

# THE GATTON ASSOCIATION

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## Chairman's Welcome.

Welcome to our summer newsletter. At last it seems to be summer with this warm spell of fine weather we are enjoying.

It has been brought to my attention that opening our newsletter with the passing of our members is felt to be a bit morbid. I have considered these views and I feel that the mentioning of these sad events is important to those that remember their ex school friends and ex staff who have had an impact upon them in their formative years and longer.

I will continue to make these announcements at the beginning of our newsletter, unless I hear to the contrary from our members.

With that said, it is with a sad heart that I start by announcing that in the last few months I have been notified of the passing of two of our number. Two ex-members of staff that were at the school during the 70's to the end of the century have passed away, after long fights with cancer.

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They are Pat Pay, who passed away on 11th June and Michael Bennett, who passed away on 16th May.

**Patricia Anne Pay**

Pat and Dave pay came to Gatton Park in late 1974. In 1995 Pat was called to the School Foundation Office where the Chairman asked her a simple question...'would you like a job? These five words were to be her interview for the new role she was to take up within Gatton, that of Landscape and Heritage Officer. She was offered a simple task - to restore the historic Gardens and grounds of Gatton Park to its former glory! Pat was instrumental in getting the gardens and grounds restored to their current beautiful condition. She was tireless and enthusiastic in the restoration of the gardens, which are now opened to the public on the first Sunday of every month.

Pat's funeral was held in St Andrews Church and was well attended by family, friends and many ex colleagues. Pat was interred in a private burial service in St Andrews churchyard.

Our thoughts and sincere condolences go out to Dave her husband and all her family.

I have the eulogies and order of service for anyone who would like to read through the whole service, please contact me through our email address [gattonassociation@gmail.com](mailto:gattonassociation@gmail.com) and I will send them onto you.

Michael and Jenny Bennett also came to the school in the early 70's and retired around 2000. They were teachers and house parents whilst at the school. Michael taught rural studies for many years and was involved in the restoration of the Japanese Garden with Pat Pay. Many of his ex-pupils have made comments of what a great person he was. There is no doubt he had a major influence on many children who passed through the school during his time there.

Our thoughts and sincere condolences go out to Jenny his wife and all the family.

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**Founders Day** This year we have had the first ever Founders Day on a Saturday, and the Head was very pleased with the outcome and will be continuing with this format for the future.

On Founders Day we had a few 'Old' scholars attending for the first time in many years. The feedback from them was a little sad in that they felt that they had been alienated by the school and neglected. I must apologise for this as nobody knew that they were going to visit. In all cases, it is best that if you are planning to visit the School at any time, please, can you contact them and let them know what you are planning and they will be able to assist and instruct you as to where to go to register your presence on site. For next Founders Day we will make some arrangements for a meeting point for 'Old Scholars', where we can assemble prior to the service. Please let me know if you are attending and I will ensure that you are welcomed by a member of the Association, especially if it is the first time that you have been back after a long time away. The Founders Day/Prize Giving service almost always starts at 10.30am but we recommend that you arrive around 10.00 to enable you to get seated and settled before the service begins.

**The Founders Day 'Old Boys' football match** went well considering the awful weather on the day. I would like to thank all of the hardy spectators and players for making a game of it. The match started with a very competitive attitude by both teams, both determined to win. The game swung to and fro for the ninety minutes and ended with a draw. The outcome of the match depended on the dreaded 'penalty shoot out'. Both teams were shooting well, till the last penalty being taken for the 'Old Boys'. Say no more, congratulations to the School team for another Founders Day victory. We will be back.

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**Gatton Goes Green.** The annual country Fair was held at the school behind Gatton Hall on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July. GGG is an annual event that brings a variety of stalls from local organisations, crafts people and people with country skills to show and sell their wares in these idyllic surroundings. The Association had a small stall which provided face painting and a duck fishing tombola to help generate some much needed funds to enable us to continue funding our causes. The stall was run by Alicia Edwards and Will Wilson and a bunch of ex scholars who volunteered their time in assisting with the running of the stall. Between them they helped the Association to continue in its sponsoring of Foundationers. A very big THANK YOU to the team, for all your efforts on what was, until then, the hottest day of the year.

Unfortunately the school pupils had already broken up on the Friday for the holidays, but the event was well attended and everyone seemed to be having a great time!

