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Hutchesons' Pre-School at Pollok Park

Since the launch of our Pre-School interest has soared and we are delighted to say numbers have quadrupled since opening in 2018.

We are also delighted to announce that from next session our Pre-School children will split their time between Kingarth Street and Hutchesons' at Pollok Park (H@PP). The newest addition to the Hutchesons' campus will give our youngest learners unrivalled access to outdoor learning in a beautiful park setting.

Both the Nursery and Pre-School classes for the 2021/22 session are full and the school has opened a waiting list. If you would like to be added to this list please contact Pre-School Admissions Secretary Diane Hives on HivesD@hutchesons.org.

There is limited availability in the Pre-School for the 2022/23 session so if you are considering Hutchesons' for your child please apply as early as possible.

The increased demand for Pre-School has had a knock-on impact on availability for Primary One entry. Our two Primary One classes for next August were full by February. Continued demand, and the school's commitment to maintaining small class sizes, has led to the creation of an additional P1 class. A few spaces remain so if you are interested in joining Hutchesons' in P1 this August please email admissions@Hutchesons.org

Welcome from the Rector

What another extraordinary year! The school's continued response to covid lockdown 2 and the subsequent SQA cancellation of external examinations has been nothing short of remarkable.

Staff have given so much and worked so hard both with and for their pupils, who in their turn have responded in a most creditable fashion: listening, thinking and working hard.

As a result, we are confident in the examination results that have been submitted even in the rapidly changing environment and rules that have emerged.

Kingarth Street has been able to be the most 'normal' in its approach, and the Pre-School and Nursery is going from strength to strength. Our measured start here has paid dividends, with the facility now full and receiving glowing reports from pupils and parents.

To further increase Pre-School capacity, look no further than our strategically important acquisition of the former Craigholme sports complex.

H@PP

It has now renamed as "Hutchisons' at Pollok Park. Outdoor Learning and Community Sports Centre", and we are looking forward to H@PP appearing on Google Maps too as an easy way for people to orient themselves around the Southside.

Kingarth Street pupils will use the new facility extensively in their outdoor learning, and also as a common base for their sports and PE. The lovely timber clad sports hall has a fine climbing wall [that this Rector is greatly looking forward to scaling] whilst outside sees a second hockey astro turf to join the synthetic pitch at the heart of the

Alix Jamieson stadium [plus we continue to closely partner with Clydesdale HC in the use of their waterbase] giving us a fine provision for boys' and girls' hockey. Finally, there is also a grass pitch that will be used for rugby and football. We are working hard in the sporting arena to set up a local sports hub with other nearby partners, from soccer and tennis to netball and lacrosse.

As well as important capital investment, for example in Kingarth Street, and planning for our Sixth Year provision, we continue to fund-raise for bursaries: it is part of our mission to increase the availability of a Hutchie education to as many children whose families cannot afford it.

Challenge 180

These bursaries may be transformational (i.e. 100%) or can be thought of as fees assistance (ranging down from there). We are launching a new way of thinking about this to try and bring it within the reach of more of your pockets. Please read more about the Challenge 180 Fundraising Campaign that will run alongside the Sandy Strang Bursary project.

If you have any ideas in this area, please do not hesitate to contact me in person at school or speak to Jim McDougall.

You will see within this issue that lockdown has brought further opportunity to our pupils and former pupils too: with every challenge comes niches that can be spotted by eagle-eyed entrepreneurs. The current crop of Sixth Years have business ventures that range from making biltong to social media marketing, whilst FP Suhit Amin's social influencer agency is going from strength to strength and received



further recognition with the award of Scottish Edge funding. FP Gareth Bayley, who returned post-covid to launch our last Model United Nations conference, has been appointed ambassador to Egypt and current pupil Bateman has set up his own graphic design business: you will see his work in the Doing it for Daniel concert which has been a standout feature of this year.

Daniel

Daniel Caplan, one of our sixth years, was cruelly taken from us earlier in the year following diagnosis of a rare DIPG brain tumour and its swift progression.

With his family, Daniel and the school chose to support the charity Funding Neuro which funds research in this area. There has been much fundraising, notably the Primary Mathsathon that raised more than £9,000, but the most remarkable event was the music concert. You will have picked up on the publicity its celebrity endorsement enabled, with extensive BBC coverage and many of you have supported the charity with such typical generosity, whether in the purchase of a ticket or more.

To hear Sir Mick Jagger, Sting, Emelie Sandie and the Scottish Rugby team speaking personally to Daniel and his family had massive emotional impact for us all. The final total is still climbing, and currently stands at over £80,000 - what an amazing tribute to Daniel from all in the Hutchie family.

Pupils raise £85,000 for Daniel

In May 2020 one of our senior pupils, Daniel Caplan, was diagnosed with a rare form of brain tumour. He and his family were supported by the charity 'Funding Neuro', which is a Glasgow based charity that is campaigning for more research into childhood brain cancers.

This session, following overwhelming support from pupils across all year groups, staff, and families in the Hutchie community, Funding Neuro was chosen unanimously as the school charity for the year. A number of fundraising events took place and a phenomenal

£85,000 was raised. This has been a difficult year in so many ways but what shines through all of this is the support and love of the Hutchie community for their friend Daniel. Daniel has been at the forefront of all our efforts. Pupils recently painted pebbles to mark his 18th birthday.

Hutchesons' at Pollok Park



Outdoor Learning...

It has become more important that our children develop an environmental identity and to do this we need to allow them to be present in nature all year round.

Our pupils will be inspired by the changing of the seasons and exposed to the irregularities of the weather and the landscape.

Developing

Outdoor education brings significant gains in terms of developing social skills, empathy, resilience, problem-solving, emotional literacy and stamina.

H@PP will help build confidence, improve wellbeing, and engage children with nature. Previously providing a programme for Outdoor Learning was restricted to the playground, a day trip or residential visit and often these are limited to a specific stage.

We are fortunate that Hutchesons' at Pollok Park enables us to offer a broad, progressive, and regular approach to Outdoor Learning for all pupils - from Nursery and Pre-school, through the Primary years and into the Secondary School

with preparations for the Duke of Edinburgh Award and beyond. With the additional advantage the immediate access to Pollok Country Park provides, we can ensure that pupils at each stage regularly connect with nature; a place where they can find something new, exciting and challenging throughout their time at Hutchie.

... at school

As Outdoor learning needs to be an everyday experience for all our pupils, at Kingarth Street we have been developing the use of our outdoor spaces.

We provide daily opportunities in a range of activities: loose parts play, playground games, sports, caring for and engaging with the natural world. These experiences allow pupils to encounter different elements and stimulate their senses with different textures, sounds and smells. Movement is key in outdoor learning as it allows children a range of ways to move around a diverse space: running, jumping, climbing, balancing, rolling, swinging, sliding, dancing, and chasing. Children

learn about their own physical limitations, strength, and control. They learn to manage risk and will generally take on increasing challenge or look for improvement. These skills and attitudes are so important in learning and taking this mindset back into the classroom has a positive effect on academic progress.

...at H@PP

Hutchesons' at Pollok Park provides a greater opportunity to design a curriculum for outdoor learning that sets out activities to stimulate, excite, engage, and challenge all pupils.

This enhances learning in natural and environmental science, geological and geographical studies, outdoor and adventurous education as well as fueling pupils' curiosity, compassion, and creativity.

With regular access to both H@PP and the wider Pollok Park pupils will be encouraged to:

- ask questions, make observations and find things out
- understand the world around them
- make sustainable decisions
- challenge themselves by choice

Health & Wellbeing

Outdoor learning brings significant benefits to pupils' health and wellbeing. Time spent in a natural environment helps children:

- focus on the present
- become more self-aware
- feel calmer
- manage emotions
- be kinder towards themselves, others and the world around them

Regular time spent outdoors provides opportunity for pupils to discover for themselves, assimilate learning, and explore social boundaries. This in turn deepens understanding, builds resilience, and develops interdependency.

