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Welcome from the Rector

The first months of every new year bring a renewed focus for our senior pupils. For S4 and S5 it is relatively simple. They have finished their prelims and are now working hard towards the real exams in May, aiming to gain the best possible results in all their subjects. For S6 it is a more anxious and uncertain time, as they work on Advanced Highers while waiting to hear if they have a place on their chosen course at university.

Since 2012 and the introduction of higher tuition fees, the university applications landscape in England has changed dramatically, as many institutions have been forced to compete in a market for the best students, or sometimes even enough students, to keep their multi-million pound businesses healthy. In Scotland that has been slightly less noticeable, as Government funding for our pupils has continued, but instead universities want their share of students from outside Scotland, who bring with them vital extra fee income. The overall effect has been a degree of recalibration in respect of what qualifications are required to gain entry to each course. Places at some universities in England have been easier to come by, others have become harder, and the same is also true in Scotland.

Applying for courses is no longer as straightforward as it used to be. A clutch of A grades is often not enough – an applicant for a highly selective course needs to be able to articulate clearly why they want to do it, and there is in many cases an element of luck. This seems a pity.

What has not changed much over recent years is the pattern of where Hutchie pupils want to study. A glance at the statistics for our current S6 shows that Glasgow just pips Edinburgh as the most popular choice this time, with Strathclyde, Dundee, Aberdeen and St Andrews together making a group of six which year after year account for around 85% of all our applications.

There are signs, however, that the pattern of course choice is beginning to shift a little. Until three years ago Medicine, Dentistry and related subjects were invariably top with around 25% of all applications, followed by Economics and Business subjects around 20% and Law, Social Subjects and Science & Engineering each around 15%. In the last two years, however, Science & Engineering has risen to above 25%, Medicine has dropped to 20%, with Economics, Business and Social Subjects at 15%. and Law dropping to below 10%. This could be a short term effect, but it does seem to mirror the different job prospects at the moment in for example, Engineering and Law, and it shows that more than ever our leavers are looking ahead to the difficult time after their degree, when competition to move beyond university has almost become greater than the competition to get there.



I am reassured, as I hope pupils and parents will be, by the ongoing success of our pupils in their school exams, which gives them the best possible chance of getting the university place they want. We know that there is no bias against independent school leavers, and we also know that our leavers tend to succeed at university, and get good jobs afterwards. I think this is partly because we try hard to give our pupils a balanced outlook on life as well as a strong work ethic and a desire to succeed. Life beyond school is about more than just exams.

So like all our pupils, the current S6 still have plenty to be confident about, as they look ahead to 2015 and beyond.

With best wishes for a successful year.

Ken Greig



On the Move for Parkinson's!

The School has been on the move this session raising funds and awareness for the new School Charity Michael's Movers. With events like toy and bake sales, sponsored runs and musical performances pupils have been showing great dedication to the charity which supports people with Parkinson's Disease and those who care for them.

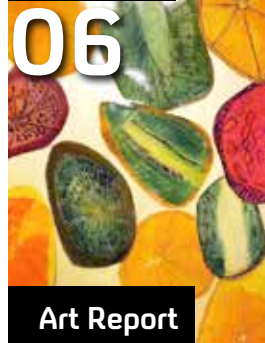
So far we have raised almost £11,000. This total will be boosted by the annual Talent Show and participation in Michael's "Ten Miler" around Cumbrae in May. This would not be possible without the support of parents, children and staff. Thank you all for your support - let's keep this figure on the move!



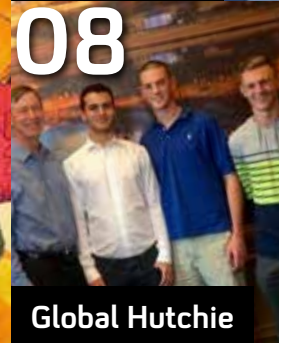
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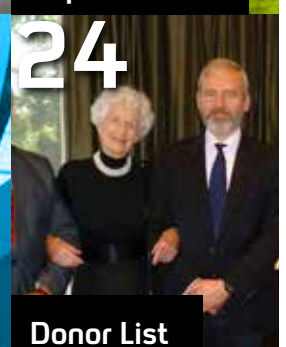
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Bank of England Target 2.0

The Advanced Higher Economists took part in the Target 2.0 challenge in Edinburgh where they were required to advise the Bank of England whether to increase interest rates or maintain them at 0.5%. Read their report below:

Our target 2.0 experience has been a resounding success. Organised by The Bank of England, the competition involves teams of four, from schools across the United Kingdom, presenting to a panel of judges their decision on whether to raise, lower, or maintain current interest rates, emulating the role of the Monetary Policy Committee.

In preparing for the competition, the team was not only able to hone the confidence needed to deliver an effective presentation; we were also able to lay a solid foundation of economic knowledge on which we will continue to build as we approach the Advanced Higher exam in May.

The four presenting team members (Angus O'Donoghue, Arnab Mukherjee, Andrew McGlynn and Rajveer Lalli), as well as the team's assistant and stand-in, Aidan Muir, will take from the experience a sense of achievement and camaraderie which will be of great benefit to us as a class, as we prepare for our end of year exams.

The team would like to thank our teacher, and coach for Target 2.0, Mrs Keddie, who worked tirelessly to juggle our coursework with our competition preparation.



Gold for Gould!

Dewi Gould (S6) has been awarded a British Science Association Gold Crest Award for a project completed at the University of Strathclyde in the Summer of 2014.

During his four week placement, Dewi worked with research scientists at the National Centre for Prosthetics and Orthotics. His investigation into "the design of a gripping mechanism for lower-limb prostheses using the 'Chinese Cuff' braiding pattern" involved working on a method to overcome some of the problems that can arise as a result of ill-fitting artificial limbs.



Hutchesons' trio win Arkwright Scholarships

The Arkwright scheme aims to inspire future leaders in engineering and related areas of design and provides support throughout A Levels and Highers studies. We are delighted that this year three S4 pupils Michael Hain, Alasdair Paul and Daniel Millar received this prestigious scholarship. The pupils underwent a rigorous selection process and will now be able to carry the title of Arkwright Engineering Scholars with them to University. In addition, through the scheme, they will have access to funding, sponsors and a unique gateway to experience in engineering and design.



Meeting the First Minister!

Olivia McCann shares her experiences of meeting and interviewing Nicola Sturgeon, the new First Minister, and being invited to attend First Minister's Questions:

On what was possibly the hottest day of 2014, I met Nicola Sturgeon, MSP for Glasgow Southside, at the close of The Queen's Baton Relay celebrations in Queen's Park, Glasgow on the eve of the Commonwealth Games.

Fast forward to the coldest day of the year so far (Thursday 11th December) and I was travelling to Edinburgh to meet Ms Sturgeon again in her new role as Scotland's First Minister.

Having told her about my interest in Modern Studies, writing and public speaking, I had been invited by Ms Sturgeon to attend First Minister's Questions and a tour of the Scottish Parliament. Even though I set out for Holyrood about 8am, the disruptive weather conditions meant that I arrived at Holyrood with barely enough time to clear security and proceed to the Debating Chamber before FMQs commenced its session at noon. The topics discussed ranged from education to health and fuel poverty and I was very impressed with the Presiding Officer's attempts to maintain order as well as the First Minister's ability to handle what seemed at times to be a very heated debate - although the First Minister did say afterwards that it was an unusually well-behaved chamber that day!

After a very quick lunch I was escorted to Ms Sturgeon's private office by her secretary, Sarah Buchanan. At first, I felt acutely nervous and wondered if this was how the First Minister had felt meeting the Queen at Buckingham Palace the previous day - but I had no need to be because the First Minister was very welcoming and, incredibly, gave me thirty minutes out of her busy schedule to chat about all manner of things, including her experiences of public speaking at school, inspirational figures past and present and, of course, the huge privilege and responsibility of being Scotland's First Minister as well as being the first female First Minister of Scotland.

I truly found the day to be incredibly exciting and I feel privileged and honoured to have interviewed the First Minister. As my first real journalistic experience, it was a fascinating insight into the world of politics and a day I am certain I shall never forget.

Olivia F McCann (4F)



Sir Alexander Stone Memorial Lecture

The School was honoured to welcome Francis Cummings, Musical Director from Sistema Scotland, as guest speaker at this year's Sir Alexander Stone Memorial Lecture. We were delighted that Lady Stone was once again in attendance and would like to thank everyone involved in making the morning such a success.



Michael's Movers Scottish lunch

Secondary and Primary pupils provided the entertainment at Michael's Movers monthly Monday lunch club in January. S3 pupils Flora Ritchie and Annie Gould sang and played violin and Anna McKenzie (S1) demonstrated Scottish dancing. Daniel Ogilvie (P4) and Jock Ritchie, Isabella Brown and Katie Dick (all P6) recited Scots verse. The pupils and our friends from Michael's Movers enjoyed the afternoon tremendously.

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Just a minute

Arun Uttamchandani (S1) became a radio star this February as a contestant on the junior version of the Radio 4 show Just a Minute. Arun was particularly excited to meet the chairman of the game, Nicholas Parsons. He teamed up with Josie Lawrence against Jenny Eclair and another junior player and they emerged triumphant.



1957 Group Update

The 1957 Group had added to its fundraising total with another successful Winter Fair, which raised £6,854 and a very successful quiz, which was once again won by the "Hutchie Bugs!" Donations from the 1957 Group recently financed a new outdoor play area at Kingarth Street which opened last term.



Debating Success for Hutchie Juniors

Two of our Junior Debating teams have found success in the first round of the English Speaking Union Junior Debating Competition. Alex Hyman and James Taylor (S1) and Suhit Amin and Arbaaz Hayat (S2) received high praise from the judges from Glasgow University and both teams will progress to the second round of the competition.



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Summer memories

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) focuses on individual challenge and team cooperation and is a positive experience for pupils. Sahil Kakar (S5) commented, "It was really satisfying to climb to the top of an 800m mountain." Nikhil Agarwal (S5) added "I thoroughly enjoyed this challenging experience in the Highlands. I learned many valuable life skills." Niharika Madhukar (S5) had "tons of fun!" saying "Completing Silver DofE is definitely one of my greatest achievements!"



Rotary Success!

The final of The Rotary Club of Glasgow Public Speaking Competition took place in November. Speaking for Hutchie were Mark Fisher, on WW1 and the trenches; Emily Smith, on the origins of networking; Colette Watt, on the topic of instincts; Olivia McCann, who weaved poetry into a discussion of the web; and of course, me. Winning was an incredible honour for me - given the standard of the competitors, and well done also to Olivia, who came a close second.
By Charles Forbes (S5).

