

# ST. TERESA'S THROUGH THE DECADES



**LOG BOOKS (OR SCHOOL ANNUALS)** WERE A LEGAL REQUIREMENT FOR SCHOOLS TO KEEP UNTIL AROUND 2004 WHEN ARTICLES OF GOVERNMENT CEASED TO APPLY. ANYTHING DEEMED WORTHY, BY THE HEAD TEACHER, OF PERMANENT RECORD IN THE HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL WOULD HAVE BEEN RECORDED WITHIN THESE LOGS UP UNTIL THIS TIME. ENTRIES WERE OVERSEEN AT REGULAR INTERVALS BY THE PARISH PRIEST, WHO WOULD THEN SIGN THEM OFF.

ENTRIES WOULD INCLUDE;

- ANY CHANGES IN THE CHARACTER, ORGANISATION OR CURRICULUM OF THE SCHOOL.
- ANY SIGNIFICANT ALTERATIONS TO THE PREMISES.
- STAFF APPOINTMENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS.
- REASONING FOR ANY TEMPORARY CLOSURES OR MARKED VARIATION FOR THE NORMAL ROUTINE.
- ANY MAJOR ACCIDENT OR INCIDENT.
- PARTICULAR SUCCESSES ACHIEVED BY PUPILS OR TEACHERS.
- HEADLINES OF ANY INSPECTION.
- ANY NOTEWORTHY SCHOOL VISITORS.

BELOW IS A HEAVILY SUMMARISED VERSION OF SOME OF THE SCHOOL LOG KEPT SINCE 1967.

<b><i>THE 1960'S</i></b>	
<b><i>1967</i></b>	
22/5/1967	FIRST MEETING OF THE "SCHOOL MANAGERS" AT THE PRESBYTERY, 16 CLAIRMONT ROAD.
31/7/1967	SCHOOL HANDED OVER TO THE EDUCATION AUTHORITY.
4/9/1967	REV. FATHER SAURIN MET WITH PARENTS AND BLESSED THE SCHOOL.
7/9/1967	<b>SCHOOL OPENED FOR THE FIRST TIME</b> AT 9.10AM; FIRST PUPIL ACROSS THE THRESHOLD WAS MASTER JONATHAN MOSES (5 ½ YEARS OLD). TOTAL PUPILS ON ROLL= 68 (CLASSES 1, 2 AND 3).
21/12/1967	END OF FIRST TERM PUPILS ON ROLL= 83.
<b><i>1968</i></b>	
9/1/1968	SCHOOL RE-OPENED WITH 95 ON ROLL.
10/1/1968	FIRST SNOW ON THE PLAYGROUND; THE CHILDREN WERE TAKEN TO KING GEORGE V PLAYGROUND TO PLAY IN IT AS THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND WAS "UNUSABLE".



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23/1/1968	THE FIRST SCHOOL NURSE WAS APPOINTED FOR INOCULATIONS AND HEAD INSPECTIONS!
2/2/1968	FIRST MASS AS A SCHOOL IN ST. TERESA'S CHURCH 9.10AM.
16/2/1968	100 PARENTS WATCHED EACH CLASS DEMONSTRATE CREATIVE DANCE. THIS RAISED £13 THROUGH COFFEE SALES (THIS WAS DONATED TO THE "SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND FOR THE CHILDREN OF VIETNAM").
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1945   1950   1954   1956   1960   1963   1964   1965   1968   1969   1973   1974   1975</b></p> <p>Timeline of events from 1945 to 1975:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1945: Ho Chi Minh declares Vietnam's independence</li> <li>1950: U.S. pledges military aid to help the French</li> <li>1954: President Eisenhower outlines the Domino Theory</li> <li>1956: French leave Vietnam</li> <li>1960: Kennedy is elected President</li> <li>1963: Diem and Kennedy assassinated</li> <li>1964: Johnson becomes President</li> <li>1965: First American Combat Troops Arrive in Vietnam</li> <li>1968: Tet Offensive, My Lai Massacre</li> <li>1969: Nixon announces Vietnamization</li> <li>1970: Nixon elected President</li> <li>1971: Cease fire signed in Paris</li> <li>1973: Last American Troops Leave Vietnam</li> <li>1974: End of Draft announced</li> <li>1975: Ford becomes President, Remaining Americans Evacuate Vietnam</li> </ul>	
12/3/1968	FIRST SCHOOL VISIT TO "STANWAY ZOO".
10/9/1968	SISTER ROSARIO ASSISTANT HEAD.
23/4/1968	117 ON ROLL.
16/5/1968	<b>SCHOOL OPENING CEREMONY</b> ; SCHOOL OFFICIALLY DECLARED OPEN BY MAYOR ALD. E. P. DUFFIELD, RT. REV. BERNARD PATRICK WALL (BISHOP OF BRENTWOOD) AND MR D. BUNGAY M.A. CHIEF EDUCATION OFFICER.
16/6/1968	32 CHILDREN OF THE SCHOOL MADE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.
24/6/1968	HEAVY RAIN CAUSED A FLOODED SCHOOL CAR PARK!
5/7/1968	FIRST SCHOOL JUMBLE SALE RAISED £75 ("AN EXCELLENT TOTAL!").
8/7/1968	FIRST SCHOOL REPORTS SENT HOME TO PARENTS!
15/7/1968	FIRST PARENTS EVENING 6-9.45PM.
19/7/1968	FIRST SCHOOL SPORTS DAY HELD ON KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD. FATHER SAURIN PRESENTED EACH CHILD WITH A BAG OF SWEETS!
10/9/1968	149 STUDENTS ON ROLL.
22/10/1968	FIRST "INFORMAL INSPECTION" OF THE SCHOOL BY FATHER KELLY (DIOCESAN INSPECTOR) AND FATHER GORDON.
19/11/1968	MR BALL (CARETAKER) BROKE HIS FOOT WHILE CLOSING THE SCHOOL GATE AT 6PM....HAD BEEN LIFTED OFF ITS HINGES BY PERSON(S) UNKNOWN!
21/11/1968	A CHILD FROM CLASS 2W WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AFTER PIERCING HIS CHEEK WITH A PENCIL!


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20/11/1968	MISS D. DANIELS WAS REPLACED BY MRS WILCOCK AS ASSISTANT HEAD.
20/12/1968	154 STUDENTS ON ROLL.
<b>1969</b>	
29/1/1969	VISIT BY HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTOR MISS MAHLER.
13/3/1969	SISTER AGATHA (HEAD TEACHER OF ST. CLAIRE'S IN CLACTON-ON-SEA) VISITED FOR GUIDANCE ON BUILDING A NEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN CLACTON.
5/5/1969	MRS WILCOCK "RESIGNED IN ORDER TO JOIN HER HUSBAND IN RHODESIA. A GREAT LOSS TO THE SCHOOL".
26/6/1969	FIRST SCHOOL DENTAL INSPECTION; "THE CHILDREN WERE COMPLIMENTED ON THE SOUND STATE OF THEIR TEETH!".
1/7/1969	THE WHOLE SCHOOL WATCHED THE INVESTITURE OF PRINCE CHARLES AS THE PRINCE OF WALES. 
21/7/1969	CHILDREN GATHERED AROUND THE SCHOOL TELEVISION AT 8.30AM TO WATCH A RECORDING OF MAN'S FIRST WALK ON THE MOON (WHICH HAD TAKEN PLACE AT 3.46AM THAT MORNING). 

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7/10/1969	FIRST HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE IN THE SCHOOL HALL.
11/12/1969	<p>CLASS VISIT TO THE ODEON CINEMA, COLCHESTER, TO SEE "VOLCANO"; "AN EXCELLENT FILM".</p> 
<b><i>THE 1970'S</i></b>	
<b><i>1970</i></b>	
27/2/1970	A 6 ½ YEAR OLD STUDENT OF THE SCHOOL WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED FALLING OFF HIS BICYCLE IN STRAIGHT ROAD AT 3.50PM. HIS FUNERAL WAS FRIDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH.
27/3/1970	AN 11 YEAR OLD STUDENT OF THE SCHOOL DIED IN HOSPITAL AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HER FUNERAL WAS THURSDAY 2 <sup>ND</sup> APRIL.
<b><i>1971</i></b>	
	<p><b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF JANUARY 1971:</i></b>            CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS GURNEY.            CLASS 2; MRS BORGES.            CLASS 3; MRS HARDY.            CLASS 4; MR DENHAM.            CLASS 5; SISTER KOSTKA.            CLASS 6; SISTER ROSARIO.            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS CAMPIN</p>
7/1/1971	FATHER SAURIN COLLAPSED WHILE SAYING MASS- WAS TAKEN TO COLCHESTER NURSING HOME THE NEXT DAY.