In balance with classroom learning and the wide range of extra-curricular activities offered at Hutchie, we believe that our commitment to outdoor learning enables us to offer a rounded and holistic education. Allowing all our pupils to Belong, Flourish and Achieve.



Pre-School at H@PP

Our youngest learners are also set to benefit from H@PP as from August 2021 our pre-schoolers and nursery pupils will spend part of their week in the school's new outdoor learning facility.

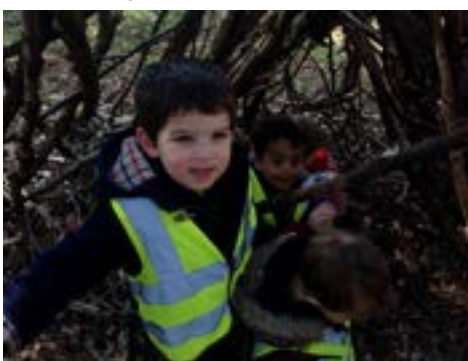
Demand for nursery places at Hutchesons' has steadily increased since we launched our pre-school three years ago. Indeed, both the nursery and pre-school for session 2021-22 are full and spaces are filling up quickly for the 2022/23 session.

Community sports

The School is delighted to continue to build strong links with community sports groups who can book the sports hall and grounds when they are not being used by pupils.

Next session the school will welcome powerchair football team Glasgow Gladiators, Glasgow Archers, Joga Futsal Academy, Glasgow Chinese Badminton Club and Glasgow Netball Association who will run evening and weekend sessions at H@PP.

The school hopes to expand the number of community groups accessing the facility and is working closely with Glasgow Life to promote the sporting facilities and opportunities to local residents.



Doing It for Da

- shining a spotlight on the need for research into DIPG tu



Credit - BBC Breakfast

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mours and raising £45k to help fund a new treatment trial

Our talented senior musicians put on a fantastic online music concert in aid of Funding Neuro - and they were delighted to receive support from a number of high-profile stars.

The Doing It For Daniel Concert was released online on Thursday May 27th and was available to view for a limited period of time. The concert - which raised money towards the cost of a ground-breaking treatment trial for DIPG tumours, featured pop and rock music from the 1980s to the current day and stars including Sir Mick Jagger, Sting and Emile Sande also featured offering support to the pupils and the charity before introducing their tracks.

The concert was organised in memory of S6 pupil Daniel Caplan who was diagnosed with a DIPG brain tumour in May last year. Very sadly he passed away at the end of November. When pupils returned to school in August following the initial Covid lockdown Daniel also returned and continued to attend some classes until he was no longer able to. In that short period Daniel and his S6 friends organised a charity football match which was played at Hamilton Accies FC's grounds. Unfortunately spectators weren't allowed in the stadium due to Covid so the match was live-streamed for a fee.

Inspiration

Director of Music and Performance Tim Rhodes said: "Daniel's musician friends wanted to help the fundraising effort so, taking inspiration from the streamed football match, they decided to record a music concert and put it online.

"All the pupils recorded their tracks in school and the recordings were then edited by our senior music technology teacher Graeme Scott. All the music staff contributed to the success of the concert. It was a real team effort.

"The pupils were due to come into school over a weekend in January to film their performances but unfortunately their plans were scuppered by the second covid lockdown. Filming eventually got underway at the end of April. Special thanks must go to the students at the University of the West of Scotland who gave up their time to come and film the performances and then edit them together with the vocal and instrumental recordings."

The Doing It For Daniel Concert and the school's fundraising and awareness raising for DIPG, along with an interview Daniel's parents Alison and Brian and brother Saul, featured on BBC Breakfast News the day before the concert was released online.

The story also ran on the national One o'clock News, BBC Radio Scotland and Scottish Television. It also appeared in a number of national newspapers. This widespread coverage really helped to raise awareness of the need for more funding into DIPG. It also helped raise a phenomenal £45,000 and the school received messages of support from people all over the UK.

"What a wonderful tribute to Daniel and his family. Everyone was a credit to the school and themselves. Their enthusiasm shone through. Their determination to remember their friend and support his family was so lovely to witness. Enjoyed every minute of the diverse music."

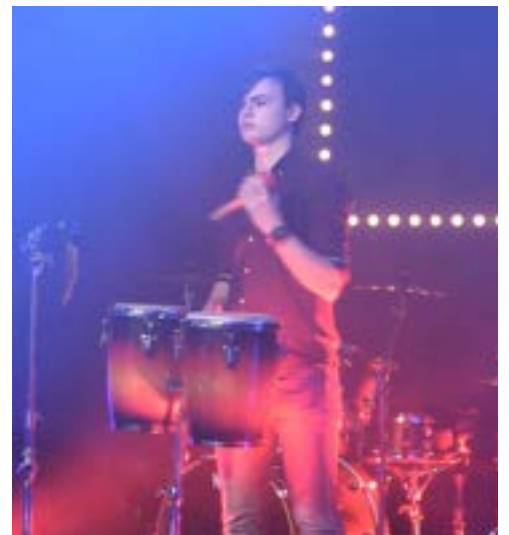
"What an amazing concert! so much talent and for such a fantastic cause. Well done to everyone involved."

"What an amazing thing to do and hopefully something good can come from Daniel's tragic diagnosis."

"Inspirational! Congratulations to all involved, what a legacy Daniel leaves behind."

If you would like to donate to Funding Neuro you can do so at <http://bitly.ws/dZSx>





S6 Pupil Entre

At Hutchesons' we are proud to nurture our pupils' and build their confidence to help them achieve their career ambitions - and some of our pupils begin their entrepreneurial journey while still at school.

For some of them their business is long-term career goal but for others it is a profitable side gig which offers them an extra income as they head off to University.

This year our S6 pupils have launched a Social Media Marketing Agency, a Graphic Design consultancy and a Biltong production business during the pandemic.



Social Media Marketer

Qasim Ackrim spent the first Covid Lockdown researching ways he could make money online.

He quickly ruled out 'dropshipping' because he wanted to be a respected businessman and he didn't believe this online income stream would meet his expectation.

Instead he focussed on setting up a Social Media Marketing Agency specialising in the e-commerce industry.

A few short months later and Quasim has seen his income sky-rocket as his niche business has taken off. He now plans to move to Dubai next year and build his business further.

Qasim had won an apprenticeship at Barclays but after spending some time there on work experience he realised it wasn't for him. He did a lot of online research and decided to start up his own Social Media Marketing Agency and after being mentored by Dubai-based agency owner Arsalan Khan, he has grown his agency to a £30k a month profit in less than a year. He said: "Before I started my agency I was quite pessimistic. Nothing was working for me and then I came across this guy who was making £100k a month. I got in touch and decided to set up my own agency. Within three weeks I had my first client and after eight weeks I was making £10k a month. When I first told people my plan to start my agency they thought the possible profit was too good to be true but it has changed my life."

Qasim researches e-commerce companies he would like to work with, audits their social media marketing activity and then sends them a bespoke video of how his agency can improve their online offering. Most result in a follow-up meeting and once his agency is brought onboard he delegates the day-to-day account management to one of his team of specialist digital marketers. His company takes a percentage of the sales he drives to his ecommerce client.



Designs on success

Noah Bateman has been interested in design for a few years but took the plunge and launched his own consultancy FLUDD design in March 2020.