Young Enterprise 2015

This year has again been an eventful one for our Young Enterprise companies. Three groups were selected to take part; **Satisfashion**, **Indulge** and **Elementary**. **Satisfashion** focused on a current trend with personalised monogramme t-shirts, **Indulge** decided on an exclusive cook book while **Elementary** has worked on event planning and held a gig focusing on local talent. The companies have certainly learned that you have to work hard to succeed!



Art Report

Primary School Art Gallery

We are delighted to showcase the work of our younger pupils in a new online Flickr gallery which can be accessed via the school website. It features a wide range of work from across the primary, with P1-P7 children showing confidence in both traditional skills like drawing and painting and developing 3D skills in mixed media and sculpture.

www.hutchesons.org/primaryart



Secondary School

A series of creative workshops have given senior pupils the opportunity to try out new techniques and work collaboratively with practising artists:

Miss Lovell and Mr McQueen accompanied sixth year pupils to the Glasgow Print Studio at the Trongate 103 where they attended a Masterclass in Japanese Woodcutting under the watchful eye of printmaking technician and artist, Ian McNicol.

More recently The S4 twilight class learnt how to paint a landscape in miniature whilst developing their watercolour skills.

As part of the S3 Art and Design course,



pupils visited The Glasgow Museums' Resource Centre in Nitshill to experience looking at works of art ranging from Dutch Vanitas Still Life paintings and Degas' Ballet Dancers to the more contemporary work of Elizabeth Blackadder and Kate Downie.

2015 promises to be a busy year for the art department with collaborations planned with Christine Thomson, The Papercut Artist, and a new venture coordinated by Miss Armour to work with Rhubarb and Ginger Textiles, a design and print company based in the south side of the city. Watch this space to see what our S1's and S2's create in the coming months!

Stamp of approval!

Pupil Art has featured on a range of Art Postcards, Birthday Cards and Christmas Cards which have been sent all over the world by our Rector, Development Office, Staff and Art Department. Unfortunately there isn't room to show all the images here but congratulations to everyone who had their work featured! You can check out the full story at www.hutchesons.org/news



Pupil shines in the Nutcracker Ballet

During the winter season, Caitlin Broily (S1B) was a member of the cast in a wonderful staging of The Nutcracker ballet. Many pupils and staff attended the performances in Glasgow and Edinburgh and thoroughly enjoyed the show. Caitlin had the role of a young child and also a mouse. The costumes and performances were amazing!

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S1 S2 show

In December, more than 70 pupils from S1 and S2 drama clubs performed in the first show of the academic year, "Hutchie Goes West", which paid tribute to some of the most popular shows from the USA. S1 sang songs from classic musicals such as 'Annie Get Your Gun', 'Calamity Jane' and 'Oklahoma' while S2 adopted a high school theme with performances from 'Grease' and 'Fame'. Well done to all pupils involved for their unwavering energy, enthusiasm and commitment.



Strictly good fun!

In the run up to the festive season pupils were treated to Hutchie's own version of Strictly. Brave staff couples took to the floor to show off their dancing skills! The winners were our cover stars Rosemary Housley and Graeme Scott and the event raised around £800 for School Charity Michael's Movers. Huge thanks must go to all the helpers, dancers and judges and to the organisers Karen McGibbons and William Fergusson. Keep dancing!



Carmina Burana & Carnival of the Animals

On Thursday the 27th of November Hutchesons' Grammar School choirs, percussion ensemble & orchestra graced the newly refurbished Helen and Walter Ross Assembly Hall with performances of Orff's Carmina Burana and Saint-Saëns' Carnival of the Animals under music director Ken Walton.

We were delighted to welcome soloists from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland including former pupil **Hebba Benyaghla (C2013)**, **Charlie Drummond**, **Christian Schneeberger** & **David Horton**.

The audience of over 300 showed their appreciation with a standing ovation and both performances were highly enjoyed.

Special thanks must also go to Biggars Music who kindly lent us the Kawai Grand Piano used for the performance.

Finally, we would like to express our appreciation all those who contributed to the Piano fund, the evening raised almost £700!



Senior pupils enjoyed a glittering masked ball in December! Pictures from the event are now available on the Hutchie Flickr!

www.flickr.com/hutchesonsgrammar

Global Hutchie

Jim McDougall,
Depute Rector

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Aidan and Raj with John Hickenlooper, Governor of Colorado and hosts from Colorado Academy



Ryan Buchanan (C2010) on site in Nicaragua, showing that global citizenship is for life



Young global citizens from P6 ran the Fair Trade cafe and prepared a booklet explaining Fair Trade.

Looking outwards: Global citizenship at Hutchie

Our quest for global citizenship at Hutchie is based on core values and these values interplay to help foster a sense of community and citizenship, both at local and international level. Let's take two of these values, curiosity and compassion, and explore how they help us to devise and inform our approach to international education and global citizenship.

Compassion arises from knowledge and awareness of peoples and places, and our goal is to ensure pupils are as well as informed as possible about the world into which they will take their place as decision makers, travellers, producers or consumers. Staff and pupils work hard to live up to the aspirations of our core values. Miss Akiko Tomitaka, Head of International Education, is working with departments to explore ways of developing global citizenship in the curriculum.

Curiosity drives our pupils to seek opportunities abroad. October saw the initial leg of our newly established exchange programme with Colorado Academy in Denver, with Aidan Muir and Rajveer Lalli (S6) spending two weeks finding out about politics, law and culture in Colorado, meeting the Governor days before his re-election, and sightseeing in the Rockies.

"My host family was impossibly kind and accommodating and I already feel that I have made a lifelong friend in John, my exchange partner. If given the opportunity, I would return to Denver in a heartbeat. I urge anyone and everyone to apply for this exchange - it is a highly educational and transformative experience."

Aidan Muir, S6 exchange pupil

Twelve senior pupils visited schools in Moshi, Tanzania, this year while the S6 J8 group took part in a study tour of Nitte in India. Ailidh McIntosh (S5) spent her summer in Goulburn, Australia, attending school there. Different opportunities to give pupils rare first-hand experience of local communities.

"The children in Zambia were truly amazing, and their excitement when they completed an exercise well was inspiring".

Alistair Gamble, S6

Many pupils already do voluntary work, through DofE, or in their own neighbourhoods. Some, like Alistair Gamble (S6) go further afield. Alistair spent four weeks teaching Maths and Science through the African Impact Teaching and Learning project in Zambia during his summer holidays, all through his own organisation. Former pupils, continue to be involved in communities across the world. Last year Mei Lin Lee and Ryan Buchanan spoke to S6 about volunteering in Tanzania and Central America. With the appointment of Mr Ian Harrow as Head of Community, our aim is to develop a school wide commitment to citizenship and service, an important part of our ethos and values.

We also continue to host pupils from link schools; in November, six students from Hans Sachs Gymnasium joined us for our Winter Fair,

and managed to take time to visit the Scottish Parliament, the Goethe Institute and Glasgow City Chambers, an open top bus tour and a rugby match at GHA. Pupils have been inspired by national events such as the Global Student Forum and We Day.

Perhaps the Referendum has energised our pupils, for there is no shortage of campaigning and awareness-raising on global issues. The Model UN Society has discussed fracking, women's rights and the geopolitics of the Middle East. A new Political Society has been formed, with impassioned debate on matters both national and international. Hutchie Amnesty Group, lead by Jamie Rodney, Emilie Naddell (S6) and a group of Fifth Year pupils run a well supported weekly letter writing campaign. The group organised a café for Scottish Refugee Week, to draw attention to the lack of rights many women have. They have addressed assemblies, run a poster competition and Jamie was selected to serve on the national Amnesty Youth Committee.

Global citizenship means thinking about responsible, sustainable living. In Modern Studies pupils examine the idea of citizenship while in S2 History they learn about the civil rights movement, complementing their English text book "Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry". First year geographers learn about food security and Sustainable Development. Thinking of others, the school has got behind the South East Glasgow Food Bank.

"A huge thank you to all concerned at Hutchesons' Grammar for your support and encouragement. We really appreciate you partnering with us to try to meet the needs and alleviate the poverty of some of the most vulnerable people in our community."

Don Palmer, Glasgow SE Foodbank

Sustainability is not just learning facts. We are committed to recycling, with all plastics, tins and paper collected together as "Dry Mixed Recycling." We regularly donate clothes to St Rollox and recently we sent off a large quantity of Science text books to Africa. Plus, to celebrate the theme of sustainability and citizenship, we held a Green café at Christmas. We were delighted to welcome groups, such as Friends of Maxwell Park, South Seeds and Orkidstudio, who work in developing countries with local people to design the right kind of buildings.

The Hutchie Challenge devised by Mr Clarke, Head of Geography, continues to roll out. This challenge idea started with our partner school in Nitte, but word has spread, and we now have links with several schools, creating a global community of learners, from as far afield as Nepal, Botswana, Malawi and the Solomon Islands. We hope to share our research findings at a later date.

In all of this we want to make global citizenship and international education something not just to be learned, but to be experienced. We are always looking for friends and alumni of our school to help us to create opportunities for our pupils, so please do get in touch with Jim McDougall or Akiko Tomitaka if you are interested in our international education programme.



S6 pupil hits the right note with Scottish Opera, RSNO and the Big Noise project!

Talented Anna Heywood (S6) has been recognised for her musical ability in several disciplines and organisation in 2014.

During the summer holiday Anna spent a week with Scottish Opera and due to the potential she displayed, the Scottish Opera has invited her to join its Connect Chorus. She had the great privilege of singing with Sir Willard White in Puccini's Turandot late last year.

Anna has also been involved with Sistema Scotland's Big Noise project in Govanhill which began in 2013. Anna performs as volunteer violist and assists professional violinist, Guido de Groote, in coaching local primary pupils - a wonderful opportunity to work with children within the community. Anna worked alongside Violin star Nicola Benedetti, the patron of Big Noise, during the live showing of the BBC Ten Pieces which was recently presented to school children across the country.

After an intensive interview Anna was accepted into the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO) Young Ambassadors programme to champion Glasgow, joining 20 pupils chosen from across Scotland. Anna will have input in the Orchestra's future plans to engage with young people across the country, and free access (with guests) to attend RSNO concerts to encourage an interest in classical music among young people.

Anna has a blog and twitter page to discuss music, where she critiques each RSNO concert and is busy converting others to the classical genre - one friend commented that despite expectations of attending a boring event she really loved it and wants to go again!



Starting the conversation!

A review of the 2015 Talking Points program from Michael Christine (S6):

Talking points is an extremely unique experience for S6, as we are able to hear from many different people all in different expertise about their careers and their life journey - from learning about the impact of being a prisoner to learning about the physics involved in juggling. It is easily said that, Talking Points this year has been of great benefit for the pupils of S6, as pupils are able to learn more about different careers and broaden their vision to different prospects of life. Pupils also have the ability to ask more questions in more detail through lunchtimes, which are held after the lecture and some lecturers, have even stayed behind to help Advanced Higher classes with their dissertations, which is a great opportunity for S6 pupils to better their work. So far this year the talking points speakers have been fantastic and by the look of things I can only see my interest in learning about other people's careers only growing.

