting :

Dibyadyuti Ghosh : 254 runs
Vivek Risal : 233 runs

Bowling :

Dibyadyuti Ghosh : 34 wkts
Jyoti Prakash : 22 wkts.

Dibyadyuti Ghosh set a new record taking 34 wickets in the whole season and got major school colours.

The various Awards :

Jack Waren Medal for the Best Cricketer class X and below:

Vivek Risal.

Ajit Prasad Memorial Trophy for the Best Cricketer :

Dibyadyuti Ghosh

House Minor Colours : Jyoti Prakash

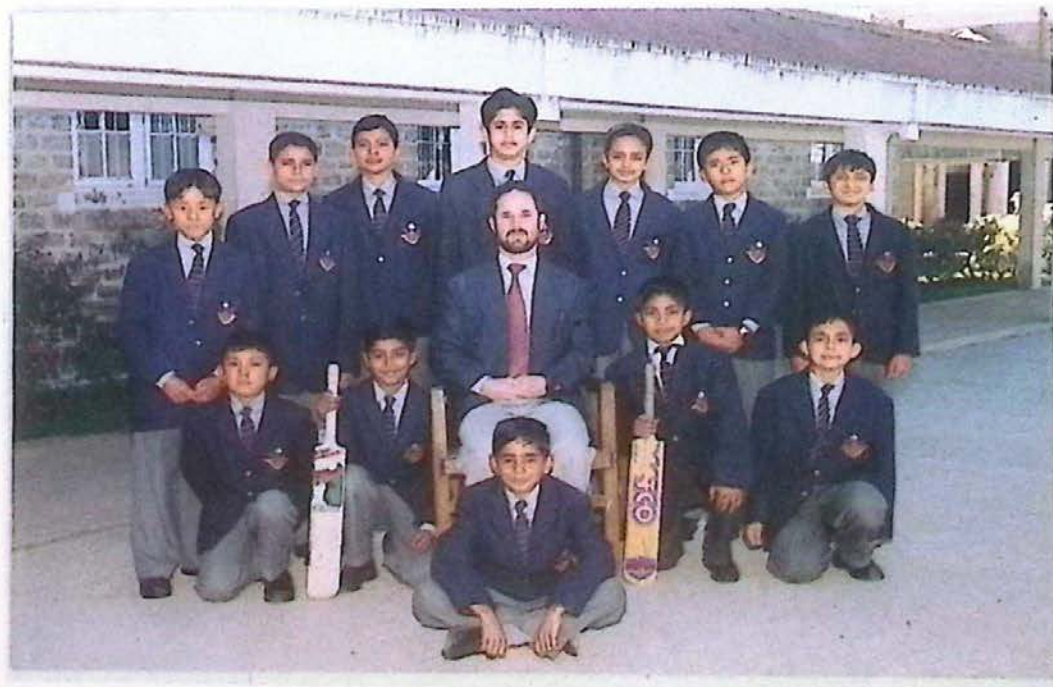
House Minor Colours : Vivek Risal

School Major Colours : Dibyadyuti Ghosh

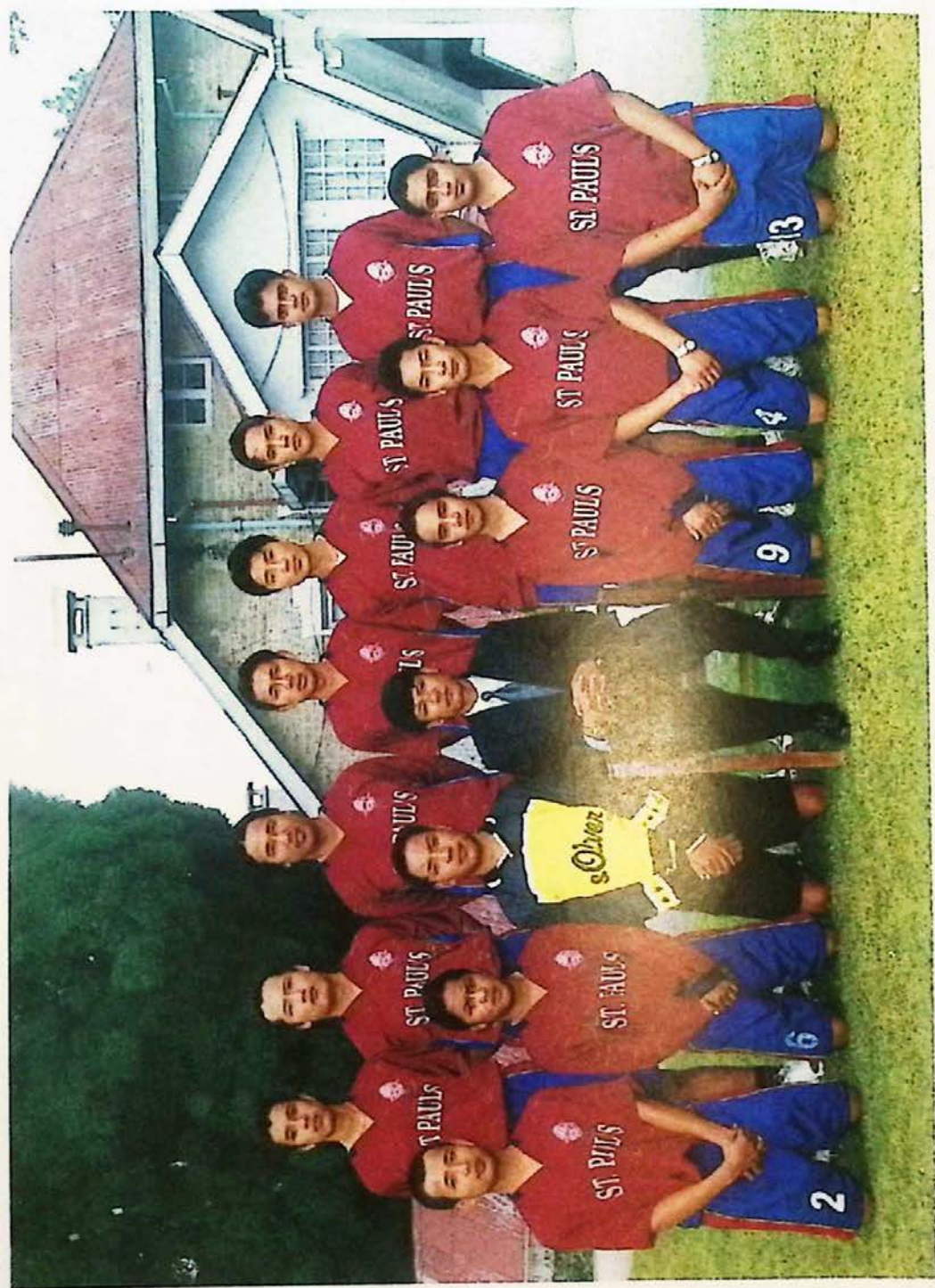
Dibyadyuti Ghosh
School Vice-Captain



The Edinburgh Shield team



Primary Wing Cricket team with Mr. A. Alva



Football team with Mr. A. D. Rai their Coach

FOOTBALL REPORT - 2000

This year St. Paul's welcomed the football season along with the rain which lent the perfect mood to the spirit of the game. The performance this year was better than last year. The boys got up early to practices under the guidance of our coach Mr. A. D. Rai.

The school team kicked off its first match with our estate team and the Old Paulites of Sikkim. We lost the former by 2-1 with a solitary goal from Sonam Ghale whereas we won with the O.P.'s—8 goals to 1. Pema Dendup was awarded a cup for the OPA's best player. A week later we played a friendly match against Tarun Khel Kud Club, known to be the best club in Darjeeling. We put a gallant fight but lost 5 goal to 3. Praise must be given to our goal keeper Kinley Dorji who kept the margin small and also to Stephen Singsit for his strong defence. Later, fixtures were also played against North Point. The 1st XI drew 2-2, with goals by Tenzing Kunga and Sonam Ghale. At home the 2nd XI lost 3-2 and the P.W. XI drew 1-1. In the return fixtures we lost all the XI's except for the P.W. XI who won 1-0.

While the under ten team practised for the Father Coffey cup, the school team joined the Darjeeling Division B tournament. Our first match was at Lebung against Botay Basti and in spite of adverse ground conditions and lack of home support we routed them 3-1. The second match against Rajbari Khel Kud Club which was played in our-field was an easy go as we thrashed them by 5-3. Jlan Rymbai scored two goals, Jyoti Prakash also scored two and Rabin Pandey scored 1. However, the matches that followed did not see too many victories as we lost the third match with Gorkha Slim Club. The situation didn't improve very much in the following match against United Dara Gaon Sporting Club. In spite of an excellent goal scored by Tenzing Kunga the score read 2-1, the team had done their level best. In the mean time our under 10 team taking part in the Coffey cup lost to M. H. by 6 goals to nil.

There was no time for rest as immediately after this came the Inter School tournament. We faced Central School for Tibetan Refugees in the first match which was rather interesting but our