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5/2/1971	<p>SCHOOL ASSEMBLED IN THE MORNING TO WATCH APOLLO 14 LAND ON THE MOON</p> 
26/2/1971	THE FIRST "200 CLUB" DRAW SOCIAL EVENING.
21/5/1971	SCHOOL TRIP TO WINSOR SAFARI PARK.
8/6/1971	<p>SCHOOL RAISED £376.14P FOR "MOTHER TERESA FOUNDATION".</p>  <p><b>THE Mother Teresa Foundation</b> A UNIT OF MOTHER TERESA CHARITABLE TRUST</p>
30/6/1971	SCHOOL WAS VISITED BY TWO SWEDISH STUDENTS.
<b>1972</b>	
16/2/1972	<p>NATIONAL POWER CUTS DUE TO THE MINER'S STRIKES AFFECTED TEACHING THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL.</p> 

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28/3/1972	VANDALS DESTROYED THE SCHOOL RADIO AERIAL AND ALSO STOLE THE SCHOOL TELEVISION (PLUS IT'S AERIAL FROM THE ROOF!).
15/7/1972	<b>THE FIRST SCHOOL FETE</b> ; RAISED £330.
10/10/1972	SCHOOL VISIT BY 6 GERMAN TEACHERS.
6/11/1972	CLASS 6 AND 7 TRIP TO THE BRITISH MUSEUM TO SEE "THE TREASURES OF TUTANKAMUN".
	
<b>1973</b>	
12/3/1973	THE FIRST CHESS TOURNAMENT AGAINST HAMILTON ROAD- WE WON! THE RETURN MATCH WAS ALSO WON BY ST. TERESA'S ON THE 3 <sup>RD</sup> APRIL.
22/5/1973	FORMATION OF THE ST. TERESA'S CUB-SCOUT AND BROWNIE-GUIDE PACKS; BROWNIES FIRST MEETING 5 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE, CUBS FIRST MEETING 28 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.
20/6/1973	6 FINNISH TEACHERS VISITED FROM THE ENGLISH STUDY CENTRE.
<b>1974</b>	
22/11/1974	GENERAL BOMB HOAX DISRUPTED ALL COLCHESTER SCHOOLS. THE I.R.A. HAD BOMBED PARLIAMENT 17 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE.
	

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<b>1975</b>	
4/2/1975	THE SCHOOL NURSE VISITED FOR ROUTINE HEAD INSPECTIONS- "NEGATIVE RESULTS!".
7/2/1975	FURTHER BOMB HOAX- SCHOOL WAS CLEARED AND SEARCHED FOR 30 MINUTES.
22/4/1975	SCHOOL NETBALL TEAM WON THE COLCHESTER SCHOOLS NETBALL RALLY TROPHY (HELD AT PARSONS HEALTH SCHOOL).
12/5/1975	REPAIRS MADE TO THE FLAT ROOF.
14/5/1975	DELIVERY AND DEMONSTRATION OF THE "COMMODORE II" COPYING MACHINE!
21/6/1975	COLCHESTER ROUNDELS RALLY- ST. TERESA'S WON!
7/7/1975	SISTER KOSTKA (DEPUTY HEAD) RESIGNED IN ORDER TO RETIRE.
2/9/1975	URGENT CALL TO THE SCHOOL FROM THE EDUCATION OFFICER (MR COOPER) AT 12.45PM; POLICE WERE WARNING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN COLCHESTER TO CLOSE FOR THE NEXT 2 DAYS DUE TO A LEGITIMATE BOMB THREAT.
4/9/1975	SCHOOL RE-OPENED BUT WAS THEN IMMEDIATELY EVACUATED AFTER ANOTHER BOMB WARNING FROM THE POLICE.
27/9/1975	TORRENTIAL RAIN CAUSED A LEAK IN THE CHAIR BAY OF THE SCHOOL HALL.
21/10/1975	MRS O'BRIEN WAS APPOINTED AS DEPUTY HEAD TO REPLACE SISTER KOSTKA, READY TO COMMENCE DUTIES FROM JANUARY 1976.
28/11/1975	CLASS 7 TRIP TO THE NORWICH THEATRE TO SEE THE ROCK MUSICAL "THE NATIVITY"; "A MOST ENJOYABLE EXCURSION".
15/12/1975	SISTER KOSTKA WAS PRESENTED WITH A LARGE BOUQUET AND CASSETTE RADIO/TAPE RECORDER FROM THE PARENTS AND CHILDREN TO MARK THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT.
<b>1976</b>	
24/5/1976	THE EVENING GAZETTE EDITOR PRESENTED A £25 CHEQUE TO ST. TERESA'S FOR FIRST PRIZE IN THE "HORIZON" PROJECT (CLASS 5 AND 7 HAD PARTICIPATED).
27/5/1976	SCHOOL SPORTS DAY, IN KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD, HAD TO BE ABANDONED DUE TO EXTREMELY HOT CONDITIONS. ALSO, SADLY ONE CLASS 3 CHILD RAN INTO A LARGE WINDOW, BREAKING IT. THEY WERE TAKEN TO CASUALTY BY AMBULANCE.
1/7/1976	COLCHESTER SCHOOLS SPORTS DAY; ST. TERESA'S WON THE GIRLS HIGH JUMP TROPHY.
5/7/1976	ST. TERESA'S WON THE NORTH-EAST ESSEX AREA ROUNDELS

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	RALLY FOR THE SECOND YEAR RUNNING.
10/7/1976	ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL FETE; RAISED £441.
14/7/1976	TELEVISION POINTS WERE INSTALLED WITHIN EVERY CLASSROOM.
27/9/1976	FOUR FLAT ROOF LEAKS WERE RECOGNISED; THREE WITHIN THE ASSEMBLY HALL AND ONE WITHIN THE KITCHEN.
30/9/1976	A CLASS 3 CHILD BROKE HIS ARM DROPPING FROM PLAYGROUND APPARATUS; WAS TAKEN TO COLCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL BY THE HEADMASTER.
16/12/1976	<p>CHRISTMAS DINNER (POST-RECESSION OF 1973-75); "DESPITE THE ECONOMIC SITUATION, WAS AN EXCELLENT MEAL". THERE WAS A FINANCIAL CRISIS IN THE UK THAT YEAR WHERE THE GOVERNMENT HAD TO TAKE THE LARGEST EVER LOAN REQUESTED FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF).</p> <div data-bbox="547 992 1232 1514" data-label="Figure"> </div>
17/12/1976	"SERIOUS BOMB WARNING AT 8.50AM"; SCHOOL EVACUATED TO THE CHURCH HALL UNTIL 10.15AM.
<b>1977</b>	
11/1/1977	DETERIORATION OF THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND SURFACE WAS NOTED; "SEVERAL INFANTS WITH GRAZED KNEES!".
7/2/1977	SCHOOL OIL CONSUMPTION WAS CHECKED AND COMPARED TO THE LAST 2 YEARS; APPROXIMATELY 400 GALLONS EXTRA FROM NOVEMBER TO FEBRUARY EACH YEAR AS THE BOILER WAS FIRING AT 6AM.
15/2/1977	NEW FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROCEDURE WHEREBY PARENTS BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO PREPARATION SESSIONS OVER A GIVEN PERIOD.
31/3/1977	FIRST BREAK IN TO SCHOOL PREMISES DURING THE NIGHT; KNIVES AND FOODSTUFFS ONLY WERE TAKEN.



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27/4/1977	SCHOOL TEAM WON THE NETBALL RALLY AND BROUGHT HOME THE TROPHY!
29/4/1977	ANOTHER ROOF REPAIR FOR THE SCHOOL HALL!
18/5/1977	A FURTHER BREAK IN TO THE SCHOOL KITCHEN DURING THE NIGHT; A WINDOW WAS BROKEN AND HALF A TIN OF COFFEE WAS TAKEN.
30/6/1977	NORTH EAST ESSEX SCHOOL SPORTS DAY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX; ST. TERESA'S WON THE HIGH JUMP TROPHY.
19/7/1977	SISTER ROSARIO ATTENDED AN INTERVIEW IN LONDON TO GO ON MISSIONARY WORK IN KENYA.
22/7/1977	MRS ENFIELD WAS TRANSFERRED TO MONKWICK JUNIORS BECAUSE OF A DROP IN PUPIL NUMBERS (PUT DOWN TO A DROP IN THE BIRTH RATE; "VERY SORRY INDEED TO SEE HER GO").
<p>Total Fertility, United Kingdom 1945 - 2013. Source of data: ONS.</p>	
<b>1978</b>	
12/2/1978	BROADCAST FROM ST. TERESA'S CHURCH 9.30-10.15AM; "ALL WENT VERY WELL".
4/3/1978	SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM WON THE RUTHERFORD CUP BEATING ST. OSYTH 6-3 IN THE FINAL; "A GREAT CLIMAX TO A VERY SUCCESSFUL SEASON, WINNING EVERY GAME IN THE LEAGUE".
6/3/1978	DR DAVID WHYTOCK TRAGICALLY KILLED IN A CAR ACCIDENT (RECENT SCHOOL MANAGER WITH A CHILD IN THE SCHOOL).
17/4/1978	SCHOOL EVACUATED THIS MORNING DUE TO A BOMB WARNING.

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SCHOOL ALSO COLLECTED TEN BAGS OF CLOTHING IN AID OF THE SPASTICS SOCIETY.

## Would you strip for charity?

The Spastics Society needs your clothes. We'll sell them in our shops to help people with cerebral palsy.

Please turn out your drawers, ransack your wardrobes and ask yourself, is there anything you won't wear again? Or anything you won't use again? Or say no to last year's costume jewellery, old tennis racquets or the odd Rembrandt etching?

Bring whatever you can spare to your local Spastics Society shop. Address in the telephone book or phone 081 680 4000.