Please see our website for more Talking Points articles from our Sixth Year pupils

Photographs: Anna Heywood (S6)



Youth Philanthropy Initiative

In November 2014, the Youth Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) was launched for the S3 Year Group. Over the course of several weeks, small groups of pupils were set the challenge of identifying a local charity, researching their work through visits and interviews and putting together a presentation with the aim of winning a grant of £3000 for their chosen charity.

Following several rounds of judging and lots of hard work during form time, 5 groups made it through to the final on Monday 2nd February 2015. Charities represented in the final included Neil's Wheels, Temple Swimming, Glasgow City Mission, Symphony of Dreams and Later Learning. The afternoon was a most enjoyable occasion which highlighted a lot of charity work which takes place in our local community. The groups had worked hard to produce very entertaining, informative presentations and it was difficult to choose an overall winner. The judging panel, which included Dr Greig, Prof. Williams, Mr Martin, Mr McDougall, Mrs Whitehill and Deputy Head Girl and Boy Megan & Andrew, decided that the Symphony of Dreams, a charity who 'make dreams a reality through music' should be awarded the grant.





International Athletics Medalist

Congratulations to Alessandro Schenini of S3 who was selected to represent the Scottish Schools U16 athletics team in the home international pentathlon match at the Emirates Arena in Glasgow on Saturday 13th December 2014. Alessandro achieved four personal bests and is pictured above right with his bronze medal.

Scottish Schools Swimming Championships

Molly Young	13/14 Girls	6th position 100m Back 1:13:31 Personal Best 7th position 200m Back with 2:37:42 Personal Best
Annie Gould	15/16 Girls	18th 200m Back 2.40.87s
Elise Fitzgerald	Under 12 Girls	5th in Heat 35.82s 9th in Final 38.82s



Medal Success in the Glasgow Schools Championships

At the Glasgow Schools Primary Swimming Finals, held at Drumchapel Swimming Pool, our swimming teams did extremely well winning 3 Gold, 10 Silver and 4 Bronze medals. Gold medallists were Molly Young (U14 100m Breaststroke), Annie Gould (U16 100m Backstroke) and Allister Torrance (U14 50m Freestyle). The 11years and under boys Relay team Alex McKinnon, James Torrance, Michael Macaulay and Bobbie Gillespie also had a very exciting race and the boys were delighted to win the gold medal and the Milne Trophy.



Scottish Schools Athletics Championships

The Scottish Schools Indoor Athletics Championships took place at The Emirates Arena. All our athletes competed very well. For the boys, Alessandro Schenini (S3) finished 4th in the 400m and Long Jump, narrowly missing bronze and school records in both events. In the girls' competitions, Catriona Reid (S4) finished 2nd equal and won silver in the High Jump, clearing the same height as the eventual winner and Megan Kane (S3) won the bronze. The highlight of the day was the gold medal run by Sarah Eunson (S4) in the 800m. The previous week, Sarah (pictured above) had broken the national U17 record which had been in the possession of Lindsay MacDonald since 1980 and she dominated the 800m at the Emirates, winning her heat and final quite comfortably. An outstanding performance!



Gold Medal gymnast inspires

Commonwealth gold medal gymnast Steve Frew visited Kingarth Street as part of the Sky Sports Living for Sport project. A group of pupils are encouraged to develop specific skills (the six keys to success) in order to help them organise a sporting event at the end of the project. The House and Vice Captains met Steve to focus on the keys of 'people skills' and 'planning for success'.

Sports Results Swimming Gala Results February 2015

Boys Junior Championships

First : Allister Torrance - S2
Second : Matthew Conroy - S2
Third : Robbie Prentice - S1 & Luke Pelosi S2

Girls Junior Championships

First : Molly Young - S2
Second : Helen Brown - S2
Third : Ellie Lonergan - Black - S1

Boys Senior Championships

First : Aynsle Scott - S4
Second : Yevgeniy Hildebrandt - S5
Third : David Brown - S4

Girls Senior Championships

First : Annie Gould - S3
Second : Louise Redpath - S4
Third : Cara Taggart - S3

NEW RECORDS Junior Girls Championship 50m Butterfly: Molly Young -34.75 (2015)

Primary House Championship

First : Stuart **Second** : Lochiel
Third : Montrose **Fourth** : Argyll

Lifesaving

Boys : Argyll – Oscar Lonergan - Black, James Torrance
Girls : Lochiel – Elise Fitzgerald, Jill Carswell

Hockey Finalists

The Junior Boys' Hockey Team met Douglas Academy in the final of the Scottish Schools Cup, played at the Commonwealth Games Stadium at Glasgow Green. The score was 3-3 at full-time and 2-1 to Douglas Academy in the penalty shootout. Nevertheless, reaching the finals was a landmark and great achievement for the team.

Glasgow Schools Cross Country

At the Glasgow Schools Cross Country Championships last Friday at Nether Pollok our teams performed extremely well with the School results as follows:

Team Medals	Individual medals
Team Gold: Girls S1, S3 and S4	Gold: Sofia Kirkpatrick S1, Emily Crusher S3, Sarah Eunson S4 and Harry Nimmo S3.
Team Silver: Girls Senior and Boys S1 and S3	Silver: Katie Turnbull S6 and Kirsty Griffiths S4.
Team Bronze: Girls S2 and Senior Boys.	Bronze: Kate Richardson S1



Brothers walk the West Highland Way

At the end of June, Nicholas (P1), Christopher (P6) and Alasdair (S2) Richmond set out on a family challenge to walk the West Highland Way, including climbs of Ben Nevis and Ben Lomond. With their parents, the boys completed the 200km walk over ten days whilst camping and carrying their own kit. The family raised over £4000 which was split between Breakthrough Breast Cancer and the World Scout Jamboree which Alasdair will be attending in Japan in summer 2015.

A Great start for Primary 1



Weird Science

Pupils from Primary 1 visited Beaton Road and took part in Biology, Chemistry and Physics activities as part of their Winter topic. They went to the Science department and met three of the secondary science teachers at Hutchesons' - Miss Griggs, Mr Boswell and Mr McMullen. They learned about friction, melting and floating and sinking. They even got to sit on a hovercraft which Mr McMullen had built!



P1 pupils meet a pharmacist

Parent and former pupil Mr Sheikh came to visit Primary 1 to tell the pupils about his career as part of the 'People who help us' topic. The children discovered that pharmacists are responsible for dispensing medicines. They asked him many questions about his job and his typical day. They found out how a pharmacist helps with the safe and effective use of medicines as well as providing advice on general health issues. The pupils would like to thank Mr Sheikh for taking the time to visit Kingarth Street!

A big first term for our smallest pupils



P1 pupils pack their trunks

The sound of marching and trumpeting filled the air as the P1s enjoyed a musical performance on the subject of diversity. The children's book character Elmer the Elephant inspired the colourful event and provided the theme: that everyone is special and different in their own way. The children had a chance to try out a variety of instruments and music teacher Mrs Stevenson was on hand as usual to provide encouragement and inspiration with a range of songs and music.



A Reel Success

In what has become an annual tradition at the Primary, the P1 children took part in a musical event with exuberant singing and dancing. They were entertained by the Kingarth St Ceilidh band, watched highland dancers, heard songs and poems from Prerana Parasher (P6P) and Richa Nayak (P6C) and also had the chance to perform a Scots poem themselves.



Getting their teeth into dental hygiene!

In November Primary 1 pupils enjoyed a hilarious visit from the 'tooth fairy' and learned all about taking care of their teeth as part of their 'Taking Care of Ourselves' topic. The tooth fairy encouraged P1 to brush regularly and the children have also been discovering the hidden causes of decay such as sugary drinks and food. As you can see by the smiles it was a very entertaining way to learn!



Twinkle Twinkle!

The Annual Nativity Show is very much a family affair at Hutchesons' and a labour of love for our P1 teachers and the Primary Music staff – who once again reminded us of the quality of commitment and performance that even our youngest pupils can provide, when given the right amount of practice and encouragement. The high point for many in the audience was a wonderful rendition of Silent Night, which caused quite a few glistening eyes, but, as usual, the whole show was a treat!



Walk this way! Staying safe on our roads

Primary 1 has been learning about Road Safety. Pupils were lucky enough to enjoy a visit from Hutchie's very own lollipop man Mr Gibson who told them why it is important to cross the road safely. They also went for an informative and fun road safety walk in the local area looking for road signs and markings and trying out the different crossings.



An explosive lesson for P2!

Last autumn the P2 classes visited Beaton Rd Chemistry department to learn about explosions and how to keep safe when watching fireworks. When the children arrived at Mr Ferguson's classroom they had to put on safety goggles. Then the excitement began as Mr Ferguson made different explosions of colours by lighting different powders. Next he made sparklers which were very impressive, followed by big bangs and burning bubbles! There was a talk about keeping safe on firework night – including the correct way to hold and put out sparklers.



Bestselling author visits Kingarth Street

Primary 4 and Primary 5 were lucky enough to have a visit from the Australian children's author Jacqueline Harvey. Jacqueline was very engaging and everyone had great fun taking part in her dramatic workshop and talk, which were based on the characters from her two bestselling series: Alice-Miranda and Clementine Rose. Audience participation was encouraged and pupils asked questions enthusiastically at the end. There was even a surprise in store as it turned out that Jacqueline used to teach one of our senior pupils, Kim Bunis (S6), when she lived in Australia! The two were very happy to be reunited.



If the Shoe Fits!

Last November Primary 4 pupils treated their parents, teachers and fellow pupils to a wonderful rendition of Roald Dahl's 'Cinderella'. The Ugly Sisters were a hilarious comedy pairing, Cinderella and the Fairy Godmother were fittingly pretty and wonderful dancers, the Handsome Prince and the 'Jam Man' were suitably dashing, the clock had impeccable timing and stage presence and, above all, the various townspeople, courtiers and ball guests had such fun on the night giving a great performance. Thanks must go to all the staff for helping to create such a great show and to the young performers for their talent and enthusiasm!



P4 visit a historic Synagogue

In December P4 visited the Garnethill Synagogue to learn more about Jewish places of worship. The synagogue was built in the period of 1879-81 and is a Glasgow City Council listed heritage building, described as the 'Mother Synagogue of Glasgow.' The children had spent time in school learning about the Jewish faith and were very excited to be able to visit a synagogue. During the tour the classes were able to see around this magnificent building and asked questions about the many interesting things that they saw. Pupils enjoyed the visit and would like to extend their thanks to all at the synagogue for the warm welcome and informative tour.



P3 Charity Toy Sale raises £400!