Initially his clients were family and friends but now he has produced designs for organisations all over the world including a fish farm in Africa and a church in Canada. Noah said: "I have always been interested in design so growing up I would watch videos about how to design properly and I would try to understand why certain pieces worked and why some did not. This then led me to experiment with design myself before I came across my niche

preneurs

which was brand design. For fun I would make brand designs for made up businesses until one day I thought about just asking whether people wanted any design work done for them. This is then when I realised, I could make money from this hobby.”

Noah quickly realised the graphic design industry is built on connections and he spends a lot of time making connections with other designers and businesses in Scotland to get his name known. He also started his own personal design page on Instagram and his own YouTube channel to showcase his work.

He admitted launching his business during the pandemic has had its challenges but he is delighted FLUDD design is going from strength to strength. He said: “The initial year has not been straight forward by any means. My initial goal was to ensure that the business survived the first year which it did! Saying this I have not worked with the typical clients I would have liked to work with, and I have had to adapt as a result. In a normal year I want to work with businesses on improving/creating their visual identities however due to Covid this is has not been top of businesses priorities as they are just trying to survive right now.

“As a result of this I ended up working with individuals and businesses on general graphic design that they need anyway (including posters, infographics etc.). This has resulted in my contact base increasing dramatically and hopefully this will come in useful in the near future.”

Noah is also passionate about Engineering and has accepted a place at Glasgow University to study Aeronautical Engineering. He plans to continue growing his design business alongside his studies.

A Very Scrum-my Business Idea



Greg Turner was inspired to set up his food manufacturer business after visiting South Africa on a school rugby tour. He launched the ‘It’s All Gone Biltong’ snack product in November last year and has relied on positive word of mouth referrals to grow his business.

Greg said: “I was lucky enough to have the opportunity to go to South Africa with the school and over there I tried biltong for the first time, which was far better than any sort of beef jerky I had tried at home. When I got back home by sheer coincidence a friend asked me if I wanted to try and make some as it is a great snack for sports like rugby as it is high in protein.”

Greg teamed up with a family friend who had a South African colleague and they worked together to perfect the product recipe.

He spent £110 on the spices, packages, the dryer and the first joint of meat and he quickly recouped his investment and now turns a modest profit.

He said: “I’m keeping the business between friends and family just now so I leave promotion to word of mouth as people enjoy it and recommend it to others.”

Greg is heading off to university in September to study Mechanical Engineering.

He added: “I hope to be able to make the occasional batch of biltong when I am away at university in order to be able to sell it to friends both from school and university.



Secondary News



D of E Expeditions Return

Our DofE pupils had a great few days away completing their expeditions in June, marking a welcomed return to more normality after such a difficult year with Covid-19.

The pupils enjoyed practice sessions in the Loch Laggan area before undertaking their Final Expedition in and around Fort William.

Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator Mr Macleod said: “What a privilege it was to finally be back with DofE groups on expedition. It was fabulous to see the teams working so well together as they journeyed through the Highlands. For the Practice Expedition they were based in the beautiful Loch Laggan area – those of you old enough might remember this was where the TV series Monarch of Glen was filmed and the teams camped in view of Glen Bogle Castle.

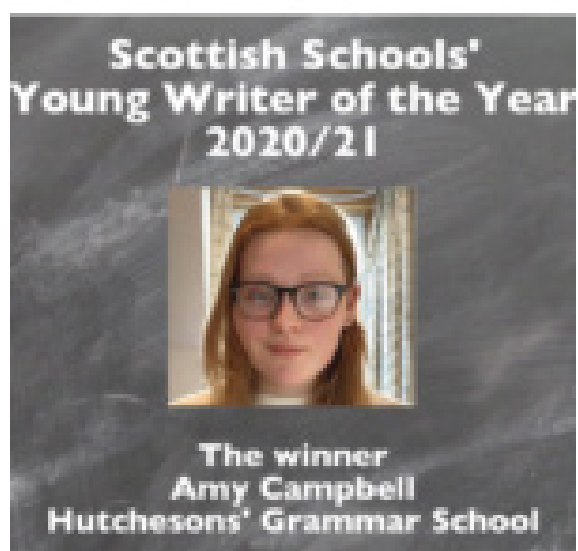
“For the Final Expedition they started in Fort William and either walked the Great Glen or paddled the Caledonian Canal to Fort Augustus. The weather was gorgeous and we were lucky to have enjoyed a week in the sun.”

Scottish Young Writer

S5 pupil Amy Campbell won the prestigious Scottish Young Writer of the Year competition with her article inspired by The Guardian’s ‘My mother before I knew her’ compilation.

The competition was organized by the Scottish Review and attracted entries from pupils across Scotland aged between 15 and 18 years old.

Eleven papers were short-listed and sent out to a panel of 19 judges, who were not told the names of the authors, their ages or the schools they attend. The judges were impressed with Amy’s article which reflected on a photograph of her mother taken before she was born.



British Physics Olympiad Success

Senior Challenge Gold Winners



Intermediate Winners



Junior Award Winners



Senior Bronze Winners



The British Physics Olympiad runs a range of competitions to encourage the study of Physics and recognise excellence in young physicists. Hutchesons' has a history of success in both the Senior (S5) and the Intermediate (S4) competitions. During our school year 2019/20 both of these competitions took place in school, but we were unable to award certificates.

In 2020/21 the competitions moved online, and we extended our involvement to include the Round One paper (S6) and the Junior competition. We are proud to present the following winners from our current S4-S6 cohort and look forward to sharing S3 success in the near future.

Congratulations must be extended to all our young people who have taken part and risen to the challenges in these difficult times.

Special mentions are made for:

David Reid - Round One Gold 2021

Samuel Oades - Senior Gold 2021 / Intermediate Gold 2020

Richa Kulkarni - Senior Gold 2021

Neel Bollapragada - Intermediate Gold 2021

Robin Ferguson - Intermediate Gold 2021

Rohan Banerjee - Intermediate Gold 2021

Secondary News

Exploring Myths

Dr Cochrane and Mr McLeod visited the P7s at Kingarth Street last month to read and discuss classical myths. The sessions started with a general introduction to Greek mythology, followed by a quiz on heroes, monsters and gods. The pupils had lots of knowledge and enthusiasm to share. Then the groups listened to the action-packed myth of Theseus and the Minotaur and the tragic love story of Orpheus and Eurydice. Pupils took an active part in discussing the characters, interpreting the morals of the tales and even coming up with their own version of the stories. There were some very creative responses to updating these ancient myths!



Arkwright Update

Congratulations to our Arkwright Engineering Scholarship winners - Noah Bateman, Lucas Myhill, Stefan Vuckovic, James Garven and Nikhil Koteeswaran

Head of Technology Mr McCormick said: "I am delighted that our pupils continue to enjoy success in the highly competitive selection process for Arkwright Engineering Scholarships. The most recent Arkwright Scholars have been linked with sponsors including BAE Systems and the Happold Foundation. Being selected acknowledges the scholars' potential to be a future leaders in the engineering sector. Well done to all of our Scholars!"

Biology Award Winners



The school celebrated pupil success in 25th Anniversary of Royal Society of Biology British Biology Olympiad. S5 pupil Becca won a Silver Award. Richa, also in S5 received a Bronze Award. Safiyyah in S5 was Highly Commended and fellow S5 pupils Rayyan and Finlay were Commended. S6 Pupil: Farwah was also Commended.

Head of Biology, Mr Kerr, said: 'This is an extremely tough competition that is incredibly challenging. A total of 8476 students from 622 schools worldwide took part this year and to have continued success again this year with 6 of our pupils in the award categories is excellent.'