Your things may seem old to you but for someone with cerebral palsy they can lead to a new life.

**THE SPASTICS SOCIETY**  
FOR PEOPLE WITH CEREBRAL PALSY

4/5/1978

EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO CLACTON WAVERLEY PADDLE STEAMER; "OWING TO THE MOST UNSATISFACTORY CONDITIONS ON BOARD, PLUS THE APPALLING OVERCROWDING, THIS WAS NOT A SUCCESSFUL TRIP!".


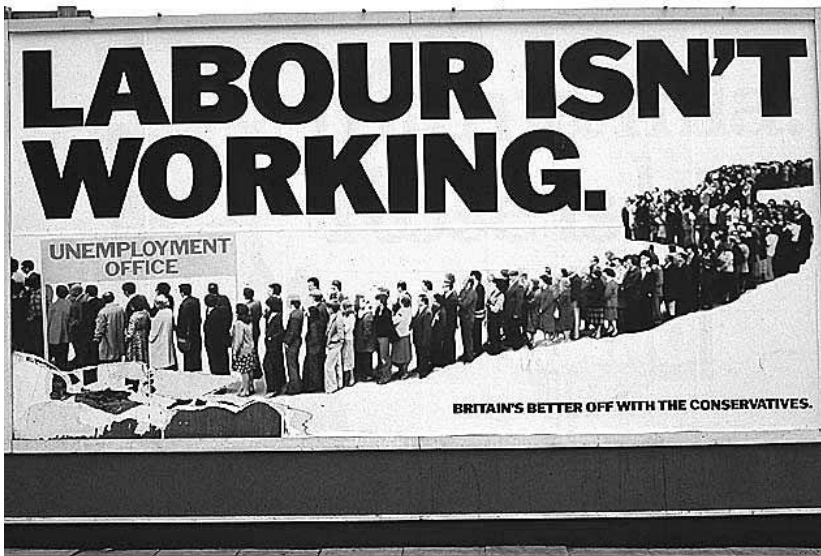


6/7/1978

DISTRICT SPORTS DAY; ST. TERESA'S WON THE HIGH JUMP (WITH OVERALL 4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE IN THE CONTEST).

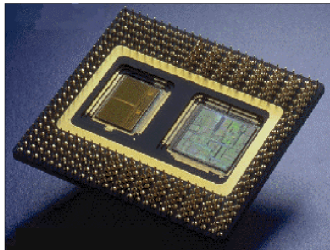
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<b>1979</b>	
16/1/1979	PROLONGED SPELL OF SNOW AND ICE THROUGHOUT JANUARY CAUSED THE CANCELLATION OF ALL SPORTS FIXTURES.
22/1/1979	<p>SCHOOL CLOSED THROUGH INDUSTRIAL ACTION OF THE MANUAL WORKERS UNION (DURING "THE WINTER OF DISCONTENT").</p>  
15/2/1979	"APPALLING WEATHER CONDITIONS"; BLIZZARD/HEAVY SNOW PREVENTED THE HEAD AND ALL STAFF REACHING SCHOOL. HENCE SCHOOL CLOSED EARLY.
31/3/1979	ST. TERESA'S WON THE FINAL OF THE LOCAL SIX-A-SIDE COMPETITION.
24/4/1979	OIL FIRED SCHOOL BOILER WAS CONVERTED TO GAS IN THE BOILER HOUSE.
12/6/1979	FIRST DISCUSSIONS AROUND THE POSSIBILITY OF FORMING AN ASSOCIATION TO GIVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE SCHOOL.

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5/7/1979	THIRD PLACE OVERALL IN DISTRICT SPORTS. "GERALDINE LYNN BROKE THE GIRL'S HIGH JUMP RECORD".
14/7/1979	SUMMER FETE "A HUGE SUCCESS....THE BATHROOM STALL WAS MOST SUCCESSFUL!"; RAISED £745
17/7/1979	ESSEX COUNTY LIBRARY VAN CALLED.
4/10/1979	<b>"THE FRIENDS OF ST. TERESA ASSOCIATION" CONSTITUTION WAS ADOPTED; "ENDED WITH CHEESE AND WINE!"</b> .
17/12/1979	<b>THE FIRST "FRIENDS" EVENT; A FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY; "WAS HUGELY SUCCESSFUL" RAISING £116.</b>
<b><i>THE 1980'S</i></b>	
<b>1980</b>	
7/1/1980	HEADMASTER ATTENDED A CONFERENCE AT PHILIP MORANT SCHOOL ON "THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SILICONE CHIP ON EDUCATION IN THE FUTURE AND ITS IMPACT ON THE EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS FOR THE NATION'S WORKFORCE".
	
2/5/1980	MR BALL (SCHOOL CARETAKER) RETIRED. HE HAD BEEN WITH THE SCHOOL SINCE IT OPENED IN 1967. HE WAS PRESENTED WITH AN AERIAL PHOTO OF THE SCHOOL, BOOKS AND A CHEQUE. THE SCHOOL GOVERNORS PRESENTED HIM WITH A CARRIAGE CLOCK.
16/5/1980	MR JOHN MURPHY WAS APPOINTED AS SCHOOL KEEPER TO COMMENCE HIS DUTIES ON THE 20 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE (HE HAD TO BRING HIS WIFE TO APPROVE THE SCHOOL BUNGALOW BEFORE GIVING HIS DECISION).
12/7/1980	SCHOOL FETE; "MORE PEOPLE THAN EVER BEFORE"; RAISED £830.
28/7/1980	RE-COVERING OF THE SCHOOL ROOF STARTED (WAS NOT COMPLETED UNTIL THE AUTUMN HALF TERM DUE TO DELAYS CAUSED BY FAULTY MATERIALS).
29/9/1980	SCHOOL NURSE (MRS SEARLE) VISITED; "FOUND FOUR CASES OF NITS".
30/9/1980	GOVERNOR MEETING APPROVED NEW SCHOOL TIMES; INFANTS 9.10AM-12 NOON AND 1.15-3.15 PM JUNIORS 9.10AM-12.15PM AND 1.15-3.15PM



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9/10/1980	SCHOOL NURSE ADDRESSED A SMALL GATHERING OF PARENTS ON HOW TO RECOGNISE AND TREAT NITS. 
17/12/1980	"DRASTIC DROP IN SCHOOL DINNERS NOTED FROM 116 IN SEPT 1979 TO JUST 36 DEC 1980!". LIKELY IN RESPONSE TO SOME OF THE CHANGES BROUGHT BY THE 1980 EDUCATION ACT.
<b>1981</b>	
7/1/1981	MR MURPHY INJURED HIMSELF LIFTING A BENCH IN THE HALL; MR BRETT (RELIEF CARETAKER) TOOK OVER.
28/1/1981	HEADMASTER ATTENDED A CONFERENCE ON THE EFFECT OF THE EDUCATION ACT ON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.
12/3/1981	FOUNDATION GOVERNORS DISCUSSED THE SCHOOL ADMISSION POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1980 EDUCATION ACT.
27/4/1981	ALL SCHOOL CEILINGS WERE INSULATED.
26/6/1981	SCHOOL SPORTS DAY HAD TO BE CALLED OFF BECAUSE OF RAIN (WAS SUCCESSFULLY HELD 10 <sup>TH</sup> JULY).
6/7/1981	PARENTS JOINED TO VIEW "NEVER GO WITH STRANGERS"; PRESENTED BY P.C. MORGAN. 
18/7/1981	SCHOOL FETE "VERY SUCCESSFUL"; £834 RAISED.
14/9/1981	A RECEPTION CLASS CHILD FELL FROM THE INFANT CLIMBING FRAME AND BROKE HER RIGHT LEG.

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15/10/1981

"ROLO AND SHANDY" ENTERTAINED THE WHOLE SCHOOL WITH AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE INSTRUCTING THE "GREEN CROSS CODE".



**1982**

27/1/1982

NEW COLOUR TV SET INSTALLED.

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**NOTHING MADE YOU HAPPIER  
THAN SEEING THIS WHEN  
WALKING INTO A CLASSROOM  
AS A KID.**

30/6/1982

ACHIEVED EQUAL 4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE AT DISTRICT SPORTS.

9/7/1982

SCHOOL SPORTS DAY "THE HOTTEST YET!"



14/7/1982

"SAY NO TO STRANGERS" FILM PLAYED FOR CLASSES 2 AND 3 AND THEIR PARENTS.



