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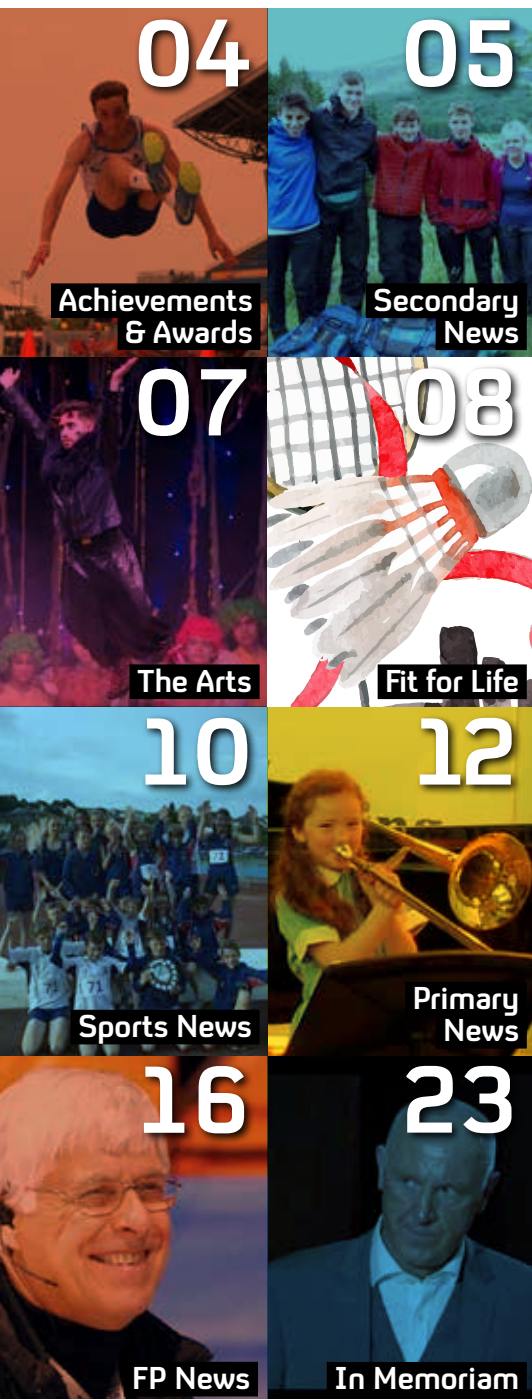


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Welcome from the Rector

We are at an exciting time in the school's history. We have launched the 10-year strategic plan: full details can be found on the school website (search using the magnifying glass icon top right on the home page) and I would urge you to have a look and would welcome your thoughts, feedback and involvement.

The strategic plan clearly sets out the ambition for the school: where every child is able to flourish and reach their potential academically, physically, creatively, spiritually and socially.

The plan recognises all that the school already does so well: our examination results are again record setting at Fifth Year level with 69% of Higher grades being awarded an 'A' pass. I am not a great believer in league tables, although we do very well in them, because they are such a shallow measure of any school. The tables do not recognise well the hard work and effort that every pupil has put in and they certainly do not value the wonderful extra-curricular energy that is celebrated in every page of every Hutchie Herald.

I have written a piece celebrating the life of Sandy Strang, former Depute Rector who sadly was taken from us, and the themes celebrated in this issue are ones that would have been dear to his heart. He was a Bursary recipient and the strategic aim is to continue to increase the breadth of bursary provision making the wonderful education available at Hutchesons' to an increasing number of deserving children. He was also an accomplished sportsman and would have enjoyed reading the sporting plans currently underway. If you would like to be a part of these plans, please do get in touch.

We celebrate the visit of Iain and Cristina Ronald who have been integral to the



Canada bursary that supports, through the generosity of Canadian FPs, a bursary pupil in senior school. Indeed, on my recent family holiday to Toronto during the October week I took the opportunity to meet up with former Interim Rector Graham MacAllister and all the other characters behind this amazing piece of philanthropy. Jim McDougall, the new Depute Rector of Development and Alumni, is working hard on a future release of a Hutchie Hub model that will try to put members of the FP community in contact with each other about areas of mutual interest, whether this is work-oriented, through shared passions or current location.

Speaking of geography, the school successfully toured South Africa for rugby. A short video celebrating this is available on the website featuring the work of current Sixth year Bruce Dickson who took a drone with him all the way from Scotland expressly to capture some fantastic footage. The boys' and girls' hockey teams toured Portugal: a high point undoubtedly being the boys' 1st XI beating the Portuguese National U21 squad!

So read on and enjoy this current snapshot of all that has been going on at the school and, with us, relish thinking ahead to what will come to pass as Hutchesons' Grammar School moves from strength to strength.

at Hutchesons' with a charismatic Rector, supplemented by a strong Board with a clear strategic vision for our School. I am here to help make that vision a reality and I look forward to working with the Board, Rector, staff, parents and pupils in the years ahead.

Away from school, I live in Troon with my wife, Avril. We have five children, three of them are through University and working as a lawyer, accountant and insurance advisor respectively. Our fourth child is in France on her year abroad from Heriot Watt University and our youngest has just started P6. I like to think raising them has given me an exceptional insight into school and higher education! I enjoy running (2017 Stirling Marathon- tick!) and cycling (previous daily commute from Troon to Wellington - tick!). I look forward to playing my part in our Hutchesons' school community.



A new face at Hutchesons'

I'm absolutely delighted to have been appointed Hutchesons' Grammar School's new Bursar. I know it as one of the most successful independent schools in Scotland.

I have dedicated the last 25 years of my career to senior finance and administrative roles in education. Fifteen of those years were at the University of Strathclyde, working closely with academic colleagues and enabling them to be the best lecturers and researchers they could be. My responsibilities in finance, human resources, estates management and IT, amongst others, gave me an excellent insight into what makes a thriving educational institution 'tick'. When leaving, I looked for a job that still let me make a difference to the educational experience of learners. The Bursar's post at Wellington School in Ayr did so. Wellington is a successful 3-18 co-educational

School, located in three stunning old mansion houses on Ayr's seafront. In my time there, I was able to strengthen and grow the School's financial position, manage the development and build of our sports pitches and pavilion, introduce best practice human resources policies, improve our governance arrangements, invest in IT and enhance those wonderful buildings. Wellington showed me one thing above all else - it taught me why people become teachers. They have the amazing opportunity to make a real difference to their pupils' lives. I saw that up close and got the chance to help make those differences happen.

I've moved to Hutchesons' to enable me to make that difference and advance the educational experience of a greater number of teachers and pupils. These are exciting times

Achievements & Awards



Stage legends

Primary pupils Myles and April MacAulay stole the show during Phil Cunningham and Aly Bain's concert in Glasgow in May.

Talented siblings Myles, eight, and seven year-old April performed a flawless 15-minute set to a stunned audience and raised an impressive £2,452.27 for the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

A star-struck Phil Cunningham introduced April and Myles to the audience saying: "We have a treat in store for you tonight.

"A little while ago we got a phone call asking if two young musicians could come and perform on stage. They play the accordion and fiddle like no one we have ever seen, they are absolutely amazing."

He joked: "They are what Aly and I used to look like, and we know who will replace us once we retire."

April, who is phenomenal on the fiddle, performed a solo to kick off the show before the audience was treated to Myles' amazing accordion skills. The stage starlets were a big hit with the crowd and Phil and Aly made their year when they joined them on stage for their final performance - 'Off to California'.

Phil joked: "The only reason we let April and Myles play is there's plenty of time for us to retire before they go professional."

He added: "I just heard them for the first time and I am quite literally blown away. They are filled with confidence and able to handle their instruments really well. I spoke to them earlier and they were so excited.

"It's great for young kids to realise the value of the hospice at such an early age and wish them the best for their fundraising. They've great ability and good teachers."

In June Myles became the British U12 piano accordion champion. They both became U12 duet champions and April came 3rd in Britain in fiddle solos.



Commonwealth Star

S6 pupil Alessandro Schenini delivered an excellent performance at the Commonwealth Youth Games in the Bahamas.

He landed 4th place in the long jump category with a distance of 6.87m, jumping at the Thomas Robinson Stadium in Nassau on June 21st.

Alessandro, 17, joined over 1,300 young athletes from across the world to represent Scotland at the largest sporting event of its kind from July 19th - 23rd. Training five times a week with Long Jump Coach Dave Watson and Sprint Coach, Ryan McAllister, all of his work has paid off - very well done Alessandro!

Photograph courtesy of the Commonwealth Youth Games Team Scotland.



Surfing Sisters

Sisters Ariana (S5), Katya (S4) and Millie Johnson (S1) took all three podium places at the RYA Scottish Zone Sailing and Windsurfing Championships in September.

The sisters sailed in four races over five hours in low wind conditions on Loch Lomond, meaning lots of extra effort to maximise their speed when sailing.

Ariana, who won the RYA Scotland Windsurf Champion Salver, said: "On the day of the event, Katya and I were level in the lead having won two races apiece.

"The wind dropped on the Sunday and there were another four races, I scraped ahead of Katya, with three wins to one.

"Millie came third in our windsurfing category when our closest rival dropped out with a back injury and I was awarded the RYA Scotland Windsurf Champion Salver."

Last month, the trio took part in the Scottish Inland Windsurfing Championships at St Mary's Loch in the Scottish Borders.

On this occasion, Ariana was awarded first place and the Scottish Junior Windsurfing Shield. Katya came a close second and Millie also sailed very well.

The girls are now looking forward to their third year taking part in the Scottish Windsurfing Development Squad winter training weekends at the Cumbrae SportsScotland Centre.



Karate Honour

Two pupils have been selected to represent Scotland in the World Karate Champs in October.

Alex Marshall (S4) and Niamh Junner (S5) are the only competitors from Scotland in their respective categories.

Alex will be competing in the Cadet Kata category while Niamh will represent her country in the Cadet +54kg Kumite category.

The Cadet, Junior and Under 21 Championships take place every two years and is the benchmark event for younger karate students. It is the recognised pathway to participating at the Senior Championships and the Olympic Games in Tokyo in 2020.

The Tenerife competition is also the first World level event following the decision of the International Olympic Committee to include Karate in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Many of the participants may also be present in Buenos Aires, and this is one of the reasons the Federation is expecting to break all former participation figures, with a massive presence of all the five Continents.

Alex and Niamh train at the Shitokai Scotland Karate Club based at Renfrew Leisure Centre, the club regularly has athletes representing at National Level and are targeting the Youth Olympics in Argentina and Tokyo 2020 with Team GB.



Bridge Champs

The Senior Bridge Team is officially the best in the country - winning the top title at the Scottish Schools' Bridge Championship.

Senior pupils, David and Adam Tobias, Saketh Jampana and Wan-Hew Tran won first place at the annual competition, held at the Stirling Bridge Club on June 20th.

The Senior Bridge Team continued its track record of excellence by additionally winning second place on the day and the players are now preparing for their next big match.

Very well done to all pupils involved!

Secondary News



Silver Expedition

An impressive 79 pupils successfully completed their Silver Expedition this June.

The heavens opened for Mr Stirling's Silver Group A on day 1 and keeping kit dry added to the challenge. Just when they thought they thought things were brightening up the wind dropped and out came the dreaded midge. However, they kept a positive attitude and worked together as a team to pull through and enjoyed some well-earned sunshine to finish. Mr Macleod's Silver B were a day behind and initially thought they were going to follow a similar fate as a deluge greeted them on arrival. Then the shades and suntan lotion were out as the blue skies appeared for the second half of their journey through the wilderness.