### AGM 29<sup>th</sup> September 2013 @ 2.00pm

We are holding our AGM in Gatton Hall on Sunday 29th September, where we will have a short meeting as required by our rules. We would like to invite you to this meeting (which shouldn't take too long,) and give you all a chance to catch up with the developments that have occurred in the school since the last time you visited. We will be putting out some old photos and memorabilia so that you can put a name to the face.

We are also looking for people to join the committee to assist in running various aspects of the Association. If you feel that you could spare a couple of hours per term to attend our meetings we would like to hear from you. Your duties will not take up too much of your time but if you have an interest in history and the history of the School, we would appreciate your time.

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### Volunteers Required for TV Programme

We have been approached with this request for participants for this programme in the making. If you are interested in taking part please contact me and I will put you forward to take part in the making of the show. The details are below;

<p><b>Are you longing to say 'thank you'...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to the nanny, old friend, or help you grew up with?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to the 'guardian angel' who appeared when you needed them most?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to the unsung hero who gave you a chance when you had nothing?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Are you desperate to say 'sorry'...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to someone for not stepping in when they needed it the most?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to the person you moved away from to avoid?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> to the person you let down so badly?</li> </ul>
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***"The Gift* (working title)** is an inspirational new programme for BBC One that helps people express their gratitude or make amends.

Is there someone who has changed the course of your life forever? Someone you never got the chance to thank properly? Or someone you've wronged in the past who you feel a burning need to apologise to? Do you long to talk to them but can't find the courage to do it alone? What if you've lost touch with them altogether?

Living with an unpaid debt of gratitude or a long overdue apology can be an enormous burden. For many thousands of people across Britain, it's often impossible to move on until you've had the chance to express your feelings in person. *The Gift* is the programme that can help. From tracking down the stranger who saved your life to helping you build bridges with people who you've seriously wronged in the past, *The Gift* can end the years of guilt, worry or longing and finally let you begin to find closure.

With a team of professional mediators, psychologists and experts in tracing people, *The Gift* will document the stories of people who want to seek forgiveness or express their gratitude and need our help to do so. We'll track down the people they want to find, support them as they prepare for a face to face meeting, and film them selecting a gift, which might be a token of thanks or to make amends.

*The Gift* is planned for broadcast by BBC One in a primetime mid-week slot and will be presented by a well known TV personality."

They are looking for boarders who would like to take part in this programme, if you would like to take part please contact Phil Wade at [gattonassociation@gmail.com](mailto:gattonassociation@gmail.com).

### Reunion 2014

We are pleased to announce that we are planning our next Reunion weekend. As usual it will be over the Bank Holiday weekend of Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Prices have not been finalised as yet and are dependent on the costs we are charged by the school. But once we have the costings we will let you know, but as those of you who have been with us in the past know we try to keep costs to a minimum. Watch this space for further updates. Don't forget that you do not have to stay for the whole weekend, but you would miss out on some fun times.

We are very sorry to all of you who can't make the Bank Holiday weekends but this is the only weekend we can fit into the Schools programme of summer school and the returning students for the new term. It has been suggested that we hold the reunions earlier in the year, but due to the unpredictable nature of our weather it was felt that the only option would be the 'Summer' Bank Holiday weekend, just before the new term. We will miss your company if you can't make it, but look forward to the next chance we get to see you again.

Look forward to seeing you all again soon,

Phil Wade.

## CAPTAIN MIKE BENNETT - GATTON CADET CORPS

Mike came to help me run the Church Lads Brigade Unit as a civilian helper but it was not long before I had him in uniform as my 2<sup>nd</sup> in charge (I.C.) of the Unit.

He brought many skills with him, as he has been an A.C.F. Officer before coming to the school.

Here are just a few memorable activities Mike brought to the Unit.

### **Canoeing:**

To start with he borrowed two canoes from a local youth group but then decided to build his own! So he borrowed a mould to build fibreglass Batts, which were used for training. Not content with these he decided to build fibreglass Apache canoes with the Cadets.

### **Camping:**

On more than one occasion during various summer holidays he took Cadets to camp on the island of Iona. He drove the Cadets in a minibus to Scotland and joined up with the Brigade's Training Officer.

