

Welcome



A Welcome from the Head

Welcome to our new school year, which sees us busily building on a terrific summer of success for our girls. 98% of our Year 13 Leavers are forging forwards to their universities of choice this year, a particularly pleasing outcome from the hard work that they and their teachers have put in over their time at RHS. I know you will join me in wishing them well as they embark on this exciting time of their lives, and as they become the newest members of our Alumnae community.

Equally encouraging were our GCSE results this year, the best the school has seen in 5 years, allowing us the prestigious headline 'Best in Bath'! We look forward to seeing our girls prosper in their A-Levels and IB Diplomas under the guidance of our new Head of Sixth Form, Mr Nick Hayward, who many of you will remember as Head of English. Mr Hayward has a sleeve-ful of plans for the Sixth Form over the coming months....watch this space.

As always, our activities at school are hugely

Jo Duncan
Head

boosted by inspiration, encouragement and support from our valued alumnae, and we thank you for your continued connection to our school. Please enjoy the news and views from near and far to follow, and we hope to see many of you at our various festive events.

One Door Closes...

The RHBA Committee sadly accepted the resignation of Anna Lewis as Chair this summer, as Anna decided to hand on the responsibility after 7 years in office. Alumna of the Class of '92, Anna's connections to RHS run deep, with her own daughters Jess and Hattie both attending the Royal High Junior School.

Anna's many years of unswerving support for the RHBA, first as Secretary to the Committee and latterly as Chair, was gratefully acknowledged at our last committee meeting with a hand drawn picture of Hope House, a contemporary treatment of a classic and much-loved building.



Anna has passed the mantle on, and happily, Sarah King (Class of 2006) was eager to step into her shoes.

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Welcome to the Autumn 2016 edition of the Royal High School Alumnae Newsletter.

As ever, we love to receive word from you, so if you have anything you'd like to share, be it memories, opinion or news and updates, please don't hesitate to get in touch: rhsalumnae@rhsb.gdst.net



Sarah is the first RHS Alumna to chair the Committee, which marks a turning point in its history: a progressive step towards the future of our Alumnae. Sarah started at the Royal High in 1999 in Year 7 and left in 2006. Following a gap year working in the UK and travelling in South Africa she started a degree in Veterinary Science at Bristol University, taking an intercalated degree in Animal Behaviour and Welfare after her 3rd year, before completing her Veterinary degree. After some locum work, Sarah started in a small animal practice in Bridgwater, from where she moved to a different practice, also in Bridgwater where she has settled much better and is looking to start a certificate in Feline Medicine next year.

In her spare time Sarah enjoys white water

Presentation Assembly

Visitors from Our Past Celebrate the Present, and Give a Glimpse into the Future



In a moving but celebratory assembly, visitors from our Alumnae community came to school to celebrate our girls' achievements whilst remembering a much-missed school friend. As part of our Past, Present and Future theme week, for the first time, a special Alumnae Awards ceremony took place in our whole school assembly.

The Alumnae Awards were initiated by the Royal High Bath Alumnae to celebrate girls for their contribution to school life; their effort, kindness and public spirit. These qualities are recognised by former students of the school as being critical in life, but often modestly hidden. As case in point, on being told that she'd won an award, one of our award winners exclaimed 'are you sure you've got the right person?'

Congratulating the girls on their achievements, Sarah King, Chair of the RHBA presented the following awards:

The Alumnae Network Cup for Services to the School Community to Ella Sanfilippo (Yr 12)

The Alumnae Network Award for continued Academic Endeavour to Angel Chant (Yr 11)

The Hilary Williams Award from the RHBA for Dedication – in memory of a recent benefactor who is much missed by the Alumnae community - to Laura McNab (Yr 11)

The RHBA's new initiative coincided with the wish of a group of friends from Bath High School to commemorate their friend Sarah Williams with a special award for kindness, bravery and friendship: the Red Squirrel Award. There were four nominees for this award: Diana Kawonga; Kacey Cox; Michaela Katsimiha and Bliss Firth. Bliss (Yr 11) was selected by many throughout the school for her terrific friendship, shown to countless peers, but in particular to her friend Rebecca. Bliss was presented with

kayaking (see dashing photo!), growing her own fruit and veg and entertaining her two mad cats (see Animal Behaviour expertise above!).



a very handsome bronze squirrel, specially commissioned for this award.