The water groups paddled the Caledonian Canal from Fort William to Fort Augustus while the walking groups were based around the remote Corroul estate.

A superb achievement and well done. Their next challenge is to complete their Volunteering, Physical and Skills section of the Award to gain their completed Silver certificate.



Founders' Day

Pupils, staff and guests joined Rector Mr Colin Gambles at Glasgow Cathedral to celebrate the School's Founders' Day in March.

The annual remembrance service marked Mr Gambles' first Founders' Day and he was delighted to welcome former pupil Lady Ailsa Carmichael who gave a fascinating Commemoration Address.

Lady Carmichael (C1987), who was appointed as a Senator of the College of Justice last year, spoke about the value of dissent and the importance of using language as she delivered the Commemoration Address.

Lady Carmichael said: *"Hutchie taught me to articulate what I thought, and to present arguments on one side or another of a debate. I am not a natural public speaker, but I knew I wanted to be able to try to persuade people as to things I felt strongly about."*



Careers Convention

Pupils had the chance to learn about the world of work as the School Association hosted the annual Careers Convention

S4 pupils joined over 75 industry professionals for the information evening, including marine biologists, vets, broadcasters, engineers, stockbrokers, product designers and lawyers.

Many of the career consultants were either parents or former pupils of the school, with everyone getting the opportunity to have an informal chat and learn about a range of different industries.



Author visit

S1 pupils enjoyed learning all about life as a writer from award-winning Glasgow author Ross MacKenzie in the Fotheringay Centre in May.

During the informative talk, everyone learned about the tricks of writing a good story and discussed the benefits of reading, whilst hearing about the secrets behind the books Ross has written.

The dad-of-two who now lives in Renfrew won 'Best Story' in the 2016 Blue Peter Book Awards for his book 'The Nowhere Emporium' and the 'Best Book (8-11)' at the 2016 Scottish Children's Book Awards.

De-stress week

Senior pupils preparing for exams enjoyed a 'De-Stress Week', taking time away from their studies to relax in order to revise in a more relaxed and positive frame of mind.

The week was packed with fun afternoon activities which ran from Monday to Friday and all S4-6 pupils got involved.

There were workshops included yoga, hand and head massage, mindfulness and pet therapy.



Community Action

53 pupils rolled up their sleeves to learn about team building during Community Action Week.

The pupils enjoyed dividing their time between an outdoor centre in Newtonmore, working on the school grounds and volunteering with local charities across the West of Scotland. Several assisted the Glasgow Humane Society, with others completing a Troon beach clean and helping charities including Action for Children, CHAS and the St Rollox Community Outreach Project.

At the outdoor centre, pupils enjoyed taking part in gorge walking, which for many included a jump from a 20 foot cliff into a burn.

A group created a brand new school allotment, transforming a disused piece of land into an exciting place for the school community to plant and nurture fresh vegetables.

The aim of the Community Action week is to teach the pupils the importance of working together as a team.



Grand Fundraiser

The Talent Show at Hutchie never fails to entertain and this year's 'Totally Tropical' extravaganza raised just over £1000.

There was a huge amount of Hutchie talent on stage which made the judging job extremely difficult. But Head of Drama, Mrs Alderson, Caroline Watson, from the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice, and Head Boy Callum Young were up to the task.

The judging panel decided to award Best Solo Act to Samantha Brodie (S6), Best Group Act to Adam Tobias and Andrew Osipov (both S5), Most Entertaining Act to Lorna Fraser (S6), and the Best Overall Act to Ross McMillan (S6) for his impressive performance of Ed Sheeran's 'Shape of You'.

Thanks to Dave Curle of Powerhouse Pro Audio Visual, Henrys Honda and Platinum Hair and Beauty for supporting the Talent Show.



Model performance

Sixteen Hutchesons' pupils from the School's Model UN Society joined 500 other young people to take part in the 8th George Watson's Model UN Conference.

This was a truly international event with 43 schools from across the UK, as well as Germany, USA, Greece and Iran. The delegations covered many countries, with Hutchie pupils representing Sweden and Cambodia.

The School's team had a good mix of experienced and new members, who had been researching their countries' positions on a wide range of economic, social and environmental issues.



Charity

The school raised an impressive £26,536 for the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

Charity representatives visited the school in September to receive the money which was raised throughout the 2016/7 academic year.

Pupils and Staff raised the money by taking part in a variety of fundraising activities including the annual Cross Country Run, The School Talent Show and Strictly Come Dancing. The primary department raised a huge amount from its Christmas fete and individual pupils took on many challenges to raise the much needed funds.

Leavers' Ceremony

The Class of 2017 waved goodbye to their time at Hutchie with a Leavers' Ceremony held at Beaton Road.

Hundreds of family, friends and teachers joined S6 pupils in the Assembly Hall for a Certificate Giving Ceremony on Thursday June 15th to celebrate their academic and extra-curricular achievements.

That evening, many of the Drama pupils took a bow on the School stage for the last time, performing in the final night of the 2017 School show, 'Iolanthe - The Peer and the Peri'.

The following day, the S6 pupils enjoyed their last day in the Fotheringay Centre with a fun hypnosis session.

The day was rounded off with everyone watching a video packed with fond memories put together by S6 pupil Gideon Green, with everyone saying farewell in Hutchie hoodies and signing year books.

Good luck to all of our pupils leaving Hutchesons' Grammar School this year and moving on to the next adventure.

The Arts



Senior Show

The Senior show *Iolanthe - The Peer and the Peri* left hundreds spellbound as drama pupils put on a series of magical performances with their own spooky rendition of the Gilbert and Sullivan classic - with singing, dancing and flying!

The School stage was transformed into a fairytale land in June, with Art and Drama pupils spending weeks carefully planning and designing a bewitching set with a sparkling Big Ben in the distance.

Behind the scenes, Drama pupils took rehearsals to a whole new level, training with the Glasgow Climbing Centre as they learned how to fly and managed their own light and sound.

The cast and crew put on the three-night extravaganza, with fairies, lords and mortals telling the story of an institution which exerted an unfair political influence over a nation.

The School's musicians accompanied the show, with the orchestra pulling out all the stops and rehearsing for weeks to ensure they put on a show-stopping performance.



Springtime Music

The Spring term was a busy one for the Music Department which staged a very successful Spring Concert and Music Competition.

The annual Hutchesons' School Music Competition featured over 20 top rate performances by finalists in the two solo categories and ensemble section.

This year's adjudicator was the internationally renowned composer and conductor, Ayrshire-born Sir James MacMillan CBE, who, in summing up the evening's performances, commented on the "rude health of music at Hutchesons".

The outright winner of the senior solo competition, and recipient of the Competition Trophy, was Max Rodney S5, whose visceral performance of Matheus Schmitt's Ghanaia on marimba elicited wild cheers from the audience and fulsome praise from Sir James.

Runner up in that same category was cellist Verity MacInnes S5, playing the opening movement of Haydn's Cello Concerto in C. David Tobias S3 received a special commendation for his captivating unaccompanied performance on clarinet of Paul Harvey's Summertime.

The junior solo section – Grades 4-5 – was won by cellist Owen Gould S2, playing one of MacMillan's own works, Sabre Dance. The String Quartet (Florence Sharkey S5, Annie Gould S5, Mark Fisher S6 & Verity MacInnes S5) triumphed in the Ensemble class with an enchanting interpretation of Haydn's "Bird" Quartet.

The Spring concert was a musical extravaganza to remember and many senior music pupils showcased the work they had learned over the past year to their friends and family, with strings, percussion, woodwind, choirs and much more on offer.

Family and friends came along to watch the annual concert held in the Assembly Hall, with the Percussion Ensemble opening the evening with an impressive rendition of 'Pirates of the Caribbean'.

The percussionists were followed by the Intermediate Wind Band, the Guitar Ensemble, Sinfonia, the Intermediate Choir, the Pop Girls with pianist Lucy Martin accompanying the duo and the String Collective featuring solo violinist, Ariana Johnson.

The second half of the show saw the Senior Concert Band, the Vocal Group, the Jazz Collective and the Senior Choir perform some well-known songs, with the Jazz Band rounding off the evening.

Pupils took a bow and thanked everyone who came along to support the successful concert.



Art Award

S2's Nabeel Khan impressed the judges in a national art competition with his drawing entitled 'Insecticide'.

The unusual subject matter and the vibrant colours caught the attention of the judges in The Friends of the Royal Scottish Academy Annual Schools Art Award.

Carla Miller, Holly and Yasmin Wheeler, Min Song Sam and Emily Paton also received Highly Commended certificates in recognition of the quality of their artwork.



London Showcase

Advanced Higher Art pupils were selected to showcase their work at the Scottish Schools Art Exhibition at the Caledonian Club in London.

Carah Addyson-Smyth's 'Art of Anatomy' (above) and Eve Brown's 'The Kibble' were featured in the prestigious exhibition, which displayed art by sixth year pupils from nine Scottish independent schools.

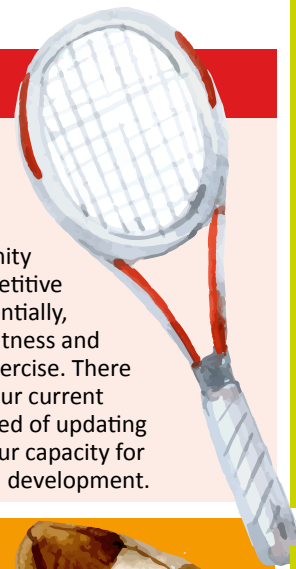
Their work forms part of an Advanced Higher course, which allows pupils to explore themes of personal interest and relevance to future career paths.

WHERE WE ARE NOW

Our strengths are in the tradition of competitive sport with an established successful programme and fixture lists for rugby, hockey (boys and girls) and cricket. We have pupil support for football and athletics to grow. Many of our pupils are keen athletes with a desire to compete and improve both as individuals and as part of the team. Our coaching structure in these sports is well established with involvement of specialist staff and they support pathways to county, district, national and international representation.

In addition to this we provide opportunities at a lower level for in-house competition and special 'event' days in the Primary school. Participation rates compare very favourably with national averages (we have 84% of boys and 75% of girls actively involved in sport and our games programme, in the winter and spring terms, currently offers ten sport options for girls (S4-S6) and eleven for boys (S4-S6). However, it is the case that we have a lower participation rate for girls and that our choice of options is somewhat limited,

we may be a little wedded to tradition. There is a lack of opportunity for the non-competitive pupil who is, potentially, keen to develop fitness and health through exercise. There is no doubt that our current facilities are in need of updating and are limiting our capacity for improvement and development.



WHAT WE BELIEVE

At Hutchie we enjoy a good base level of participation and support, many of our pupils are keen and enthusiastic competitors and athletes though there is a shrinking number who come from traditionally 'sporting' families, but we are falling behind other schools in terms of facilities and emphasis on the development of character education offered through sport.

In common with most good independent schools, sport at Hutchesons', and competitive sport in particular, has long played a central role in the institution. It is not an optional extra but rather a key component in building self-esteem, confidence, school ethos and even academic excellence. Young people learn respect, focus and commitment, find grit, determination and honesty and work individually and collectively towards achieving their goal. These are real life

transferable skills, vital for future success and fulfilment.

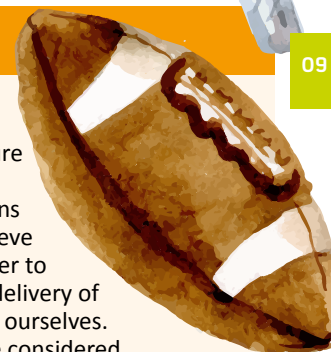
The drive to compete and excel in sport shapes a young person's character, binds the school together and reinforces the drive to compete and excel academically. Competitive sport is used to energise the entire school culture and as leaders in the school it is our role to understand its value and continually promote it. Pride in a team, the thrill of the new challenge and encouraging every pupil to have a go all pay dividends in building character.