In Primary 3 the children thought that it would be a good idea for people to have a post-Christmas clear out and donate any unwanted books or toys in order to raise money for the school's chosen charity, Michael's Movers. The response from all the pupils in P1 – P7 was overwhelming. The P3s worked extremely hard sorting items for the sale on Friday 16th January. Primary 4 pupils gave up their lunch break and worked on stalls selling items, which involved great maths skills, calculating amounts and change to be given. In total, the P3s raised almost £400 for Michael's Movers, a staggering amount which will be greatly appreciated and put to very good use!



How the body works with P2

The P2 classes had various trips and visits last term relating to their Science Topic about The Body and The Five Senses. They were visited by 2 parents; Dr Baker and Mrs MacQuien, an optician. Dr Baker talked to the children about how to keep their bodies healthy. Pupils discovered how the organs fit inside the body using a plastic model. They also discussed the importance of eating a healthy, balanced diet. Mrs MacQuien helped pupils learn about the sense of sight and how vision works. She showed pupils a series of short, fun film clips that illustrated the importance of visiting an optician. The pupils were grateful for such interesting, informative talks. Pupils also visited 'Body Works' at The Science Centre. They explored the exhibition and had fun at the workshop finding out how food travels through the body. They watched the food go down the oesophagus and learned that the small intestine is over 5 metres long. It was a great trip!



P3 report on Playground maths task

Our playground has changed a lot this year. We have a big Quiet Zone now and in October, we had to do some very strange 3D maths for the next bit of our playground. We were going to get a small stage built. We went into the playground and found Mr Waugh standing beside a big pile of wood. He gave us a bit of paper with a diagram of how the wood should all be laid out, then let us all work it out. We had to work together to lift the bits of wood and we had to keep looking back at his design. We got it wrong a few times, but eventually got it. After we'd sorted that, the stage was finished and now we have great fun being stars and putting on productions for our friends at break time.



Mock Court success for P6C

Congratulations to P6C whose efforts over the past term have paid off with a well deserved place in the finals of the 'Mock Court' project. P6C beat a number of other schools and will now represent Hutchie and the West of Scotland in an exciting final taking place in Edinburgh in March. Good Luck!



Glasgow Central Mosque visit for P6

Pupils enjoyed a visit to Glasgow Central Mosque at the beginning of November to learn more about Islam. They were shown around the mosque by Zubeir Alvi who was an excellent guide. The children commented on their time at the mosque saying: "My favourite part was learning about Wuzu" Prerana Parasher, "My favourite part was seeing the prayer room" Sana Zeeshan, and "I enjoyed sharing my experience of the mosque with my family" Amber Beckwith.



P7 Dance the night away!

Children in P7 showed off their moves at the Christmas dance and enjoyed a party buffet as well. The assembly hall had become a stunningly lit ballroom for the evening, and we would like to thank all staff for being on hand to make this a memorable event for our oldest primary pupils.

An educational trip to Mugdock for P4

Pupils from P4 went on an exciting visit to Mugdock Country Park to learn more about the abundance of nature and to enjoy some breathtaking views! Park Rangers taught the pupils about the many different trees that grow at Mugdock. Children counted the rings of a fallen beech tree and discovered to their astonishment that it was over 300 years old! A fantastic scavenger hunt was the highlight of the visit. The pupils all loved the trip and would like to thank the Park Rangers for a fun and educational day out.



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Developing the Spirit of Research!

'Announcing The Hutchesons' Centre for Research: facilitating collaborations between Hutchesons' and the academic research community'.

Hutchesons' Grammar School has long recognised the crucial role that research plays in education. Since 2007 pupils in S6 have been encouraged to conduct an Independent Research Paper (IRP) on a topic of their choosing. Just last year pupils submitted IRPs on topics ranging from Nietzsche's moral philosophy to chaos theory.

"I have gained a lot from this process of researching and writing my IRP. It has taught me how to write mathematical papers, something which will help me at University. It was also enjoyable to be able to create my own work, something from scratch that I'm proud of. As you decide yourself when to work and how much to do it is a feeling of independence which is not usually felt in school, with no parents or teachers pushing you for deadlines".

Teaching staff at Hutchesons' have also fostered a spirit of research in order to enhance their practice and have pursued projects on areas ranging from the archaeology of human origins to the role of professional learning communities within schools. Hutchesons' has always been keen to engage in research collaborations with external academic partners. For example, in 2013 pupils in S4 and S5 were given the opportunity to present their own research papers at an international conference on the theme of philosophy and museums. Pupils had worked with university academics and museum professionals for a year in the lead up to this event, conducting their own research on philosophical theories and museum collections, and the Royal Institute of Philosophy annual conference was their opportunity to showcase their work to an international audience.

Professor Taliaferro in discussion with philosophy pupils



The culmination of this growing spirit of research in Hutchesons' has been the establishment of our own research centre, the Hutchesons' Centre for Research (HCR), in 2014. The HCR will further develop this burgeoning community of scholars at Hutchesons' comprising our pupils, staff and external researchers, by drawing together existing research activities while at the same time creating new opportunities. The HCR is a multi-disciplinary hub for innovative research. It will foster and develop a spirit of research as a life-long and life-enhancing activity that develops an individual's intellectual and personal life as well as their academic and professional success.

One crucial role that the HCR will play will be to link up pupil and staff interests with the result that pupil IRPs will grow organically out of staff research interests much in the same way that research projects, dissertations and postgraduate work does in universities.

In this way the HCR will enhance the experience of research amongst both our pupils and staff: both will be part of something bigger and, of course, this will be further enhanced by university partnerships. A good example of just how the HCR will draw on current activities while creating new opportunities is the project that Mr Calvin Clarke, Head of

"The opportunities for research I undertook in my fifth and sixth years at school were invaluable in counterbalancing the rote-learning that school courses often necessitate, facilitating the free, independent thought that good university study is all about. These experiences allowed me to ease into coursework in my first semester, confident in my ability to support and express complex ideas and apply the critical thinking skills which have proved essential to legal study. Most importantly of all, my research taught me that academic learning could be incredibly fulfilling - something I could easily devote a further four (and preferably many more) years of my life to."

FP Lucy McCracken, undergraduate Law and French, University of Edinburgh.



Geography at Hutchesons, is developing into barriers to education around the world. Building upon eight years work leading the 'Hutchie Challenge', which challenges pupils in link schools around the world to conduct research projects into barriers to education in their local communities, Calvin is currently establishing a project that will develop and disseminate the results of these pupils' research projects as educational resources in an online forum.

Central to the development of the HCR will be the role played by its Academic Advisory Panel (AAP). The AAP of the HCR is made up of leading academics and



professionals in a number of fields including education, management and molecular and the sciences.

"Life-long learning has a measurable impact on many facets of our lives, extending beyond the individual into the wider community. Understanding and appreciating the role of research and the research culture is embedded in this, and I am firmly of the view that the Hutchesons' Centre for Research will provide a unique focus in this regard, providing students with unique insight into any subject, and enhance and extend their learning and development. I am excited to be part of it."

Professor Gwyn Gould, Professor of Cell Biology, Institute of Molecular Cell and Systems Biology, University of Glasgow.

The AAP will play the crucial role of helping the HCR develop into a world-leading centre for research at the interface of school and university education.

"The HCR builds upon the academic strength of Hutchesons' and has the potential to not only energise pupils and staff through a greater understanding of what research really means, but will also encourage them to do meaningful research themselves".

Dr Ken Greig, Rector, Hutchesons' Grammar School.

By placing such an emphasis on research Hutchesons' Grammar School is truly at the forefront of education in Scotland. This fact is crystalized when one considers the General Teaching Council for Scotland's emphasis on the role that undertaking research plays in developing our teachers as part of their professional review and development. The HCR has the potential to be world-leading in its function as a hub for innovative research conducted at the interface of schools and universities.

Dr Philip Tonner, Director,
The Hutchesons' Centre for Research.



Choosing the right career path

There have been a wide variety of exciting opportunities for our pupils to find out more about their choice of career this academic year.

We have been fortunate to have visits from each of the Armed Services to help answer questions from interested pupils. In November the Fulbright Commission led an information session for pupils keen to find out more about applying to a university in the USA.

The Medical Union continues to flourish with visits from 2 doctors as well as from a pharmacist. Those pupils applying to study medicine at university also benefited from UKCAT preparation, a practice MMI session and as well as a visit from Dr Miller (c2005) covering Problem Based Learning. This has all been in addition to our normal programme of support for all S6 pupils incorporating Interview Skills Workshops and Mock Interviews. Recent former pupils have also been on-hand to share their experiences and advice.

The pupils have also attended a number of external lectures. In November four S5 pupils (pictured top) attended the Allan Glen Tribute Lecture entitled 'Flight Test and Engineering'.

In December nine S2 pupils (pictured above) attended the School Cyber Security Lectures and were particularly interested when one of the speakers demonstrated the ease with which devices can be hacked through the use of the internet. At the same time four S5 pupils were attending Young People's Christmas Lecture given by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons entitled 'The Rise of the Machines'. Later this term the S5 pupils will have the opportunity to attend conferences about applying to Oxbridge as well as a lecture by the Law Society. In March all Fourth Year pupils have the opportunity to come to our annual Careers Convention and meet with consultants covering approximately 60 different disciplines.

If you would like to contribute in some way to careers education within the school please email us on careers@hutchesons.org

Former Pupils News

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**Douglas Boyd OBE
FRSAMD (C1956)**

We are delighted to share the news that Douglas was elected Preceptor of Hutchesons' Hospital on 16th June 2014.



Matron makes a splash for Diabetes UK

School matron Kirsty Reid has been making a splash by fundraising for Diabetes UK, a charity that both supports those with diabetes and pioneering research into the condition. She previously swam the channel for the charity two years ago when her team raised £60K and this year she will be completing a whopping 22 miles in the pool. Her achievements have been making the news and she featured in the Daily Record earlier this month. We wish her luck for her pool challenge!



Sheena Birch née Brotchie (C1963)

Sheena took part in the London great river race on 27th September 2014. 21 miles from the Isle of dogs to Richmond in Surrey. Her team managed to take 2nd place in the ladies section. She is part of the rowing section of the Madoc yacht club in Porthmadog North Wales. Sheena also travelled to Italy last October to race on Lake Maggiore. She is horizontal in the above photograph!

Peter McCallum (C2002)

Peter is planning to take part in a sponsored climb of Kilimanjaro this summer, to help raise funds for Meningitis research. If any member of our school community would like to help him reach his goal, please go to his JustGiving page:

www.justgiving.com/Pete-McCallum



Olivia Giles (C1983)

Inspirational FP Olivia Giles has been spearheading the Big Dinner Campaign, as part of her work for the Charity 500 Miles. Olivia was working as a lawyer in 2002 when she caught meningococcal septicaemia and had to have her hands and feet amputated to save her life and in 2007 she founded the charity 500 miles, which supplies prosthetic limbs to developing countries. The Hutchie community has been supporting this cause and as we go to press, many dinners will have been held – including School and staff events. Please support this campaign if you can, and sit down to eat so that in Africa, someone will stand up and walk. For information visit www.bigdinner.co.uk



Emma Brankin (C2006)

Emma has been carving out a media career and is now senior showbiz reporter with The Sun. Viewers may have seen her recent Oscars coverage and guest spot on Channel 5 news discussing the enduring appeal of TV show Friends.