Visibly moved as they remembered Sarah's brilliant red hair (from which she got her nickname 'Squirrel'), her lust for life and her determined commitment to support and sustain friendship through the years, Sarah's friends from the class of 1982 likened the friendship that their time at Bath High School had afforded them to a coral reef: 'unknowingly we support each other, and we've become a network which reacts when one of us is damaged.'

They provided a touching example to the girls of how they would one day enjoy the benefit of similarly enduring friendships, founded right here at school. As one of them commented afterwards: 'This is all a good and virtuous circle of care and respect and love within the sisterhood! Sarah would have loved it!'

Congratulations to all our award winners.



GS Blackburn Award



A quote from Miss Blackburn
'...if you are ever left with a little money,
don't put it in National Savings, go to the
open spaces of the desert, or the jagged
red mountains of Petra...'

GS Blackburn Award Update and Launch

Georgina Clark (class of 2008, and winner of one of this year's GS Blackburn Travel Awards) has embarked on the first leg of her trip though Asia, on her way to delivering English lessons to children in some of the remotest communities in the region.

Clearly captivated by the lands she is exploring, Georgina is writing a detailed and fascinating blog about her experience, which can be found here:
www.onedaymoretravel.com

We look forward to hearing from Alice Wynne-Griffiths about her conservation work in New Zealand.

Next year's award will be launched at the end of this year, so do look out for details if you are 25 or under, and have exciting travel plans which will broaden your horizons, and have a positive social or environmental impact.

School News

Sports Day



This year saw our first joint RHS Junior and Senior School Sports Day which was held at the prestigious University of Bath Sports Training Village. There was a packed schedule of track and field events throughout the day, with an impressive number of records and Personal Bests broken. A triumphant sporting day was rounded off by a Grand Finale giving Houses their moments of glory as they paraded around the track displaying banners and chanting battle cries.

Bronte were the overall winning Senior School House who racked up an impressive 481 points, 35 points clear of Wollstonecraft in second place. There was the added element of competition this year of the highest scoring House, as the Junior and Senior School adjoining House points were added together to find one overall winner. Bronte and Charlcombe were quietly confident that they had pipped their rivals to the title as both teams had finished strongly but Northfields scored an almighty 685

points, which when added to their adjoining Senior House, Austen, allowed the 'Red House' to clinch the Sports Day title.

Despite there being one overall winner on the day, the event was a fantastic success for all those involved. The House spirit was unbelievable as the girls wore their House colours with pride and their commitment in the events was brilliant to see.

The bar has been set high for next year!



School News

Time Capsule Secrets Uncovered Live on TV

Barely recovered from the excitement of the bomb discovered at Hope House, another piece of school history made the headlines in June when a time capsule, which had been buried for nearly 40 years at the site of our former junior school, was opened live on BBC Points West in front of thousands of viewers.

After a tip-off from former teachers and pupils, an eagle-eyed demolition contractor successfully extracted the long-hidden time capsule from a cavity wall of the Gloucester Hall building. The opening of the hall in 1977, along with the Queen's Silver Jubilee, was marked by secreting a small time capsule in the fabric of the new building.

The time capsule was discovered by the same contractors who had unearthed

the WW2 unexploded bomb on site a few weeks previously. Linking these two intriguing glimpses of bygone times, the BBC invited representatives of the school, past and present, to open the capsule live on regional news.

Hazarding a few guesses as to its contents, our Registrar Lynda Bevan, Jane Millington a Bath High Alumna and our current Finance Officer, and Tilly Kennard from Year 3 all took to the studio sofa with Points West presenters Alex Lovell and David Garmston for the moment of truth...which fortunately did not disappoint!

As well as penning various letters, the girls of 1977 had chosen a scrap of fabric from their summer uniform and a school tie; a model Mini – 'the form of transport we

use every day'; a school prospectus and a commemorative Silver Jubilee coin amongst other things to give future generations a snapshot of their school life in the 1970s.