We aim now to re-align the importance of sport with our academic excellence to establish an all-round culture of success. Over the past few months we have considered our own and other similar, or rival schools, in terms of ethos, support, culture and facilities. Together, as a group, we have agreed on a strategy for

Hutchesons' Sport over the foreseeable future and produced recommendations on what we believe is needed in order to strengthen the delivery of the goals we set ourselves.

In doing this, we considered the three Ps as being key areas of our remit as improving Participation, Performance and Personal Development.

Getting more pupils, more active, more often is a major goal of our sport programme. In order to do this, we must ensure we are creating an inclusive environment and providing sustainable and enjoyable participation opportunities while offering programmes for all levels of individual athletic talent.



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WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

Firstly, and most basically, we wish to create opportunities for all pupils to enjoy active participation in sport and fitness for life. For that to be the case we need to provide high quality facilities that encourage the pupils and staff to get involved, be involved and stay involved in fitness and sport.

For our team sports, we wish to ensure that our school teams are competitive and capable of entering and winning national competitions and that there is a depth to the number of teams fielded. The fixture list will operate in a way that ensures our teams are suitably challenged with quality

competition. Hutchesons' will continue to establish a reputation for high quality competitive sports. We will build a Culture of Success – Aim to win!

For our individual athletes/sportsmen and women we will support their development and work with others to provide a pathway to national and international representation. We will continue to nurture and develop links with well-established local and professional clubs and national sports bodies for the benefit of the pupils.

Whether our pupil are competing for the school or themselves we will build a

'Culture of Success' – Aiming to Win.

We will seek to appoint and develop further exceptional leaders/teachers and coaches capable of producing exceptional performers and teams and provide the support and assistance for staff across the school to be involved.

Sport, fitness and health is a vital part of a Hutchie education and it will enjoy a high profile in school life.



WHAT WE CONCLUDE

The time is now right to improve the range and quality of the facilities at Hutchie, to build upon the improving sporting culture in Glasgow, Scotland and beyond and to feed off the positivity generated by recent major sporting events and successes.

At Hutchesons' we believe our goal should be **fitnessandhealthforlife@hutchie**

To achieve our goal, it is important that we

maintain the enthusiasm as children grow up, give them the physical skills to develop and learn and teach them the importance of being active throughout their lives. Providing the pupils with opportunities to take part in and develop a love of sport and physical activity is vital to ensuring their long-term enjoyment and participation. We want everyone to feel that sport is for them, no matter if they are a seasoned

athlete or a complete beginner. We want to see healthy, happy, active children becoming healthy, happy, active adults as well as providing the encouragement and pathway for the talented school pupil of today to become the sporting star of the future.



Sports Update - Secondary News



S1 Rugby 7s

The S1 rugby 7s squad performed well in the interschool tournament in March.

The boys played very well in the group stages beating Lomond, High School of Glasgow and last year's winners, Edinburgh Academy. They faced a strong physical match against Robert Gordons side in the semi-final, winning 18-6. This put them into the cup final against Dollar Academy and although the boys put up a great fight, Dollar were worthy winners, running out 16-6. Head of rugby, Craig Sorbie said: "Well done to all of the boys taking part, they put in a tremendous effort, scoring 24 tries in 5 games. "The afternoon saw a solid squad effort which they should all be very proud of."

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Hockey 7s

Congratulations to the senior hockey girls who won the West District 7s B tournament after scoring an impressive 12 goals during a very cold afternoon.

Goalkeeper Jessica managed to have a clean sheet over the five games in March with all of the girls working incredibly hard as a team against other West District Schools B 7s teams. They met High School in a closely contested final. The 6th year leavers, Christina, Helen (top goal scorer) and Nicola all finished on a high and delivered a lovely thank-you speech.



Junior Tour

Pupils jetted off to Amsterdam for the Junior Hockey Tour in March.

49 pupils and teachers flew to Schiphol Airport to take part in a number of games against local teams.

Mrs Lang said: "This was an excellent tour with all of our pupils learning something new. We have forged a good bond with our Dutch friends and look forward to seeing them in Scotland soon."

Pupils won a match and then enjoyed watching the senior ladies' and men's matches at the HGC hockey club.

They even caught up with former pupil, Anna McKenzie, who now plays for the AMVJ hockey club.



Staff V Pupils

Senior hockey players had a match to remember as they took on the teachers in a staff vs. pupils hockey tournament.

Everyone enjoyed getting involved in the games afternoon which saw the hockey boys and girls play against members of staff, including the Rector, Mr Gambles. After a series of jam-packed matches, the staff showed pupils they still have what it takes, scoring the winning goal and taking the top title. There was a lot of cheering from the sidelines from crowds of pupils, staff, families and friends who came along to support the fun event.

Golf champs

Hutchesons' senior pupils enjoyed success at the Glasgow Schools Golf Championships in May.

Both Lewis Irvine, then S6, and Sophie Kyle, S5, were victorious and were crowned Glasgow Champions.



Track Stars

Sports pupils were top of their game as they won the Auldhouse Cup and Minerva Cup at the annual indoor athletics match at the Emirates Arena.

Pupils competed against The Glasgow Academy, High School of Glasgow, Kelvinside Academy, St Columba's School and St Aloysius College.

It was an excellent night with both the Hutchesons' boys and girls' squads winning top prizes.

Director of Sport, Mr Lang said: "A very well done to everyone involved."

"It was an excellent evening with our squads both winning. It was a great success for all of our athletes."

Pupils Ellie Buchanan and David Brown received the trophies on behalf of their teams.



Running medals

Our cross country runners enjoyed a very successful day at the Scottish Schools Cross Country with all of the girls' teams finishing in medal positions.

The School was delighted that Sofia Kirkpatrick, S3, was then selected to represent Scotland at the Schools International Cross Country event in Wales.

The C girls finished first for the third year in a row. The races had a large field of runners (up to 147) and it was excellent to see that a number of our runners finished in the top 20.

Zoe Flower	6th
Julia Cash	8th
Alex MacKinnon	17th
Francesca Davidson	9th
Jill Carswell	12th
Sofia Kirkpatrick	8th
Emily Crusher	20th
Kirsty Griffiths	20th

Sports Update - Primary News



Mile Cup

Primary pupils got on their marks to compete in the annual Mile Cup events in May.

P6 and P7 pupils ran 1500 metres and P5 pupils completed 1km.

In the P7 boys' race, 1st place was Robbie Baird, Jamie Davidson came 2nd and 3rd was Gregor Peterkin.

In the P7 girls' race, 1st place was Catriona Adams, 2nd place was Isla Wheeler and Erin Ellor came 3rd.

In the P6 boys' race, Jack Wallace crossed the finished line first and broke a new record, 2nd place was Cameron Harris and 3rd was Tobey Mathers.

The P6 girls' race saw Abbie Flower win 1st place, 2nd place was Layli Phillips and 3rd was Katie Dobbie.

In the P5 boys' race, Fin Neilson came 1st, Lewis Davidson was 2nd and Ethan Ellor crossed the finish line third.

Finally, the P5 girls race saw Maisie Simmers-Clark win 1st place, Kiri Dalkin in 2nd and Eilidh Fraser come in 3rd.



Sports Day

The Primary Sports Day may have been called off shortly after it began- but that didn't put a dampener on the fun and games.

Hundreds of pupils braved the Scottish weather to take part, with thunder storms bringing the annual event to an abrupt end. It was re-scheduled to a sunnier day the following week though!

There were lots of smiles from family and friends who cheered on pupils from P1-4 as they marched into the Alix Jamieson Stadium led by the School's very own furry mascot- Squirrel Hutchkins at exactly 1pm.

The children then split off into groups to enjoy a variety of games, taking part in the flat race, hoop race, bat and bean race, partner race and the egg and spoon race.

In true Hutchie tradition, everyone dressed to impress in house colours, with senior pupils awarding stickers to the winners just before the heavens opened.

Thanks go to the P.E. department for all of their hard work helping friends, families, school staff and pupils at the two events.



Sprint Success

Congratulations to the P6 and P7 athletes who won top places at the Glasgow Schools Primary Athletics Championships in June. The Primary athletics team won top awards following excellent team and individual performances at the Glasgow Schools Finals with pupils taking part in a sprint (80m for P6 and 100m for P7), 600m standing long jump and ball throw.

The results for the final are as follows:

Individual Medalists		Relay results
GOLD		RELAY GOLD P7 GIRLS
Olivia Dykes	100m	Sophia Roy, Catriona Adams, Jessica Molloy, Emma Murray, Olivia Dykes
Robbie Baird	100m	RELAY GOLD P7 BOYS
SILVER		Robbie Baird, Johnny Bradley, Jamie Davidson, Jude Leslie, Gregor Peterkin
Abbie Flower	600m	RELAY SILVER P7 BOYS
Brodi Cuthill	Ball throw	Campbell Waugh, Angus Rennie, Fynn Reid, David Campbell, Tobey Mathers
Johnny Bradley	Ball throw	RELAY BRONZE P6 GIRLS
Jamie Davidson	Standing long jump	Katie Dobbie, Emma Gilmour, Ava Walton, Abbie Flower, Miranda Schmulian
BRONZE		
Catriona Adams	600m	

Overall Team Results

Glasgow Schools Athletics Boys Championship - HGS Boys
 Glasgow Schools Athletics Girls Championship - HGS Runners up
 P7 pupils won gold at the Scottish Schools Primary Relay championships at Grangemouth in May, with both the Girls and Boys winning Gold in the 4 x 100m Relay finals. Following this success, the boys team managed to smash another school record!

Going for Gold

Pupils won the top title at the Primary Scottish Schools' Cross Country Championships in Kirkcaldy in April. All of the runners performed extremely well on the day, crossing the finish line with some excellent results. Congratulations goes to P6 pupils, Cameron Harris, Jack Wallace, Tobey Mathers, David Campbell and Campbell Waugh as they won the championship. Results are as follows:

P6 Girls	4th	P6 Boys	1st	P7 Girls	14th	P7 Boys	3rd
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Ski Success

Pupils enjoyed hitting the slopes to compete in the Scottish Schools Primary Indoor Ski Championships in April.

The action-packed event was held at Braehead Soar and saw all Hutchesons' pupils complete two runs of a slalom course.

Everyone had a great time taking part with the team finishing in a very credible 5th place overall. Pupil Campbell Waugh was the top boy racer finishing in 5th place and the top girl racer was Brooke London who came 16th.



Muddy Marvels

Sixty boys took part in the P5, P6, P7 Kelvinside Rugby Tournament at the Balgray Playing Fields.

They joined 160 boys from other Glasgow Schools for an afternoon of rugby fun, with the end result - everyone got very muddy.

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Fundraisers

Primary pupil, Clara McMorrow raised almost £400 for Glasgow's new Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice after setting herself a musical fundraising challenge.

Clara, P2, managed to raise the incredible sum of money by completing a sponsored violin practice every single day for a week. Thanks to her creative idea, the money raised will now go towards the Brick by Brick Appeal for the new Hospice currently being built at Bellahouston Park.

During a weekend in June, sisters Ameerah and Mariam visited neighbours with charity buckets and took a trip to the Rainbow Room in Uddingston, where Ameerah had over 10 inches chopped from her hair off.