experience, hardwork and confidece out shore them as we emerged winners by scoring 3-1. With this victory we directly entered the semi-final and faced St. Robert's School. Unfortunately, we failed to make use of our opportunities though our spirits were high. The team was really disappointed as they lost 2-1.

At the end of the season the plus 2 section of the school played the Rain Cup. The matches were all really energetic and thrilling as many matches ended in shoot outs. Batatavadas under the captainship of Pema Dendup and with the support of the vice captain Saif Zaman walked away with the cake. Pema, Dawa & Tiwari also performed remarkably.

This year house colours were awarded to Arindam Ghosh and Sonam Barfungpa and school colours to the school football captain Pema Dendup.

This report would be incomplete without thanking our coach Mr. A. D. Rai who guided us throughout the season, and for doing his level best to bring out the best in us. Thank you very much Sir.



Hockey team with Mr. M. Dev

HOCKEY REPORT

M. I. C. : Mr. M. Dev

Captain : Rabin Pandey

Like every year, this year too the hockey season started after the Puja break. It was usually the game boys enjoyed although unaware of the techniques of how to play. The leagues started straight after the holidays and went on for quite a long time. In between the leagues we also managed to scrape up some time for school fixtures. As we had two divisions, the first eleven and the second eleven, in one we won and on the other we lost. The school fixture was with St. Joseph's (North Point) and following was the result.

1st XI - at home 1-0 N. P. Won.
2nd XI - Away 1-0 S. P. Won.

Soon after that during the last few weeks, the hockey house matches started, where selective boys of different houses showed great talent. There was quite a tough competition between the houses specially between Hastings and Lawrence. Ultimately Hastings won the shield.

1st	Hastings
2nd	Lawrence
3rd	Clive
4th	Havelock

As we come to the end of a successful hockey season, special thanks goes to our game teachers, Mr. A. D. Rai and Mr. J. Singh for umpiring the house matches and school fixtures. Our Master-in Charge Mr. Manas Dev had also put in a sincere effort during the whole season. A lot of thanks for his co-operation and lastly our hockey captain, whose effort in teaching and coaching the boys was a lot of help and that was why our boys could stand upto the challenge put up by the other school team. I would like to conclude by saying that it was a successful year and that we had a lot of fun during this period.



Squash team with Mr. B. B. Tamang

SQUASH REPORT - 2000

M. I. C. : Mr. Prafulla Pradhan

Captain : Rabin Pandey

In St. Paul's it is the game of squash that is the opiate of the senior school boys. Interest in the game still remains sporadic in the Junior Wing. This composite report chronicles the activities of the boys showing a great deal of enthusiasm in the game.