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20/7/1982	MRS HARDY (YEAR 7 TEACHER) RETIRED AFTER 12 YEARS. WAS PRESENTED WITH A CARRIAGE CLOCK.
5/8/1982	SCHOOL WAS BROKEN IN TO DURING THE HOLIDAY (CASSETTE RECORDER STOLEN).
31/8/1982	ANOTHER BREAK IN; THIS TIME THE COLOUR TELEVISION WAS STOLEN.
12/11/1982	P.C. MORGAN PRESENTED THE "PLAY SAFE" FILM. 
<b>1983</b>	
21/1/1983	POLICE SERGEANT PARKER CAME TO ADVISE ON SCHOOL SECURITY AGAINST BREAK-INS.
11/5/1983	HEADMASTER ATTENDED A COMPUTER COURSE AND BROUGHT BACK THE FIRST SCHOOL COMPUTER! (BBC MICRO) 





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28/6/1983	ST. TERESA'S WON THE BERTHA HERRING TROPHY, THE RELAY SHIELD AND THE HIGH JUMP CUP AT THE DISTRICT SPORTS; "A CLEAN SWEEP!".
22/9/1983	FIRST PARISH DISCUSSION ON SEX EDUCATION IN SCHOOL (IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MARRIAGE GUIDANCE COUNCIL).
14/10/1983	CANON PHOTO COPIER INSTALLED.
<b>1984</b>	
11/1/1984	"ANTI-BURGLAR BARS" FITTED TO THE LOWER KITCHEN WINDOWS.
20-28/1/1984	SCHOOL HALL WAS REPAINTED BY VOLUNTEERS.
17/2/1984	ADVERT WAS MADE FOR SCHOOL HEADSHIP AFTER MR WALKER ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT.
7/4/1984	PARTY FOR STAFF TO MARK THE IMPENDING RETIREMENT OF MR WALKER; HELD AT THE GEORGE HOTEL


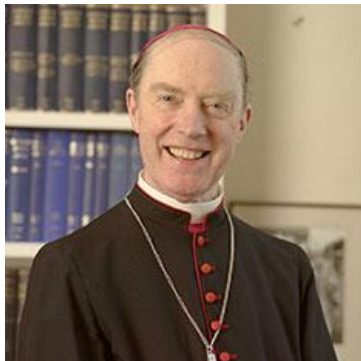
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9/4/1984	GOVERNORS PARTY FOR MR WALKER; AT THE YEW TREE INN, GREAT HORKESELEY. "THE KINDNESS SHOWN TO MYSELF AND MY WIFE DURING THIS EVENING WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED". 
10/4/1984	INTERVIEWS FOR HEADSHIP; APPOINTED MR STEPHEN BECK (OF ST. HELEN'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL, WESTCLIFFE ON SEA)
11/4/1984	A "CONJUROR" WAS ARRANGED FOR THE CHILDREN AS A SPECIAL RETIREMENT TREAT.
12/4/1984	GOODBYE CEREMONY BEFORE THE EASTER HOLIDAYS.
	<b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF APRIL 1984;</i></b> CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS ALLEN. CLASS 2; MRS KENNEDY CLASS 3; MRS MANSON. CLASS 4; MRS KEMP. CLASS 5; MISS MCCABE. CLASS 6; MRS O'BRIEN. CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS MORRISEY. <div>225 ON ROLL.</div>
30/4/1984	<b>(NEW HEADMASTER IN POST= MR STEPHEN BECK)</b> CHILD'S FINGER CUT BY A CUTTING TOOL- TO HOSPITAL! BELL SYSTEM INTRODUCED FOR THE START AND FINISH OF THE SCHOOL DAY AND LESSONS. STRUCTURED ENTRY INTO SCHOOL- CHILDREN TO LINE UP IN THE PLAYGROUND WITH THEIR CLASS TEACHER.
8/5/1984	NEW STAFF TEA SCHEME STARTED (FOLLOWING THE INSTALLATION OF A SECOND HAND FRIDGE IN THE STAFFROOM).
9/5/1984	NUT STRIKE- CLASS 6 CHILDREN UNABLE TO ATTEND SCHOOL TODAY. <div></div>
11/5/1984	SCHOOL CHOIR SANG FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE AFTERNOON.


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17/5/1984	<p>VIDEO RECORDER DELIVERED TODAY FOR "VISUAL AIDS". IT QUICKLY BROKE DOWN!</p> 
23/5/1984	<p>BISHOP'S VISIT (BISHOP THOMAS MCMAHON)</p>  <p>ALSO WORK ON THE "SCHOOL AQUARIUM" GOT UNDERWAY.</p>
24/5/1984	HEADMASTER COVERED A CLASS SO THAT THEIR TEACHER COULD SIT HER DRIVING TEST.
4/6/1984	FIRST SCHOOL VIOLIN LESSONS STARTED.
7/6/1984	ST. BENEDICT'S DRAMA AND MUSICAL GROUP VISIT HAD TO BE CANCELLED DUE TO INDUSTRIAL ACTION.
18/6/1984	LEAKING PIPE NOTED IN CLASS 5. ALSO BROKEN TOILET SEATS IN CLASSES 1, 2 AND 4.
21/6/1984	"FUN DAY" (MINI FETE) RAISED £200.
25/6/1984	REPORT TO HEAD TEACHER OF A CLASS 6 CHILD RIDING A MOPED ON THE KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS, LATE FRIDAY EVENING.
2/7/1984	SCHOOL NURSE (MRS YOUNG) GAVE A TALK TO CLASS 7 ON "HYGIENE"- A VIDEO WAS INCORPORATED.
4/7/1984	ROAD SAFETY DISPLAY FOR THE JUNIORS- PERFORMED BY THE POLICE OUTSIDE SCHOOL. SCHOOL VIDEO RECORDER RETURNED.
9/7/1984	MR BECK ATTENDED A FAREWELL PRESENTATION AT HIS OLD SCHOOL (ST. HELEN'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL, WESTCLIFFE ON SEA).
10/7/1984	"A VERY BUSY DAY"; COUNTY SCHOOL INSPECTOR (MRS

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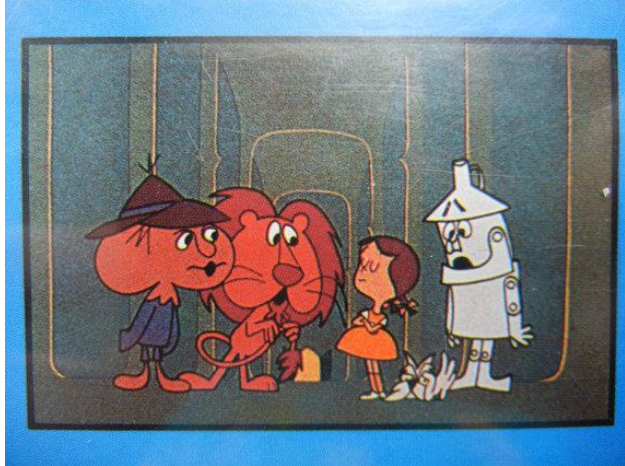



	WILKINSON) VISITED. ALSO SADLY A BREAK IN TO THE SCHOOL KITCHEN THAT EVENING (FOOD WAS STOLEN FROM THE FREEZERS BUT IN DOING SO THEY WERE TURNED OFF).
11/7/1984	LETTER SENT TO THE EDUCATION OFFICE FOR APPROVAL OF A NEW COOKING AREA WITHIN SCHOOL.
13/7/1984	"HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL" SCHOOL SPORTS DAY HELD; 4 TEAMS; ST ANTHONY'S WON WITH 160 POINTS, ST. HELENA'S CAME SECOND WITH 135, ST. FRANCES THIRD WITH 118 AND ST. BERNADETTE'S 4 <sup>TH</sup> WITH 109.
14/7/1984	SCHOOL FETE "A VERY GOOD DAY"- RAISED £1250.60P
	<b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF SEPTEMBER 1984;</i></b> CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS STELLA ALLEN. CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY CLASS 3; MRS MAUREEN MANSON. CLASS 4; MRS MARIA KEMP. CLASS 5; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS. CLASS 6; MISS HELEN MCCABE. CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS KITTY O'BRIEN.
10/9/1984	NEW SCHOOL TIMETABLE COMMENCED (INCORPORATED HYMN PRACTICE 10.15AM TO PLAYTIME).
18/9/1984	SCHOOL CARETAKER REQUESTED MOP WRINGER BUCKETS.
1/10/1984	<b>FEAST OF ST. TERESA</b> STARTED WITH MASS THEN A "FUN DAY"; CHILDREN WATCHED THE VIDEO "KING ARTHUR AND THE SPACE INVADERS". 




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	<p>INFANTS SAW A FEATURE CARTOON "RETURN TO OZ".</p>  <p>WASPS WERE A PROBLEM AROUND SCHOOL ON THIS DAY!</p>
2/10/1984	CLASS 7 BOYS WERE REPRIMANDED FOR DAMAGING THE JUNIOR CLIMBING FRAME.
11/10/1984	EXCELLENT MUSIC RECITAL AND LESSON BY A GROUP CALLED "AS YOU LIKE IT".
12/10/1984	SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM PLAYED MILLFIELDS; WON 15-4!
15/10/1984	FRIENDS AGM; "A VERY GOOD TURNOUT"- COMMITTEE WAS INCREASED TO 15.
19/10/1984	<p>HEAD TEACHER COVERED AFTERNOON SESSIONS FOR CERTAIN CLASSES DUE TO NASUWT ACTION.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NASUWT</b> The Teachers' Union</p> <p>MEMBERS ADVISED NOT TO AVOID PARENT'S EVENINGS.</p>
7/11/1984	<b>FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER COMPILED AND DUPLICATED FOR SENDING TO PARENTS.</b>
9/11/1984	<p>TRANSFER OF ALL SCHOOL PROGRAMS FROM TAPE TO DISK.</p> 