In just one week, the sisters have managed to raise over £3,880 for The Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

On the same weekend, sisters Imogen and Alyssa Lavelle, P4 and P3, took a trip to Jecc's Hair Design in Newton Mearns, with Imogen losing 11 inches of hair and Alyssa losing 9 inches.

The pair have raised £1,517.50 which will be split between the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice and the Scottish Cot Death Trust.

All of the hair will now go to the Little Princess Trust which provides wigs for boys and girls throughout the UK who have lost their hair due to cancer treatment.



Harry Potter Latin

It was just another magical day as primary pupils presented their Latin classes with a Harry Potter theme in May. Pupils were transformed into witches and wizards from the moment they walked into the classroom.

They enjoyed learning all about the language of Ancient Rome through song and spells.



Book week

Primary pupils were treated to visits from some truly amazing authors during Book Week, all with the aim of encouraging reading for pleasure.

Comic artist Adam Murphy held workshops with P7 pupils. His Corpse Talk books make history accessible to young people and his work is published nationally in The Phoenix Comic.

Writer and storyteller Lari Don visited Primary 5 and Primary 6 to talk about her new book series, Spellchasers. Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils were treated to a storytelling and drawing session with the acclaimed author and illustrator, Ross Collins, who was last year's winner of the the inaugural Amnesty CLIP Honour for his picture book, There's a Bear on my Chair!

To mark World Book day on the Thursday everyone put on his or her best Roald Dahl-themed costumes for the event. The overall impression was spectacular, with famous characters like Willy Wonka mingling with Miss Honey from Matilda and George's grandma from George's Marvellous Medicine.



Zoo Education

In May P1 pupils enjoyed meeting exotic pets as they learned all about lifecycles.

Fiona McCrindle from Zoo Education hosted the class for a fun day with some surprise animals visitors.

Fiona began the day by reading Monkey Puzzle by Julia Donaldson and explained that everyone was about to meet the main characters from the book.

Pupils enjoyed meeting some caterpillars, a Python called Angus, an African Bull frog, a Chilean Rose Tarantula and a fluffy rabbit whose hearing is 40 times better than that of a human.

Everyone learned lots on the day and enjoyed spending time with their new friends.



Duke Awards

Thirty-one P7 pupils and their teachers attended this year's annual Junior Duke garden party with form British Lions star, Gordon Bulloch.

Unfortunately, the weather was not kind to us so our garden party took place in the Infant Hall.

The P7s had worked hard all year to complete their Platinum Junior Duke Award and had learned new skills, so their lunch was well-deserved.

We heard how Jamie had cooked fresh ravioli and Harris and Robin had managed to get the council to fix the pot holes in their road. We were also delighted to learn that so many children in P7 already change their own beds!

As the British Lions are playing rugby in New Zealand just now, Gordon Bulloch (C1993) told us all about his last Lions tour when he feared he wouldn't be selected for the final big test...then he heard a knock at his door and his dreams came true!

He presented all of the certificates and the children asked for his autograph.



Maths Challenge

P7 pupils performed well in the Scottish Mathematical Challenge and picked up their certificates at Strathclyde University in June.

Every year, pupils in Primary 7 tackle the Scottish Mathematical Challenge - a competition which involves challenging problem-solving and logical thinking across three rounds.

This year, Hutchesons' was well represented with four pupils winning Gold, two winning Silver and five being awarded Bronze!



Primary Concert

Pupils impressed family and friends during a series of performance evening concerts during the Summer Term at Kingarth Street.

Primary musicians played a number of impressive solo and ensemble pieces on a variety of instruments including the trombone, piano, drums, guitar, flute, violin and cello.

All of the concerts were very entertaining with pupils playing a range of classical favourites to modern hits - with something for everyone to enjoy.

Head of Primary Music, Mr MacLeod said: *"It is extremely rewarding to see the hard work of our pupils recognised, to see our young musicians reach their full potential is wonderful."*



Cloaks of Magnificence

Primary pupils took part in the traditional Cloaks of Magnificence ceremony on June 21st and cheered as the winners were announced.

The Cloaks of Magnificence ceremony, now in its fifth year, came from an idea a group of pupils had to recognise the person in each house who had earned the most Bonus Points. They suggested the pupils should win a 'cape'.

It has grown into a fabulous ceremony where one child from each house has his or her name embroidered onto The Cloak. It is like a trophy as all of the past winners' names are stitched onto the bottom of The Cloak where they will remain for all eternity.

Squirrel Hutchkins delivered the results in a sealed briefcase and each house's result was read out by a 6th year house captain.

**Argyll's winner was Campbell Waugh. / Lochiel's winner was Samyu Kumar
Montrose's winner was David Campbell / Stuart's winner was April Macaulay.
Congratulations to all the winners.**



Cricket Pro returns

FP and cricket pro Tim Hart hosted an exciting morning assembly at Kingarth Street to talk all about his favourite sport.

Returning to meet his old teachers, Tim (C2003) presented a video and spoke to pupils about how they can get involved in the game through an introductory programme with Cricket Scotland.

Tim then surprised everyone by calling up three members of staff for a 'keepie-uppie challenge'. This included his former P6 teacher, Miss Struthers who was crowned the winner.

Everyone enjoyed learning about the sport and found out about how to get involved in cricket.



P1 Lifecycles Show

P1 pupils took to the stage to perform their Life Cycles showcase to family and friends in May before taking everyone on a tour of their classrooms.

The children treated the audience to a musical morning, donning colourful hats and demonstrating just how much they had learnt about nature.

Singing all about butterflies, chickens and frogs, the pupils put on an unforgettable show which ended with a standing ovation from the audience.

After the performance, all of the guests were taken upstairs to have a sneak peek at the classrooms to see just how much the children knew about their topic.

Everyone rounded off the day by meeting some real chicks.



Shakespeare Day

P7s enjoyed exploring the world of William Shakespeare through Art, Drama and English in May as they prepared to move to Beaton Road in August.

Shakespeare Day is an important annual transition event, preparing Primary pupils for Senior School through fun activities. Suitably clad in period costumes, the group learnt all about the art of stage fighting in the Drama Department. FP and professional fight director, Janet Lawson, introduced the pupils to foam fighting and traditions of the Elizabethan era.

In the English Department, pupils had the opportunity to discuss exciting stories and were very enthusiastic about Twelfth Night.

The Art Department gave everyone a chance to get crafty, creating masks and crowns fit for a period drama.

The day was a great success and the pupils got even more excited to begin their journey into Senior School.



Project Bike Rack

Primary Technology Club pupils rolled up their sleeves to build their very own bike racks for Kingarth Street in May.

The P6 and P7 pupils worked very hard to build the three bike racks - just in time for the Cycling Proficiency Programme which began in the Summer Term.

The club recognised the need to tidy up the bike parking arrangements and the new wooden racks now provide a designated area for the school community to use.

With bike racks being very expensive to buy, their DIY efforts were the perfect solution, with all the materials costing under £50.

Very well done to our pupils who donned their safety goggles and worked hard to complete this project.



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Sports Tours 2017



Senior pupils jetted off on sports tours during the summer and made some school memories that will last a lifetime.

The senior rugby squad embarked on a summer tour to Cape Town in South Africa while the school's hockey players travelled to Portugal.

The boys' pre-season rugby training trip allowed the team to benefit from training sessions led by professional coaches in world class facilities at the Stellenbosch Academy of Sport.

The training prepared the Hutchie players for their three scheduled matches against Montana High School, President's High School and Macassar.

There were superb performances in all three matches where the team demonstrated 100% effort on the pitch and the pupils enjoyed the after match functions where they were able to socialise with the opposing teams and staff.



James Stewart, S6, said: *"The tour wasn't all about hard work and training and we got to see what South Africa had to offer. "The views from the top of Table Mountain and Signal Hill were amazing, as was the experience of zip-lining hundreds of feet above valleys and ravines. We really enjoyed the safari, Super Rugby match and wandering around Cape Town Waterfront. "The visits to the Langa Township and Robben Island provided a stark contrast and made a truly lasting impression on everyone. "This was a fantastic trip that built a great team spirit and enough memories to last a lifetime!"*

Meanwhile the boys' and girls' 1st XI hockey team flew to Lisbon during the summer break and put on some fantastic performances on the pitch.

40 pupils and staff travelled to the Portuguese capital to play three games against Benfica Hockey Club, Lisbon Casuals and the Portugal U21 national team.

Upon arrival the players and staff took time to settle before acclimatising to the Portuguese heat.

The tour consisted of activities from intense training in 30° heat to sightseeing throughout the city.

The first couple of days the teams trained at the hockey pitch which was a 20-minute walk from the hotel through narrow picturesque roads. However, the tour did not just consist of hockey as they also travelled to Cascais to take part in a surfing lesson which proved to be more difficult for some than others.

The pupils enjoyed a tour of the Benfica Stadium and a tree-top adventure where Mr Dunlop's fear of heights was fully exposed in a comical fashion.

After some more training, shopping and socialising the players faced their first test with both squads facing the Benfica Hockey Club. The boys won convincingly 11-1 although the girls just lost in a tight affair.

The following day the girls managed to respond to their first loss



with a convincing 4-0 win, that too against a stronger side. The biggest test of the whole tour was the boys' game against the Portugal U21 men's side, a match that went back and forth but it was the Hutchie boys who came out strong with a 7-5 win.

Reference has to be made to the effort and intensity of the boys' goalkeepers who played outfield in this game. Their abilities and work rate were of no difference to the other players.

The trip was a great experience for pupils and staff together, and hopefully this pre-season tour leads to success in the coming hockey season 2017-2018 as they are now more fully prepared than ever before.



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Curling MBE

Dr Alan Stanfield was awarded an MBE for Services to Curling in the 2017 Queen's Birthday Honours List.

The honour was awarded in recognition of Dr Stanfield's service as a Royal Caledonian Curling Club Umpire for 20 years and for officiating for the World Curling Federation.

Dr Stanfield has been fortunate to have been asked to umpire at many high profile international championships. He was Chief Umpire at the Winter Olympic Games in Sochi in 2014 and he is looking forward to officiating at next year's Olympics in Pyeongchang.

Dr Stanfield left Hutchesons' in 1971 to study medicine at Glasgow University before moving north to become a GP in both Nairn and Forres. He continued his medical career there until his retirement in 2014.



Dr Paton

Anne Paton (née Parkinson) C1977 graduated in 2015 with a PhD from the Celtic and Gaelic department at University of Glasgow. She is now an affiliate in the History Department and tutor on first and second year classes.



Flo's 108

Former pupil, Flo Smith, had a celebration fit for Royalty as she marked her 108th birthday on April 21.

Flo, who is from the Class of 1927, shares her birthday with Queen Elizabeth and is the School's oldest former pupil.

Once a keen hockey player in the 1st XI team, Flo began her Hutchie adventures at Kingarth Street in 1914 - just two years after the School opened its doors.

S6 prefects, Sophie Hightet, Chloe Mathers and Abigail Harrowell, joined family and friends at Antonine Care Home in Bearsden to present a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the School.

Depute Rector for Alumni and Development, Jim McDougall presented the birthday girl with a telegram from the Queen.

Everyone enjoyed listening to her fond memories, including the time she owned up to smashing a window after playing "winkers".

Footloose star

Connor Going, C2010, is making a name for himself in musical theatre with his starring role playing 'Chuck' in the UK tour of 'Footloose The Musical'

The production opened at London's New Wimbledon Theatre in April and continues to tour to great reviews and critical acclaim.



FPs set sail

In May, Richard Worsley, Richard Grove, and Alastair Bale (all 1973), Gordon Rankin (1972) and Iain Robertson (1968) set off from Kos for a week's sail round the South Eastern Dodecanese Islands.