Due to inadequacy of time during the football and marathon season the squash house fixtures and the Senior Wing squash tournament had to be played during the month of September. Nevertheless, the squash court was abuzz with activities throughout the year.

The house matches were the first to be played off. It was over in around a week's time. Lawrence topped the charts bagging the inter-house Squash trophy. Omar Hyder Ali led the Havelock team which followed Lawrence.

Individual inter-house positions.

Senior division XI-XII

Winner : Rabin Pandey, Runner-up : Omar Hyder Ali

(IX-X) Winner : Anil Gurung, Namgyal and Tenzing Kutsabpa.

Runner-up : Upesh Thapa.

The tournaments followed soon after and the ranks were :

1. Rabin Pandey 2. Omar Hyder Ali 3. Sanjeev Mehra & Mitadru Koley.

Before I conclude this report I would like to thank our MIC Mr. Prafulla Pradhan for his advice on the technicalities of the game. Thank you Sir ! To conclude this report , a piece of advice to the up and coming captains.

"Success and sweat go side by side".

Rabin Pandey
Captain of Squash - 2000

BADMINTON REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. P. LAMA

Captain : Omar Hyder Ali

Badminton has always been a popular game among the boys of St. Paul's as the season starts with the advent of monsoon and the out-door games being restricted to only football.

This year a large number of senior boys took keen interest in the game and occupied the court throughout the season trying to master the game. However, the enthusiasm for the game was missing among the junior boys.

The Inter School Badminton Carnival for the year 2000 was scheduled for the 4th and 5th of August and unlike previous years the Carnival was held at Gymkhana Club, hosted by Green Lawn's School, Darjeeling. So, immediately after the June break our under X team got off to a regular practice for the Carnival. The following boys represented the school at the Carnival in their respective divisions.

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| 1) Farhan Hyder | Senior Doubles |
| Majid-Ul-Islam | |
| 2) Mohijit Mukerjee | Junior Doubles |
| Devajeet Banerjee | |
| 3) Saibal Choudhury | 'A' Singles |
| 4) Rahul Sen | 'B' Singles |
| 5) Ibne Sina Khan | 'C' Singles |
| 6) Shishir Thade | 'D' Singles |

At the carnival, the senior doubles represented by Farhan Hyder and Majid Ul Islam did well enough to reach the semi finals in day two of the tournament. However, we lost the semi final to North Point by a narrow margin. At the end of the day our doubles team was awarded certificates for the third place in their division. A commendable effort by both the boys !

Apart from the carnival, we also had two fixtures against VVA in the month of July. Our senior doubles performed exceptionally well during the fixtures and won all their matches, but we were not successful in other divisions. We look forward to such fixtures with other schools also in the year to come.

House matches occupy a very special place in the hearts of Paulites. The boys put their hearts and souls into the house matches in the senior wing. Clive won the cup this year and in the JW, Cable emerged victorious.

This year to add to the excitement of the game the Staff Club of St. Paul's organised a doubles tournament for its members in the month of August. A large number of staff including the senior master and second master participated in the tournament. The final match was played between Mr. D. P. and PL versus Mr. D. K. and Mr. Rajesh with the former emerging victorious. My thanks goes to all the staff members for participating in it thereby entertaining all of us for a good two weeks.

The report will remain incomplete if I do not mention the appreciation and special thanks to Mr. B. B. Tamang. and Mr. Bhupen Tamang for coaching the boys for the Carnival and to Mr. P. Lama for his help and encouragement throughout the season.



Badminton team with Mr. P. Lama

ETON FIVES REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Devendra Kumar

Captain : Amit Bansal

Eton Fives is a game that is ideally situated for a place like Darjeeling but still, little attention has been paid in this direction. Though it is a minor game in St. Paul's, the boys played the game with much enthusiasm this year.

The participation in this years' annual competition was rather more as compared to the previous years. As tradition had it the Eton Fives tournaments was classified into two sections Junior and Senior. This year due to immense interest in the game an extra division had to be facilitated. The results of the divisions are as follows :

Under X :

Winners : Nischal Singh and Harsh Khemka
Runners-up : Vishal Lohia and Ashwini Todi.

Plus Two :

Winners : Amit Bansal and Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Runners-up : Jyoti Prakash and Pankaj Tiwari.

Opens :

Winners : Amit Bansal and Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Runners-up : Ashish Dalmia and Priyaank Gupta

All these matches were keenly contested and were of a reasonably high standard.

The Inter-House Cup was won by Clive House. Hastings and Havelock stood second and Lawrence fourth. I would like to thank Mr. D. Kumar for his guidance throughout the year and hope that Eton Fives will gain still more popularity at St. Paul's in the future.

Amit Bansal



Eton Fives with Mr. D. Kumar

TABLE TENNIS REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. Amlan Mazumdar

Captain : Dibyadyuti Ghosh

This is a game which is played during the monsoon season and the boys tend to go indoors. This year the practice sessions started of straight after the June Break. There were regular practices which was taken by the captain. The first Inter-School fixture of ours was against Vidya Vikash Academy. This one was an away fixture. Both the plus-two and the under-X boys played and our boys gave a very strong fight to put up a commendable performance against our opponents. The very next week they had a return fixture, and this time the matches were played of in our school. The performance of our boys was the same where the majority of games were won by us.

But the big moment and pride of our school was when the Table Tennis under-X Carnival came up. This was the first time in the history of St. Paul's that we were going to host the tournament. The prep Hall was the centre of attraction for two days. Here two new boards were assembled and the other two in the Junior Wing Tuck Hall. All the matches were played off simultaneously and was finished in a period of two days. The staff body umpired the matches, whereas boys from class X helped with the scoring. In the end the other schools proved to be much better than us, and West Point ranked 1st out of the 14 schools which participated. Special thanks to the captain and Master-in-Charge for co-ordinating and running this tournament smoothly. However, commendable performance were put up by the under-X boys, espeically Shanky Advani and Tushar Chandra Singh.