Dr James Grant (C2006)

James completed a DPhil in Law at the University of Oxford in 2014, having previously studied at the University of Glasgow and University of Cambridge. In June 2014, he was appointed as a Lecturer in Law at the University of Sheffield, specialising in constitutional and administrative law, human rights law, and legal philosophy. In addition to teaching and research, he is the School of Law's Director of International Affairs, with responsibility for all student exchange programmes.



Muriel Levin (1959)

Muriel is the Director of Holiday Music, which offers piano/chamber music courses at The Yehudi Menuhin School in Surrey. They offer Interpretation, Technique and Ensemble workshops for pianists and other instrumentalists including singers, making music in any combination, including group sessions in Creativity & Dance and Alexander Technique. The next course dates are Spring (30th March-2nd April) and Summer (27th-30th August). The venue provides full board excellent accommodation with ideal facilities for music-making and a modern swimming-pool. Some scholarships are available. See www.holidaymusiccourses.co.uk for details.



Katharine Elliot (2007)

After leaving Hutchesons', during her gap year, Katharine worked at a Red Cross Hospital in Japan, before attending Newcastle University, where she also volunteered to work with orphaned children in Tanzania. In 2013, she gained a Masters Degree in cancer research and in 2014 graduated as a Bachelor of Surgery and a Bachelor of Medicine. In 2014 she became a junior doctor for Raigmore Hospital, Inverness, on a two year academic foundation program, the second of which will be spent at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary with three months as a teaching fellow at Aberdeen University.

Rachel Hanretty (C2007)

As well as receiving the George and Thomas Hutcheson Young Achiever award, Rachel, who is already a successful entrepreneur with her patisserie business Mademoiselle Macaron, has been popping up on TV screens with guest slots on James Martin's Home Comforts series for BBC2 and in a documentary on the Scottish Vintage scene for BBC Alba.



Sue Ward (C1971)

Sue Ward recently awarded the MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours' for her services to further education and young people with mental health conditions. Sue has worked in further education colleges for the past 24 years and at Highbury College Portsmouth for the last 14 years. Sue has developed an expertise across the specialist area of supporting students with learning difficulties and disabilities. This has particularly benefited those who suffer episodes of mental ill health and poor wellbeing through the ability to influence, innovate and effect changes in thinking and attitude within further education towards mental health illness. Sue retired on 27 June 2014 but will return to Highbury College from September 2014 to undertake project work on a part time basis for mental health initiatives and a restorative justice project.



Pat Warwick (C1965)

Patricia Marwick, née Begg, C1965 has been presented with the highest award possible with the organisation for outstanding service to guiding. Pat was delighted to receive the Laurel Award. It celebrates her 44 years as a leader with Girlguiding UK and was presented by the Scottish chief commissioner, Sue Walker. Patricia said: "I'm chuffed to bits to receive the award, I love volunteering with Girlguiding UK. One of the best bits of the job is helping younger girls and women to achieve their potential." Pat was deputy Scottish chief commissioner from 2007-2012 and now chairs a working group at Netherurd training centre, Peebles and is County President for North Lanarkshire. Her other honours include the Scottish chief commissioners award.



David Linderman (C2011)

Co-founder of Tinbox Online Giving Platform

In 2014 David arranged an intercalated year with his university to work on his start up company full-time in Paris. The company, called Tinbox, which David created with a co-founder is a free smartphone App that allows people to donate €1 each day to a charity's project they choose – at absolutely no cost to them. Each person gets €365 every year to donate to projects and each euro is sponsored by corporations. As David explains: "The sheer care for a charitable cause is now enough for people to support it financially every day. For companies, it's really good for their image, because it makes their charitable giving visible. And for charities, it's a much easier way to raise corporate funds and enables them to engage a much wider demographic of donors." Tinbox have now added to their team with a third technical co-founder who previously worked for Facebook in San Francisco, a development team of 2, 5 "angel" investors (ranging from corporate executives to the first person to make polyphonic ringtones downloadable onto mobile phones), and a board of advisors which includes the former Chairman of the BNP Paribas Foundation worldwide for 13 years among its members. As they prepare for public launch, the next few months will be very exciting for the Tinbox team. David relishes the challenge saying: "At this stage in my career, there is no feeling more exciting than this one." Feel free to contact David at david.linderman@hotmail.co.uk.

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Lesson in American History

Iain Watts (C1999) read Natural Sciences at Cambridge and switched over to Maths Tripos for the 4th year. He then considered an academic career and a Ph.D. in theoretical physics but made a move to London with a technology startup. Despite not taking history at Hutchie Iain developed a passion for the subject and took a Masters in the History of Science and Technology, and started a Ph.D. at Princeton 5 years ago. He looks forward to this spring when he will hopefully become a history Professor in the American University System.

Success in Oz

Congratulations to Susan Carr (C1967) Head of Sexual Counselling Services who has been appointed Associate Professor at the University of Melbourne. Susan also took over the Chair of the Australian Society for Psycho-Social Obstetrics and Gynaecology in August. Her brother (Colin Carr) and her four children (Natalie, Philip, Neil and Carmella Stone) are all FP's as are her nieces Chantelle and Simone Carr.



German Visit

James Mechie (C1972) organised an exchange for a friend's daughter to come to Hutchie for 10 days in May 2014. Lilith Patzwahl stayed with Heather Stewart (S4) and very much enjoyed her experience of life in Glasgow.



From Malta to Glasgow

Doug McRoberts (C1967) has returned to Glasgow after his retirement as minister of St. Andrew's Scots Church in Malta. Now based in Inverness, Doug leaves behind a positive legacy in Malta where over the past five years he launched a refugee mission project **OUT OF AFRICA... INTO MALTA**, which raised close to £250,000 over 4 years, much of it from Scotland. The project is changing the lives of African refugees, with Malta Microfinance, a microloan organisation now run by the Scots Church. His last service in Malta saw the President, Her Excellency Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, attend and then inaugurate the new St. Andrew's International Centre, developed as part of the refugee project. Doug is pictured with the President at the launch.



Conseillere Municipale

Linda Robertson (née Tait), class of 1981, was elected a Conseillere Municipale in this month's French elections for the village Flammerans in Burgundy. She is the first non - French person to have done so in Flammerans, coming 2nd top in a poll of 11 candidates.

Linda and husband Hamish have lived here for 6 years and Linda is closely involved - as a volunteer - in the learning of English at a nearby Primary School and in the running of the local Library.

Projects Abroad

Former Pupils work with Projects Abroad

Projects Abroad specialises in volunteering abroad, work experience and gap year placements and match individuals to projects in the developing world. Nancy Hanniford (C2012) has travelled on three occasions with the organisation, to a Sports project in Costa Rica, Teaching in Peru and to a Care project in Argentina. Nancy proved herself an exemplary volunteer and is now an ambassador for the company. Other volunteers have included Kate Cameron (C2012) who spent 3 months on a Care project in Fiji, Ewan Gardner (C2011) for Care and Teaching placements in Ghana, Joshua Rutnagur (C2011) who joined a Medicine and Healthcare placement in Argentina and Caroline Henderson (C2014) who assisted a Community Building project in South Africa. We are pleased to share that over the past few years at least 19 volunteers from Hutchesons' have given their time to help others across the globe with Projects Abroad.

Sport Updates



Teeing off for Success

Gillian Kyle (C1983) has been performing very well on the Green, and we are delighted to share that she was Ladies Champion at East Renfrewshire golf club in Newton Mearns an impressive 18 times in 2014. We wish her every success in 2015.



Calling all FPs in South Africa

This summer the school senior rugby squad are going on tour to South Africa. 26 boys and four staff will arrive in Johannesburg on Thursday 23rd July and will stay at the High performance Centre in Pretoria for a few days (including a match) before travelling down to Cape Town on Sunday 26th July for two more games before heading back to Glasgow on Saturday 1st August. The team would be delighted if any Former Pupils could attend any of their matches. Contact the Development Office if you would like details of their tour.

WEDDINGS



Trudi Davis (C2010) married Andrew Loudon on 29th August 2014 at Park Church, Giffnock followed by a reception at Lochgreen House, Troon. There were many former pupils at the celebration, including Trudi Davis, Gregor Hogan, Sarah Innes, Emma Laing, Andrew McCrae, Claire Shannon and Katie Sloane - all C2010. Martina Davis (C2007) and John Eadie (C1964) also attended along with current teachers Liz Bertram and Edgar Trotter. There were other current pupils and parents amongst the guests and the piper was Jane McCrae (C2013). It was a wonderful occasion.



Dr Jamie Adams (C2000)

Congratulations to Dr Jamie Adams who married Fiona Jess on 15th April 2014 at Alloway Parish Church, Ayr and afterwards at the Brig O'Doon Hotel.



Isobel Black (C2000) married Blair Allan on Saturday 23rd August 2014 at Westwood Parish Church in East Kilbride followed by a reception at The Strathaven Hotel, Strathaven. A number of former pupils attended including Katy Lavery (C2000), Helen Scally (née Armstrong) (C2000), Cheran Smith (C2000), Adele Cowan (C2000) and Rhona McGraw (C2001). The day was also filmed by former pupil Stewart Carroll (C2000) and his wife Alina on behalf of their wedding company White Balloon Films. Fantastic day!

Hutchie Authors

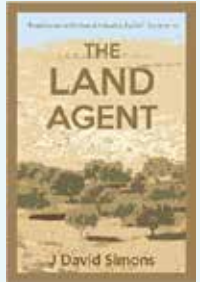
Robert Crawford (C1977)

is the author of the biography of T.S. Eliot, the great 20th Century poet. Young Eliot: From St Louis to The Waste Land was published by Cape in February 2015. Robert is a prolific and successful poet himself. He focuses on the nature and processes of creative writing and has won several awards for his literary work.



J. David Simons (C1971)

released his fourth novel The Land Agent last October. His first novel, The Credit Draper, was short-listed for The McKitterick Prize in 2009. Other novels include The Liberation of Celia Kahn and An Exquisite Sense of What is Beautiful. David was the recipient of a Writer's Bursary from the Scottish Arts Council (now Creative Scotland) and awards from the Robert Louis Stevenson Fellowship and the Society of Authors Foundation. All of David's novels are available on Amazon.



Jonathan Whitelaw (C2004)

Jonathan's debut novel, Morbid Relations, is a darkly comic take on modern Scottish life about a stand-up comedian returning, from London, to his Glasgow roots, following his mother's death. The book, released by Ringwood Publishing, will be launched in Glasgow on the 26th March of at Waxy O'Connors, see www.jonathanwhitelaw.co.uk for details.