### **Parades:**

At the 1976 Unit's Annual Inspection, overseen by the Commanding Officer (C.O.) of the London Regiment, Mike decided to greet the Commander with an escort of Lancers. He made six lances and trained the group to drill with them. As the C.O. was so impressed with Mike's Lancers and our Fanfare Trumpeters, the Lancers were asked to escort the entire Units' Colours and the Fanfare Trumpets to play at the Silver Jubilee Parade at Westminster Abbey. Mike was given the honour of carrying the Brigade Colours.

### **Re-badgeing:**

Mike was a great influence in the re-badgeing of the Unit from Church Lads Brigade to the **Gatton Cadet Corps**. Mike was my right-hand man in the running of the unit, which started with 12 Cadets and at one point reached 130.

There are a number of Cadets who have a lot to thank Mike for as he gave so much of his free time to the Unit. This must have been hard for Mike as he was running a Boarding House as well as Teaching full time in the Senior School.

I THANK YOU MIKE ON THEIR BEHALF.

On behalf of all the Cadets and Officers of the Gatton Cadets Corps and former Church Lads Brigade I send our Deepest Sympathy to his wife, Jenny and children Nicola, David and Jane on their great loss. GOD BLESS.

Edward (Ted) Earle MBE Ex Commanding Officer

## WAR GAMES

By John Heywood - Albert House

At present at the Museum of Childhood in Bethnal Green, London, is an exhibition titled 'WAR GAMES' until 9th March 2014. The museum is a branch of the Victoria & Albert Museum. Amongst the exhibitions are two photographs by John Heywood showing boys playing war games that John took in the 1980's.

Just Google 'Museum of Childhood' for details.

## IN MEMORIAM

2013 is turning out to be a sad year for those of us who worked with; played with; laughed with; lived with; and thought much of 4 splendid people who have recently passed away.

**Michel Herrou's** passing was recorded in the last newsletter. Clearly he was held in high regard by all who took the trouble to send their recollections, and many more (including ourselves) who learned of his death via the newsletter.

**Betty Field** will be remembered as the friendly smiling welcoming lady work from leaving the W.A.A.F. in 1947 until her retirement in 1980, involved her in contacting and arranging interviews etc for all prospective pupils.

Without her unstinting service to the Foundation – and hence to the R.A.A.S. – the school could not have flourished.

**Mike Fotherby** was housemaster of Kent House for several years and will arouse affectionate memories in all the boys that were accommodated there.

Mike and his lovely wife Dot, provided a delightful and homely atmosphere for lots of little lads who needed care and guidance through their formative years. And one wonders how many pupils were also helped scholastically, especially those who, upon arrival at Gatton, were struggling a bit with their reading and writing.

Add to that their efforts with the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme plus Dot's enormous leadership with the Girl Guides and you have a truly remarkable couple. And what about the Bonfire night festivities with hot soup being provided; and Ken Sidle lighting the fire and assisting with the fireworks!!

**Michael Bennett** together with and ably supported by Jenny, his delightful wife, he gave so much to the School in Rank House where 50 young boys were provided with a warm, caring family feeling over a good number of years.

As a member of the teaching staff, Mike was highly effective in every respect.

Mike's support of, and work within the Church Lads Brigade was invaluable to those youngsters who joined the unit.

Colleagues and pupils alike will recollect with real pleasure the beautiful decorations in the Chapel at Harvest Festival and Xmas Carol Service; the parades on special occasions such as Founders Day and Remembrance Day.

And who can possibly forget the fun and laughter which convulsed us at the end of term 6<sup>th</sup> form parties which would not have been complete without those ear-rings!!!

The School was fortunate indeed, to have had the driving force and unstinting support of Mike and his family.

For all the benefits derived from the presence of all four departed friends over a long period of years, we give our heartfelt thanks.

To their nearest and dearest we offer them our sympathy and condolences.

We hope that their memories of their time at Gatton will help bring a smile to their faces, to alleviate - in small part- their grief and sadness at what- understandably- is a most grievous time.

## MEMORIES of BISHOPSWOOD CAMP (1941 to 1947)

As recalled by Fred (Boggy) Marsh – School No 11 – House Kings.

It was great to see those 2 pictures of life at Bishopswood in the last newsletter, it brought so many memories flooding back.

No we certainly were not mollycoddled !!! The Dining Room picture reminds me of standing in the freezing cold in front of the balcony, in Table order, having the register called and waiting for the latecomers before being allowed in. The great thing about that balcony was the Tuck Shop at the other end, where, once a fortnight, we would receive our tuck ration, a small bag of boiled sweets, never any chocolate !!!