The trip had ambitions to explore architectural history, geology, vulcanology, archaeology, and wild ornithology. At Lakki on Leros, they discovered an eccentric community of Italian Art Deco town planning. Next, at Nisyros they discovered Stephanos, one of the most spectacular and largest hydrothermal craters in the world, which still powers a natural sauna in the nearby village of Emporios.

The final day saw them passing Knidos on the Turkish Datca peninsula, site of an ancient city, and in the evening at Kos they saw the famous Plane tree where Hippocrates practised medicine in ancient times.



Dr Westbrook

Kathryn B Westbrook (née Brown) C1963 was awarded a PhD by the School of Divinity at the University of Edinburgh and graduated, aged 71, in July.

Prior to that she also obtained an MA with First Class honours and an MTH with distinction from the same school.



Munro Bagger

Sheena Hendre, née Stewart C1975 has just completed all the Munros in Scotland. Her last hill was Stob na Broige in Glencoe, on Saturday 8 July 2017.

She climbed her first Munro Ben Narnain, alongside twin sister Moira Simpson née Stewart C1975 on the Hutchie girls' annual hill walking trip, at the end of their 2nd year in June 1970.

That trip, and the subsequent annual walks until they left in 1975, sparked a lifelong hillwalking hobby for both of them.

Through their respective climbing and hillwalking clubs we have made many close friends, twelve of whom joined Sheena on her last Munro. Sheena and Moira were keen to thank school staff who gave up their free time for extracurricular activities.



KickBoxing champ

Former pupil Seher Ackrim C2014 has been crowned a national kickboxing champion.

Seher, who took up kickboxing during Games, continued training after leaving school to study at Edinburgh University. She faced some tough opposition at the Leeds National Kickboxing Competition in March but her performance ensured she walked away with the trophy.



FP coincidence

Seong Sin Han C1998 bumped into another proud FP at a recent graduation ceremony at Queen's College, Oxford.

Seong left Hutchie to study Jurisprudence at Queen's College Oxford. Some 24 years after graduating he was back at the college to collect his MA Oxon where he bumped into fellow FP Judith Anne Hutton née Hay who was at the ceremony to see her grandson graduate.

Seong said: *"We were both delighted to discover that despite the rather random coincidence of our meeting, that we had had the mutual privilege of being Hutchiesonians – although with some 37 years difference in the years that we left! "Judith, now 83, left Kingarth Street in 1951 and although I started my first year of secondary in Kingarth Street, I of course left Beaton Road in 1988. Both of our families had a wonderful day in Oxford, made all the better by having had the opportunity to meet such a wonderful lady and to discover that no matter where we go, that Hutchie FPs are everywhere!"*



Close Ties

A former pupil was delighted to have a memento from his school days restored after losing his favourite tie in a house fire.

John MacKay, C1975, from Stair in East Ayrshire, was ecstatic to be reunited with a replica of his prized possession, receiving a number of school ties and a bow tie from Mr Jim McDougall, Depute Rector, Alumni and Development.

On being reunited with the keepsake, he said: *"The Hutchiesons' school tie means a lot to me. It taught me how to perfect my first knot, a lesson which has gone beyond the classroom and carried me throughout my working career."*



Recently published

Former pupil Pamela Morton BA CA CDir FIoD FStratPS (C1982) has recently taken a career break to author and self-publish her first two books in the "Feel the Love" series about compassionate care both at home and in hospital.

The inspiration for these books came from looking after her own mother as an unpaid carer.

Under the pen name of "Lady Wise" these "111 tips" guide books can be read in sequence or at random and include a sense of humour and often a light-hearted, quirky approach to what might otherwise be taken too seriously.

Each book ends with her own lyrics. Pamela explained: *"This is purposely to motivate me to return to music which played such an important role in my life when I was younger. I used to act and sing in the end of term school operas and sing spontaneously in Mrs. Thompson's German class on request!"*



Exchange visit

Hector Grant C1977, his wife Lesley Grant and Lynsey Clark née Hurley visited Beaton Road for a tour of School in June 2017.

Lynsey, from California, was an exchange pupil with America Fulbright Scholarship during 1976-77 and was over visiting her exchange mum for her birthday. She also met up with former pupil Hector and his wife Lesley, who travelled up from Hertfordshire to see Lynsey. They have children of similar age who also keep in touch on a regular basis.

Former Pupils Reunions



C1977 and Ladies Tea Party

On Saturday 13th May, over 60 ladies attended the annual Ladies' Afternoon Tea at Kingarth Street. They enjoyed senior and primary musical performances, looking at memorabilia, tours of the School and hearing an update from Colin Gambles, the new Rector. The guest of honour was Flo Smith née McMurtrie, who had recently celebrated her 108th birthday.

The Ladies' Class of 1977 also enjoyed meeting at the Afternoon Tea. Their reunion was tinged with the loss of their event organiser Diane Brooks (née Miller) who passed away days before the event.

Mr Gambles paid tribute to Diane at the event who was described as a 'lively and life enhancing presence in our school community'.

'Diane was instrumental in organising the class 1977 reunion and I hope that you found Colin Gamble's words of some comfort. She was a lively and life enhancing presence in our school community and she will always be remembered fondly.'



C2b 1947-48

Eight boys met for their annual reunion on Friday 12th May at Beaton Road and it was the first time they had met at the School during the working week.

They enjoyed a reception in the Buchan Room, a tour of the School by pupils, followed by lunch in the Founders' Room with the Rector Colin Gambles.

Their class reunion next year will be on Friday 11th May 2018. For further information, please contact Burnett Chisholm at jim.chisholm@btinternet.com



Class of 1970

On Saturday 2nd September, 28 Ladies from the Class of 1970 met at Kingarth Street for their reunion lunch and for most, it was the first time they had set foot in Kingarth Street since leaving school.

They all had great fun catching up with friends they had not seen for such a long time and they also enjoyed a tour of the School after their lunch.

The reunion commenced with a reception for those who started Hutchie in P1 in 1957 having a chance to chat about the garden school. They were later joined for lunch by all those who attended either from P5 and S1.

The event was organised by Clare Grant and Susan Williamson née Marnie. Clare said: *"Thank you for the School clothes, the board of photos and the school magazines. There was just enough time for it all to be seen and taken in. It was a great day and everyone enjoyed it."*

Forthcoming Reunions

LADIES' CLASS OF 1968

50 years on, we are planning a reception and dinner at Kingarth Street on Saturday 1st September 2018 for the class of 1968 (1967 fifth-year leavers).

For those who are not free in September there is also the possibility of meeting up at the Ladies' Afternoon Tea in May, where we could reserve a table.

Please contact Katharine Garven katharinegarven@gmail.com or Sheila Bentley (née Clarke) sheila.bentley@aol.com for more details.

Alternatively, please contact the School Development Office on 0141 433 4474 or email alumni@hutchesons.org



Ladies' C1967

Over 30 ladies met at Kingarth Street on the evening of 4th March 2017 for their 50th Anniversary reunion.

The event was organised by Fionna Kent née Taylor and Karen Deutsch née Seltzer and it was the first time back at School for many since leaving and their first get-together since 1988.

The evening commenced with a tour of the School and group photo, followed by a reception in the music room (old laundry) and dinner in the dining room.

The guests had a fantastic evening. Hedeli said: *"Thank you so much for all these memories!!!! I really enjoyed our reunion."*

Judith said: *"It was such a success and I personally had such a good evening meeting girls I hadn't seen for a very long time."*

Marjorie added: *"It was great to see round the school - it hasn't changed much at all - and to see all our previous school mates."*

Organiser Karen said: *"The evening went really well, we thought. The reception with the memorabilia was a great success, the tour of the school was so much fun as we remembered the good and bad times we had experienced all those years ago."*

"The meal was of excellent quality and the wine kept flowing and I think we were all surprised when it came to 10pm and we had to vacate the premises!"



1957 Reunion

On Saturday 9th September, over 20 FPs from Class P5, 1957 attended the 60th Anniversary Reunion of their first day at the new Hutchesons' Boys' Grammar School.

It was their first reunion held at the School since leaving and their first get-together for over 30 years - the thirtieth anniversary dinner was held in the then Albany Hotel. The reunion was organised by Tom Ross Va and Andy Matheson Vx.

The boys enjoyed a tour of the School, followed by a drinks reception and dinner. The Rector, Colin Gambles, joined them for dinner. Many had travelled from all over the UK, with one guest making the journey from Queensland, Australia.

Rick Harding, who made the trip from Australia, said: *"It was a wonderful occasion. To see the expansion and the continued success of the school is heart warming. Catching up with old friends and seeing how life has treated us all is an experience that will stay with me."*

Class of 1992

On Saturday 20th May, the Class of 1992 reunion held their 25th Anniversary reunion at Beaton Road. Over 60 FPs attended and were joined by former staff Maggie Anderson, Stuart Lang, Jim McDougall, Jean Paul and Carol Stevenson.

The reunion was organised by Nicola Winston, Nicole Tolley and Vivienne MacLaren and Colin Paterson provided a music playlist for the occasion. Guests enjoyed a tour of the School and two photos were taken on the night, one in the dining room and the P1 photo in the garden area.

A number of the guests hadn't seen each other since leaving school and enjoyed catching up with one another and recalling stories from their schooldays at Beaton Road.

Many of the group continued the party at the nearby Waverley Tea Room in Shawlands.

David Thompson said: *"I'm not usually overly nostalgic but it was a really special night; just brilliant to see so many familiar faces again - even if some of those faces looked less familiar than they used to. So many great times."*



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Ladies' Tea 2017

It was an unforgettable afternoon for alumni, current pupils and staff at the annual Ladies' Afternoon Tea in May.

Guest of honour, the oldest FP, Flo Smith, who is 108, joined dozens of former pupils who attended Hutchesons' Girls Grammar School to celebrate over tea, cake and live entertainment from current pupils.

The day was opened by the Rector, Mr Gambles, who welcomed the ladies and spoke about the importance of alumni events and the future for Hutchesons'.

Primary pupils put on a show-stopping performance for the guests. Vocalist Andrew Watt (P7) sang "Ae Fond Kiss" followed by Daniel Ogilvie (P6) who impressed everyone with his clarinet.

Catriona Adams (P7) had everyone bursting with pride as she played the bagpipes and Andrew Watt played "I Love Rock and Roll" on the electric guitar.

During the interval, the school's prefects took guests for a trip down memory lane with a tour of Kingarth Street including classrooms, cloakrooms and the gym hall. The Senior Recital followed this with Robbie Prentice (S3) singing a beautiful rendition of "Limehouse Reach". Meganne McCartney (S3) entertained everyone with her clarinet and Abby Kenwell (S3) delivered an uplifting performance on the flute.

Megan Brown rounded off the performances by wowing her audience with a flawless performance of "Lascia ch'io Pianga" by Handel.

The ladies then ended the day in true Hutchesons' Girls' Grammar School fashion with everyone standing up to sing the school song before waving goodbye to the school-until next year!



Canadian Visit

In mid August, we had a very special visit from Iain Ronald (C1950) along with his wife Cristina fulfilling, with huge effort, Iain's wish to return to Glasgow from Toronto to meet up again with life-long friends, to revisit Hutchie and to meet the school's new Rector Colin Gambles.

We had a really happy time with a welcoming coffee reception hosted by the school's Development Office. Pupils Olivia McCann and Keir Johnston took Iain and Cristina on a tour of the school. They were shown the refurbished Assembly Hall, the Drama Building and the Athletics stadium and were given an overview of ongoing developments. The Rector and his wife then hosted a delightful lunch in the Buchan Room.