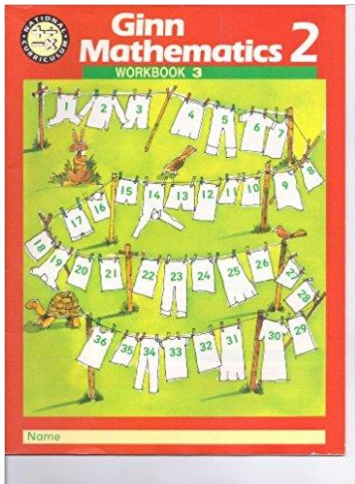

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12/11/1984	MR ESSERY FROM ST. BENEDICTS TELEPHONED TO COMPLEMENT ON THE 1 <sup>ST</sup> NEWSLETTER.
19/11/1984	CHURCH BAZAAR RAISED £125.
21/11/1984	FOUR STAGE BLOCKS WERE COMPLETED BY MR WOOLTON ("JUST IN TIME FOR THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT PRACTICE!").
13- 14/12/1984	SCHOOL CONCERT PERFORMANCES; CHILDREN WERE ALLOWED TO START SCHOOL UP TO 10AM BOTH DAYS.
<b>1985</b>	
8/1/1985	<p>"HEAVY SNOWFALL"; 20MINS WERE ALLOWED AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY FOR "SNOW PLAY" (AS THERE WAS NO OUTSIDE PLAY DURING THE DAY IN ORDER TO KEEP THE CHILDREN DRY AND THE SCHOOL CLEAN).</p> <p>A NEW SOAK AWAY DRAIN HAD BEEN LAID DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS TO RESOLVE THE SCHOOL CAR PARK FLOODING DURING WET WEATHER; SADLY THE WORK DAMAGED UNDERGROUND CABLING AND PUT THE SCHOOL TELEPHONE OUT OF ORDER!</p>
11/1/1985	<p>CLASS 4 AND 5 VISIT TO THE TOWER OF LONDON; "AN EXCELLENT VISIT DESPITE THE COLD WEATHER".</p> 
15/1/1985	SCHOOL COMMUNITY POLICEMAN SHOWED A CYCLING PROFICIENCY FILM TO CLASSES 6 AND 7.
16/1/1985	CLASS 7 GIRLS WERE SHOWN A FILM BY SCHOOL NURSE ON "MENSTRUATION".
1/2/1985	MERCURY THEATRE GROUP VISITED FOR THE AFTERNOON; "GAVE AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE".
4/3/1985	VISIT FROM THE COLCHESTER TOWN CRIER.
8/3/1985	"UNIONS NOW INVOLVED IN INDUSTRIAL ACTION"; CREATED PROBLEMS IN PRODUCING SCHOOL REPORTS; ONE TEACHER RECEIVED AN ABUSIVE PHONE CALL AT HOME OVER THE NON-ISSUE OF REPORTS- FATHER MICHAEL WAS INFORMED.
11/3/1985	CLASS 6 VISIT TO THE COASTGUARD AND LIFEBOAT STATION.
15/3/1985	REHEARSALS FOR MUSICAL IN CHURCH ON THE THEME OF THE PASSION (WRITTEN BY BRYAN BARNES FROM THE COLCHESTER INSTITUTE).
22/3/1985	FIRST SHOWING OF BRYAN BARNES' "THE PASSION".
15/4/1985	<p>NEW AERIAL SYSTEM INSTALLED TO INCORPORATE A VIDEO FEEDBACK SYSTEM.</p> <p>CLASS 6 AND 7 RETURNED FROM THEIR EASTER HOLIDAY</p>

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	TRIP TO BARRY ISLAND. MR MURPHY (SCHOOL CARETAKER) TENDERED HIS NOTICE WITH A LEAVING DATE OF THE 9 <sup>TH</sup> MAY.
19/4/1985	GINN MATHS ORDER PREPARED FOR THE SCHEME TO COMMENCE FOR JUNIORS SEPT 1985 (STANDARD MATHEMATICAL PRACTICE TO CONTINUE FOR INFANTS).  
	NEW CARPET ORDERED FOR THE RECEPTION CLASS.
24/4/1985	KING GEORGE V FIELD GROUNDS MAN VISITED TO HELP MR MURPHY LINE OUT A FIVE-A-SIDE PITCH AND 8-LANE RUNNING TRACK ON THE SCHOOL GRASSED AREA (THIS WAS IN ORDER TO SAVE HAVING TO GO ACROSS TO THE FIELDS FOR EVERY SPORTS DAY).
9/5/1985	MR MURPHY LEFT; HE WAS PRESENTED WITH AN ENGRAVED TANKARD, CHEQUE AND A CARD SIGNED BY ALL THE SCHOOL CHILDREN.
16/5/1985	CLASS 7 JOINED ST. BENEDICT'S FOR A PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD; "A VERY ENJOYABLE DAY".
17/5/1985	"THE VAST MAJORITY OF JUNIOR CHILDREN LINED THE ROUTE FOR THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO COLCHESTER....WE HAD A GOOD VIEW AND IT WAS ENJOYED BY ALL".  



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18/5/1985	SPRING FAYRE 11AM-3PM; "VERY WELL ATTENDED HAVING BEEN BLESSED WITH FINE WEATHER"; £600 RAISED.
27/5/1985	BUILDERS CARRIED OUT REPAIRS TO PATHWAYS AND DRIVES. GINN MATHS SETS DELIVERED.
4/6/1985	21 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE SCHOOL CARETAKER POSITION.
5/6/1985	CLASS 6 AND 7 WATCHED VIDEO OF "OLIVER" IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR WORK ON THE VICTORIAN ERA. 
13/6/1985	P.C. MORGAN CHECKED THE BICYCLES OF THE CHILDREN STARTING THEIR CYCLING PROFICIENCY COURSE TODAY.
27/6/1985	INTERVIEWS HELD FOR THE CARETAKER POSITION; 6 WERE INTERVIEWED; MR KEITH HARDY WAS APPOINTED BY UNANIMOUS DECISION TO TAKE UP HIS POST FROM 22 <sup>ND</sup> JULY.
8/7/1985	LEAVER'S MASS AND FUNDRAISING DAY "WENT VERY WELL"; RAISED £150.



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9/7/1985	CLASS 6 AND 7 VISIT TO TOPPLESFIELD WORKING HORSE MUSEUM; "EXCELLENT VISIT MARRED BY AN INCIDENT OF SHOPLIFTING BY A NEW CHILD TO THE SCHOOL. HEAD TOOK CHILD HOME ON RETURN".
11/7/1985	ST. BENEDICT'S 5 <sup>TH</sup> FORMER ARRANGED FOR A BLOCK OF WORK EXPERIENCE NEXT TERM UNDER THE TRIDENT SCHEME.
12/7/1985	SPORTS DAY; "WELL ATTENDED FOR WHAT WAS A FINE AND ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON".
18/7/1985	"TELEPHONE ACCUSATION BY PARENT THAT SCHOOL WAS ALLOWING HER SON TO BE MEDICALLY EXAMINED DAILY WITHOUT HER KNOWLEDGE. CHILD SUBSEQUENTLY ADMITTED MAKING UP THE STORY. THE MOTHER APOLOGISED FOR THE TROUBLE CAUSED".
19/7/1985	MRS SUTTON (SCHOOL KITCHEN ASSISTANT FOR 17 YEARS) RETIRED. WAS PRESENTED WITH A CRYSTAL VASE AND CHEQUE.
2/8/1985	DRAIN COMPANY CLEARED THE PLAYGROUND DRAINS WITH A HIGH PRESSURE JET (HOWEVER THE INFANT DRAIN REMAINED BLOCKED DUE TO ROOT PENETRATION FROM THE HEATHERS AND CONIFERS PLANTED AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL. BELL INSTALLED FOR VISITORS TO REQUEST ATTENTION FROM OFFICE STAFF. STAFF ROOM SINK UNIT INSTALLED. TEAM POINTS BOARD PLACED ON HALL WALL.
	<b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF SEPTEMBER 1985;</i></b> CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS STELLA ALLEN. CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY CLASS 3; MRS MAUREEN MANSON. CLASS 4; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS. CLASS 5; MRS EDITH MCADAM. CLASS 6; MRS MARIA KEMP. CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS KITTY O'BRIEN. <div>213 ON ROLL.</div>
9/9/1985	MR MARTIN DWYER (HEAD OF ST. THOMAS MORE) AND MRS FRANCIS FORRESTER (HEAD OF LEXDEN PRIMARY) VISITED FOR LUNCH.
13/9/1985	A NEW INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT APPROVED; SCHOOL ABLE TO NOW GO AHEAD WITH THE ELECTION OF A <i>PARENT GOVERNOR</i> . MRS SPARROW WAS ELECTED.
23/9/1985	AREA OFFICE OFFERED A REPLACEMENT TYPE-WRITER DURING SERVICING.
4/10/1985	INFANTS SWIMMING LESSONS COMMENCED.