Incidentally we had to fall-in again in front of the balcony after meals to be dismissed. This prompted the start of a race to the cricket pitch, located on the tennis courts, because the first one there batted first and so on, while any one with a ball queued up and bowled at you. This meant that sometimes there weren't many fielders, so if your ball was hit a long way you had to fetch it yourself !! I remember winning 6d on one occasion for bowling out Mr Poole, a master who was called up to serve in the RAF, when he came to visit. I don't recall the courts ever being used for tennis but there was always something going on. At one stage there was a craze for playing football on roller skates, using a tennis ball

--- yes, I've still got the scars!! Another popular scheme, on a frosty winter's night, was to take a firebucket from the Dormitory verandah, fill it with water from the swimming pool and pour it on the courts. This made for a really great slide in the morning. They were also used on Open Day when we put on show of gymnastics, boxwork and Indian Club swinging for the distinguished guests who often included Mr Joseph Rank. We were trained meticulously for this by 'Sarge' – I can't remember his proper name – and we always finished the club swinging to 'Rule Britannia' and, much to my wife's disgust, I still can't sing the last line – God who made thee mighty, make thee mightier yet – without adding 'and Stop !!!

Katie's mention of the cane in her write-up brings back a particularly painful memory. Like her I suffered this method of correction many times but I can only recall one cause. If you wanted to be a member of Tinny Atkins gang you had to be the proud possessor of a catapult --- you could buy the elastic at a stall in Reading Market for 3d and cut the tongue out of your boot for a pouch --- but it had to be of a certain standard. The criteria was that you had to fire a stone from the gateway of the Market Garden, half-way down the hill towards The Greyhound Pub, to reach the greenhouses about 150yds away. On the occasion in question four of us were trying out our catapults when, at the first tinkle of glass, the owner appeared and challenged us. Needless to say we quickly scarpered into the Beech wood behind us and lost him in no time. Some 50 minutes or so later as we casually strolled back into Camp the door of the Headmaster's house opened and Mr Woodman said "Could you come this way boys please" and there, standing in his study waiting for us, was the man from the Market Garden !!!

Suffice to say that we all appeared on the stage in the hall at assembly the next morning, in front of the whole school, and were given three of the best on each hand by Mr Woodman himself.

One other painful experience comes to mind, and that was the initiation ceremony when you moved from B dorm to C dorm. The moment the Housemaster, Mr Shepherd, went for his supper the newcomers would be lined up by the back door. Meanwhile the rest of the boys would knot their towels as hard as they could and line up on both sides of the Dormitory, then the unfortunates had to run the length of the Dormitory and back with a barrage of knotted towels raining on their heads and shoulders.

The other great activity, when Mr Shepherd had gone for his supper, were the 'Chariot Races' between the Houses, Kings, Princes and Georgians, but this was an unofficial part of the House Championship. Two boys would stand with their hands interlocked behind their backs, a third boy would then bend over and place his hands on their two outside arms, this made the 'chariot', then a fourth boy would sit on the third boy's back. They would then have to run up one side of the Dorm and back down the other with their opponents on the other side doing the same. The interesting part came as they passed each other because the 'riders' would try and pull each other off.

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The winner was the first complete chariot back to the starting point.

There would be three races each night, and the champion House would be the one with the most wins at the end of the week.

Some of my fondest memories however are of the time spent in the School Choir. We were fortunate on several counts, firstly we were well taught by Mr Shepherd and Mr Andrews, Gump, as he was affectionately known, secondly we were lucky to be in the choir at the same time as Ursula Connors. Ursula had a beautiful voice and went on to be a professional singer in later life. In addition to this we were invited to sing at a whole range of venues, due almost entirely to Ursula's reputation I suspect. We sang in all the local Village Halls and Churches but the high point was taking part in a concert in The Royal Albert Hall. Sadly my main memory of that occasion is of feeding the ducks in Hyde Park afterwards !!! Several members of the choir were privileged to take part in the filming of Henry V (with Laurence Olivier) at Pinewood Studios. I can still remember most of the words from our repertoire of songs and arias etc---great days !!!