The following boys represented the school in the carnival :

A Singles :	Tushar Chandra Singh
B Singles :	Shanky Advani
C Singles :	Tashi Rapgyal
D Singles :	Ayush Agarwal
Senior Doubles :	Vishal Ranjan and Abhishek Behani
Junior Doubles :	Aman Bansal and Gautam Kumar



The Table Tennis School team .

After this hectic Programme, we got back to our House Matches and the school tournament.

The Results of the house matches were as follows :

Plus Two Singles : Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Under-X Singles : Tushar Chandra Singh
Table Tennis Cup : Hastings

The results of the school Tournament were as follows :

Plus-Two Singles :

Winner : Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Runner-up : Dennis Pradhan

Open Tournament :
(Singles)

Winner : Dibyadyuti Ghosh
Runner Up : Dennis Pradhan.
Under X Singles : Tushar Chandra Singh (Winner)
Vishal Ranjan (Runner-up).

As all the tournaments and house matches got over the season also came to an end. A lovely time of two months finally had come to an end. Thanks a lot to the Master-in-Charge for his guidance and to the captain without whose coaching the boys would not have reached this stage. We hope for the best and for a better performance next year.

ATHLETICS REPORT - 2000

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

Captain : Jyoti Prakash

The athletics season began this year with a 'big bang' on the 21st of August. The air was full of enthusiasm which was shown by the boys at the beginning of the season. The Master-in-Charge Mr. A. D. Rai took great pains to see that the season carried on as per the schedule and should be felicitated. On the first day, the boys were brought out onto the field where they ran the races according to their preference and ability and later took part in the various field events.

Apart from the unpredictable rains which followed, unlike other years, and made a mess of the fields, most boys reported for morning practices under the supervision & guidance of Mr. A. D. Rai at 5.30 in the morning. A time table was laid out in accordance. The various jumps and races were carried out with the practice races first, the standards (which was disrupted by rains) and finally the heats.

The sports day was to be held on the 29th of September. The day before was a rainy day which had left the field wet and the officials were in a predicament as they were not able to initiate the field preparations and they were not sure whether the 29th would be dry and sunny. Fortunately it turned out to be a clear & sunny day which set the field officials, students and groundsmen to quickly organize themselves in decorating and preparing the tracks as per tradition with great zeal & enthusiasm.

The sports day meet began as per schedule, with a gallant march past led by the athletics captain, Jyoti Prakash, followed by the whole school, down to a special contingent comprising of students of class I. Mr. S. K. Mukherjee, member of the Board of Governors, who was our honoured chief guest took the salute and declared the meet open.

The sports meet was held with great competition and healthy sportsmanship with precision judgement and existing records were "shattered".



Athletics team with their coach Mr. A. D. Rai



The Flying Captain

The Inter-School Athletics Meet was hosted by Mount Hermon School on the 24th of October. A large number of boys from our school qualified for the district championship which was hosted by St. Augustine's School, Kalimpong on the 4th of November. The heats for the open division took place on the 3rd and all the participants from St. Paul's were successful. The competitors were in their best form and displayed great skill and sportsmanship. The results of the District Championship are as follows:

Events		Result
<i>Open Division</i>		
100	Jyoti Prakash	1st
200	Jyoti Prakash	1st
400	Jyoti Prakash	1st
800	Kinley Dorjee	1st
Broad Jump	Jyoti Prakash	1st
Triple Jump	Tenzing Drukpa	2nd
Shot put	Kinley Dorjee	3rd
Javelin	Arindam Ghosh	2nd
Discus	Kinley Dorjee	2nd
Hurdle	Jlan Rymbai	1st
4 x 200	Jyoti, Jlan, Kinley, Drukpa	1st
Div. Champion	Jyoti Prakash	
Div. Championship Trophy	St. Paul's School	
<i>'A' Division</i>		
800	Nischal Singh	1st
1,500	Nischal Singh	2nd
Shot put	Eric Manandhar	1st
Javelin	Tenzing Kutsabpa	2nd
Discuss	Tenzing Kutsabpa	1st
Pole vault	Nevil Shrestha	1st
<i>'B' Division</i>		
100	Majid-ul-Islam	1st
200	Majid-ul-Islam	3rd

400	Pervez Khan	1st
800	Parvez Khan	1st
High Jump	Parvez Khan	2nd
Triple Jump	Santosh Singh	2nd
4 x 100	Parvez, Majid, Santosh, Tarafdar	2nd
Div. Champion	Parvez Khan	
<i>'C' Division</i>		
100	Ibne S. Khan	2nd
200	Ibne S. Khan	3rd
<i>'D' Division</i>		
High Jump	Mohijit Mukherjee	2nd
<i>'E' Division</i>		
Broad Jump	P. Rauneer	2nd
High Jump	P. Rauneer	2nd
4 x 100	Rauneer, Sankho, Aniket, Khetan	2nd

This year our athletes did not perform well and bagged only one out of the six cups given out that day. But this has not let down the spirit of the Paulites and we hope to perform better in the forthcoming years.

"When the going gets tough, the tough get going".

BASKETBALL REPROT - 2000

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

Captain : Tashi Dorji Ghale

Basketball enjoys tremendous popularity at St. Paul's. There is never any paucity of enthusiasts and as usual the basketball season commenced after the opening of Term. The boys from the Opens section as well as the school level were very happy due to the fact that there were lots of tournaments ahead of them. Tashi Dorji Ghale was appointed the captain and the team did well under his leadership.

The season began with a game against MHS at MHS. We easily proved superior to them and won without much effort. The second game was against North Point and any game against St. Joseph's is a big one ! After many years, we broke the jinx and if anything better, the game was a cake-walk for us ! One more game followed against Mt. Dipam Club. The team fought till the end but unfortunately lost by a close margin.