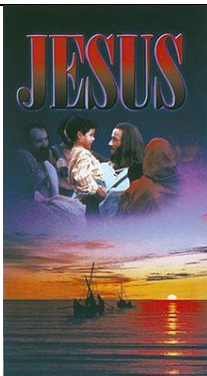

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7/10/1985	CLASS 5 CHILD BROKE THEIR WRIST IN FALL FROM CLIMBING FRAME DURING LUNCH BREAK.
14/10/1985	THE QUESTION OF SMOKING IN THE STAFF ROOM (ESPECIALLY DURING STAFF MEETINGS) WAS RAISED IN LIGHT OF A DOCTOR'S NOTE FROM ONE OF THE TEACHERS. STAFF MEETING WAS HELD DURING THE MORNING BREAK DUE TO ON-GOING INDUSTRIAL ACTION; WAS AGREED THAT SMOKING COULD CONTINUE DURING INFORMATION GIVING MEETINGS (AS THAT INFO COULD BE RELEASED TO THE TEACHER INDIVIDUALLY). SMOKERS WOULD REFRAIN FROM SMOKING AT OTHER MEETINGS.
18/10/1985	HEAD AND HIS WIFE ATTENDED A SOCIAL EVENING ORGANISED BY THE BISHOP AT CATHEDRAL HOUSE, BRENTWOOD.
21- 25/10/1985	MR HARDY RE-SEALED THE HALL FLOOR DURING HALF TERM BREAK. "HAS MAINTAINED A VERY HIGH STANDARD OF CLEANING".
28/10/1985	FATHER MICHAEL APPEALED TO THE DIOCESE FOR A DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOM AS THE SCHOOL RECEIVED NOTIFICATION OF A REQUIREMENT TO INCREASE TEACHERS FROM HEAD+7 TO HEAD +8 BY SEPTEMBER 1987. WITH THE CUT OFF FOR STUDENT NUMBERS BEING 220, THE SCHOOL WOULD THEN EXCEED THIS AND NEED EXTRA ROOM.
1/11/1985	FRIENDS AGM; 30 ATTENDED.
6/11/1985	NUT HALF DAY STRIKE "VERY DISRUPTIVE TO ACTIVITY AFTERNOON".
8/11/1985	CLASS 7 VIDEO ON "PUBERTY"; PARENTS WERE NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE WITH NO OBJECTIONS. FRIEND'S AUCTION EVENING RAISED £123.
16/11/1985	CHURCH BAZAAR HELD IN SCHOOL (SCHOOL STAFF COVERED BATHROOM TOMBOLA).
18/11/1985	BREAK IN DISCOVERED BY MR HARDY EARLY AM; ENTRY THROUGH CLASS 1, 7 AND STAFFROOM VIA FORCED WINDOWS. BLANK COMPUTER DISKS, SWEETS AND LESS THAN £1 STOLEN. P.C. MORGAN'S LAST SCHOOL VISIT DUE TO PROMOTION; SLIDE SHOW ON ROAD SAFETY SHOWN TO CLASS 4 AND 5.
22/11/1985	DIOCESAN EDUCATION SECRETARY TOM HELVIN VISITED; "PROSPECTS OF ADDITIONAL CLASSROOM UNLIKELY DUE TO PRESSURES ELSEWHERE IN ESSEX AND GENERAL REDUCTION ON SPENDING ON BUILDINGS".
25/11/1985	VISIT TO ODEON CINEMA FOR CLASSES 5, 6 AND 7 TO SEE THE FILM "JESUS"; "VERY WORTHWHILE".

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13/12/1985	VISIT TO THE ALBERT HALL FOR A CAROL CONCERT WITH BOTH PARENTS AND CHILDREN (LATER VIEWING THE LONDON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND TRAFALGAR SQUARE).		
18/12/1985	SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER.		
1986			
13/1/1986	BRYAN BARNES IN FOR FIRST WORKSHOP WITH CHOIR. A TEACHER WAS TAKEN ILL WITH SERIOUS BACK PAIN AND HAD TO BE TAKEN HOME.		
24/1/1986	DEANERY HEAD'S MEETING HELD AT ST. TERESA'S.		
29/1/1986	NASUWT MEMBERS ON STRIKE FOR THE AFTERNOON.		
31/1/1986	SECOND FISH TANK DONATED TO SCHOOL AND SET UP.		
6/2/1986	NORTH EAST ESSEX HEADS MEETING; "A COMMENT WAS MADE THAT OUR PROBLEM WITH LARGE ADMISSION NUMBERS WAS DOWN TO POACHING. WAS REPORTED TO FATHER MICHAEL".		
24/2/1986	HEADS FATHER DIED; FATHER MICHAEL APPROVED MR BECK'S ABSENCE ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY TO ATTEND FUNERAL IN LONDON.		
3/3/1986	CLASS 2 MASS INCLUDED THE BAPTISM OF ONE OF THE CHILDREN'S NEW BORN SISTERS!		
18/3/1986	JUNIORS TRIP TO MADAME TUSSAUDS AND THE LONDON PLANETARIUM.		
19/3/1986	BRYAN BARNES' "WAY OF THE CROSS" PERFORMANCE AT BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL; "FOUR COACHES TAKEN FROM SCHOOL AND THE GOOD ATTENDANCE GENERATED A MARVELLOUS ATMOSPHERE. THE CHILDREN ROSE TO THE OCCASION GIVING WHAT WAS DESCRIBED AS A MOST PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE".		
			

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	<p><b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF APRIL 1986;</i></b>            CLASS 1A ("RECEPTION"); MRS STELLA ALLEN (19 CHILDREN)            CLASS 1W("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (19)            CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (36)            CLASS 3; MRS MAUREEN MANSON (36)            CLASS 4; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (34)            CLASS 5; MRS EDITH MCADAM (32)            CLASS 6; MRS MARIA KEMP (34)            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS KITTY O'BRIEN (35)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">245 ON ROLL.</p>
11/4/1986	SCHOOL GYM TEAM WON THE NORTH EAST ESSEX SCHOOLS GYMNASTICS.
21/4/1986	<p>QUEEN'S 60<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS; 15 CHILDREN AND MRS HAWKINS TRAVELLED TO LONDON TO THE FORECOURT OF BUCKINGHAM PALACE. EACH GOT A COMMEMORATIVE MUG AND MEDAL.</p> <div data-bbox="671 987 1109 1429" data-label="Image"> </div>
29/4/1986	CHILD BROKE WRIST IN PLAYGROUND; TAKEN TO HOSPITAL. "DEALT WITH MOST CAPABLY BY MRS O' BRIEN".
13/5/1986	MISS VICKY SQUIRREL (NEW DEPUTY HEAD AT ST. BENEDICT'S) "EXPRESSED A CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE WORK OF ST. TERESA'S AND INDICATED SHE IS INTERESTED IN BUILDING UP FURTHER LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO SCHOOLS".
15/5/1986	PORTABLE BELLING COOKER AND TROLLEY PROVIDED TO SCHOOL TO GET THE NEW COOKING AREA PROJECT UNDERWAY.
16/5/1986	THE "ROAD SAFETY CLOWNS" VISITED IN THE AFTERNOON GIVING "AN EXCELLENT, ENTERTAINING AND HIGHLY INFORMATIVE SHOW".
2/6/1986	CLASS 2 TRIP TO WINDSOR SAFARI PARK; "RESERVATIONS OVER THE DISTANCE TO TRAVEL WERE UNFOUNDED AS TRIP WAS A SUCCESS".



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7/6/1986	SCHOOL FETE WENT VERY WELL; OVER £900 RAISED.		
9/6/1986	CYCLING PROFICIENCY TEST; 100% SUCCESS "MOST UNUSUAL, ESPECIALLY AS THE WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE APPALLING".		
13/6/1986	AREA EDUCATION OFFICER VISIT; ADVISED GOVERNORS TO TAKE CARE OVER PUPIL NUMBERS.		
11/7/1986	SUCCESSFUL SPORTS DAY.		
18/7/1986	LEAVERS MASS (CELEBRATED BY FATHER ARTHUR BARROW FROM CLACTON AS FATHER MICHAEL WAS ON HOLIDAY).		
	<b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF SEPTEMBER 1986:</i></b> CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (23 CHILDREN) CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (31) CLASS 3; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (33) CLASS 4; MISS THERESA CARLAND (34) CLASS 5; MRS EDITH MCADAM (35) CLASS 6; MRS MARIA KEMP (32) CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MR MICHAEL BLACK (30) <div style="text-align: right;">218 ON ROLL.</div>		
26/9/1986	FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AUCTION RAISED OVER £250; "AN EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT AS THE ATTENDANCE WAS LOW".		
17/10/1986	FRIENDS MEETING TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION FOR PRESENTATION TO THE CHARITY COMMISSIONERS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN CHARITABLE STATUS.		
23/10/1986	CLASS 7 EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO COLNE VALLEY RAILWAY AND HEDINGHAM CASTLE.		
5/11/1986	NASUWT INDUSTRIAL ACTION MEANT CLASSES 4 AND 6 WERE SENT HOME FOR THE AFTERNOON.		
21/11/1986	MERCURY THEATRE PLAYERS STAGED A PERFORMANCE OF "PENNY FOR THE BOY"; COST £30 AND WAS PUT ON AS A SURPRISE FOR THE CHILDREN.		
15/12/1986	SCHOOL CHOIR PARTICIPATED IN COLCHESTER CHORAL SOCIETY'S "CARDS FOR ALL" AT THE MOOT HALL 7.30PM; "A VERY SUCCESSFUL VENTURE THAT BROUGHT MUCH PRAISE FOR OUR CHILDREN".		