Iain and Cristina are most generous supporters of the School's Canadian Bursary Fund which Iain founded in 2002 and which with the support financially of FPs in Canada has helped six able pupils through their education.

Colin and Catriona Gambles along with myself will host a reunion in Toronto in mid-October to honour the Fifteenth Anniversary of Iain's initiation of this wonderful scheme.

Report by Graham McAllister



London Burns Night

A large number of FPs attended the Burns Supper at the Caledonian Club in London in January.

The event was well attended by alumni living in the capital and for many it was their first introduction to the School's Rector Mr Colin Gambles.

The guests enjoyed a drinks reception before the school's then Development Manager Carol Biggart welcomed everyone to the grand occasion.

Peter Bacon C1965 gave the Selkirk Grace before the FPs tucked into their tasty starters. Harley Atkinson C1957 then gave the Address to the Haggis and Gordon Casely C1961 recited the Immortal Memory. Anne Austen C1991 entertained the guests with her rendition of Ye Banks and Braes before Fraser McDougall C2012 gave the Toast to the Lassies. The School's new chair of Governors Ruth Walker gave the Reply on behalf of the Lassies.

Mr Gambles then gave the guests an update on developments at the School and Depute Rector for Alumni and Development Jim McDougall gave the Vote of Thanks.

The Burns Supper was a great success and the guests enjoyed a fantastic evening in very suitable location.

FP Footie Stars

A football tournament for former pupils raised an impressive £2,700 for the school's charity, the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

The tournament, brainchild of Adam Gordon (C1995) was intended to be a fun day out for FPs from the classes of '94, '95 and '96, who took on a number of challengers from other teams.

Queens Park FC kindly provided the fantastic facilities at Lesser Hampden for the event on May 28th and a good crowd of family, friends and plenty of youngsters ensured that the teams had enthusiastic support.

The East Ren All Stars beat Hutchie Class of '95 in the final on penalties, but the real winner was the Hospice with the money going towards the new state of the art building in Bellahouston park.

Adam said: "More than 70 forty(ish)-year-old pals re-living their youth, pretending they're Larsson or Laudrup enjoyed a good afternoon of football in aid of the Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice. The guys were brilliant and I am grateful to the lads from other teams from East Ren, Glasgow Academy and the Aloysius Old Boys who turned out to support the event."

Depute Rector for Alumni and Development Jim McDougall was delighted to see so many of his rugby stalwarts from 20 years ago still showing a good turn of speed. "It was great to see so many FPs and catch up on old times. I am really grateful to Adam for organising this event, and hope we can bring FPs together again to do something similar next year."





Four in a row

Six former pupils took on the HGS golf team in the annual McMillan Quaich competition.

Determined to win back the trophy from the School who have won it for the last three years, the FP team was looking very strong this year with the men's handicaps ranging from plus 1 to 8.

First match out at the event, which was held at Pollok Golf Club on March 15th, was Emily Crusher (S5) and Sophie Kyle (S4) vs Jinty Rogers (C1968) and Gillian Kyle (C1983).

The ladies had experience on their side but the girls' games had improved dramatically since 2016 and they were at times, driving close to 200 yards! Hard to beat when giving shots but after being 2 down after 2, the FPs fought back and got the game back to all square at the 5th.

Many holes were halved in net pars but a good net birdie from Sophie at the 13th let them go 1 ahead and a net birdie from Emily at the 17th finished off the game. A close 2 and 1 victory for the School.

The second match out was Lewis Irvine (S6) and Cameron Robertson (S6) vs Gus Lamond (C1974) and Euan Baillie (C1988) The FPs got off to a good start winning the 1st hole but the boys settled and Lewis birdied 4 out of the next 6 and Cameron had a net birdie at the 10th to go 3 up.

But experience and maturity shone through when Euan had a good birdie at the 11th, Gus a 3 at the 12th then a birdie at 13 to go all square. A net birdie at 14 by Gus saw the FPs go 1 up and they clung on to win the match on the 18th with Euan holing a real tester for his par.

Third match out was David O'Neil (S5) and Shiraz Shafi (S6) vs Graham Cox (C1974) and Alan Young (C1976). This match was close all the way as the FPs were giving quite a few shots. A net eagle from Alan at the 3rd let the FPs get ahead but every hole was closely contested and a net eagle from David squared the match. It remained a halved match at the end.

So the overall match score was a half so the School retained the trophy.

Everyone enjoyed their day and thanks go to Pollok Golf Club for hosting the match.



Former Pupils Announcements

Hutchie Hubs - Making connections

Perhaps you have wealth of experience you would like to share with younger alumni. Maybe you have just moved abroad and would like some advice from a fellow FP about expectations? Maybe you are at university and are looking for research or work experience abroad?

As part of our goal to engage with alumni and to make connections, we are delighted to launch the "Hutchie Hubs" programme, which aims to bring together like-minded FPs of all generations for discussion and networking.

Hutchie Hubs are all about enabling our alumni to meet in small groups to engage in ideas, to meet friends and match business and professional experiences and opportunities.

We also hope they will provide a useful forum for younger alumni to get careers advice, mentoring, internships or travel opportunities. Each hub will have a focal point - a series of short talks, or presentations, say, with a discussion session, followed by networking over refreshments. Part reunion, part TED talk, part business to business opportunity, our Hubs will evolve in differing ways according to interests and location.

Facilitated by the school, a hub might meet in, for example, work premises, a club or a restaurant. We shall develop "professional" hubs, e.g. for medics, engineers or lawyers, as well as regional hubs- in the UK and further afield.

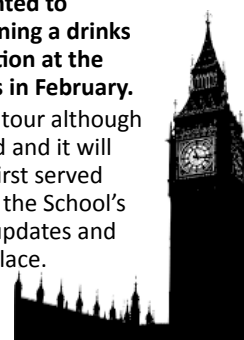
Our first hub event will be held in the school on 17th November when G&T recipient Kevin Sneider leads a Business Hub on "China Today". Later events include a Law hub and a Medical Hub, as well as regional meetings in London and the USA.

Hub events will be supported by social media, for example through our FP Facebook and LinkedIn pages. To get involved in the conversation, to take part in a hub or to facilitate a hub event, please check our LinkedIn page or contact us directly at alumni@hutchesons.org

Commons Reception

The School is delighted to announce it is planning a drinks and canapés reception at the House of Commons in February.

There will also be a tour although numbers are limited and it will be on a first come first served basis. Please follow the School's facebook page for updates and how to book your place.



Staff Notices



Merchandise

We have an extensive range of Hutchesons' merchandise ranging from our popular tartan scarves to fine china mugs and the Hutchie Bear, which is the perfect gift to commemorate your child starting in P1.

We also have some fabulous silver jewellery pieces designed by former pupil Kirsty Fraser (C2007). To purchase merchandise please email shop@hutchesons.org.



Hockey Masters

Three Hutchesons' PE teachers played hockey for Scotland during the summer break and brought home a medal.

Mrs Green, Mr Dunlop (both over 40s) and Mrs Lang (over 55s) represented Scotland at the Home Countries Hockey Masters competition in Dublin at the end of June. Due to family commitments Mrs Green and Mr Dunlop were unable to play in the European championships in August but Mrs Lang travelled to Tilburg in the Netherlands with her Scotland Over 55 team.

The players were very successful, narrowly losing to Ireland for a gold medal play off. However, the team rallied brilliantly and went on to beat Holland 3-2 in the bronze medal play off.

The medal presentation was very special for Mrs Lang and her team-mates but they all agreed that hockey was the main winner in the tournament.

Holistic approach

Economics and Business teacher Mrs Reid spent the summer holidays securing a number of qualifications in holistic medicine.

Mrs Reid gained the following qualifications:

- SNHS Diploma Aromatherapy
- SNHS Diploma Colour Therapy
- SNHS Diploma Flower Remedies
- SNHS Diploma Holistic Herbalism
- SNHS Diploma Homeopathy
- SNHS Diploma Holistic Nutrition

She is now a member of School of Natural Health Sciences and The International College of Holistic Medicine and was awarded an overall distinction pass - the highest award offered by SNHS.



Marathon Men

Two members of staff completed the first ever Stirling Scottish Marathon in May and raised thousands for their charities.

Biology teacher Mr Dyer got his running shoes on to fundraise for the MS Society completing his first ever marathon in three hours, five minutes and one second. He raised £900.

The school's new bursar Mr McColgan joined his children Ruth and Paul and a family friend on the 26 mile course from Blairdrummond Safari Park, through Doune and Dunblane and into Stirling.

As a group they raised over £4,000 for Cancer Research UK. It was Mr McColgan's sixth marathon – he ran his last race in 2007. He completed it in 4 hours and 19 minutes.



Book Deal

Former Head of Philosophy Dr Tonner has added to his list of publications with his latest book *Dwelling: Heidegger, Archaeology, Mortality*. The book examines the discourses of phenomenology, archaeology and palaeoanthropology in order to extend the 'dwelling perspective'.

Former Pupils In Memoriam

Mary Aitken

1940 - 2017 (C1958)

Ian G Armour

1932 - 2017 (C1950)

Jenny Auld

1921 - 2017 (C1939)

Niall Blair

1986 - 2017 (C2004)

Donna Borland née Taylor

1972 - 2017 (C1990)

Dr Eleanor M Briggs née Clarke

1938 - 2016 (C1955)

Diane Brooks née Miller

1959 - 2017 (C1977)

Margaret D Brown

1943 - 2017 (C1961)

William Clow

1926 - 2017 (C1945)

Dr Ben Cohen

1915 - 2016 (C1933)

Dr Eileen D Downie née Flynn

1934 - 2017 (C1951)

Raymond Epstein

1935 - 2016 (C1953)

Graham Everett

1934 - 2017 (C1953)

Mrs Anne J Gillies née Graham

1939 - 2016 (C1957)

Mr David M Gillies

1939 - 2016 (C1958)

Katherine Heelis

1957 - 2017 (C1975)

Alexis Sheila Hyslop née Caw

1936 - 2016 (C1953)

Lady Lydia Jack née Brown

1927 - 2016 (C1945)

Joanne Logie née Wilson

1923 - 2017 (C1934)

Cameron McCrea

1948 - 2017 (C1966)

May B MacGregor née Souter

1927 - 2017 (C1945)

Marjorie Mary McInnes OBE

1917 - 2015 (C1936)

Patricia McNeill

1928 - 2016 (C1946)

Dr D James Nelson

1947 - 2017 (C1965)

Alex Pope

1998 - 2017 (C2015) A tribute to Alex will appear in the next edition of the Hutchie Herald

Sheena B Rae née Letham

1956 - 2017 (C1974)

Joyce M M Reid

1927 - 2017 (C1945)

George M Richardson

1917 - 2017 (C1934)

Nanette Ross née Baxter

1945 - 2017 (C1963)

James M Russell

1918 - 2017 (C1933)

Nicola Senior

1975 - 2017 (C1993)

Margaret M Smith née Chissel

1923 - 2015 (C1942)

Alexander Singerman

1985 - 2017 (C2003) A tribute to Alexander will appear in the next edition of the Hutchie Herald

James S Steel

1926 - 2017 (C1945)

Sandy L Strang

1951 - 2017 (C1969)

Morag Swarbrick née Mackay

1955 - 2016 (C1973)

W Kenneth R Vass

1936 - 2017 (C1954)

Fiona Weir née Masson

1936 - 2017 (C1955)

Mary (Myra) Roberta White née Campbell

1931 - 2017 (C1947)

Former Staff

Mrs Elizabeth Paton

taught at Hutchie from 1997 - 2001

Friend of the School

Joan Fairweather

1922 - 2017

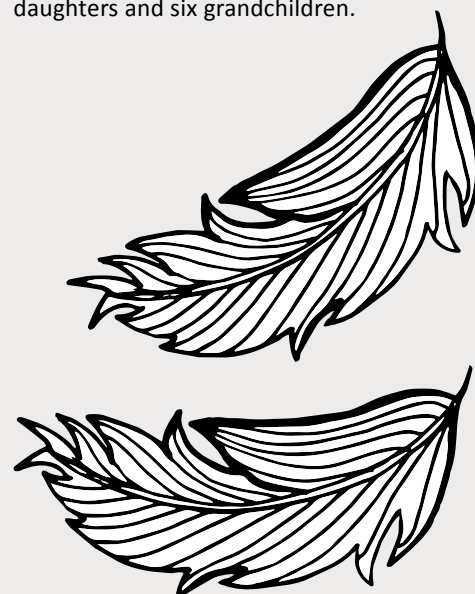


Alexis Sheila Hyslop (née Caw)
(C1953) 1935-2016

Brought up in Giffnock, Sheila initially attended Giffnock Primary School before joining Hutchesons' Grammar School aged eight. An only child, she particularly enjoyed the friendly atmosphere of the school, acquiring the nickname 'Leccy' from her much-disliked first name.