Scots entrepreneur Eve Brill (C2000)

used her own experience of planning a wedding to start a unique business. Guide To Be is the first independent UK site dedicated to user reviews of wedding suppliers. Eve says "We aim to help couples make informed choices about their suppliers so that they can turn their dream wedding into reality." www.guidetobe.co.uk

Former Pupils Reunions



Toronto Reunion

Twenty Former pupils and partners joined Graham MacAllister (C1962) and Carol Biggart (C1976) at the annual Canadian reunion in Toronto in October 2014. They were most interested to hear of the success of the previous Canadian Bursary recipient, who achieved excellent academic results and has now gone to study engineering at university. They learned of their new Bursary recipient who has already embraced many of the opportunities Hutchie has to offer, both academically and otherwise. The continued support through the Canadian Bursary Fund is much appreciated by the selected beneficiary, her family and the school.



Class of 1989

The class of 1989 celebrated 25 years since leaving with a class reunion on 20th September at Beaton Road and it was a great night. There were attendees from the US, Canada, Austria, Germany and those much closer to home. A tour of the school was followed by a reception in the Library (née Gym) and a chance to catch up with former classmates in person rather than on Facebook for a pleasant change! The sounds of conversation, clinking glasses and laughter continued down to the lunchroom for an excellent dinner and then later to the bars of Shawlands until the wee small hours! Friendships were rekindled, stories were told, memories were recounted, a fair few embarrassing photos made the rounds - all the ingredients for a brilliant reunion! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed catching up and is looking forward to the next one already!



The Old Sixth Form of 1946

The Old Sixth Form of 1946 held their 69th consecutive annual meeting since leaving school at Beaton Road on Monday 27th October 2014. Five members joined the Rector, Dr Ken Greig, for lunch and an update of Hutchie news from the past academic year. The members thoroughly enjoyed catching up with one another and being shown the newly refurbished assembly hall. **Picture (L-R): Ian Hutchison, Ronald Macdonald, Allan Heath, Carl Edwards & Walter Fife**



Class of 1984

On a sunny evening in early September 2014, over 40 of the Class of 1984 gathered at Beaton Road. Some have been regular visitors since leaving the school and now do the daily school run with the next generation of Hutchesonions but for others it was their first trip back to the alma mater. Some travelled only a few miles whilst others flew in from Europe and much further afield. Prefects showed them around the almost unrecognisable buildings - a drama studio to die for, state of the art all-weather sports track, a light and airy library where once we'd sweated in PE! It did not take long for the hugs and handshakes to pass and the buzz of reconnecting conversations to pick up as everyone gathered in the library for drinks and photos before moving down to the dining hall for our delicious evening meal.

Entertainment was MC'd by Bruce Lindsay and took the form of an amusing reminiscences quiz, and a scratch band made up of Andrew Townsley, Rachel Barbenel and Wendy Arrowsmith. Watch this space for the next reunion!



Class of 1994

The Class of 1994 had a great evening back in October to commemorate 20 years since leaving school. Zoe Mackenzie said: "I set up a Facebook page and before I knew it I had over 100 members!"

In the end around 38 people attended from all over the UK and the world with the furthest traveling from Hong Kong. The evening started off with a tour of the school and was followed by a lovely dinner in the school canteen. After lots of catching up and gossiping it continued to the Granary. I'm sure that there were plenty of sore heads the next day! I would like to thank all those that attended for making it a great night!"



Former Pupils Events



U35 London Event

In October 2014, we held our first event for our U35 former pupils at St Bart's Brewery which was attended by 50 of our younger FPs. Attendees enjoyed meeting old friends and teachers, David Campbell and Ian Harrow, and there was a great atmosphere to the evening.

If any of our London based FPs would be interested in attending a Burns' supper in January 2016, please email alumni@hutchesons.org and we'll keep you up to date with all the arrangements.



Kingarth Street Tea Party

A tea party will be held at Kingarth Street on Saturday 9th May from 2pm until 4.30pm for all former pupils of Hutchesons' Girls' Grammar School. There will be afternoon tea, memorabilia displays and entertainment by pupils. Tickets for the event are £15 and can be purchased by completing a booking form, available from the Development Office on 0141 433 4474 or email alumni@hutchesons.org

1964's Primary 1

To mark the 50th year since they started at Kingarth Street in 1964, 6 Primary 1 peers (Judith Miller, Shelagh Fraser, Moira Peebles, Anne Macdonald, Jane Cumming, Fiona McIntosh, Hazel Williams and Caroline Brown met for dinner at Hutchesons' restaurant in Glasgow to share fond memories. As soon as the first person arrived at the table, the conversation flowed back to the 1960s. Miss Bain's blackboard was discussed (and who was sent behind it), the big pants on gym days and the smell of old fashioned clinic orange juice on the stairs up to the gymnasium. They recounted the fire in Miss Scott's English room, where William Shakespeare was always the main man. Miss McIver reigned supreme and they all had a very healthy respect for this formidable lady who could 'put you in your place' with one disapproving glance.

Caroline McFarlan remarked: "We have all diversified now and over the last 50 years we have become dentists, business owners, grandmothers and public relations specialists. We have moved our roots to London, Inverness and Shetland. Our own children have gone on to Hutchie and become the second generation of friends. Yet one thing remains constant, and it's this: I have always maintained there is something very special about friendships that started long before the rest of the world got there, and we still have that. We have each others' backs."

A Facebook page has now been set up now for anyone else in that year who would like to join them – "Hutchie primary 1ers."

From the Archives

Who do you think they are?

In the School Archives we have hundreds of photographs, but sadly many of them have no information recorded about them. Many are the traditional "posed" photographs of classes, teams and other groups but some, like the two shown (below) are more informal. We would love to know more.

Would you be willing to give up an hour or two of your time to look at some of the photographs in our collection, to help us identify the who, the when and the where? We are planning to organise some dates when former pupils and staff can come in to the school to do this – we'll lay on some tea, coffee & cake, take you on a tour round the school (if you want) and you'll get the chance to chat and reminisce.

To register your interest, please contact the Archivist, Kate Keter, by email on archivist@hutchesons.org



Forthcoming Reunions and Events

Forthcoming events are listed on the back page of this magazine. To enquire about any of these dates, or to organise a reunion or event, please contact Stephanie Martin, Alumni & Development Assistant, on 0141 433 4474 or email alumni@hutchesons.org

Stop press - Burns' supper in London January 2016 – details to be announced soon...



G&T Award Winners

The George and Thomas Hutcheson Awards were held on the 5th of December in the newly refurbished Helen & Walter Ross Assembly Hall.

This year's worthy winners were John Rankin (C1975), High Commissioner to Sri Lanka & The Maldives, Dr Karen Ness (C1976) who has had a long, esteemed career at the cutting edge of science and Rachel Hanretty (2007), our Young Achiever, who is already a successful entrepreneur with her business, Mademoiselle Macaron, in the face of adversity.

Our audience of S4-6 pupils was intrigued and inspired to hear of the winners' careers and memories of their time at Hutchesons'. Small groups of S6 pupils then had the opportunity to speak to the winners about their careers. This was of particular interest to those whose University plans emulate the winners.



Joyce Evelyn Plotnikoff (C1967)

Awarded DBE in 2015 New Year Honours List

In the 2015 New Year Honours List, Joyce was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire for services to justice, particularly vulnerable and child witnesses.

In a typically modest fashion Joyce says: "It seems unbelievable for someone working out of an office in the garden in Hertfordshire to receive this award. I work with my husband Richard Woolfson and our company, Lexicon Limited, conducts justice system research on behalf of the government and various charities. In the past decade our work has focused on children and vulnerable adults required to give evidence in



Hilary Atkinson (C1997)

General Manager for Sport Services at Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games

Hilary was a keen sportswoman during her time at Hutchie and went on to study Physiology with Sports Science at Glasgow University. After university Hilary was Sports Presentation Announcer for Badminton at the 2002 Manchester Commonwealth Games and then spent seven years with Badminton Scotland, the National Governing Body. In 2008 she was appointed to the London Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games and in 2010 she took on the role of Badminton Manager at the Olympic Games. Hilary returned to Glasgow as General Manager for Sport Services at Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games. Her role at Glasgow 2014 was one of four General Managers with responsibility for managing the Sport Services functional

area. She explains that her team "planned and oversaw key projects for Commonwealth Games Associations (CGAs) and athletes across the 17 sports through delivery of the Games Sport Entries system, standalone Training Venues, Sport Publications, Sport Information services and the Athlete Gym requirements." She would also like to thank the 260 wonderful Clyde-siders, saying: "Without them we could not have delivered the best ever Games!" Recently Hillary has been appointed to the Commonwealth Games Federation Sports Committee and, following a period working on the Rugby World Cup 2015 project, is about to take up a new role as Head of Event Delivery for the International Hockey Federation in Lausanne. We are also delighted to announce that Hilary will be the guest speaker at the 2015 Founders' Day.

criminal trials. Half of the children we have interviewed do not understand the questions when they are cross-examined at court. This prompted the founding of www.theadvocatesgateway.org which distributes free toolkit advice for lawyers and judges about how to adapt questions to make them developmentally appropriate for children and, for example, people with autism or learning disability." Lexicon have also evaluated and promoted a scheme in which speech and language therapists, psychologists, teachers and other professional communication specialists are appointed as intermediaries for police interviews and at trial. These independent

'outsiders' can make an enormous difference. Lexicon is working on a publication detailing its findings but sadly, the intermediary scheme is not (yet) available North of the Border. Joyce Plotnikoff has shown extraordinary dedication in her field, has worked as a children's guardian for 10 years, chaired the Lord Advocate's steering group on visual recording of joint investigative interviews of children (2004 -2005) and is a member of the pool of experts advising the Diversity and Development Committee of the Judicial College. In 2013 she received an Administration of Justice Award from the US Supreme Court Fellows Alumni Association.

The Legacies Book

Hutchesons' Grammar School exists thanks to legacies from George & Thomas Hutcheson. Legacies are an investment in the future. I wonder if the Hutcheson brothers could have had any idea that their investment would lead to a school of such excellence for almost 4 Centuries. Many former pupils and staff have made provision to leave a gift in their wills, investing in the future of Hutchesons; often via the 1641 Society. This is an informal group the members of which have pledged to leave a legacy. Membership is automatic for all individuals who have intimated their decision to make a gift in their will. They receive exclusive invitations to various events, including a reception on the last night of the School Show, tickets to concerts or lunches.



Legacies are of huge importance to the long term future of Hutchesons'.

To honour those who have left a gift, we now have a "Legacies Book" where donors' names are respectfully recorded and may be viewed by family and friends.