Media interest in this story sparked a flurry of nostalgia on social media from Bath High Alumnae, some of whom remembered the capsule, but had little recollection of what was in it. Jessica Saunders, (BHS 1964-78) identified the dilemma we had all faced on discovering it: 'I find it rather moving. They probably did expect it to be hidden for longer. But 40 years isn't bad!'

The capsule and its contents were on display at the RHS Alumnae reunion in June. What should happen to it next? Please send any ideas to: rhsalumnae@rhsb.gdst.net.



House News

House Rules

Do you still feel allegiance to your house? Is your house colour your default choice for shoes, cars, coats or walls? The house system has seen many changes over the decades and between our three schools, from the names of impressive generals in the days of the Royal School, to Bath's sweeping Crescents for Bath High School, to the inspiring women with a connection to Bath who give our Royal High School houses their names today.

These four current houses have been given a fresh injection of energy, not just by the dedicated efforts of House Leaders and Prefects who work tirelessly to rally the enthusiasm and determination of their House Members, but also by appointing Staff Heads of House. Nominally this was a move to support and encourage greater participation between girls and staff, but judging by the individuals appointed, we all know that a whole new level of competitiveness is upon us!



Assembly seating configured by houses rather than year groups, and a new House Quiz this term are some of the ways that the profile of this system is being raised across school, in an effort to foster teamwork across year groups. A joyously colourful display at Sports Day this summer at the University of Bath brought house camaraderie between the Senior and Junior schools too. This fresh effort towards team spirit and determination reflects perfectly the bold and pioneering stories of the women after whom our houses are named: Austen, DuPre; Wollstonecraft and Bronte. Each a brave and groundbreaking woman in her own field, even a brief consideration of

their achievements in their day is inspiring. So much so to one alumnae, that she is now fundraising in the memory of her house's figurehead. Here's her story:



Remembering Mary

"I do not wish [women] to have power over men, but over themselves."

I first stumbled upon Mary Wollstonecraft when as a nervous 11 year old I was put in to Wollstonecraft House at RHSB. Not long after I was throwing myself in to the house spirit and found myself shuffling about in the dance house competition, swimming in the house galas, winning (and losing!) house points and all in the name of Mary.

Since leaving in 2008, however, ashamedly I have to admit I hadn't given her much thought. That was until I found myself nearly 8 years later at an evening by the campaign group 'Mary on the Green' whose sole mission is to raise a sculpture in memory of the lady herself. I hadn't quite grasped or remembered just how amazing a woman she had been and was intrigued to find out that amongst other things Wollstonecraft had been the first female war correspondent and salaried journalist, a pioneering activist for human rights, author of 'A vindication of the Rights of Woman' the first book in English arguing for the equality of women and men and most poignant for me an educational pioneer who became the first woman to argue for the education of girls!

It was at this evening that I met the author and Wollstonecraft enthusiast Bee Rowlatt who, amongst others, spoke passionately about Wollstonecraft and who in her book 'In Search of Mary' chronicles her life, influences, loves and achievements. It was there that she spoke persuasively about the importance of the campaign's work, revealing that astonishingly more than nine out of ten of London's statues are of men. "For five years now we've been campaigning for this to change." Rowlatt explained "The issue is women's visibility. I want my daughters to see that women throughout history have contributed to the world in vital and significant ways."

It's not just Rowlatt who believes that it is high time Wollstonecraft receives the recognition she deserves. The Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen has called her "perhaps the most underestimated thinker of the Enlightenment." The historian Mary Beard also too feels strongly and explains that, "every woman who wants to make an impact on the way this country is run, from the House of Commons to the pub quiz, has Mary Wollstonecraft to thank."

Rowlatt continued to explain that a large part of the campaign's work is about redressing the narrative of thousands of years: the narrative in which only triumphant military men achieve visibility. She, however, does hasten to add that she's not remotely interested in taking anyone's statue down. "It's just high time we got some new ones. So that school kids in Hackney, Liverpool and Manchester can look up to people who look a bit more like them; people who achieved great things and are finally recognised as having done so."