2000 being the centenary year for DGH, the school organised a Basketball Carnival in mid April. Our boys were the hot favourites and were expected to take the glory home but that was not to be. In what was to be, an unfortunate series of events, we lost to Namchi Public School by just half a basket (1 point)!! And that's not all, fate re-enacted the event again, against Rockvale Academy School to whom we lost by the same one point. The next game was in our favour when we easily thrashed D.G.H, but due to the point differences we couldn't make it to the 2nd phase of the tournament. Although lady-luck seemed a little cross with us this year it was a great achievement worth commending for our youngsters : T. D. Ghale, S. Ghale, P. Dhondup, P. T. Sherpa, J. Drukpa, D. Singh, S. Rajbhandari, K. T. Sherpa & Dennis Pradhan. Well done boys !

House colours were awarded to Sonam Ghale, Tenzing Drukpa and Pema Dhondup. Congratulations !!

The ICSE Basketball Carnivals was held at Goethals School on the 14th & 15th of April. Our Team won against M.H.S. & Little

Flower School but lost to St. Augustine's & Goethals. This unfortunately brought our team back home with greater inspiration and experience which will probably help them a great deal in the future.

I would like to thank Mr. A. D. Rai for his help, guidance and cooperation extended to us throughout the season.

This year has been a wonderful year for this game and I'm sure it'll be the same in the years to follow. So here's to next year!



Basketball team with Mr. A. D. Rai



Marathon team with Mr. T. Calvert

MARATHON REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. T. Calvert

Endurance is the power of the strong. Long distance running or as we call it, Marathon, truly justifies the power of enduring. The ability to withstand prolonged strain and then to come out with splendid results is surely praise worthy. St. Paul's gives us exactly that opportunity to prove our worth.

The Marathon season kicked off in mid August after the declaration of the various divisions. A new system was adopted by combining the senior and open divisions together this year. The boys were enthusiastic about running and put in their full with regards to marathon. Clive house eventually clinched the Marathon standards by having the most number of participants. But on the D-Day, it was Hastings all the way in the Senior Wing.

My thanks to all the teachers for the co-ordination of the Marathon finals and with the results.

The positions in the divisions were as follows :

Open Division

First	:	Dhabup Prasai
Second	:	Nischal Singh
Third	:	Parvez khan

Intermediate Division

First	:	Karma Rangdol
Second	:	Vishal Lohia
Third	:	Abhishek Pradhan

Junior Division

First	:	Navraj Tewari
Second	:	Shubham Kumar
Third	:	Ashutosh Bairolia

Primary Division

First	:	Yonten Tenzing
Second	:	Sourav Kundu
Third	:	Prashant Rouniar

Dhabup Prasai was awarded house colours for marathon this year.

I do hope that in the future, the boys can perpetuate this sincere effort. I would like to extend my gratitude towards Mr. T. Calvert, M.I.C. Marathon, for motivating the boys throughout the season. With best wishes for the future I close.

Moniti Meliora Sequamur



Volleyball team with Mr. B. B. Tamang

VOLLEYBALL REPORT - 2000

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

Captain : Dhabup Prasai

A rose cannot be praised unless its fragrance is inhaled and a thorn can't be felt unless it pricks. In the light of this ideology, the volleyball team of St. Paul's, Darjeeling, showed exemplary spirit to lift the H. D. Lama Inter District School Challenge Cup for the first time in the history of St. Pauls.

With enthusiasms, determination and toil, the team co-ordinated right from the beginning under the captaincy of Dhabup Prasai, who needs to be lauded for his sincere effort. The team easily countered the first obstacles to reach the finals of the championship. They practiced diligently and outplayed the opponents, St. Josephs, in every department and bring glory to the school.

The sport was played with the same fervour within the school. Lawrence and Anderson bagged the cup in the senior and junior Wings respectively.

Behind all this glamour and glory was involved much inspiration and encouragement. We bade farewell to our former MIC, Mr. S. D. Lama who initiated our interests in the sport. I would especially like to express my gratitude towards Mr. B. B. Tamang, our present MIC, for his constant motivation and advise. Without him, it would have been difficult for the team to reach such heights.

Pema Dhondup and Dhabup Prasai were deservedly awarded house colours for their remarkable performance.

I, being the Volleyball captain, always had a dream to win this coveted trophy and I feel honoured and congratulate my team-mates and wish them a prosperous future. I would like to thank all the people who made the volleyball season run smoothly without any hindrance. I wish that in the future St. Paul's will climb a step higher and remain the undisputed champions.

"The power of dreams is invincible."

Dhabup Prasai
Volleyball Captain - 2000

TENNIS - 2000

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

Captain : Sonam Ghale

Tennis is always played with great enthusiasm in St. Paul's School and the court is never empty. This year a large number of enthusiasts turned up and the standard was relatively higher than last year's.

The House matches were played first and Havelock came first with Sonam Ghale and J. Penjor and S. Rinchen on their sides. Lawrence came second followed by Hastings and Clive. The matches were played on a league cum knock out basis.

The players D. Pema, Namgay, Pasang and Kinley need to be congratulated. May I conclude this report by expressing my sincerest thanks to Mr. D. Bagchi for his endless support and constructive advice on the technicalities of the game and would also like to wish the future batch of players all the best.



Tennis team with Mr. D. Bagchi

INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (Formerly D. E. A. S.)

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. The entire curriculum in St. Paul's revolves around a common centre that emphasizes "the overall development of child's personality". This necessitates both 'in' and 'out' bound activities. In this regard St. Paul's is a pioneer.

The basic objective of IAYP is very simple, logical and applicable. The activities under the scheme provides an outlet to the latent energy an adolescent harbours within him in a productive way through a myraid of activities.

The activities under the Award Scheme are carried out on a non-competitive 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.

The session began with an introductory lecture 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 logbook and the procedures concerning the programme.

The duration of Silver Expedition has been reduced to two nights. Five boys, accompanied by the Master-in-Charge set out to fix the new route to suit the time constrain arising due to the introduction of weekly test system in the curriculum.