Always a keen scholar, Sheila attended the University of Glasgow, graduating with a BSc in Pharmacy in 1958. After completing her pre-registration year at the Southern General Hospital, she worked for a short time with the Timothy White pharmacy chain before returning to the Southern, where in time she was promoted to Deputy Chief Pharmacist.

After marrying a fellow pharmacist, Ian, in 1969, Sheila stopped working to devote herself to family life, settling in East Kilbride. In her spare time, she was very involved with her local church and enjoyed travelling, badminton and walking. Predeceased by Ian, Sheila leaves two daughters and six grandchildren.





Diane Helen Brooks née Miller

(C1977) 1959-2017

Diane was born in March 1959 in Newton Mearns, Glasgow. She started at Hutchesons' when she was five, at the girls' school in Kingarth street in 1964.

An avid lover of languages, she became fluent in Spanish, French and German while studying at the school. She graduated after her 5th year with five highers and went on to study Hotel & Catering Management at University of Strathclyde.

During her work with Marriott hotels, she was elected president of the Institute of Hospitality, becoming the first woman ever to gain that accomplishment. While working at the Heathrow Marriott, she met her future husband, Sam Brooks in 1996 and they married in the July of 2000 and they immediately moved to Washington DC.

Never one to shy away from a challenge, she enjoyed many odd hobbies and activities such as flying. After getting a discount for a flying lesson at one of her birthdays, she started learning to fly planes, eventually flying biplanes.

She had a daughter, Alicia in the spring of 2002, which she remarked as her "greatest accomplishment".

She was vastly respected in every area of her life, packing more into her life than most would in four. When she was diagnosed with a rare sarcoma cancer that had moved from the sinus to her lungs, shortly after the death of her husband, she decided to move her and Alicia back to the UK to be with family, sending Alicia to Hutchesons'. She died on the 10th of May 2017, surrounded by much of her family and a few friends.



Dr Ben Cohen FRCS

(C1933) 1913-2017

Ben Cohen, a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, died at the age of 101. He won a scholarship to Hutcheson's Grammar School, where he excelled in Classics, and went on

to study medicine at Glasgow University, where he qualified at the age of 22. He moved to London and took up his first appointment at the Jewish Hospital in the East End before taking up posts Addenbrooke's in Cambridge and the Radcliffe Infirmary at Oxford. He spent most of the war at the Royal National Throat Nose and Ear Hospital in London where he met his wife to be, who was a ward sister. They married and had one son in 1943.

After the war he was called up to the Royal Air Force, where he served as a Squadron Leader and on discharge he studied for his fellowship and obtained his first consultant appointment at the Royal Northern in 1950. He went on to work at the Royal Northern, North Middlesex, Barnet General, and Potters Bar hospitals

He also had a number of well known opera singers and actors as patients.

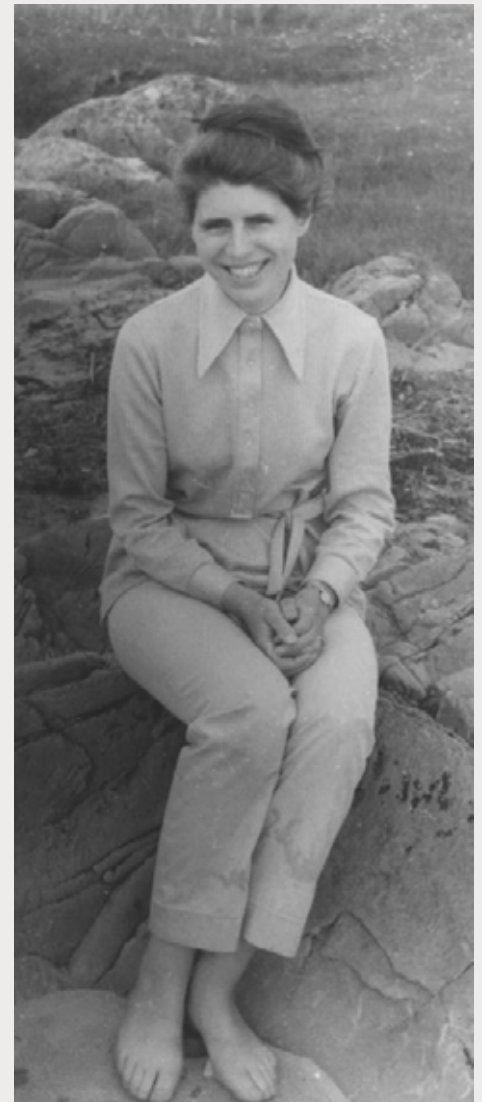
He retired from the NHS in 1980. Away from medicine he had interests in literature, topography and history. He self-published three bibliographies, on the Thames, the Clyde and the Delaware.



Dr Eleanor Mary Briggs née Clarke

(C1955) 1938-2016.

Dr Briggs left Hutchesons' to train as a doctor. She began her medical career working as a schools' doctor while also bringing up her young family. She joined the Brook Advisory Service in 1969 and found her niche. She subsequently joined the family planning service and was proudest of her work in the community, primarily in the Drumchapel area. She enjoyed passing on her knowledge and skills and inspired her daughter-in-law to follow a career in sexual health medicine. She leaves Douglas, her husband of 54 years, five sons and 11 grandchildren.



Eileen Dorothea Downie née Flynn

(C1951) 1934-2017

Eileen was born in Gourock. Her father died quite young leaving her mother with two young daughters. Eileen was fortunate in winning a scholarship to Hutchie and became joint Dux in 1951.

After leaving school she studied Biochemistry at Glasgow University, gaining a BSc and later a PhD. She worked for three years as a research biochemist for the Medical Research Council in Oxford.

She returned to Glasgow in 1960 after marrying Robin Downie and she took up posts at Glasgow University and the Royal Infirmary.

When the children came along she became a part-time demonstrator to medical students and she spent the final years of her career lecturing in Chemistry at Clydebank College.

Throughout her career at Glasgow she sang with GU Choral Society and encouraged her children to learn instruments and acquire wide interests. After she retired she worked part-time in an Oxfam bookshop, attended adult education classes and became an accomplished water-colour painter. She leaves a husband (Professor Robin Downie), three daughters (Alison, Catherine and Barbara) and eight grandchildren.



Graham Everett (C1953) 1917-1934

GRAHAM Everett, who has died aged 83, was a champion middle-distance runner who won many national championships and set numerous Scottish records. He won seven British international vests. He narrowly missed qualifying for the Olympics in 1956 and 1960 by 3/10ths of a second each time.

He was twice awarded the Crabbie Cup for best performance at the Scottish Championships and he also won the Coronation Cup for Scotland's outstanding athlete of the year. Representing his club Shettleston Harriers he won the Scottish cross country individual title and helped his club to three consecutive successes in the team event.

His love of running developed while at Hutchie and he finished third in the Scottish Schoolboys' mile in 1951 despite little training. He was also the school's swimming champion.

He met his wife Hilda Galloway in Edinburgh through work and they married in 1963. The couple had two children, Craig and Andrea. Craig is a well-known golf professional having been Scottish amateur champion in 1990 while Andrea represented Scotland at the 1986 Commonwealth Games competing in the 10,000m.

After marrying they couple set up home in the Mount Vernon area in Glasgow where they brought up their family. Everett worked mostly in airline cargo sales management latterly with KLM.



James S Steel (C1945) 1927-2017

James, known as Jim died in February aged 90. He attended the school at Crown Street for his secondary education before going on to serve in the Navy.

He later worked for Sun Alliance and it was there that he spent most of his working life. Jim met his wife Sylvia (née Archibald) (C1942) at the Hutchie FP Dramatic Club, where they made many lifelong friends and shared their love of the theatre, especially musicals.

Jim is survived by Sylvia, his daughters Alison Marr (C1976) and Barbara McDevitt (C1983), sons-in-law Alistair Marr (C1976) – a current school Governor – and his grandchildren Andrew Marr (C2005), Fraser Marr (C2008) and Heather and Hannah McDevitt.

Sadly, Jim died just a few weeks before the marriage of his grandson Andrew to another Hutchie FP, Emma Langman (C2005).

Ken Vass (C1954) 1936-2017

Ken Vass was born in London but attended Hutchesons' when his parents moved to the city. He studied English and history at the University of Glasgow and graduated with a Master of Arts degree. He was well known in Scottish media circles and started his career in journalism as a sub-editor with the Evening Citizen in Glasgow before becoming a news reporter with the Scottish Daily Mail, Scottish Daily Express, Sunday Telegraph.

In 1964 Vass joined STV as a news reporter before switching to BBC radio and television with Reporting Scotland. He later became a radio producer and moved to the BBC in London in 1970. Vass won praise as a Daily Express reporter early in his career for revealing Rosslyn Chapel's links to the Holy Grail and he was also involved in covering one of the biggest crime stories of that era - the infamous Bible John case in Glasgow.

He moved into television and became head of Scottish Television's Scotsport programme and the producer of Weir's Way, the popular series that followed the climber

and writer Tom Weir on his travels through Scotland. He also worked as a producer and studio director with BBC's Panorama and Nationwide programmes.

With his wife, Janice, who died in 2009, he retired to the West Highlands but the couple later decided to move to the scenic town of Kenmare. He continued to walk and climb there until eight years ago when went into residential care.



Margaret Motherwell Smith née Chissel (C1942) 1923-2015

Margaret was born before all women in Britain could vote, at a time, when it was thought women did not need the same education as men.

As such, she was not allowed to complete her secondary education but she loved her time at Hutchesons' Girls' Grammar and the school community encouraged her love of life and adventure.

In her profession as a Registered Nurse she worked in Aden, East Africa and Australia, married in Kenya and lived with her husband Bill and two children Margaret and Ian in Perth Western Australia.

In 1993 Margaret graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from The University of Western Australia and thus completed the education she was denied as a young woman. Margaret always spoke fondly of her time at "Hutchie" and ensured that both her children had the same educational opportunities.

Marjorie McInnes OBE

(C1936) 1917-2015

Marjorie attended Hutchesons' after winning a bursary to the school in 1934. Marjorie obtained the Diploma in Social Services from Glasgow University in 1939 and went on to train as an almoner (later called medical social worker) at the Institute of Almoners in London. She qualified in 1940. She took up several locum posts down south but on hearing of her brother's death during the war in 1943 she returned to Glasgow.