So, if you like me hadn't quite appreciated just how much we owe to this remarkable woman and would like to find out more about her, then I would urge you all to check out the campaign's work by visiting their website www.maryonthegreen.org and please spread the word!

Leavers' Destinations

Leavers' Destinations 2016

Our students are moving on to higher education in a diverse and fascinating range of subjects, with 98% of girls gaining a place at their chosen university. We congratulate them on their incredible achievements and wish them every success in the future.

UNIVERSITY	COURSE		
Aberdeen	Politics and International Relations	Keele	International Degree Programme
Bath	Architecture	Liverpool	Geography
Bath	Architecture	London City	Accounting and Finance
Bath Spa	History	London	Drama and Performance
Birmingham	English and Creative Writing	Southbank	
Birmingham	Computer Science	Loughborough	Sports Exercise Science
Birmingham	Biological Sciences	London School of Economics and Political Science	Social Anthropology
Bournemouth	Archaeology and Anthropology	Middlesex	Psychology
Bristol	Pharmacology	Newcastle	Food Marketing and Nutrition
Bristol	Engineering Mathematics	Newcastle	Urban Planning
Bristol	Economics and Management	Newcastle	Psychology
Cambridge	Psychological and Behavioural Sciences	Nottingham	Midwifery
		Nottingham	Fashion Design
		Trent	
Cardiff	Sociology	Overseas	Biomedical Sciences
Cardiff	Civil and Environmental Engineering (Year in Industry)	Oxford	French
Cardiff	Biomedical Science (Including Professional Training Year)	Oxford	French and Spanish
Cardiff	Biological Sciences	Queen's	Drama and English
Cardiff	Geography	University Belfast	
Durham	Ancient History	Queen's	Dentistry
Durham	Law	University Belfast	
Durham	Archaeology	Royal Holloway	Film, Television and Digital Production
Edinburgh	History		Liberal Arts and Sciences
Edinburgh	Geography	Surrey	English and Art History
Edinburgh	International Relations with Quantitative Methods	Sussex	Sport and Exercise Science
Exeter	Business	Swansea	Computer Science
Exeter	Biological Sciences	University	
Exeter	History and Ancient History	College London	European Social and Political Studies
Exeter	Business Management (with Industrial Experience)	University	Pharmacy
Exeter	Archaeology with Forensic Science	College London	
Exeter	Classical Studies and Modern Languages	University	Medicine
		College London	
Glasgow	English Literature/Film and Television Studies	University of	Biomedical Sciences
		Hong Kong	
Imperial College London	Biomedical Science	University of	Robotics
Imperial College London	Computing	West England	
King's College London	Physics and Philosophy	Warwick	Philosophy, Politics and Economics
King's College London	Comparative Literature	Warwick	English and French (Including Year Abroad)
		York	English
		University (UK)	63
		University (Overseas)	2
		Art Foundation	8
		Gap Year	7

TOTAL COHORT: 80 Students

Reunions

Magical Music Festival Despite the Summer Showers ...and RHBA Reunited



The typical British summer showers didn't stop the fun at another hugely successful Summer Music Festival. Performances from musicians and singers from both the Junior and Senior School were enjoyed by a crowd of over 100 family, friends and returning alumnae.

Former students of Bath High and the Royal High School travelled from near and far to reunite at school on the day; for some a decade after leaving and for others half a century! Over coffee, cakes and fizz, old friendships were re-kindled, news shared and memories of school relived, with the help of some fondly-remembered teachers.

Toasting the Alumnae Network, Jo Duncan acknowledged its tremendous value to the school community, citing the impact alumnae can have on current girls' aspirations.

With the help of some fortifying caffeine and emboldening fizz, several alumnae were later persuaded to take on the winning team from the morning's House rounders tournament. Bravely stepping out against a well-warmed-up and competitive

Bronte House, the Class of 2006 put up a brave fight, but in the end were outrun by the girls, who quickly recovered their form in the second innings after some initial politeness!

Confessing to having been much more 'choir girls than sporty girls' many of the game group stayed on in the afternoon to enjoy our showery musical spectacular, completing a nostalgic re-visit of their salad days.