The CREST project is a national research competition in which you choose what to research and undergo experiments to prove or disprove a hypothesis. We chose to research plastic and its impact on plant development, and this gave this us a chance to delve into more detailed topics that are perhaps missing in the news and build on our class topics. Completing our CREST project has taught us how to question, how to be independent and how to work well in a team. It has made us both ever more interested in the world of biology.

Ellie Greaves and Samyu Kumar (S4)

Primary News

Cycling Proficiency and bikeability



One of the highlights of Primary Six is Term Three's Cycling Proficiency.

Children come to school one day each week with their bikes, helmets and waterproofs, ready for that day's lesson, rain or shine, in the main playground.

From starting off to overtaking, minor roads to emergency braking, teachers take children through the skills necessary to be safe on the roads.

Homework lessons about the wider importance of the Highway Code go hand-in-hand with road safety.

Non-cyclists are also helped to become confident on a bike, because the ultimate reward for completing Cycling Proficiency is a day out cycling around the Isle of Cumbrae, happy in the knowledge that their new-found skills will keep them safe and well on public roads.

This year the Primary 7s completed the Bikeability Level 2 Course because they missed out on cycling proficiency in Primary 6.

"We all really enjoyed Bikeability because most of us had never cycled in traffic on the roads before and it was fun cycling with friends. We started the week in the playground where we learned many things about road awareness and signals. It was mostly about communication so we played games passing cones and zig-zagging around. This took the pressure off before going on to the public roads. When we cycled as a group on the roads, we used the dedicated cycle path to Queen's Park and then through the park on to the quieter roads." - Emma Macleod and Ella Hopkins P7S

ASC News



After School Care has operated throughout the pandemic to offer care for Key Worker Children, more recently being able to offer Holiday Club to all children.

The children enjoyed a wide range of activities including tie dye t-shirts, movie day, campfire cooking, a scavenger hunt and much more. We organised a Lockdown Birthday Bonanza, allowing everyone to celebrate the birthdays missed with party games, food, prizes, presents and of course cake!

Despite the constraints of COVID we have continued to work closely at ASC with our Children's Committee. The Committee recently created a list of resources they would like to see at ASC, so they sourced them online, managed the budget and helped submit the orders. What a great achievement!

Captains on Covid



Lochiel - Amelia Paton
Homeschooling has been tough for pupils, parents, and teachers. My own experience was mixed as I struggled with a few things at the start such as poor Wi-Fi, having to be more independent and missing my friends. On the plus side it has taught me to manage my time better. I got to spend more time with my family and now I appreciate how much I love school! I know that I am more fortunate than other children who don't have access to IT or their own space to work. Above all, it has taught me that we shouldn't take the amazing education system we have for granted.



Stuart - Felix Taylor
Urgh... Believe it or not there were some good things that came out of it. At first, it felt like a holiday with all the sunny weather but let me tell you, it was no fun teaching my mum how to use Firefly or having to entertain yourself during break times. As a family of five, it felt like a constant battle to use the internet. Sometimes I'd make evening quizzes for my family about what I'd learned, which released their competitive genes! Despite this, Lockdown did make me appreciate my parents a lot more. Most importantly, the main lesson to be learned from Lockdown was to never, ever eat a bat...



Argyll - Charlotte Savage
School in 2021 has been a challenge for everyone but we powered through it together. During both lockdowns, everyone did so well working from home, especially the teachers! I thought it was fun because it was a new way of experimenting with learning and a new experience for us all. My favourite part was not having to get up so early in the morning! I'm moving to Beaton Road soon and this is not how I pictured my last year at primary school, but I think it has been one of the most fun years so far. I'm really going to miss it.



Montrose - Leo Skilling
I was lucky as both my parents were key workers so I got to go into school and that changed quite a few things – there was always a teacher there so I could ask questions rather than send a message on Teams and then wait for a reply. They could also show me how to work out answers in person rather than over a call. The best thing we did was 'Back to the Future' Week. During this we did lots of fun activities and even watched the film! So, although home learning wasn't the best, at least all of us know how to use a computer. Erm, well MOST of us....

Enterprise Products



Primary 4 has worked extremely hard on their Enterprise topic in order to raise funds for Funding Neuro and buy supplies for a new school nature garden.

Following the O.M.B.R.E.Y.S successful pitch in the final, Primary 4 got to work budgeting the cost of making lavender, lemon and pine scented hand sanitisers. The pupils learned about the importance of marketing and advertising, creating their own slogans and logos for their newly named product, 'Treemendous Hutchie Gel'. Violet Malcolm (P4P) designed the beautiful tree displayed on the front of each of these super scented sanitisers. Sales have been very successful.

Sustainability Week

Kingarth Street hosted our inaugural Sustainability Week this term.

With the COP26 climate change conference in Glasgow in November, the children have been thinking about our impact on the world.

Through assemblies, an exciting sustainability challenge was presented. Each class was to implement a small change, that might add up to making a big difference. The classes provided excellent ideas, considering the feasibility and practicality of changes. Suggestions included: improving green spaces, encouraging green life in classrooms, reducing paper waste, replacing bulbs with LEDs, encouraging garden bee populations and even reducing the amount of toilet paper we use!

As classes trialled their ideas, they realised that even a small change can have a big impact if carried out by a whole cohort. Our week concluded with an exciting virtual sharing assembly, where groups shared photographs, videos and stop-motion animations to promote their change to the whole school. Let's hope these small changes all help as the school looks towards an exciting sustainable future!



Tree Champions

During lockdown, the Eco-Committee learnt about a new national project called 'Young Tree Champions' which is organised by The Tree Council.

The aim of the project is to inspire young people to help create a healthier and more sustainable future, for the environment and them. Their application was successful and different year groups got involved with planting five new trees at Kingarth Street. Primary 4 pupils have created a tree trail so that other pupils can learn more about the different species.

STEM Challenge

Using the BP Stem Challenge resources, children in Primary 4 looked at ways of introducing plants, animal shelter and different technology to encourage greater biodiversity.

Aome children decided to enter the BP Stem Challenge 2021, A Home for Nature and created designs for the secret garden area behind the after school hut.

Cassie Lyall and Josephine Paintin created a wonderful design for a hexagonal, bee-themed garden which they named 'Bee Wild'.

The design included different zzzzones, such as a wildflower zzzzone, a recycling zzzzone, a bird and insect zzzzone and a bee zzzzone. Up against nearly 2000 other entries from across the country, their design went on to win the national competition. The school has been awarded £3000 to implement as much of the girls' design as possible.



The Arts at Hutchie



Creativity During Covid

Despite finding themselves, once again working from home during a second lockdown, pupils have continued to impress us with their creative ingenuity, resourcefulness and imagination.

Whilst senior pupils were tasked with producing a graphics portfolio using some of the amazing features in the Adobe Creative Cloud and Pro Create, younger pupils experimented with drawing on their iPads and tablets.

Drawing by hand remains integral to the design process and many pupils combined traditional methods with more advanced features in Photoshop and Illustrator. Here is a selection of some of their amazing designs.





Sport at Hutchie



As with all sporting activities, this year has been affected by the obstacles and challenged we have all faced due to covid-19. Athletics has been no different this term. The cancellation of the independent schools' league, Glasgow School and Scottish Schools competitions changed the focus for many of our aspiring athletes.

However, this allowed time to concentrate on developing technical aspect of the track and field events through internal training and competition. Heats day for P7, S1 & 2 pupils offered inter-house competition culminating on some excellent performances on finals day for the top 12 pupils in each event competing to be crowned event champion as well as accumulating points in the overall competition. A huge congratulations to all pupils participating and performing to their best in a bid to earn points for the house. Well done to Argyle winner of the Tercentenary Cup.

A list of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed pupils in the overall year group championship can be found below.