Well I'm afraid that is all I have time for now --- retirement is 7days a week you know, so I don't get any days off--- but as Katie said in her newsletter, despite the war and the temporary accommodation we were given a really good basic education at Bishopswood Camp.

— Fred Marsh 1941 - 1947

## BISHOPSWOOD FARM CAMP

By Ken Wilkinson

I was delighted to read in the Gatton Association spring newsletter 2013 that Rotherfield United FC had purchased the land on which I spent many happy years playing on. Last time I was down there some years ago it was owned by the Oxford County Council who were trying to sell it, probably for housing? There were a number of quite wealthy people who lived in Peppard just up the road from school, across the road from the Wishing Well was a house named Olde Yew Tree Cottage, that would be worth a lot of money today, used to go and do the "Bob A Job" there!! . When I was last in Peppard in the 80's I visited the Post Office and the Elderly Post Mistress remembered us and said the Village had not recovered from the loss of the School, although the Orchardists would have been delighted, no more scrumpers. I don't recall; a Sue Abbot but if she was "mature" enough she may have pleasant memories of 264 Boys and Girls romping around the Commons, and livening the place up. We were easily recognisable as we had to be in school uniform complete with maroon coloured Cap at all times.

Henley Grammar School was used for the 11plus children, as there was no Bus service a special bus would pick up the children from the camp and from Peppard Common Mon to Fri, and if you played sport, Rugby or Cricket for grammar we had to run there and back on Saturday.. Grammar is no longer there it was too up market for a Labour Govt, and was turned into a Business Management School, I am aware of people travelling from New Zealand to take their Business Management College, it has an International reputation.

I looked up Jim/James Rayner but couldn't find him in the 1956 Centenary Gazette, maybe he was not a member of the Maitland Association, names of members and addresses going back to 1890 are listed. I was surprised he talked about digging the Trenches in the Woods in 1937?? The school did not move out of Maitland Park until 1939 when Gerry put a bomb thru the Marshall Memorial Gymnasium, the Older Children were evacuated to Billets in the Bedford Area and the Juniors and Babies were evacuated to Horsell Common Nr Woking and Duxhurst and ultimately to Elmcroft at Goring on Thames. The purchase of Duxhurst Estate arranged by Mr James V. Rank and was to be the site of the New School but was requisitioned by the Military and the plans to build were refused. The School moved into Bishopswood Farm Camp in early 1940 The Trenches stretched from the Sonning Common end of the woods right thru to the Meadow end of the woods they were quiet substantial Trenches which were always full of leaves, nobody would believe it these days that we had Gardening Lessons every week as part of the curriculum, the leaves would be dug out of the trenches and used as manure and trench dug into the school gardens!!! . I have no record of Lenny Poole either, certainly knew Harold R Sheppard he was the Senior Boys Dormitory House Master, he was Canadian and started work at the school at Bishopswood, I suspect he did not want to be involved in the Military, Before he came to school he was the Organist at Toronto Cathedral and had also been a Concert Pianist. He gave Piano lessons to children whose parents were prepared to Pay Him. He was a brilliant pianist.

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To the best of my knowledge there were no Air Raid Shelters behind the Kitchen or Boiler House. the concreted area behind the boiler house was where the Heaps of Coke and Anthracite were dumped, all the coke and anthracite had to be wheel barrowed into the boiler house. A few hours a day was spent barrowing coke and anthracite into the boiler house.

I am surprised to see the sewage plant is still there, Last time I was down there many years ago!! there were new buildings in the area of the sewage plant and I was advised by a groundsman that I spoke with that the buildings housed Intellectually Handicapped Children???, which surprised me as that area grew the finest Rhubarb you have ever seen, the area was not infrequently flooded with sewage , hence the size of the rhubarb!!! Only needed the sewage man to turn the wrong valve and start pumping!!! . The only Air Raid Shelters I recall were semi submerged, covered in soil and grass and very poorly drained!!! I only recall going to the Air Raid Shelter about two or three times throughout the whole of the War Time Period and they were always flooded ankle deep with water.