The new route, thus, is :

DAY 1 : SPS - Rimbick - Rammam

DAY 2 : Rammam - Sandakphu via Molley

DAY 3 : Sandakphu - Maneybhanjang - SPS.

This year there were 97 new entrants who registered themselves under th IAYP.

The early onset of monsoon did not mar the enthusiasm of the youngsters. They braved it through the rains —dampness, wet fire wood, saturated soil, wet sleeping bags, leaches... etc. 104

boys undertook their bronze expedition to Rambh and 17 boys went for silver expedition to Sandakphu. There were 8 aspirants for gold this year. Unfortunately, the monsoon were prolonged too long for the Gold aspirants to go for their expedition.

Finally there were 53 boys who managed to qualify for bronze and 14 boys qualified for silver.

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. S. Gurung, our School Caterer and Mr. O. P. Agarwal and Mr. A. K. Sinha of the Estate department, who considerately attended to the last minute changes in the expedition lists.

This Award is extremely beneficial as it 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 year 2001 when I hope we will return more determined than ever to succeed and usher in greater glory.

Mr. Michael Dutta
Master-in-Charge



An expedition to 'Wanderland'.



N. C. C. March Past

NCC REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : C/o D. P. Pradhan

Sgt. Major : Dibyadyuti Ghosh

The new millennium saw the enthusiastic cadets commencing their NCC practices from the 12th of March. These cadets were from classes VIII, IX and X. The plus two students returned and were involved in April from when practices started in earnest. Once they returned the total strength of the troops reached the 250 mark.

A guard of honour was to be presented by the cadets of St. Paul's School for the Deputy Director General (DDG) Brigadier R. Sudan. Due to this reason immense attention was paid to the practices for this auspicious occasion to be held on the 29th of May. The guard of honour was eventually postponed to the 16th of July. Resuming regular practices after the June break the boys were fully prepared but due to bad weather and the rain, it was cancelled at the eleventh hour. All the tiresome efforts of the boys went in vain but nevertheless they practiced very hard and were given a token of appreciation by the DDG, to acknowledge their efforts.

The 'A' certificates were distributed in mid July to the boys who sat for the examination as mentioned in the earlier annual report.

On the 53rd day of independence almost everything went right. Each and every proud cadet performed his level best in all events. The main attraction of the day was the march past. The troops were led by the following cadets :

Sgt. Major : Dibyadyuti Ghosh

Rifle Troop (Company No. 1)

Sgt. Omar Hyder Ali

Cpl. Tanveer Rahim

Company No. 2.

Sgt. Vidyut Jain

Cpt. Jewel Choudhury



N. C. C. troop No. 302 ready for Inspection Sir



Mr. D. Pradhan (A.N.O.) with his three centingent of Seargents & Corporates

Company No. 3.

Sgt. Pawan Tiwari
Cpl. Masrur Ali.

Company No. 4.

Sgt. Amit Bansal
Cpl. Amir Adeel Khan

Company No. 5

Sgt. Priyaank Gupta
Cpl. Nischal Singh

The Chief guest Col., Vijay Singh (Principal HMI) and all other distinguished guests praised the turnout and encouraged the boys to take pride in giving their country the honour it deserves.

This year the Gen. Vriendra Medal for NCC was awarded to Sgt. Major Dibyadyuti Ghosh.

This year the year's proceedings went on smoothly and the boys put up their best, with the help and guidance of Mr. D. P. Pradhan who rigorously went through all troubles to put up a creditable effort. Thank you, Sir !

We hope to have a fruitful year in 2001.

"Saare Jahan se Achcha
Hindustan Hamara
Hum bulbulein hain iski
Yeh gulsita hamara..."
"Jai Hind"

Sgt. Priyaank Gupta
Cpl. Amir Adeel Khan

CHAPEL NOTES

M.I.C. :

Mr. Michael Dutta

Head Chappel Warden :

Rabin Pandey

"The main aim of all religion is unity except when fanaticism gets the upper hand."

Set amidst the majestic grandeur of the Himalayas, with its steeple towering above ; the most prominent and noticeable feature on the entire campus on St. Paul's School truly is a sight that beckons one and all. It is in this place that the school meets as a community and from where the spiritual and moral fibre of the student is developed. Based on this reason the Chapel takes a soft corner in every Paulite's heart —old or new.

The opening of Term Service was held on the 5th of March when all the Paulites prayed for Gods grace for year ahead of them.

Palm Sunday was the first of the special services for the year 2000. The officiating minister being Mr. S. M. Chakraborty.

As usual on Easter Sunday the Chapel was adorned by white flowers and instilled in all the minds the feeling of peace. On this occasion the officiating minister was Mr. D. A. Howard. This service was held on the 23rd of April. The patriotic feeling in each and every cadet's heart was palpable on the 15th of August, the Indian Independence Day when a service was held in the honour of our country. The congregation was addressed in hindi by Dr. Manoj Kumar with an enthralling and encouraging speech.

This year the Choir festival was held too. Dr. Graham's Homes, being the hosts, sang alongwith our school choir. Credit goes to Mr. S. Pande for training the boys. Our choir was lead by the head chorister—Sonam Ghale.

On the 5th of September teacher's day—all students prayed for the welfare of the teachers who guide the students throughout the year who truly are a source of encouragement and learning.

Mahatma Gandhi—the father of the nation was remembered on the 2nd of October and a memorial service was held in ode to him. The Rector officiated this service. The 65th birthday of the chapel was also celebrated. Just before the Puja vacations a commemoration service was held on the 30th of September. The choir sang a few wonderful anthems.

All Soul's Day was marked by a service on the 2nd of November where the students prayed for the glorified people who have been called upon by God. On the 14th of November the Children's Day service was held. The lessons were read by boys of the Primary & Junior Wing.

The Chapel was at its best at the Carol services of the Junior, Primary and Senior Wing. The Chapel looked ablaze with the innumerable candles flickering ushering Paulites to move from darkness to light.