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18/12/1986	SCHOOL CHOIR AND RECORDER GROUP TOOK PART IN ESSEX RADIO CHRISTMAS BROADCAST; "THEY WERE MARVELLOUS AND IT WAS AN EXPERIENCE FOR US ALL".
19/12/1986	SCHOOL ALARM TRIGGERED FOLLOWING A BREAK IN. BLUE PETER BRING AND BUY SALE APPEAL RAISED £100.
	
1987	
	<p><b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF JANUARY 1987;</i></b>            CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (28 CHILDREN)            CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (29)            CLASS 3; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (34)            CLASS 4; MISS THERESA CARLAND (34)            CLASS 5; MRS EDITH MCADAM (35)            CLASS 6; MRS MARIA KEMP (35)            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MR MICHAEL BLACK (33)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">228 ON ROLL.</p>
12/1/1987	VERY HEAVY SNOW; "A VERY ABNORMAL WEEK DUE TO THE SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS"; 80% ATTENDANCE; CHILDREN SENT HOME AFTER 2PM.
13/1/1987	FURTHER HEAVY SNOW; ATTENDANCE DOWN TO UNDER 50%; SCHOOL REMAINED OPEN ALL DAY.
23/1/1987	155 STAFF, PARENTS AND CHILDREN ATTENDED WIMBLEDON POLKA CHILDREN'S THEATRE TO SEE A PRODUCTION OF THE SNOW QUEEN.

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29/1/1987	MRS HAWKINS TOOK A LEADING ROLE IN A PANTOMIME IN BRIGHTLINGSEA. STAFF ATTENDED EN-MASSÉ AS A SURPRISE!		
16/2/1987	LIBRARY EXTENSION AND DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOM PROPOSED.		
4/3/1987	"WORDS ALIVE"; A PERFORMANCE OF POETRY AND PROSE PRESENTED BY A THEATRICAL GROUP TO INFANTS AND JUNIORS; "QUITE SUCCESSFUL AS A ONE OFF".		
21/3/1987	<p>"ZOO BREAK" ORGANISED BY THE FRIEND'S ASSOCIATION; THREE TEAMS ENTERED; SPONSORSHIP MONEY GOING TOWARDS THE LIBRARY EXTENSIONS; "RECEIVED GOOD PUBLICITY".</p> 		
23/3/1987	CLASS 6 AND 7 VISIT TO BRADWELL POWER STATION; "AN EXCELLENT EDUCATIONAL VISIT".		
6/4/1987	DAVID SQUIRES FROM THE DIOCESE VISITED TO LOOK AT WHERE THE DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOM COULD BE SITED.		
10/4/1987	CLASS 2 TRIP TO LONDON; "WAS EXCELLENT, ESPECIALLY SEEING AS A PARENT WHO IS IN THE ARMY ARRANGED FOR		



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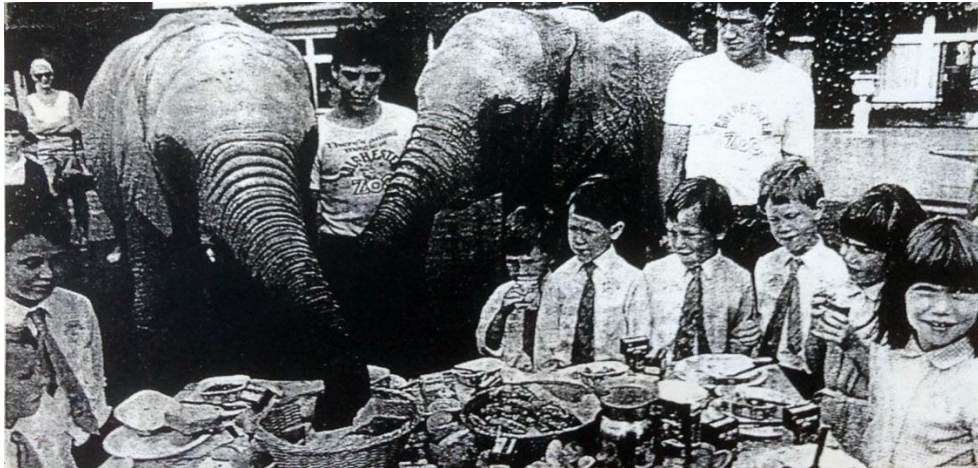


	THE CHILDREN TO SEE THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD INSIDE THE GATES OF BUCKINGHAM PALACE!".
	<p><b>TEACHING STAFF AS OF APRIL 1987:</b>            CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (32 CHILDREN)            CLASS 2; MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (34)            CLASS 3; MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (34)            CLASS 4; MISS THERESA CARLAND (31)            CLASS 5; MRS EDITH MCADAM (38!)            CLASS 6; MRS MARIA KEMP (36)            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MR MICHAEL BLACK (33)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">238 ON ROLL.</p>
8/5/1987	JUNIOR OPEN EVENING; "SOME LONG WAITS TO SEE TEACHERS FOR SOME PARENTS"; DECISION MADE TO SPLIT INTO TWO EVENINGS IN THE FUTURE.
11/5/1987	HEAD ATTENDED LICENCING COURT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE SCHOOL FETE DRINKING LICENCE.
15/5/1987	<p>MR MC QUADE CAME IN TO SPEAK TO CLASSES 6 AND 7 ABOUT THE FALKLAND ISLANDS WITH A VIDEO TOO.</p> 
16/5/1987	SCHOOL FETE RAISED £1200.
18/5/1987	MR CONNOLLY (PARENT) ARRANGED FOR CLASSES 6 AND 7 TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO A WHEELCHAIR BOUND RESIDENT FROM THE CARE HOME HE WORKED IN; "WAS AN EXCELLENT VENTURE AND ACHIEVED MUCH".
22/5/1987	MRS WOLTON RETIRED; RECEIVED BRANDY AND A DECANTER FROM PARENTS AND SILVER TRAY FROM THE STAFF.
26/6/1987	"P.C. DAVE (COMMUNITY POLICEMAN) STAGED AN INTERESTING EXERCISE WITH CLASS 7 TO TEST THEIR POWERS OF OBSERVATION THROUGH GETTING A COLLEAGUE OF HIS TO ENTER AND TAKE AN ITEM FROM THE CLASSROOM!".



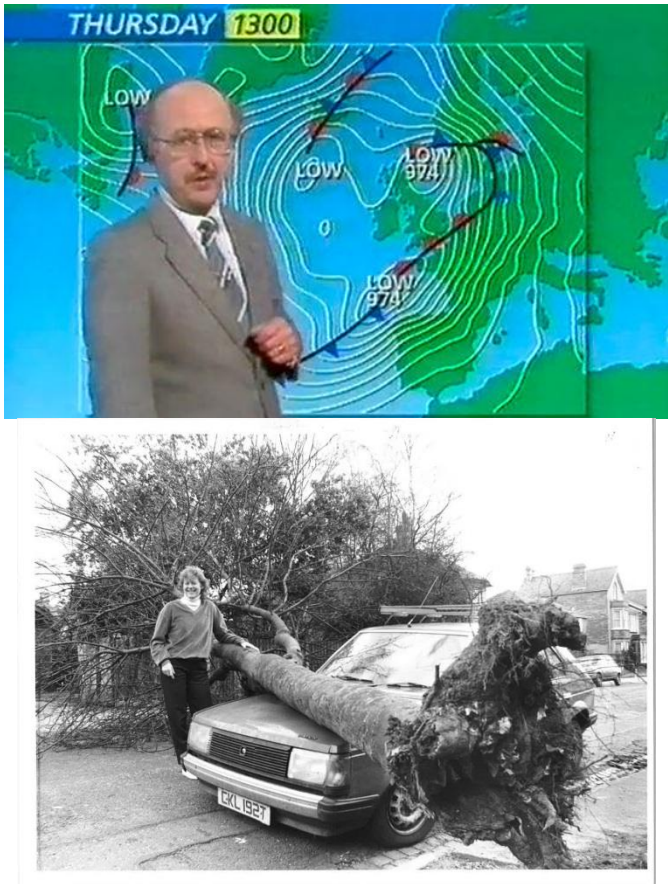
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3/7/1987	<p>12 INFANTS WERE INVITED TO "BREAKFAST WITH THE ELEPHANTS".</p> 
6/7/1987	<p>FRIENDS SPONSORED WHEELATHON RAISED OVER £500. BBC ESSEX RADIO RAN A LIVE EDITION OF THEIR TRIVIAL PURSUITS COMPETITION, PARENTS VS STAFF; "THE PARENTS JUST MANAGED A WIN BUT A RE-MATCH IS UNDER CONSIDERATION".</p>
8/7/1987	<p>CLASS 7 VISIT TO MR BARTLEET'S FARM; "THE CHILDREN BOTH ENJOYED AND LEARNED A LOT FROM IT".</p>
9/7/1987	<p>CLASS 7 VISIT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX TO SEE A PRODUCTION OF BUGSY MALONE.</p>
10/7/1987	<p>SPORTS DAY "VERY SUCCESSFUL".</p>
13/7/1987	<p>CLASS 1 VISIT TO LONDON ZOO.</p>
18/7/1987	<p>DIOCESAN SPORTS DAY; "LARGELY A WASH OUT WITH ONLY A NUMBER OF EVENTS THAT COULD BE TRANSFERRED INDOORS. NONETHELESS, THE CHILDREN SEEMED TO ENJOY THE MORNING AND WE ACHIEVED A CERTIFICATE".</p>
21- 22/7/1987	<p>JUNIOR CONCERT (OLD TIME MUSIC HALL); "SOLD OUT. A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF PARENTS WORE VICTORIAN COSTUME ADDING TO THE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE OF THE CONCERT. ONE OF ST. TERESA'S BEST". WAS VIDEOED BY MR BELL.</p>
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	NEW PATTERN OF WORKING HOURS FOR TEACHERS; EXTRA 5 DAYS IN SCHOOL OVER AND ABOVE DAYS CHILDREN ATTEND, PLUS MORE FIXED HOURS IN SCHOOL 8.45AM-4.30PM. "VIRTUALLY ALL STAFF WORK LONGER THAN THIS IN ANY RESPECT".
25/9/1987	FRIENDS ANIMAL AUCTION HELD (MORE THAN £300 RAISED DURING "A VERY SUCCESSFUL EVENING).
12/10/1987	FIRST MATCH OF THE FOOTBALL SEASON AGAINST ST. THOMAS MORE'S (WE WON 5-0!)
15/10/1987	<p>HURRICANE! (THE GREAT STORM OF 1987)</p>  <p>GALE FORCE WINDS CAUSED ENORMOUS DAMAGE COUNTRYWIDE. SCHOOL WAS DAMAGED AND COULD NOT OPERATE "AS NORMAL" (30 CHILDREN TURNED UP FOR SCHOOL BUT HAD TO BE TURNED AWAY). TEACHING STAFF ATTENDED IN THE MAJORITY; "THEIR DEDICATION WAS MOST COMMENDABLE AND GRATIFYING".</p>
23/10/1987	CALL FROM MR BUTLER (AREA OFFICE) REGARDING STAFFING; HE CONFIRMED THE SCHOOL WOULD BE PERMITTED A SUPPLY TEACHER FOR THE INFANTS SUMMER TERM ALONG WITH A PERMANENT 9 <sup>TH</sup> TEACHER.