During the years 1948-1953 Marjorie held the post of Head Almoner at the Victoria Infirmary in Glasgow and from 1954-57 was Head Almoner at Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

In January 1958, Marjorie was appointed the first social worker to the then Department of Health for Scotland in Edinburgh and when all social work in the Scottish Office amalgamated in 1969 Marjorie was appointed Deputy Chief Social Work Adviser.

When she retired in 1978 aged 61 she devoted her time to charity work and it was in recognition of her work as Convener of the Scottish Council on Disability which led to her being honoured by the Queen in the New Year's Honours List for 1982.



May Baxter MacGregor née Souter

(C1945) 1929 – 2017

May MacGregor died peacefully with her family around her in June. Her life was a long and mostly happy one which was entwined with Hutchesons'. At school she blossomed both academically and musically leaving as Dux in 1945 with a bursary for Glasgow University. She graduated with an Honours Degree in History and English and a scholarship to Cambridge. She joined the civil service, coming 3rd in the UK examination, and started her career in St Andrew's House, Edinburgh. After her marriage to another Hutchesonian, Carrick MacGregor in 1955 she continued in the civil service but this ceased when her children



Anne Gillies, née Graham

(C1956) 1939 – 2016

Anne Graham attended Hutchie throughout her schooling, from 1944 to 1956. She lived in Croftfoot with her parents and younger sister. After leaving school, she worked as a secretary for various insurance companies in Glasgow. She met David Gillies (class of '57) at the local tennis club and they married in 1966. She was actively involved with Stonelaw Church in Rutherglen and served on the committees of various local charities. In her later years, she suffered from Progressive Supranuclear Palsy, a type of dementia. She died in March 2016, just a few weeks after her husband. She is survived by her daughter, Carol (class of '89) and her sister, Irene (class of '60).

David Gillies

(C1957) 1939 – 2016

David Gillies attended Hutchie from 1950 to 1957. He was a keen rugby player and was awarded 1st XV colours in 1956-57. After leaving school, he played for the FP club. He was an avid supporter of the club after his playing days were over and would often spend all day Saturday at Auldhouse, watching a schoolboys' match in the morning and a club match in the afternoon. He married Anne Graham (class of '56) in 1966. For many years, he was company secretary at Clan Hotels. Later, until retirement, he was with Scottish Mutual. He died in February 2016, pre-deceasing Anne by 6 weeks. He is survived by his daughter, Carol (class of '89).

Susan, Stephen and Katherine arrived. All three attended Hutchesons'.

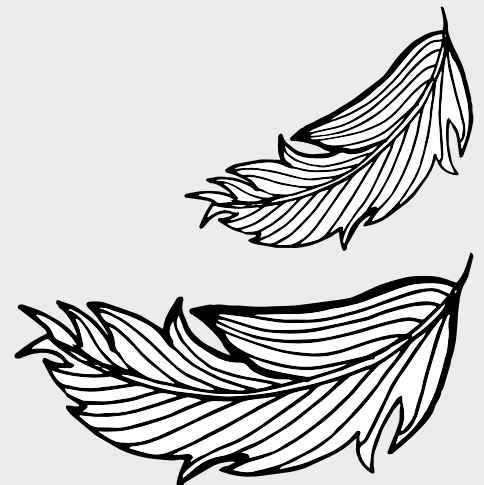
As they grew up, she returned to education and went to Jordanhill College undertaking teacher training. Initially she taught in Williamwood High School, moving later to Westbourne School for Girls. She taught History and English, latterly becoming head of history and deputy head of the school. She approached her teaching duties studiously, spending long hours in preparation and marking. She remained a strong advocate of the value of education, instilled at Hutchesons'.

As her six grandchildren arrived, all Hutchesonians, she again enjoyed helping with homework and study. She was a keen supporter at musical events and her grandchildren knew their projects and homework would be supported enthusiastically. Towards the end of her life she developed dementia but still enjoyed poetry and music. Her unflinching kindness and devotion to her family were what marked her out but her academic achievements, of which she was proud, were nurtured at Hutchesons'.

Morag Swarbrick née Mackay

(C1973) 1955-2016

Morag sadly died on 27th September 2016 after bravely fighting leukaemia for nearly two years. She taught primary school children in Fife for over 30 years and is survived by her devoted husband Tom and two daughters, Emma and Lorna.





Alexander (Sandy) Liddell Strang - Former Depute Rector (C1969) 1951-2017

This article, by the Rector, Colin Gambles, is largely based on his Eulogy, read at an overflowing Sherbrooke St Gilbert's Church.

Sandy Strang and Hutchesons' Grammar School are closely intertwined. Sandy came to the school from Mossspark Primary having been awarded a bursary. He excelled academically to be made Dux in 1969 and went to Churchill College to graduate in English and Classics. Whilst at Cambridge he was awarded his blue in football and played in the Varsity match to defeat Oxford 1-0.

Sandy returned to Hutchesons' as a teacher of English in 1974 and quickly became the Principal Teacher of English and then Depute Rector in 1987. Former Rector David Ward comments that *"During my time at Hutchie I was always enormously grateful for Sandy's outstanding contribution; one of the earliest appointments made, his, as Depute Rector, was certainly one of the best". He was always seen as a firm disciplinarian but ultimately this was to ensure that every pupil made the most of their attributes.* These themes were repeatedly mentioned in the many tributes made and are pithily summarised by this quote from Gillan Wilson who wrote to Sandy before he died, *"As I progressed in my school career that fear turned first to respect and then to deep admiration of your high standards and obvious devotion to excellence, setting the tone for the whole institution and instilling a higher barometer of success than would otherwise be the case".*

Sandy was a keen and talented cricketer, playing particularly at Clydesdale and Ferguslie as a wicketkeeper and batsman. His verbal skills whilst sledging the opposition can be clearly imagined from his later career in public speaking and after-dinner speaking. Nick Hewer, of The Apprentice, said, "Sandy was one of the funniest men I ever heard".

I met Sandy when we both spoke at the Former Pupil Dinner last year. His consummate skill as a professional raconteur was clearly in evidence. He deftly wove entertaining and typically self-deprecating stories together into a rich tapestry. We were all struck by the passion and eloquence with which his final theme cleverly emerged: starting from his roots as a bursary boy and extending to his belief that he had a mission to extend the development of bursaries at the school so that children like him could have the opportunity to develop.

Sandy had a huge impact on the lives of thousands of children during his time at Hutchie: there was an amazing attendance at his funeral and the very high regard in which he was held was perhaps never more clearly in evidence.

He is survived by his partner, Mary Fisher.

This poem, based on A Man's Prayer by Grantland Rice, was read at the service.

*Here is one who took his chances
in the busy world of men;
battled luck and circumstances
fought and fell and fought again;
Won sometimes, but did no crowing
lost sometimes, but did not wail,
took his beating, kept on going,
never let his courage fail.
He was fallible and human,
therefore loved and understood
by his fellow man and woman,
whether good or not so good;
He kept his spirit undiminished,
never false to any friend,
he played the game until it finished,
he lived a sportsman to the end...*

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Special Occasions and Business Meetings

The stunning Fotheringay centre offers unique opportunities for unforgettable events, bespoke receptions, services, weddings, christenings and graduations. The School has a suite of flexible modern meeting rooms that can cater for all sizes – from small groups to large companies.

Call Karen Peterkin on **0141 433 4466** for an informal chat or email **PeterkinK@hutchesons.org** to arrange a tour of our facilities. More information can be found at **www.hutchesons.org/events**

Forthcoming Alumni Events

2017

Thursday 26 October

Ladies' Class of 1961 Reunion

Lunch at The Sherbrooke Castle Hotel. For further information, please email Vivienne Geddes née Giles at vivged@btinternet.com or Mary Kelly née Montgomery at marykelly.edenhall@yahoo.co.uk

Friday 17 November

George and Thomas Hutcheson Awards and 1641 event

Assembly Hall, 11.30am

Monday 18 December

Class of 2017 Reunion

Afternoon Reception with canapés at Beaton Road. For further information, please email alumni@hutchesons.org

2018

Wednesday 10 January

Hutchesons' Former Pupils' Club AGM

Beaton Road

Saturday 3 March

Hutchesons' Former Pupils' Club Dinner

Glasgow

Saturday 28 April

Ladies' Class of 1958 Reunion

Reception and Lunch at Kingarth Street. For more information, please email Rona Livingstone nee Scholes at kirkstane@yahoo.co.uk

Friday 11 May

Men's Class 2b 1947/48 Reunion

Reception and Lunch at Beaton Road. For more information, please email Burnett Chisholm at jim.chisholm@btinternet.com

Saturday 12 May

Ladies' Afternoon Tea

Reception and afternoon tea at Kingarth Street

Saturday 19 May

Class of 1988 Reunion

Reception and Dinner at Beaton Road. For more information, please email Euan Baillie at euanaillie@hotmail.com

Saturday 1 September

Ladies' Class of 1968 Reunion

Reception and Dinner at Kingarth Street. For more information, please email Sheila Bentley née Clarke at sheila.bentley@aol.com or Katharine Garven at katharinegarven@gmail.com for more details

For more information about any of these dates or to organise a reunion or event, please contact Louise Duncan, Alumni and Development Coordinator on **0141 433 4474** or email alumni@hutchesons.org



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Dates for your Diary

End of October 2017 – End of June 2018

Saturday 4 November

Open Morning, Secondary School at Beaton Road

Tuesday 7 November

S5 Parents' Evening

Thursday 9 November

Primary 4 Show

Tuesday 14 and Thursday 16 November

Kingarth Street Parents' Evenings

Sunday 26 November

Choral Society Concert

Thursday 30 November

"Requiem in Blue" & Secondary School Concert

Saturday 2 December

1957 Group Christmas Afternoon Tea

Monday 4, Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 December

S1/2 Show: "From Page to Stage!"

Monday 4 December

S4 – S6 Art Studios Open Evening

Thursday 7 December

S4 Parents' Evening

Monday 11 December

Primary School Concert

Wednesday 20 December

School closes: 12.10 pm - Primary, 12.30 pm - Secondary

2018

Thursday 4 January

Pupils return for Spring Term

Thursday 11 January

S3 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 17 January

S1 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 23 January

S2 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 24 January

Entrance Test Day

Tuesday 30 January

S4 Subject Choice Evening

Thursday 8 February

S5 Parents' Evening

Monday 12 – Friday 16 February

Half Term Holiday

Wednesday 21 February

S6 Parents' Evening

Thursday 22 February

Music Competition

Thursday 1 March

S3 Drama Competition

Monday 5 March

S5 Subject Choice Evening

Wednesday 7 March

S4 Careers Convention

Wednesday 14 or Thursday 15 March (tbc)

Founders' Day

Sunday 18 March

Choral Society Concert

Tuesday 20 March

S2 Subject Choice Evening

Thursday 22 March

Secondary School Concert

Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 March

P7 Show & S6 NC Drama Productions

Thursday 29 March

School closes :12.10 pm – Primary, 12.30 pm – Secondary

Tuesday 17 April

Pupils return for Summer Term

Monday 30 April to Monday 4 June inclusive

SQA Examinations

Monday 7 May

May Day Holiday

Friday 25 and Monday 28 May

Half Term Holiday

Tuesday 26 June

School closes for holidays Primary - 12.10 pm, Secondary - 12.30 pm

Wednesday 27 June

End of Session : Prizegiving

Wednesday 22 August

Pupils return for Autumn Term