The regular weekday services, matins congregation practices and Holy Communions were conducted successfully.

This year the Rector was ordained as the Rev. Deacon. Our best wishes are with him. There was a confirmation service where three boys and our Senior Master Mr. S. Chakravarthy were confirmed.

This year the prizes concerning the chapel were awarded as follows :

The K. N. Sahgal Bible Reading Prize in the J. W. — B. Benjamin

The Bible Reading Prize in the S. W. — Rabin Pandey

The Rotary Social Service Prize (Under X) — Avik Mukherjee

Congratulations to all of them.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Sudeep Pande, the Choirmaster ; Mr. O. P. Agarwal, the Estate Manger ; The Chapel Wardens, and the Gardeners.

This report would be incomplete if I fail to thank Mr. Michael Dutta who gave us his eveready support and help. Thank You, Sir!

As always ; the chapel has warmed the hearts of all students and will continue to do so ; therefore I wish the future read Chapel Wardens a smooth and wonderful year.

As it is said, "A family that prays together, stays together" wishing all of you Merry Christmas and a very happy new year. Have an enjoyable, 2001 !

Rabin Pandey
Head Chapel Warden



Chapel wardens with Mr. M. Dutta and Rev. Dn. D. A. Howard

**ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DARJEELING
CHAPEL FUND**

Receipts and Payments Account for
the year ended 31st March 2000

RECEIPTS	Rs.	Rs.
To Opening Balance as on 1.4.1999	6,647.82	
" School Chapel Collection	63,560.60	
" Transferred from St. Paul's School	35,000.00	
" Interest earned during the year	970.00	106,178.42
PAYMENTS		
By Helpage India	1,000.00	
" Mrs. Annietta Roy	10,000.00	
" Secretary, Zila Sainik Board, Darjeeling	300.00	
" Orissa Cyclone Relief Fund	5,015.00	
" Parents own Clinic for Deaf Children	1,000.00	
" The Salvation Army School for the Deaf, Darjeeling	1,500.00	
" Mary Scott Home for the Blind, Kalimpong	1,500.00	
" Matri Sangha Janakalyan Ashram, Darjeeling	1,500.00	
" Darjeeling Diocese Child Care Project	1,500.00	
" Calcutta Diocesan Fund "B" Account No. 2	1,500.00	
" India Sunday School Union, Coonoor	1,500.00	
" Bishop of Calcutta Discretionary Fund	1,500.00	
" CNI Calcutta Diocesan Central Fund	1,500.00	
" Society for the Protection of Children in India	1,500.00	
" Calcutta Deaf and Dumb School	1,500.00	
" Calcutta Blind School	1,500.00	
" The Leprosy Mission, Purulia Leprosy Home and Hospital	1,500.00	
" Missionaries of Charity, Mother Teresa's Orphanage, Darjeeling	1,550.00	
" Gorkha Dukha Nivarak Sammellan	1,500.00	
" Bharat Sevashram Sangha, Siliguri	1,500.00	
" The Leprosy Mission, Calcutta Urban Leprosy Control Programme	1,500.00	
" The Principal, Bishop's College, Calcutta	1,500.00	
" The St. Andrew's Church Committee Fund, Darjeeling	2,500.00	
" Busty Childrens' Winter Comfort	30,800.00	76,115.00
Balance as on 31st March, 2000		30,063.42

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CAREER'S CLUB REPORT - 2000

M.I.C. : Mr. S. Chakravarthi

Sec. : Amit Bansal

The Career's Club had a membership of 70-80 boys this year which was very encouraging for the Club.

The year for the Career's Club started with issuing of pamphlets of colleges and courses to the boys requiring career guidance. This was very helpful to the boys since in a residential school like ours we have limited knowledge of the outside world.

During the course of the year, we had three meetings which was attended by a large number of boys.

To start off with, Mr. S. Chakravarthi gave a talk on Indian Civil Services to the boys. Some were inspired by the talk and wanted to persue this career whereas some found it to be too difficult a career to persue.

Later on, we invited Mr. P. Roka to give us a talk on Hotel Management. Mr. P. Roka had worked for the Oberoi Group of Hotels and so he gave us a very detailed talk on the colleges for Hotel Management, the courses to be persued, job satisfaction, etc.

We also had Mr. A Kumar who is the Station director of Doordarshan, Darjeeling to give as a talk on engineering. He too gave us a brief up on engineering, how difficult it is and how one can persue this career.

Apart from this, we kept receiving information from Prof. Dipankar Basu, directors of CICAC, Darjeeling.

Lastly I would like to thank Mr. S. Chakravarti, Senior Master for his constant help and guidance.

Amit Bansal

'CENT. FEST.'

M.I.C. : Mr. T. Calvert

Team Leader : S. Mehra

The year 2000, was a special year for D. G. H. as it was their centenary year (1900-2000). To mark this occasion the school organised the 'Centenary Fest' celebrations. Nine schools participated in the Fest. The celebrations were spread over a period of 3 days from July 13th-16th. As soon as we were informed that we were invited we started our practices, which later had to be put off due to our examinations. The boys chosen to represent the school were S. Mehra, S. Ghale, S. Zaman, S. Bhandari, A. Cintury, A. Sinha, A. Gurung, T. Lama, T. Kutsabpa and R. Dhar. We all were very excited about having to go to the Homes and the night before we left all of us were awake till late hours packing our bags Mr. T. Calvert and Mr. S. Pande came along with us.

We reached D.G.H. at around 3 O'clock. We were received very warmly and all through the three days our escorts did their level best to make us feel at home. After freshening up there was an ice breaking session—a sort of introduction. We presented a song which was appreciated by one and all and we could hear the tune being hummed from all directions for the next 3 days of our stay there.