Individual Championships 2021

P7 Girls – The Jean Bain Trophy

- 1st Kerry Gaya
- 2nd Imogen Lavelle
- 3rd Emma MacLeod

1st Year Girls – The Kingarth Cup

- 1st Lily McKaig
- 2nd Edie Simmers-Clark
- 3rd Anna Campbell

2nd Year Girls – The E. B.Cowan Trophy

- 1st Romy MacInnes
- 2nd Daisy Blair
- 3rd = Ailsa E Greenhalgh & Isla Dobson

3rd Year Girls – The 1957 Group Quaich

- 1st Emma Gilmour
- 2nd Katie Dobbie
- 3rd Nina Groden

Senior Girls – The Eleanor Howie Trophy

- 1st Ashmi Deb
- 2nd Lucy Anderson
- 3rd Brodi Cuthill

Boys – The Jardine Cup

- 1st Cameron Nugent
- 2nd Aaron Reid
- 3rd Michael Lenagh

Boys – The D.B.M. Charleson Cup

- 1st Benjamin McCracken
- 2nd Ruairidh Datta
- 3rd Murray Waugh

Boys – The J.A. Braidwood Cup

- 1st Cornfoot, Ewan W
- 2nd Brown, Harry P
- 3rd Shaw, Logan W

Boys – The A.S. Paterson Cup

- 1st Campbell Waugh
- 2nd Josh Geddes
- 3rd Henry Abbott

Boys – The Governors Cup

- 1st Steven Carswell
- 2nd = Joe Hughes and Jack Buchan
- 3rd no award



2020-2021 Tennis report

Senior Boys

The following boys were involved in the Scottish U18 Tennis Championships where they lost to a strong High School of Glasgow team in a highly competitive match.

Gregor Adams, Qasim Akrim (both S6), Leo Watt (S4) and Ethan Ellor (S2).

Senior Girls

From the tennis season 2021 the senior girls team lost in the first round of the Scottish U18s Championship to another very strong team. The team consisted of Rachel Pang (S5), Brodi Cuthill (S4), Rubi Cuthill and Isabella Buchanan (both S2).

Junior Boys

The 15U boys comprised of Leo Watt (S4), Cameron Anderson, Charlie Gaya (both S3) and Ethan Ellor (S2). They narrowly lost 2-4 to The High School of Glasgow. They played some excellent tennis, beating Glasgow Academy 5-1 in their final fixture of the season. All matches were closely contested.

The 13U boys had a squad of Nikhil Bollapragada, Logan Johnstone, Gregor Sloan and Thomas Morton (all S1). They played well and beat Glasgow Academy 6-0. They faced difficult opponents in their second game and played some excellent tennis, losing the match 6-0.

Junior Girls

The 15U girls squad included Brodi Cuthill (S4), Lauren Edward, Miranda Schmulian (both S3) and Rubi Cuthill (S2) They narrowly lost out on a tie-break shoot out to The High School of Glasgow and they beat Glasgow Academy 6-0.

The 13U girls played some great tennis but lost on a tie-break shoot out in their first match and were beaten by a strong team in their second match. The squad consisted of Isabella Buchanan (S2), Ruby Pollock, Eilidh Turnbull and Anna Steele (all S1).

There were also some friendly tennis matches hosted by The Glasgow Academy on a sunny Saturday in June for pupils in P7, S1, S2 and S3. This was a successful day with lots of tennis being played and friends being made. We look forward to next year and we hope we can build and improve on all the fantastic tennis played this year.



Rowing Gold

S4 pupil Gregor Peterkin won gold in the Scottish Rowing Junior Summer Regatta - and his win is even more impressive as it was his first ever competition.

Gregor won Gold in the J15 event, as a double (1000m). His winning time was 3:50:21, which just beat George Watson's College's time of 3:50:52.

Gregor also rowed as a quad and won Silver in the J15 event (1000m) with a time of 3:46:08. They were just beaten by Aberdeen Schools Rowing Association, whose winning time was 3:42:90.

Development News



Give a little to change a lot

Mr McDougall, the school's Depute Rector for Development and Alumni explains a little more about the 180 Challenge here.

The School is launching a new Bursary Appeal in August to allow it to continue to offer children, who couldn't otherwise afford to attend Hutchesons' the opportunity of an excellent education. Since the turn of the millennium the school has offered financial assistance to ??? children who performed well academically. During the current session one in six pupils currently enrolled at Beaton Road receive fee assistance. Our bursaries have largely been possible due to the

generosity of a number of former pupils via legacy or lump sum donations. But every year the school is forced to reject bursary applications as the current donations and invested legacies do not meet the demand. With the launch of The 180 Challenge Campaign the school hopes to attract support from a greater number of former pupils who are prepared to 'give a little to change a lot'.

What is the 180 Challenge Campaign and how does it work?

We have done the sums and worked out that a full Secondary Education bursary could be provided to one able child if 180 former pupils pledged to donate £6 a month, ideally for six years.

We are hoping that we can secure enough support from each decade of FPs to create one new bursary. For example. The 1960s Bursary would be created if 180 former pupils who left school between 1960-69, pledged their £6 a month for 6 years. Of course if 360 FPs pledge their support we could offer two full bursaries.

We will be writing to all former pupils to ask if they would consider signing up to the £6 a month donation to help fund their decade bursary.

Why it is important Hutchesons' offer bursaries?

Support achieves two main goals. It strengthens our socio-economically student body, which is important for all pupils. It also creates a robust educational environment that is vital to ensuring the quality of educational outcomes for all our pupils.

Why support the Hutchesons' bursary appeal?

"For many children a bursary to attend Hutchesons' can be life changing. But don't just take my word for it. Please read Mike Gow's testimony on the next page. I would urge our FP community, particularly those who benefited from the Government's assisted places scheme or financial assistance directly from the school to consider 'paying it forward' for just £6 a month. Please give a little to change a lot"



Dr Mike Gow C1994

Grateful for Bursary Support

"At the most important stage of my school career my family went through some really tough times following the divorce of my mum and step dad. At this difficult time however I received some help from the school bursary. Even now I feel very grateful to and proud of those who support the fund and don't think I've ever said a public thank you and expressed my feelings about the fund! So I'd like to take the chance to say it now. Thank you! If you have or currently support the bursary or are just about to start... thank you! Whatever your monthly contribution, it can and will make a huge difference. Some ways however this difference can seem 'invisible'. The kid whose family can't afford a Hutchie blazer gets to have one. The kid whose family are struggling with fees can still come to school, learn and sit their exams. The kid

who excels but whose family could never have afforded the fees, still gets to attend and benefit from the many opportunities offered by our great school. In this way the difference your support makes seems 'invisible' because for those kids it means that their school life and education goes on 'as normal' at Hutchie when quite simply without your support it wouldn't have. As a student I never spoke about the support I had. It was quite rightly confidential and essentially therefore 'invisible'. It happened however, and it has happened and is happening for many others and I'm very thankful for that. It is indeed this very ethos on which the school was originally founded and people like you, who support the bursary fund, continue to make Hutchie an outstanding community of which we can all be very proud to be part of. Thank you for supporting our Bursary.

Memories of Sandy

Next year will be the fifth anniversary of the death of former Depute Rector Sandy Strang. Sandy's partner, Mary Fisher generously donated £100,000 in his memory to endow a bursary. To build on our ongoing fund raising for this memorial bursary, which now stands at £160 000, Mary is planning to publish anecdotes about Sandy from his former pupils, colleagues, and friends. These may reflect his sporting passion, or his legendary attention to detail and discipline, but most importantly, we want a sense of Sandy the classroom teacher, the man of words, and also of the many acts of personal kindness and interest which he took in his pupils, often long after they had left school.