My Sister & I were placed in the Alexandra Orphanage at Maitland Park, Haverstock Hill , Hampstead on the 26th Oct. 1937, I was evacuated to Horsell Common, Nr Woking when War was imminent and then to Elmcroft at Goring on Thames thence to Bishopswood Farm Camp in late 1940, I left school in mid-1949 and as I had nowhere to go, school found me job "In Service" with A Senior Partner (73yr) Stock Broker and his 31year old wife !!! the job had to be "Live IN", that did not work out very well , after about nine months or more my pay had risen from 2/6 per week to 10shillings per week , working 7 days a week 0700hrs till whenever Madam said I could knock off , 2 half days off per week, a half day started at 2pm. Then one weekend a Lord & Lady Somebody or other came to spend the Weekend, the Lord asked me how much they paid me and when I told him he said I'll double it if you will come and work for me!!!, It was then a naive little boy realised he was being financially and hourly abused. My Legal Guardian was still the Headmaster at school , he found me a job with the Camp Manager whilst I awaited acceptance to the National Sea Training School at Gravesend, The Camp paid me One Pound 2/6 per week, Live In with Food, even better. One of my many jobs was relieving Boilerman??? Sometimes for weeks on end, all very illegal I would suggest at 16 yrs old in sole charge of two Furnaces and One High Pressure Steam Boiler. I doubt anybody would get away with it these days. It was a Job and I was not complaining. The Camp Manager was Welsh (Meyther Valley) so he tended to employ Ex Miners from Treharris who were suffering from Silicosis (Rock dust on the Lungs) or Pneumoconiosis (Coal Dust on the Lungs) so frequently needed Medical Attention and/or time off. Hence I recall so much about the Boiler House.

I eventually went to Gravesend Sea Training School on the 2nd April 1951.



THE TEAM THAT WON THE NUFFIELD CUP 1948/49 SEASON



BACK ROW J.C. ANDREWS (Gum) KEN WILKINSON GEOFF LAUDER H.R. SHEPPARD  
6th Form Teacher/Sports SENIOR BOY'S HOUSEMASTER  
ORGANIST/Piano Teacher

MIDDLE ROW JOHN LONGHURST DAVID CHRISTMAS JOHN JONES DEREK PEARCE GEOF MAUGHAN

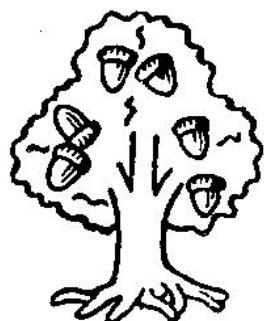
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THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA SCHOOL

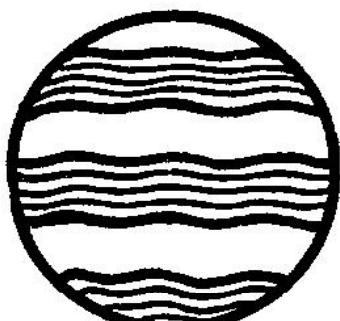


THE GIRLS NETBALL TEAM

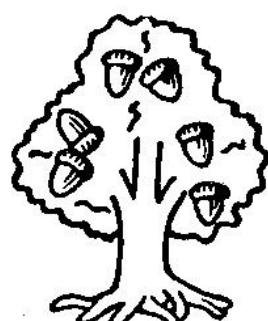
## THE SCHOOL'S ARMS & MOTTO



The Oak Trees depicted in the School's Arms are symbolic of the growth of this School from small beginnings. It was on 10 May 1758, that 12 gentleman met together in a London coffee house and, under the chairmanship of the Reverend Edward Pickard, a Presbyterian minister, decided to establish a cottage home for 20 orphan boys at Hoxton, then a pleasant outlying village.



The Heraldic Fountain in the centre of the Arms is symbolic of the waters of Gatton Park, where a former owner made a 30 acre lake by damming up certain springs and flooding a portion of the old Glebe. It is interesting to note that this lake was made in 1758, the year in which the School was founded. The beauty of the parkland owes its origin to the skilful planning of the famous landscape artist 'Capability' Brown.



The Oak Trees are shown to bear fruit which symbolises the whole purpose of the School. The scholars who leave to go out into the world are the fruit borne by the Foundation, whose endeavour it has always been to create good, Christian citizens able to stand on their own feet; ready and willing to play a useful part in the community. The children are taught that their lives will never be complete unless they are prepared to give some of their time and some of their effort to helping others.



The Lion Rampant signifies the Royal patronage which the School has enjoyed for so many years. Her late Majesty, Queen Mary, was a patron of the School for over 70 years and today the Foundation enjoys the Royal patronage of Her Majesty, The Queen. In ancient heraldry, the lion symbolised the courage and ferocity with which the monarch protects the weak and helpless.