It is worth noting there are considerable tax savings in the UK from leaving legacies to charities. Gifts to charities are subtracted, tax free, from an estate prior to inheritance tax, plus, if at least 10% of the net value of the estate is given to charity, the tax rate is reduced from 40% to 36%.

If you feel you wish to make provision to help to secure the long term future of our school, whether to fund Bursaries or provide assistance with capital or revenue projects, please contact Carol Biggart, Development Manager biggartc@hutchesons.org.

Donors Thank You

We wish to say a massive "Thank You" to all those who have generously donated to the Annual Fund over the past year. Not only has the number of bursaries continued to rise; over 1 in 7 of our Secondary School pupils receives some financial assistance, but the Beaton Road Assembly Hall was completely refurbished thanks to your help. In particular, we wish to recognise the Assembly Hall Gifts from Helen & Walter Ross, Kevin Sneader, Lady Stone and the 1957 Group.

We have published a Donor List on pages 24/25 from 2014. This list may not be exhaustive, and we wish to offer warmest thanks to all our donors, including those who prefer to be anonymous, or who are not listed. We have also included those whose legacies were gratefully received during 2014.

Our current Annual Fund brochure focuses on the Hutchie Family. A copy is available on the school website or from the development office: development@hutchesons.org. Donations can be allocated to specific areas of need: Bursaries, Sport, Music & the Arts or "Wherever Needed Most". In 2014, the Assembly Hall was the project which benefited from the latter.



A Touch of Tartan

Ann Gore, née Hartley (C1970) sports her new Hutchesons' Sash for Burns' Night on board the Black Watch en route from Ilhabela, Brazil to Montevideo. Contact the development office to find out more about Hutchesons' tartan.



Hutchesons' Merchandise

We have an extensive range of Hutchesons' merchandise ranging from our popular Hutchie tartan scarves to fine china mugs and Hutchie Bears.

However, we are delighted to announce some exciting new exclusive additions to the range of Hutchesons' merchandise.



Christine Thomson (C1975) is a renowned artist, who is also The Papercut Artist, www.thepapercutartist.com. Her work includes designing the invitation to the launch of the Queen's Baton Relay and the official "Thank you cards" to all the volunteers at Glasgow's Commonwealth Games. Christine has designed a fabulous Hutchesons' Grammar School papercut with details covering the history of our school back to its foundation in 1641. It is available for purchase either framed or unframed.



Kirsty Fraser (C2007) set up her own jewellery business following her degree in Jewellery & Silversmithing at Edinburgh College of Art. She has taken aspects of the Hutchie crest as the motif through the beautiful new range of Hutchesons' jewellery which make an ideal gift for Hutchesonians of all ages. There are 6 pieces: cufflinks, pin, bangle, stud and drop earrings and pendant available, all in high quality silver, all very reasonably priced from £30.

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Martina Thomson Memorial Service

Following Martina Thomson's death in early 2014, Graham MacAllister (C1962) and Carol Biggart (C1976) met Martina's executor, lawyer, minister and friends in Toronto in October. Martina left the bulk of her estate for a Martina Thomson Bursary in perpetuity, as a continuation of her generous support of pupils who would otherwise have been unable to benefit from the excellence of a Hutchesons' education. In fulfilment of her wishes, a fitting memorial service was held in the Fotheringay Auditorium on 12th November. Martina's ashes were then scattered on a beautiful, peaceful Lake of Menteith.



Former Pupils In Memoriam

R Brian Armstrong
C1964 (1945 – 2015)

William M Buchanan
C1941 (1923-2014)

Catherine M Clark (née Farquharson)
C1955 (1937-2014)

Dr J Gordon Erskine
C1965 (1947-2014)

Susan Fulcher (née Hill)
C1994 (1977-2014)

Sheila Gardner (née Wishart)
C1944 (1926 – 2014)

Moira M Greenlee (née Semple)
C1945 (1928-2014)

Elsie T Hinshelwood (née Massie)
C1931 (1913-2013)

Irene R Kleinglass (née Berman)
C1961 (1942-2014)

Margaret I Lawson (née Middleton)
(1932-2014)

Douglas J McLagan
C1934 (1915-2014)

Catherine C McMurtrie
C1941 (1922-2014)

Gordon L R Mill
C1961 (1943 -2015)

Georgina M Nankivell
C1946 (1929 – 2015)

Sheila L Nicolson (née Morrison)
(1928-2014)

Fraser Souter
C1939 (1921-2014)

Evelyn M Wyatt (née Robertson)
C1945 (1928-2015)

Moira Beaty (née Munro)
C1939 (1922-2015)

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C1939 (1922-2015)

Jessie Moira Munro was born in Prestwick, Ayrshire. She had two younger brothers John and Robin to whom she was devoted. After the early death of her father, the family moved to Shawlands in Glasgow when Moira was five years old.



As a child Moira showed an aptitude for art and on leaving Hutchesons' was determined to attend Glasgow School of Art. She won a scholarship and enrolled as a student in 1939 and was among a small group of students identified by Hugh Crawford as being particularly talented. However, war intervened and Moira left at the end of first year to do her bit.

In March 1942 she arrived at Bletchley Park where she joined the group known as ISK (Illicit Signals Knox) as a typist in the machine room. Her boss was Peter Twinn who had recently taken over from Dilwyn Knox (Dilly) who was terminally ill. Twinn and others had been involved in Knox's discovery of the make-up and working of the Abwehr Enigma machine. The German Secret Service Enigma was more complicated than that used by fighting forces and the breaking into the machine code was one of the major successes at Bletchley Park.

Moira demonstrated an ability to identify patterns and hand codes within this machine code in what turned out to be an important message, for which she received the thanks of the Lordships of the Admiralty for her fine work. She then immediately joined the cryptographers breaking the daily codes of Abwehr traffic across Western Europe. She was the only woman in the group of mathematicians, musicians, linguists and scientists.

The codes changed each morning and had to be broken by hand. The work was relentless, in eight-hour shifts, six days each week, with one week off every three months. However, they always enjoyed a sense of triumph when a code was broken no matter how tired.

Life was spartan but off duty events and activities were organised. Moira, together with the then director of the Courtauld Institute, set up art classes and exhibitions of the work. Eventually she was given a small room to use as a studio. These were intense but heady years but, having signed the Official Secrets Act in 1942, it was not until the late 1980s that she mentioned Bletchley Park and even then she was reluctant to say much to her family.

When war in Europe ended in May 1945 Moira moved to the Films Division of the Ministry of Information in London, working for its director Jack Beddington before returning to Glasgow in 1947 to resume her studies at the School of Art. There she met Stuart Beaty a sculptor whom she married in 1952.

After teacher training at Jordanhill College she taught in the Gorbals until moving to Hawick in the Borders where Stuart had begun a long and successful career in textiles. She taught part-time in various local schools and the late 1950s and 60s was a productive period when she exhibited widely in both group and solo exhibitions. Following the birth of her daughter Ann many of her paintings were of young children, her garden flowers, the rural community and the Border landscape. Asked about her subject matter she replied, "I just paint my life."

The family moved to Scaurend, Robertson which became the centre of a busy social life with visiting friends, colleagues, artists, designers, theatre and film people, politicians and even poachers. From 1979 fruitful relations developed with the Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh, Gracefield Arts Centre, Dumfries and local galleries in Castle Douglas and Kirkcubright.

After Stuart passed away in 2004, she moved to Balfron, Stirlingshire, to be near her daughter Ann. She became a regular at local life drawings classes where she put the younger members to shame with her energy and quality of her drawing. Her final year was a triumph as she had a sell-out retrospective exhibition in the Harbour Gallery, Kirkcubright, and was represented in the town's major summer exhibition Glasgow Girls 1920-60 which she opened.

Jack W Hepburn
C1955 (1938-2014)

Jack Hepburn, born 1938, died peacefully on the 10th December 2014 at his home in Surrey. Jack was both school captain and school dux in 1955. After gaining a degree in classics with 1st class honours from Glasgow University and a further

degree from Brasenose College Oxford, Jack spent his career in the Ministry of Agriculture.

Dr Murdoch M Herbert

C1941 (1924-2014)



Murdoch was awarded a scholarship that enabled him to follow his sister, Anna and older brother, Robert to Hutchie. He excelled both academically and sporting during his school years. In 1940 he was the deputy head boy and school rugby captain. He attended Glasgow University graduating with a MBChB in 1946. Immediately after graduating he was called up for National Service in the RAMC and was posted to Palestine as a medical officer. He received a commendation from King George VI in 1948. During his time in Palestine he developed an interest in General Practice.

On returning to Britain he furthered his medical studies and gained a DipObst. In 1953 he joined one of his Huchie friends, Jock Fleming in General Practice in Clydebank.

In 1963 he, together with his wife, Jessie and their 3 children emigrated to New Zealand. In 1964 he joined a General Practice in Milford on Auckland's North Shore, where he continued to practise until after his eighteenth birthday.

Murdoch was a highly respected General Practitioner Obstetrician who was extremely active in medical politics in New Zealand. He sat on many committees and was often the driving force in initiating change, strongly advocating for improved facilities and patient care.

Ever mindful of patient care and well being of his fellow practitioners, in 1972 he established Shore Care, an after-hours clinic for patients. This service now has over 100 member doctors.

He was a foundation member of the Royal NZ College of General Practitioners, from its inception in 1974. He became a Fellow in 1982 and was the Council Chair during 1982 – 1985 and President in 1991- 1992. As an active member he examined General Practice Registrars.

After his retirement he held the office of President of the New Zealand Medical Association in 2005.

Murdoch served on The Medical Council of NZ, NZ's governing medical body for 13 years between 1997 to 2000. He examined foreign doctors applying for NZ Registration.

In 1991 Murdoch was awarded a QSO for services to the Community and Medicine.

Murdoch's other interests besides Medicine included sailing, rugby, tennis, skiing, photography, reading and spending time with his family, either at home or on his yacht.

Murdoch is survived by his 3 children and 6 grandchildren. Sadly, his wife of over 61 years, Jessie survived him by only 9 weeks.

Mary (Maisie) B Kermack (née Farquharson)
C1925 (1910-2014)



Maisie Kermack was the second oldest Hutchesons' FP. She lived 104 years, but her long-time friend Flo Smith, née McMurtrie, is Hutchie's longest standing former pupil at 105. Maisie was very proud of being a Hutchesons' student. Maisie had four children, nine grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren, all of whom live in Canada so she travelled there many times right up until she was 92 years old.

The photograph was taken at her 100th Birthday when she was presented with the Queen's congratulations by the Provost and Councillors of East Kilbride.

Catherine B Morgan (née McCormick)

C1957 (1939-2014)

Catherine was born 22nd May 1939 in Newton Mearns, where she lived for 27 years. She attended Mearns School then

Hutchesons' Girls Grammar School, Glasgow, where she took her Highers and qualified as a shorthand typist. She subsequently worked as a secretary in various professional offices including that of a Patent Agent. Catherine was active in the Mearns Kirk and for many years sang in the choir, the first of many choirs she joined throughout her life, wherever she lived. She loved to play tennis, being a leading light in both the school team and the local tennis club.