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2/11/1987	NETBALL TEAM PLAYED LEXDEN PRIMARY (WE WON 5-0!).
16/11/1987	LEAK FROM THE SCHOOL HEATING SYSTEM CAUSED DISRUPTION. SCHOOL HALL FLOOR HAD TO BE LIFTED IN LARGE SECTIONS. PARISH BAZAAR HAD TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE CHURCH HALL EXCEPT FOR THE REFRESHMENTS.
27/11/1987	CHESS MATCH AGAINST HOLMWOOD HOUSE (WE WON 4-2). MR HARDY TOOK DELIVERY OF A HIGH SPEED BUFFING MACHINE TO MAINTAIN THE SCHOOL FLOORS; "OBTAINED WITH A LITTLE PRESSURE THROUGH LETTERS AND THE GOVERNORS FROM THE AREA SUPERVISOR OF CARETAKERS".
9/12/1987	INFANT CONCERT (SNOW WHITE).
17/12/1987	CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY; CHILDREN HAD A CHOICE OF A DISCO OR FILM FOR THE AFTERNOON. "A VERY BUSY BUT SUCCESSFUL TERM".
<b>1988</b>	
	<p><b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF JANUARY 1988;</i></b>            CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (27 CHILDREN)            CLASS 2; (MID INFANTS); MISS THERESA CARLAND (33)            CLASS 3; (TOP INFANTS) MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (35)            CLASS 4; (1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MISS MARY MCNEILL (35)            CLASS 5; (2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (37)            CLASS 6; (3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MARIA KEMP (36)            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MR MICHAEL BLACK (36)            DEPUTY HEAD= MRS O'BRIEN (GROUP WORK)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">239 ON ROLL</p>
12-13/1/1988	COUNTY AUDITORS ARRIVED WITHOUT NOTICE TO SEE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTS AND INVENTORIES (HEAD WAS CALLED TO AREA OFFICE ON 5 <sup>TH</sup> FEB TO BE TOLD THE VISIT HAD BEEN PROMPTED BY A THIRD PARTY). "A CLEAR BILL OF HEALTH WAS GIVEN".
27/1/1988	CLASS 2 AND 7 TRIP TO SADLERS WELLS FOR A PERFORMANCE OF "LET'S MAKE AN OPERA".
19/2/1988	TEACHERS TRAVELLED TO LONDON FOR "A MOST USEFUL MEETING" WITH THE POETRY SOCIETY.
29/2/1988	NEW DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOM IN PLACE "FOLLOWING A NUMBER OF POSTPONEMENTS".
28/3/1988- 9/4/1988	SCHOOL TRIP TO THE ISLE OF WIGHT (37 CHILDREN); A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL TRIP WITH A NUMBER OF PARENTS INDICATING HOW MUCH THEIR CHILDREN ENJOYED THE VISIT".



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	<p><b><i>TEACHING STAFF AS OF APRIL 1988;</i></b>            CLASS 1.1 (REC NEW INTAKE); MRS WRIGHT (17 CHILDREN)            CLASS 1.2 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (25)            CLASS 2; (MID INFANTS); MISS THERESA CARLAND (35)            CLASS 3; (TOP INFANTS) MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (37)            CLASS 4; (1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MISS MARY MCNEILL (34)            CLASS 5; (2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (36)            CLASS 6; (3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MARIA KEMP (34)            CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MR MICHAEL BLACK (37)            DEPUTY HEAD= MRS O'BRIEN (GROUP WORK) 255 ON ROLL</p>
15/4/1988	ENTERED A TEAM IN THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL MINI-RUGBY TOURNAMENT AT HORNCURCH; "THE TEAM DID VERY WELL FINISHING AS RUNNERS UP".
21/4/1988	EXTRAORDINARY GOVERNORS MEETING TO DISCUSS THE FRIENDS ASSOCIATION PROPOSAL TO RUN A SMALL, LICENCED SOCIAL CLUB "FIRST MOOTED 2 YEARS AGO". A MAJORITY OF GOVERNORS WERE AGAINST THE PROPOSAL AND IT WAS THEREFORE NOT APPROVED.
29/4/1988	BUILDERS COMPLETED THE LIBRARY EXTENSION (WHICH NOW TAKES IN THE OLD OIL TANK AREA AND SOME OF THE HALL STORAGE AREA).
13/5/1988	SHORTLISTING FOR A NEW CARETAKER; DECISION WAS STILL AWAITED AS TO WHETHER THE PARISH WOULD DECIDE TO RETAIN THE CARETAKERS BUNGALOW. FOUNDATION GOVERNORS AND THE PARISH FUND RAISING COMMITTEE BOTH WERE UNANIMOUS IN THEIR RESOLUTION TO RETAIN THE PROPERTY AND INVEST IN ITS RENOVATION.
19/5/1988	FINAL DECISION ON THE BUNGALOW MADE; TO BE UPGRADED AND THEN RENTED OUT SO THAT THE CARETAKER IS NO LONGER RESIDENT ON SITE.
24/5/1988	INTERVIEWS FOR THE CARETAKERS POST; MR DONALD MCKAY WAS THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE (COMING FROM THE ARMY TO START 1 <sup>ST</sup> JULY).
12/6/1988	1 <sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION 3PM
18/6/1988	SCHOOL FETE "WENT OFF VERY WELL"; ALMOST £1000 RAISED. GOVERNORS REFUSED THE SALE OF ALCOHOL AT THIS FUNCTION ALTHOUGH A LICENCE HAD BEEN OBTAINED.
15/7/1988	FRIENDS SUSPENDED ALL ACTIVITIES PENDING DIRECTION FROM THE GOVERNORS REGARDING THEIR OPERATING REMIT.
18/7/1988	SPORTS DAY HELD; "RAN VERY SUCCESSFULLY".
25/7/1988	NON-PUPIL DAY; STAFF ATTENDED A DEMONSTRATION OF NEW PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS AND ELECTRONIC KEYBOARD (PURCHASED THROUGH CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT FUNDS).



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CLASS 1 ("RECEPTION"); MRS WATTERSON (13)  
CLASS 2C; MISS THERESA CARLAND (19)  
CLASS 2S; (MID INFANTS); MRS SHEPHERD (22)  
CLASS 3; (TOP INFANTS); MRS MARIA KEMP (35)  
CLASS 4; (1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MARLENE KENNEDY (35)  
CLASS 5; (2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MRS MULRONEY (35)  
CLASS 6; (3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR JUNIORS); MISS MARY MCNEILL (34)  
CLASS 7 ("TOP JUNIORS"); MRS NOREEN HAWKINS (36)  
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MR BECK ACHIEVED PROMOTION TO A SCHOOL IN  
CROYDON.

"I WILL ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL FOR THE PRESENTATIONS  
MADE TO ME WHICH HAVE REFLECTED THE GOOD FEELING  
WITHIN THE SCHOOL, WHICH HAS AN EXCELLENT STAFF  
AND PARENT BODY. I WISH ST. TERESA'S ALL THE BEST FOR  
THE FUTURE".

MRS VALERIE HURDIDGE (DEPUTY HEAD AT ST. FRANCIS  
SCHOOL, BRAINTREE) TO TAKE OVER.