*NISI  
DOMINUS  
FRUSTRÆ*

The School Motto, shared by the City of Edinburgh, is adapted from the 127th Psalm - 'Unless the Lord keep the City the Watchman waketh in vain'.

# Gatton Association Shop



**Gold coloured Maroon Key ring with gold trolley coin**



**MAGLITE -Dark red with laser engraved school logo**



**Ballpoint & Fountain Pen Set with printed logo**



**Gatton Sports Bag in various colours**



**Enamelled gold coloured Badge On Brass  
[Size of a 1p coin]**

# The Gatton Association

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Product Types	Price	Order Amount	UK Price Postage	Europe Price Postage	World Price Postage	Total
<b>Gatton Logo Badge</b>	£3.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 1.50	£ 1.50	£ 1.50	£
<b>Description:</b>	Enamelled gold coloured Badge On Brass. (Up to 5 in one Envelope)					
<b>Pen Set</b>	£6.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 2.75	£ 3.95	£ 4.95	£
<b>Description:</b>	Printed Logo - Ballpoint & Fountain Pen Set					
<b>Gatton Bag</b>	£4.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 2.75	£ 3.95	£ 4.95	£
<b>Colours:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Maroon - <input type="checkbox"/> Purple - <input type="checkbox"/> Navy Blue - <input type="checkbox"/> Grey - <input type="checkbox"/> Black - <input type="checkbox"/> Green					
<b>Trolley Keyring</b>	£3.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£2.75	£ 3.95	£ 4.95	£
<b>Description:</b>	Gold coloured Maroon Key ring with gold coloured logo and on the Flip-side - Gatton Association. (Up to 4 in one Envelope)					
<b>Maglite Torch</b>	£9.99	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 2.75	£ 3.95	£ 4.95	£
<b>Description:</b>	Dark red with laser engraved school logo					
<b>Bundle Types</b>						
<b>Key ring &amp; Gatton Badge</b>	£6.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 3.80	£ 4.80	£ 6.00	£
<b>Torch &amp; Keyring</b>	£12.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	£ 3.80	£ 4.80	£ 6.00	£
<b>Total Amount:</b> <input type="text"/>						

Note: P & P Charges will be adjusted for large or multiple orders.

You can also make up your own customised orders.

Please contact – Phil Wade either by Phone: 07903192989 or  
by E-Mail: [gatton.association@gmail.com](mailto:gatton.association@gmail.com) for further information for P & P Charges

## :: Delivery / Contact Details ::

<b>Title:</b>	<input type="text"/>	<b>First Name:</b>	<input type="text"/>	<b>Surname:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Address:</b>	<input type="text"/>				
<b>Post Code:</b>	<input type="text"/>				
<b>Country:</b>	<input type="text"/>				
<b>Phone:</b>	<input type="text"/>	<b>E-Mail:</b> <input type="text"/>			

# Gatton Association Registration Form

Please **only** complete this form if you are a new registrant or have any change in your contact details

(**Tick as appropriate**):     New Applicant     Amend Existing Details

**PLEASE WRITE IN BLACK INK AND USE PRINTED CHARACTERS**

First Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Former Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please remember to keep us informed of Postal or Email Address changes or our correspondence will not reach you.**

School Location Attended (**tick as appropriate**):

Gatton Park  Maitland  Bishopswood  Elmcroft  Duxhurst  Bedford  Camberley

Other (please state): \_\_\_\_\_

Last House(s) attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Years attended: From:    /    /    To:    /    /

Person(s) wishing to become an associate member will need to provide tentative proof of their connection with an old scholar who attended the school(s). Or how they assist the Gatton Association.

If you would prefer to receive Newsletters etc. by Email please tick the here:

**Please return completed Registration Form to the Membership Co-ordinator:**

ANDREW BAILEY Via Helen Pollard

Royal Alexandra & Albert School, Gatton Park, Reigate, Surrey, United Kingdom, RH2 0TD

**Main Switchboard (044) 01737 649 000 Or**

EMAIL: GATTON.ASSOCIATION@GMAIL.COM OR WEBMASTER@THEGATTONASSOCIATION.COM

If you have any comments or suggestions you would like to pass back to us,  
please do so via Andrew Bailey at the address above.