If you have any recollections or photos that you would like to share, please send them to Jim McDougall, alumni@hutchesons.org

Congratulations to....

Colin Paterson C1992



BBC Entertainment Correspondent Colin Paterson, 46, married Louise Blyth in Nottingham on September 26 in a hastily re-arranged wedding to avoid uninviting half their guests.

Changes to Covid restrictions forced the couple to move their planned wedding forward within just four days and they even managed to live stream it so bride Louise's nan Dot, who was shielding, could watch the nuptials.

But the happy couple's wedding stream also picked up more than 10,000 views, with Ant and Dec, Victoria Derbyshire and Dan Walker all sending well wishes to the couple.

Colin said: "When the service was late to start (because the mother of the bride was stuck behind a potato tractor!) I grabbed a phone and tweeted a link."

Congratulations to...

Suhit Amin C2019



Suhit has just been awarded a Scottish Edge Award and £60,000 to invest in his company Sulderson Media. The funding boost comes at an excellent time as Suhit has just announced plans to take his influencer marketing business global.

Suhit set up Sulderson when he was still at school, studying for his Highers and undergoing chemotherapy for 2A Hodgkin's Lymphoma. He is currently studying Economics at St Andrews University but his business is growing rapidly and enjoys a six figure turnover. He won the Young Scottish Edge Award two years ago.

He said: "We're looking at America, Asia and expanding across Europe too. We'll look to have an office somewhere in the USA as our first global base and making seven-figure turnover."

Gareth Kirkwood, OBE C1981



Gareth is the Managing Director of the AA Roadside Services business and was awarded the OBE for the contribution he and his team of 5,500 colleagues made during the pandemic.

AA Roadside Services gave free Breakdown service to NHS staff, attended over 2,000 breakdowns free of charge and made sure these key workers got to their place of work. Gareth and his team also supported London Ambulance, keeping their fleet of 600 ambulances on the road. Then as the national Vaccination campaign began earlier this year they offered to install free signage to vaccination centres, eventually installing more than 2000 AA signs nationally. All of this while attending over 2.5 million breakdowns across the UK over the past year. Gareth said: "I'm really proud of the team and this award is for them. I remember my time at Hutchie and my teachers fondly. Not only did I get an invaluable education both in the classroom and in sport, I made friends that have lasted a lifetime!"

Myer Glickman, OBE C1981



Myer is a civil servant with the Office for National Statistics (ONS) and currently is Head of Epidemiology, Climate and Global Health. Previously, he was Head of Quality, Methods and International at ONS.

Myer has been awarded an OBE for his outstanding service to Health Analysis. Myer's expertise is in designing and delivering high-quality COVID-19 mortality analysis.

He said: "I was delighted to be in the same Queen's Birthday Honours list as one of my classmates, Gareth Kirkwood. I wonder if two OBEs in the same year's list from the same form class is a first? Unfortunately not something I have statistics on, but perhaps the FP office does."

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Gareth Bayley C1981



Gareth Bayley was appointed Her Majesty's Ambassador to Egypt in May 2021 and will take up his appointment in September. Gareth was the Prime Minister's Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, and the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) Director for South Asia and Afghanistan from 2017 to May 2021. He has held a number of roles within the former FCO since 1995. He worked in the Middle East and North Africa, the United Nations, EU Common Foreign and Security Policy and Conflict/Post-Conflict Transition. This appointment marks a return to Cairo for Gareth where he had been earlier in his career.

From The Archives - The Mackinnon Family



2.2 Back: James (1876), John, James (1838) and William Mackinnon
Front: Grace, Barbara Wright, Jeanie, Jane Boyd (Young), May, Ellie and Margaret Stirling Mackinnon

In 2026 we will be celebrating the 150 year anniversary of the opening of Hutchesons' Girls' School.

Two hundred and ninety-nine girls were enrolled on that first day in 1876 at the school in Elgin Street. Whilst much of the curriculum was the same for both schools, the boys were also taught subjects such as fencing, rifle drill and mechanics, whilst the girls' were offered needlework, cookery and dancing.

Unfortunately we know very little about those female pupils who came through the door on that first day but during the last lockdown our archivist, Ms Devenney, was contacted by a relative of two of those pupils and was able to find out more.

- Jane Mackinnon (known as 'Jeanie'), enrolled aged 11, had a severe hearing problem but was considered a great reader and her sister Grace said she had the 'best brain in the family'. She died in 1946.
- Margaret Mackinnon (known as 'Maggie') enrolled aged 5 years old. She trained as a teacher, married in 1898 and moved to Buenos Aires but sadly died there of typhoid fever aged 46, leaving three sons behind.
- Barbara Mackinnon enrolled in 1877 aged just four and a half. She later attended The West End Training School of Cookery which was founded by Hutchesons' teacher Margaret Black. Barbara later went on to teach at the cookery school. She married in 1901 and had 6 children. She died in 1952.
- Grace Mackinnon also enrolled at the school in 1892 aged 13. She went on to the University of Glasgow and graduated with an MA in Modern Languages in 1901. She went on to teach French at Shawlands Academy and during WW2 was a member of the local Red Cross. She believed in women suffrage but wasn't a militant suffragette as she would have lost her job as a teacher but, like many Hutchie girls, she attended meetings in Glasgow attended by Mrs Pankhurst. Grace did protest outside of Duke Street prison, however, when suffragettes were being held there and it is possible she may have been outside to support fellow former Hutchie pupil, (and our first university graduate), Dorothea Chalmers Smith, who was a prisoner there for attempted arson.
- Helen ('Ellie') Mackinnon enrolled in 1894. After she left school she attended the Royal Academy of Music and went on to teach piano at Westcoates School, Cambuslang. She died in 1963.
- Marion ('May') Mackinnon also enrolled in 1894. She went on to the West of Scotland College of Domestic Science (formerly the West End Training School of Cookery) where she took a diploma course. She later became the bursar there and the college library was named after her.

Grace was the first daughter to leave school with the knowledge that she could go on to university and graduate with a degree as women couldn't matriculate in Scotland until 1892, but John and Jane Mackinnon recognised the benefits of a good education for all of their six daughters, as well as their three sons. If you have any information to add to the history of our school then please email DevenneyJ@hutchesons.org.

In Memoriam

Richard Armour C1943, 1925-2020

Dr Ian (Thomas) Boyd C1948, 1929-2020

J Adrena Imrie née Roberston C1939, 1923-2021

Janet B Greenwood née Witherington C1956, 1938-2021

Carol A Gardner née McNiven C1962, 1943-2021

Steven Purvis C1971, 1953-2021

Lyn Macdonald C1947, 1929-2021

Dr Maelor Vallance C1950, 1933-2021

Robert L Stirling C1958, 1940-2020

Valerie Smith née Wright C1961, 1943-2020

Sheila Ferguson née Gibbons C1963, 1945-2020

Sandra Brown née Graham C1957, 1939-2020

Laura Mallick née Donachie C1945, 1927-2020

Dorothy Humphreys née Diack C1048, 1929-2021

Charlotte Thow née Thompson C1966, 1947-2021

Jennifer Jolly née Stirling C1983, 1965-2021

Elizabeth (Betty) Lough née McIlwrick, 1927-2020

Frances Mitchell, Former Head of Economics & Business 1982-2005, Died June 2021



Daniel J Caplan, C 2021, 2003-2020

“We’re not here for a long time, we’re here for a good time”. These words, so often a familiar cliché, were lent a terrible freshness and poignancy when quoted by Daniel Caplan, C 2021, as he faced up to the cruelty of terminal brain cancer with maturity, courage, and most of all good humour.