Reunions

RHS Archive Day and Reunion

The Royal School Association's biennial archive day and reunion back in their hallowed halls in June was a happy occasion with reminiscence in full flow. Alumnae had travelled from near and far - and from several generations, or Groups as the Royal School always arranged itself - to revisit this repository of vivid memories. Over lunch and tours of the school, our visiting alumnae indulged in some nostalgia, poring over items from their archive, thoughtfully

curated on this occasion by Sue Carden. Sue is a former RS student (Group 17) who has recently re-kindled her links to the school through an interest in preserving and showcasing the remarkably rich content of the Royal School's archive.

Alongside the opportunity to delve into its treasures, there was also important discussion about the future of the archive. We are encouraged by the Association's

appetite for digitisation of this treasure, and look forward to supporting progress towards making it as accessible as possible to many generations, now and in the future. We wish Sue Carden well as she takes on the care and development of the archive with the help of our School Librarian, Mrs Gwenda Manners.



A Plea From Our Archives

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Moving home can take its toll on quietly secreted treasures, and this is no less true for the Bath High School archive. Having been built up over the many years of the school's history, moved several times, and added to with material from the 20 years of the Royal High School, most recently with the treasures buried deep within the wall of Gloucester Hall, it has finally come to rest in its own home in our main school building, nestled between Music and Drama!

We need help to enhance and develop this important part of our history. The archives provide us with a fascinating connection to our past, and can often be used as meaningful teaching materials for our girls. We would welcome any contributions from alumnae - from artefacts that you would like to hold a place in the school's history (ties? prefect badges? redundant hockey sticks?)



to a few hours of your time to assist with sorting and cataloguing, to small donations which could help us with our ultimate goal of digitisation. Please contact Mrs Manners

on g.manners@rhsb.gdst.net to learn more and get involved.

Thank you!

Alumnae News

Alumna Pip Balshaw Relives an Unforgettable Experience for an Indefatigable Monarch

On Saturday 11th June myself, along with various Air cadets from across the South West Region, were selected to participate in the Flypast for the Queen's 90th Birthday. The cadets were chosen for being the best representatives of the Air Training Corps - and a few were even selected to be interviewed by Blue Peter!

We flew on the A330 Voyager aircraft - which was formatted alongside the 2 Euro Typhoons, and flew just in front of the Red Arrows. All the cadets were required to meet at RAF Brize Norton for 8am, and for approximately 2 hours we were busy signing in, filling out various admin forms and exploring the base hanger which held various Parachuting equipment.

At about 10am, we headed out to the airfield and boarded the aircraft; my friends and I had strategically placed ourselves so that we would be the first on the Voyager and could sit by the window seats in order to see the Typhoons. We then flew out from Brize to Norfolk and the North Sea, where the Typhoons and (other aircraft in the formation) were awaiting us. Following that, we then flew back across Norwich towards London for the Flypast at 1pm. I have to say, there is something very pleasing about drinking good quality (and free) coffee, watching a Typhoon flying alongside the window, whilst 10,000ft up in the air.



Join the Navy, See the World

Imogen Cornick (RHS Class of 2008) knew she wasn't a 9-5 kind of girl. Read her story of taking to the seas...



I left RHS in 2008 having attended both the junior and senior school and I pretty much loved every second! After leaving school I went to the University of Birmingham where I studied a joint honours in Metallurgy & Sports Science. As it neared graduation in 2011, I realised, although the subject I was reading interested me, the jobs in the industry didn't. From a young age I had known I never wanted to work in a 9-5 office, so when I realised a job in metallurgy would largely involve a 9-5 in a lab looking down a microscope- I knew it wasn't for me.

This is where my life took a rather rapid U-Turn.... My parents announced they were



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emigrating to California, and as I wasn't eligible for a VISA, I couldn't join them. I suddenly found myself in a situation, many find themselves in, where I was nearing the end of University and looking at a near future with no job, the prospect of paying rent and no idea what I wanted to do!



Whilst talking to a family friend I came across a job I hadn't even heard of and let alone considered.... Driving Ships. With further research it appeared to have a lot to offer, tax free salary, travel, and a paid training programme, so I applied and miraculously got the job. To say a life at sea was a culture shock is an understatement. For someone

whose prior seagoing experience involved a day trip on a catamaran on the school's sports tour to Barbados, I was initially out of my depth and it was a very steep learning curve.