In 1964, on the dance floor in Glasgow, Catherine met Peter Morgan, a navigating officer in the Merchant Navy. They got engaged in 1965 and then married in 1966 after having been acquainted for only about 28 days due to Peter's meanderings to far flung parts of the globe.

Home was set up in Neston in the Wirral, where David was born. For a while Catherine was secretary to a high powered gentleman who tried without success to beat Catherine's shorthand dictation speed before the days of Dictaphones. She took it in her stride.

There followed a number of moves first to North Weald in Essex, where Andrew was born, then to Southampton and Saudi Arabia before arriving at Mawnan Smith, near Falmouth in Cornwall in 1986.

In all of these places there was a choir to be joined. She sang in Romsey Abbey and even sang in the British Embassy in Saudi Arabia in a Christmas Concert, as well as attending choral workshops at Truro Cathedral, especially one with John Rutter. As a talented piano player, Catherine was occasionally invited to play the organ at Exbury Church and Blackfield Church near Southampton.

Settling in Cornwall she became an active and popular member of the WI. As well as the ongoing choral activities, she worked as a receptionist for the local NHS for a number of years. She helped out on the local mobile library and used to visit the elderly in the area under the WRVS banner delivering library books to the house-bound and having a good chat at the same time.

She would often regale to her family and friends stories of life, mischief and the teachers at Hutchesons', often referring to the billowing gowns worn by staff and their calls of "Come on, gels!" She also kept in touch with several of her school friends from her 'Hutchie' days for her entire life: surely a tribute to the ethos that the school has always promoted.

Cancer was diagnosed in 2011 and secondary tumours brought an accelerated deterioration during the 2nd half of 2014. She passed away on the longest night of the year, with her family near and her beloved music playing. Catherine always gave back to the communities where she lived, but throughout her life and the various places she resided, she always held fond memories of her time at Hutchesons'. Catherine is survived by her husband of 48+ years, Peter, her 2 sons (Andrew and David) and 4 grandchildren, as well as her younger brother (by 4 years) John.



May C Park (née Wilson)

C1940, (C1922-2014)

May Craig Wilson was born at 21 Keir Street, Pollokshields, Glasgow on 26th April 1922.

She was the first born child of Ninian Wilson, a fruit broker and Jeanie Craig.

Two brothers followed, Ross and Bobby. A sister, Mona sadly died in infancy.

May had a happy childhood. Occasional debates with her ladylike Mother over her tree climbing habit notwithstanding! Part of her childhood was spent in Newton Mearns before a move back to Pollokshields and Glencairn Drive. May would acknowledge that most of her life was lived within a small triangle of Pollokshields.

Her father had served in the First World War alongside one Tod Ritchie. When Tod joined Hutchesons' Grammar as a teacher it was natural that Ninian sent his three children there. May would be the first to admit that school work and academic study held absolutely no appeal, life was about laughter and the love of friends. This capacity for making friends was to be a feature of her life. Her sense of fun and enjoyment of life was to stay with her.

School was left within the shadow of war. Whilst May was keen to serve in the forces her father wanted her to be older before she joined up. After a spell spent working in a bank in Crown Street her father relented and she joined the WAAF. After learning to drive in Lancaster the war was spent as a driver, predominantly in the aerodromes of the east and north east of Scotland. Whilst this period was invariably a source of lighthearted stories, May also reflected on the drives to remote hills to wait for the remains of crews to be brought down from their crashed aircraft or the delivery of parties to waiting aircraft for mysterious flights to Scandinavia.

Before the war holidays had been spent in Lundin Links where her grandfather Craig had a holiday house. It was on the beach there that she first met David Park, the son of another Pollokshields family who also holidayed there. May and David met again after the War and were married at Queens Park Church in 1949. Their first home was at 8 Beaton Road. Children followed- Jean, in 1954 and John in 1957. The joy of parenthood was tempered in 1958 with the death of her brother Bobby in a swimming accident, something which May took very hard as she was a caring and loving sister to both her brothers.

Home life centred on supporting David in business and the care of the children. As May's parents aged she was also involved in caring for them. There was a strong sense of community in Beaton Road and many friendships were forged. When the Parks moved in 1964 to 2 Beaton Road it was not long before their upstairs neighbours and friends the Grahams followed them to the flat above.

In 1982, as the economy went through a very difficult phase David lost his job.

However in the same year they identified a newsagents in Albert Drive that was for sale and they bought that. The Paper Rack was to prove a great success and for 5 years they were committed to early mornings, long days and few holidays. Whilst the shop was sold in 1987, for years afterwards they would encounter customers and paperboys/girls who remembered them from those days.

Retirement in 1987 was well-timed as John and his wife Katherine had started a family and assisting with the care of Margaux, Lauren and Russell over the ensuing years was to give May and David great pleasure.

In 1995 flu struck them both. Whilst May recovered David was left with some permanent damage and the



late 1990's saw his health deteriorate. The last two years of his life were very difficult and May struggled to keep him at home for as long as possible before his death in 2002.

In September of 2002 she moved the short distance to her new home in Terregles Avenue. She enjoyed living there, as there was again a close sense of community amongst the residents and new friendships made and old ones rekindled. In 2009 May found that she needed more care and in October of that year she moved to Burnfield nursing home in Giffnock. I know that John and I are both very appreciative of the care that May received there.

Throughout these last 20 or so years, where age and failing health impinged, her brother Ross and his wife Lynn, John and his wife Katherine and close friends of the family have been unstinting in their support of May and David.

There had been an assumption that her grandchildren would go to Hutchesons' and May would often tell them as they saw the older pupils going to and from the senior school in Beaton Road "I'll be pushing up the daisies by the time you are at that stage" but in 2010 she attended the school prizegiving to see the youngest of her Park grandchildren leave the school.

May had a great capacity for friendship and whilst she would decry her achievements at school, she had good judgement about people and found that they would often confide their worries and concerns about life to her. The confidence in her judgement that she engendered in people was a measure of the woman. Her family and supporting them in the role of wife, mother and daughter was paramount.

So after such a life how do we describe May in the round?

She was energetic, honest, loyal, with a strong sense of fairness and an equally strong character, putting family and friends first, last and always. May was interested in all kinds of people and she especially loved children. A fun loving woman, she liked to laugh, dance, play games and throw parties.

Her fiery temper could be displayed at times but it passed quickly. However, not quickly enough on occasion for the young John!

May was known to be straightforward and occasionally outspoken but never in a nasty way. Always a fresh air fiend she loved open windows and country walks. She also loved animals especially her dogs Rowan and Pam. Modest, she was smarter than she ever gave herself credit for and was a practiced money manager, very observant, with good judgement and instincts.

May learned to be pragmatic, well organised and in possession of a wide vocabulary, courtesy of the WAAF! This vocabulary was vividly demonstrated by granddaughter Margaux at the age of two, suddenly saying 'Damn, bloody learner drivers!' in a perfect imitation of Granny! She will be remembered as a lovely lady.

David C Russell

C1948 (1930-2014)

David died in Edinburgh on the 12 September after a long illness, born with typical dignity and stoicism. His former classmate Ron Jamieson remembers the day he and David started school in Miss Wheatley's class the day the war broke out. They were taught in other people's houses whilst air raid shelters were built under the gym block.

David trained as a Quantity Surveyor working in private practice before joining the Scottish Office Building Directorate where he became the Chief Quantity Surveyor. He also served as Chairman of the Royal Institute of the Chartered Surveyors in Scotland. He is survived by his wife Mary (Moir) Whitehill, a Hutchie FP whom he married in 1956, and their sons Alan, Ian and Graeme.



IN THE NEWS: The World famous Harlem Globetrotters paid Hutchesons' a visit today to talk about their anti-bullying campaign. Pupils, staff and players were featured in action on STV Glasgow. Follow this link to watch the video on Twitter: www.bit.ly/1wtNgVG

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Forthcoming Alumni Events

2015

Saturday 9th May

Ladies Afternoon Tea, Kingarth Street

Saturday 9th May

Ladies Class of 1975 Reunion, Kingarth Street. For further information, please contact Lynn Herbert at Lynn.Herbert@lynnherbert.co.uk

Saturday 9th May

Mens Class 2b 1947/48 Reunion, Beaton Road. For further information, please contact Burnett Chisholm at jim.chisholm@btinternet.com

Saturday 16th May

Class of 1985 Reunion, Beaton Road. For further information, please contact Marjorie Stewart (née Weir) at pineapplecakes@ntlworld.com

Wednesday 26th August

Ladies' FP Golf Match, Haggs Castle Golf Club. For more information, please contact martins@hutchesons.org

Friday 11th September

Mens Class of 1965 Reunion, Beaton Road. For more information, email jackstone@talktalk.net

Saturday 3rd October

OSF 1946, Beaton Road

Saturday 14th November

Class of 2005 Reunion, Beaton Road. For more information, please contact Anna Watson at hutchiereunion2015@gmail.com

2016

Wednesday 13th January

FP Council AGM, Beaton Road

Saturday 3rd September

Class of 1956 Reunion, Beaton Road. For further information, please contact Robin Russell at randh.russell@ntlworld.com.

To enquire about any of these dates, or to organise a reunion or event, please contact Stephanie Martin, Alumni & Development Assistant, on 0141 433 4474 or email alumni@hutchesons.org

Dates for your diary March 2015 – August 2015

Sunday 22 March

Choral Society Concert

Tuesday 24 March

Secondary School Concert

Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 March

S6 NC Drama Production "Private Lives" Noel Coward

Tuesday 31 March and Wed 1 April

P7 Show, Kingarth Street

S6 NC Drama Production "Secondary Cause of Death" Peter Gordon

Thursday 2 April

School closes for holidays,

3.10 pm - Primary, 3.30 pm - Secondary.

Tuesday 21 April

Pupils return for Summer Term

Monday 4 May

May Day Holiday

Monday 18 - Thursday 21 May

S3 Community Action Week

Friday 22 and Monday 25 May

Half Term Holiday

Wednesday 3 June

Kingarth Street : New Parents' Evening

Thursday 4 June

Beaton Road : S1 New Parents' Evening

Saturday 6 June

Primary Sports Day, Beaton Road

Monday 8 June

Senior School Athletics Finals

Thursday 11 June TBC

Opening of Annual Art Show, Beaton Road

Monday 15 – Thursday 18 June

Senior School Show

Saturday 20 June

1957 Group Uniform Sale

Thursday 25 June

School closes for holidays

Primary - 12.10 pm, Secondary - 12.30 pm

Friday 26 June

End of Session : Prizegiving

Wednesday 26 August

Pupils return for Autumn Term



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