His untimely death towards the end of 2020, aged only 17, was a defining moment for his year group, and the wider school community, who mourned the passing of a well-liked, outgoing young man.

That was seen on the day of his funeral when hundreds of

pupils and staff stood in dignified silence in the playground as a moving act of solidarity with Daniel's family, and his beloved dog, Alfie, to bid him farewell. It was seen in our innovative fund-raising concert, "Doing it for Daniel" and in the many heartfelt tributes from friends and teachers and classmates. It was seen in the words of support from football stars from across the traditional divide in Glasgow, and in a moving montage from big names in rugby.

Living in Newton Mearns, the elder son of Brian and Alison Caplan, and big brother to Saul (now in S6), Daniel joined Hutchie in P5. Gregarious and passionate about football, not least in his support for Celtic, he made friends easily, and was always part of the crowd. Tall, with a ready smile, he could not be described as quiet, nor, always, if truth be told, a model pupil.

However, he had charm, and a refreshing honesty and self-awareness which could be used as a negotiating tactic when the going got tough. He was a character, always ready to have a conversation in the corridor or playground. Daniel was an able pupil, too, garnering many positive comments from his class teachers, and he was rightly proud of his qualifications at National 5 and Higher. Modern Studies was a particular strength, and he enjoyed discussing politics and current affairs. He had a great sense of justice and would speak up if he felt something was unfair, unafraid to question things.

Daniel was diagnosed with DIPG, a rare brainstem cancer in May 2020. Despite the increasingly challenging impact of his condition, he met it head on, continuing to see his schoolmates, enjoying fun times in his garden or down at the beach in Troon.

He was indeed fortunate in having such a loyal and staunch group of friends, who have been an invaluable source of support not only for each other but to the Caplan family. Determined and feisty, Daniel continued to attend school in the earlier part of Sixth Year, wanting to keep to familiar routines for as long as possible. Even when very poorly, he enjoyed watching a football match played in school as part of our fund-raising campaign for Funding Neuro.

Daniel passed away on 30th November 2020, and a whole school grieved for him and with his close-knit family. He lived life to the full and we shall cherish his memory, always.



Leslie Ingram-Brown C1965, 1947-2020

You didn't pop in for a quick coffee with Leslie Ingram Brown. You blocked off an afternoon, and settled into a chair in the front room of the aptly named Silverblades, his spacious Ayr Road bungalow, sipping from an outsize mug of coffee and nibbling a kit kat while he held forth on all matters sporting and Hutchie.

Truly these were his two loves, and he was passionate for both, as anyone who had the pleasure of his company quickly recognised. I came to know Les late in the day, but I thoroughly enjoyed my visits, marveling at the pictures, caricatures, and photographs, the polished cabinets stacked with numerous trophies, badges and mementoes of a life that revolved around curling and cricket.

He took pride in his enviable collection of fine whisky bottles and curling stones. Indeed, the curling stone is not a bad metaphor for Les - polished but made of tough granite, for Les was a well-spoken man of strong views and considerable personal courage. His last few years were not easy and he suffered from serious ill health and frequent hospital visits. He was latterly confined to a wheelchair, after having a leg amputated. Yet, he remained dignified, stoic, and full of chat until the end. He was a true friend to Hutchie, and especially to sport, a well-kent figure to our PE staff, and a generous donor, helping to fund the purchase of kit and equipment. In 2018 we were delighted to welcome him to the school to open, along with fellow FP Leon Smith, our fitness suite, a facility that owed much to his personal support and named in his honour, the Leslie Ingram Brown Strength and Conditioning Suite.

Les was a stalwart member of the 1641 Society, enjoying the annual school productions. With Crossmyloof Ice Rink a mere rugby kick away from the playing fields at Beaton Road, it was perhaps not surprising that as a 14-year-old schoolboy, Les quickly became involved in curling at school, and then club level. Aside from his day job as a director with Glasgow printers, Brown, Son and Ferguson, Leslie served the world of curling with distinction for over 50 years, inducted into the World Curling Hall of Fame in 2008 for his dedication to growing the sport internationally. Through the World Curling Federation, he umpired at an impressive four consecutive Olympic Winter Games. Leslie's passing was noted with great sadness across the curling world and we too are sorry to lose such a loyal and generous former pupil and friend.



Peter Colvin, Former Maths Teacher, 1977-2010, Died 22/12/2020

Peter Colvin, husband to Moira, father to former pupil Lucie, Grandad to Reuben and Rhiannon, father-in-law to Russell, and uncle, friend, acquaintance, and colleague and teacher to many at Hutchesons' Grammar School, died age 71 in hospital after a short illness on the 23rd December 2020.

Peter took a circuitous route into the teaching profession. After leaving Civil Engineering to complete his teacher's qualification, he secured a job teaching Mathematics at Hutchesons' Grammar School in 1977. He worked at Hutchesons' for his entire teaching career, remaining there until his retirement in 2009.

His support and contact with the school continued after his retirement. He returned as a supply teacher in 2011 and, again, at the age of 70, in 2019 for almost three months and was always amused when some of the pupils asked if he had taught their parents/grandparents! He had been delighted to have recently made contact with many former pupils and teachers through the Hutchie Bugs group on social media.

Peter has been described as an excellent, motivating, persevering, supportive and inspirational teacher. He truly advocated for those he taught. Each year he would anxiously await his pupils' exam results - his hope for them that they had done their best and were pleased with their marks. Peter also got on well with his colleagues, being known for his Friday lunchtime jokes in the staff room! He also supported, and was supported by, his colleagues, resulting in friendships that continued beyond his years at Hutchie.

Peter's retirement coincided with the birth of his grandson and four years later his granddaughter. With trepidation, Peter voluntarily took on the challenge of childcare, and the children have had the privilege and benefit of having so much contact with their Nana and Grandad over the years.

Peter's hobbies were diverse, from aviation and Glasgow Tigers speedway, to the collecting of books.

Throughout his adulthood, Peter avidly read authors from the Victorian era – mainly Charles Dickens, and Virginia Woolf. Peter leaves behind a loft and a garage full of books and memorabilia.

Peter intuitively gave love, care, and attention to others in a gentle, quiet and playful way. He was someone whose company was enjoyed by many and was experienced as calm and friendly. He was content with his lot: his family, teaching, Speedway, books and all the good people he had in his life. He is greatly missed.



Dr Evelyn McNicol MB CHb MRCOG FrCOG née Camrass C1945, 1926-2021

Hutchie alumna Dr Evelyn McNicol (née Camrass) passed away in April this year aged 94. An inspiration to many, Evelyn led a long and active life. Not only did she achieve success in her chosen field of obstetrics and gynaecology, rising to Senior Consultant; Evelyn's passion for mountaineering took her to new heights, including a pioneering expedition to the Himalayan region of Jugal Himal in 1955. Evelyn and two climbing companions from the Ladies Scottish Climbing Club undertook the first recorded all – female expedition to the Himalayas. Evelyn's role as team doctor and her extensive climbing expertise allowed the women to make the first ascent of a previously unmapped peak reaching 20,180ft, along with their Sherpas.

Her determined and unbreakable spirit was certainly nurtured by her experience of being evacuated, along with her sister Margaret, during the Second World War. The upper classes of the girls' school relocated to Sanquhar in Dumfriesshire to escape the risk of air raids targeting the city at the time, with a subsequent evacuation placing them in Kirkcudbrightshire. Evelyn often reminisced about her experience as an evacuee, with days spent learning to shear sheep and helping out on the farm.

She was good at sports – hockey and swimming – at school, and went on to gain a Blue at hockey at Glasgow University, where she was also to become the first female president of the Climbing Club.