The next day the real competitions started. Mr. Barry O' Brien was our compere. He started off without any delay with a game called 'HAM' where a participant got a topic and had to speak without pausing, repeating words, making grammatical errors or stuttering. S. Mehra did well and stood 3rd. Simultaneously, the 'College' was being held. A. Gurung participated in this event but was not too fortunate.

The atmosphere was now beginning to hot up and the next item was 'DUMB CHARADES'. Sonam Ghale, S. Bhandari and Tenzing Lama stole victory from D. G. H. at the last moment in a very closely contested event. The next event was the 'TURN COAT' where a participant got to prepare a speech for and against a topic for a minute each. All the speakers were equally good and very convincing but S. Mehra did exceptionally well and secured

2nd position. His topic was 'Computers.....'. After this there was a break for lunch. We all were served packed lunch from Glenary's which was delicious, but unfortunately we couldn't enjoy it thoroughly as immediately after lunch was the Spot Act in which a team got a topic and they had to write and perform a short play. Our topic was 'A Marriage Counsellors Office' which was comparatively more difficult than others such as 'A Mad House', etc. A. Cintury, A. Sinha, S. Zaman, S. Bhandari and R. Dhar had the auditorium roaring with laughter and applause as they comfortably walked away with the 1st prize. Our boys had the girls at the edge of their seats cheering for us. By now we took it for granted that we were the hot favourites. While the S. Act was being conducted S. Mehra was taking part in the Creative Writing Competition. He stood 3rd in this event with S. J. C. coming 1st.

The last event for the day was 'Antakshari'. As everyone knows or should know this is 'CERTAINLY NOT OUR FORTE'. Even then S. Zaman and R. Dhar should be congratulated on surviving past the 1st round. This concluded the days event. The rest of the day was spent loitering around the huge campus and making new friends. The boys of D. G. H. were really friendly and co-operative and we thoroughly enjoyed their company.

Early next morning the first event to be conducted was the quiz. S. Mehra and A. Sinha took part in this event. This event if nothing better was a cake-walk for us. We emerged undisputed victors with more than a 100 point lead. This was as one of the guests called it "a classic victory". The 'Cartoon making' event followed the quiz. A. Gurung stood 4th.

A break was called after this for lunch but we assembled soon for the western music competition. In the group event, the other schools presented modern songs but that's where we were different—our boys stunned one and all by presenting a 16th century Accapella classical which easily ensured us the first position. In the solo event — Sonam Ghale with his number 'Desparado' won the hearts of many, but was adjudged 4th. At the end of the day St. Paul's took the 2nd position with D. G. H. in the lead, but no one was concerned much about the ranks. They all

had only one thing in their minds— 'THE SOCIALS'. It started at about 8.00 p.m. till about 11p.m. We literally had a ball of a time.

That night none of us went to sleep. We were busy discussing our stay at D. G. H. The next day there was the prize distribution. All 10 of our boys won a prize which consisted of gift hampers. This too soon came to an end and we realised that the fun had ended and we had to come back to school. As we left Kalimpong, we all left with the satisfaction of having done our best and above all enjoyed ourselves knowing well that letters would soon be flooding in—back in school.



OLD PAULITES AND VISITORS

St. Paul's School, situated on the hill known as Jalapahar, is symbolical of a lighthouse radiating its shafts of enlightenment and guidance in its theories of erudition and dexterity. Many schools want to 'ape' her, some use her name, her style of uniforms, her administrative systems and even her subject syllabuses. Many former teachers of our school, who have moved on to become heads of other schools have coalesced some qualities of SPS into their educational institutions.

Our school has a charm of her own which allures people, who visit Darjeeling, for two reasons—either they're looking for a great school, an old reputed one like SPS, to educate their children or grandchildren, or, they've already heard so much about SPS from denizens of Darjeeling, or from various sources around the globe, from books or magazines or from Old Paulites, who take pride in being eulogistic about their Alma Mater, and all this influence has egged them on to make a trip up the long and winding road to SPS. During the visit, if a prospectus is purchased, it's a sign that a selection has been made, and through many such instances, SPS becomes responsible for grooming a fresh crop of boys every following year.

Many Old Paulites and visitors from various countries visited our school this year and we take pleasure in mentioning them in our list below :—

1. Mr. J. Bamford and Mr. S. Hine — GAP students from the U. K.
2. Rev. K. K. Sharma — a frequent visitor from Lee Memorial Church, to conduct Holy Communion Services.
3. May 21st — Viren J. Shah - Governor of West Bengal.
4. May 25th— Rt. Rev. P. S. P. Raju— Bishop of Calcutta and Chairman of the Board of Governors.
5. May 18th—Mr. John Magnus—discoursed on 'Meditation'.

6. June 19th—Mr. Jamlin Tenzing—shared his experiences during his expedition to Mount Everest. He is an Old Paulite.

7. August 15th—Col. Vijay Singh—Chief Guest on India's 53rd celebration of Independence Day.

8. Kamal N. Sahgal—OP'45.

9. Mr. A. Mukherjee—the oldest serving member of the Board of Governors.

10. Members of the East Bengal Football Club—

Carlton Chapman
Sulley Musa
Bijayan Singh
Amit Ghosh
Ratan Singh
Dipyudu Biswas

11. P. S. Johar—Cl.'67.

12. Sourajit Palchoudhuri—OP'75.

13. Sukhmeet Singh Kalra.

14. D. Gupta—Lw'75.

15. Abbas Mithaiwala—Cl.'75.

16. Harvinder Johar—Cl. Capt. '75.

17. Abhijit Raha—Hv. '75.

18. Dr. Inder Sher.

19. Mr. D. J. (Don) Stuart—OP. 1961 to 1963.

20. Mr. Reginald Glassup—OP. 1938 to 1945.

21. Philip and Georgia Dooley.

22. Richard Baker and Conor Short — GAP students from the U. K.

For further reading and in-depth information, readers may refer to the four issues of 'The Paulite' published this year.

N. S. Lawrence