Evelyn's enthusiasm for the outdoors never waned, and took her to all corners of the world. Climbing in Peru, kayaking in Alaska, conquering Kilimanjaro, Mount Kilibalu, Mount Elbrus, trekking in Africa, Asia, dog-sledging in the States and Norway, scuba diving in Madagascar – it's almost easier to make a list of the things she did not achieve. Many of these activities were undertaken in her later years when she was well into her eighties. Other pastimes included sailing, windsurfing, skiing and golfing, almost always alongside her husband Allan who passed away in 2019. They were married for over 60 years. She is survived by her sister, Margaret, children Martin, Sula and Erica, and six grandchildren.



James Murray Kerr C1966, 1947-2021

James passed away very unexpectedly at his home in Troon and will be sadly missed by so many.

He was born in Glasgow a stone's throw away from Ibrox. His parents wanted the best for him so saved every penny and sent him to Hutchesons Grammar School. James often spoke about it with very fond memories as it allowed him to broaden his horizons and even allowed him to travel abroad and play for the school football team. He attended a reunion a few years ago for P5 1957 and was delighted to catch up with a few of his old pals.

He met his beloved wife Aileen at university and were then married in 1971.

James worked within the insurance industry until his retirement just a few years ago. He started up his own insurance business and made sure it was a huge success.

Unfortunately Aileen passed away in 2011 but James was a tower of strength to his children Steven and Linsay. Family meant everything to him and was so proud of all of his grandsons and talked to everyone about his 5 a side footie team – Blair, Rory, Murray, Ewan and Ross.

He was known as Dad, Papa, Gramps, Jim, JK – he was loved by his family and will be remembered fondly by so many people.

Gordon King C1949, 1931-2021

A Crown Street boy and proud of it! On leaving school Gordon continued his education at the Glasgow Royal Technical College with a day release course in Civil Engineering while working as an apprentice with James Williamson and Partners and worked on Hydro Electric Schemes in the north of Scotland. He did his National Service from 1955 until 1957 in the Airfield Construction Branch of the RAF. He served in Lybia, Cyprus and in Egypt at the time of the Suez Landings in 1956. He returned to Glasgow to complete his training and successfully became a Member of the Institute of Chartered Civil Engineers. In April 1957 he was appointed as Engineer in charge of the Ale Water Scheme, outside Hawick and married Margo in the same year.

In 1960 they returned to Glasgow and Gordon joined Duncan Construction Ltd. He then turned to House Building with various companies and between 1980 and 1983 he and Margo ran the Lookout, Restaurant with Rooms in Lamlash. He was the proud father of four boys and loved grandfather of nine grand children, six girls and three boys. Gordon was one of twelve members of his family to attend Hutchesons' starting with his father, uncle, sister, wife, four boys, a daughter-in-law and two granddaughters. We have a brick on the glass wall of the Library in Kingarth Street, The King Family.

He was a regular supporter of Hutchesons'/Aloysians and went off to Braidholm Road to watch the home games and meet up with old friends. At the time of his death he was the sole surviving original member of Cambuslang Rotary Club.



Elizabeth Campbell C1969, 1945-2020

Liz graduated from the University of Glasgow with a Master of Arts (Hons) in History & Politics in 1967, and a Certificate in Social Study in 1968.

After a stint as a child-care worker in Edinburgh, she migrated to Adelaide, South Australia, where she initially worked as a university administrator and tutor in Politics and Drama at the University of Adelaide. She was also a playwright.

Her play, "Not Exactly Paradise" about the life of Lotte Lenya, toured Australia. Her later plays were broadcast on ABC national radio and produced locally. She gained teaching qualifications and became a tertiary lecturer in

English as a Second Language and Women's Studies. In the last decades of her life, she took up post-graduate studies in Italian at the Flinders University of South Australia and contributed articles to various academic publications including, "Double Lives: Luigi Pirandello and Robert Louis Stevenson" in "Sicily & Scotland - Where Extremes Meet" (Graham Tulloch et al, Troubador Publishing). She was close to completing a PhD on Dante when she passed away after a long battle with leukemia. In 2018, after changes in Australia's marriage laws, she married Margaret, her partner of thirty years.



Dorothy Steele, Former Chemistry Teacher, 1979-1990, Died June 2020

Dorothy had a very active and fulfilling life. Born and educated in Edinburgh she moved to Glasgow on her marriage and joined the Chemistry Department at Hutchie in 1979, where her sons Andrew (C1989) and Colin (C1991) were pupils, following their father, Gib (C1958).

Having qualified as a Ski Party Leader she organised and led parties of pupils on foreign ski holidays on several occasions and ensured that novices had prior lessons at the local ski centre.

Having gained an M.Sc. degree at Glasgow University she was for some years the Scottish board member of the publication Chemistry in Education.

Dorothy's interests were wide. In younger days she went mountaineering; she skied at Cairngorm when the only uplift was a rope tow; she sailed the Mediterranean in a cargo boat one summer and in another she worked in a kibbutz in Israel. Later she became a keen golfer and curler. She also loved theatre, classical music and opera. Sadly her retirement was blighted for many years by dementia. At her funeral service conducted by a lifelong friend he said: "Blessed with many talents, but modest in all she achieved, kind, considerate, gracious and elegant, she lived a full life raising her family, enjoying a fruitful teaching career and finding time for many other interests....a fine, gentle lady who is now at peace."

Dr Alan Orcharton C1948, 1930-2020

Alan was born in Dundee, moving to Clarkston in Glasgow with his family, aged 10. He won an academic scholarship to Hutchesons' for secondary school where he studied Classics.

In 1947, Alan left Hutchie for Glasgow University to study Medicine, graduating MBChB in 1952. Postgraduate training led to the FRCOG and then to General Medical Practice.

By then he was married to Margaret (with a Hutchie Best Man!) and they settled in Kilmarnock.

He was the first of many Orchartons to attend Hutchie: brother David C1953 (C1953), daughters Gillian (C1978) and Elspeth (C1980), David's children Aileen (C1986) and Alan (C1989) and Aileen's sons have all followed. Alan was so very grateful for all Hutchie gave to him: academically, in sport (especially rugby), lifelong friendships, a dedication to fairness, hard work, and always doing his best carried him through a long and happy life.

He felt very privileged to have his Hutchie Scholarship and University Bursary, and often said that education was the only thing you had for life and that no-one could take from you.

He was involved with the British Red Cross, who awarded him their Badge of Honour in recognition of his many years of dedication. In retirement, he became involved with Ayrshire Cancer Support as their Medical Director, and he and Margaret travelled often to Italy and Greece, dusting off the Latin and Greek!



Hugh Archibald C1975, 1957-2020

Hugh joined Hutchesons' in 1969 and left after 5th year in 1974 to attend the Glasgow College of Food Technology to study Hotel/Catering. Hugh was an able mathematician and enjoyed rugby and athletics at school; he was part of the team who won the Glasgow Schools' Senior Trophy in 1971.

Hugh spent most of his working life in the Middle East, firstly in Saudi Arabia from 1987 until 2003, and then Dubai from 2003 ("when it was mostly sand") until 2020.

He held a number of managerial positions in the catering and hotel business and had been a Purchasing Manager for the region's largest supermarket chain, Spinney's Dubai.

He liked to keep fit, and was a very keen runner, taking part in marathons and other long-distance events. Latterly he had taken up cycling. He was passionate about sport, too and enjoyed following rugby and football in particular. Hugh was very well respected and admired by his many work colleagues who regarded him as a good boss, kindly and considerate.

Hugh sadly passed away on 31st May 2020 at Dubai Hospital following a short illness. He is survived by his wife Anne, to whom he was married for 40 years, and brothers David C1970, John C1976 and Harry C1979.

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