Fast forward 5 years and I have just obtained my 'Chief Mates Unlimited/Master 3000GT Certificate', allowing me to work on any merchant vessel of unlimited size at the rank of Chief Mate or as a Captain of a vessel up to 3000GT. For me, this means driving a cruise ship, currently at the rank of third officer. I have recently disembarked P&O Cruise's 'Aurora', having completed a full westbound circumnavigation of the world and last year, an extended trip around South America, across the Pacific Ocean to Australia and New Zealand.

This job, a career in the merchant navy, has given me an amazing opportunity to see the world, and even better, get paid for it. I has also opened the door to so many experiences I never would have had otherwise. For Example, In 2012 I was asked to represent the merchant navy as part of the military muster during the Festival of

Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall, followed by the service and march at the Cenotaph. It was one of the most incredible weekends and one I'm not likely to forget.



It's safe to say that I feel I have fallen on my feet, however I honestly believe that so much of the success I have experienced so far and who I am, is down to the brilliant foundations built at school. A self confidence that is gained through a fully supportive environment, teachers who genuinely want you to succeed and friendships that withstand, well in my case, quite literally, being oceans apart.



The Friendship Fund



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Our Friendship Fund is here to provide a little TLC to any alumnae or former staff who may need a little cheering up. For example, flowers and cards are sent to those who have experienced a bereavement or have gone through a period of illness, offering a hand of friendship at difficult times. If you feel that someone would be an appropriate recipient, you can let us know at any time of the year – please simply email Louise Scott at: rhsalumnae@rhsb.gdst.net

The Fund is entirely dependent on donations from our old girls, and many have been very generous over the years. If you would like to make a donation to the Friendship Fund, please send a cheque made payable to The Royal High School to the school address. Please do add a note to say that it is specifically for The Friendship Fund.

From the GDST

New CEO of the GDST

In post since the beginning of September, Cheryl Giovannoni has picked up the reins of the GDST with energy and enthusiasm, and visited us here in Bath during the Trust's Young Leaders' Conference in early October. She speaks persuasively of the promise that the GDST brand offers.

Cheryl was born and brought up in South Africa and has a BA in English, Communication and Psychology from the University of South Africa.

During her career at WPP, she ran three of its companies, most recently Ogilvy & Mather, the advertising agency. Before this, Ms Giovannoni was European President of Landor Associates, a global brand consulting firm, where she was responsible for managing seven units across the region and worked with clients including P&G, Diageo and Kraft.

Cheryl had previously been CEO of Coley Porter Bell, a consumer design and branding business. Ms Giovannoni enjoys mentoring and coaching and supports many young women, either informally as their mentor or through programmes run by WACL (Women in Advertising and Communication London).

She is also a non-executive director of Fearless Futures, a charity launched to encourage equality through its schools' programme.



From the Friends

A Frenzy of Friends Events

Things at Friends HQ are hotting up for the festive season, with all sorts of events to entertain and fundraise. Following another curry and quiz extravaganza for which the Friends are fast becoming legendary, the events are coming thick and fast with a Firework Spectacular on Paddock Field on Tuesday 8th November which further enhanced the school's growing reputation for staging 'the best show in the area'. Next, the flagship of the Friends' fundraising year – The Christmas Bazaar – on Saturday 10th December 10-12pm. Don't miss your opportunity to stock up on unique Christmas goodies – many designed and produced by the girls themselves and others sourced from quality local artisans, and to soak up the Christmas spirit. Please contact rhsalumnae@rhsb.gdst.net for more details.

We are enormously grateful to the Friends

for their tireless enthusiasm and efforts in raising money which enables our girls to enjoy some 'icing on the cake' equipment and opportunities, including most recently an on-line learning package which will bring Latin alive for the girls. Making use of up-to-date technologies which would have impressed the cleverest of Romans, the plentiful resources can be used in class and



independently, allowing students to further explore the fascinations of the ancient world, and consolidate their learning.

Other fun technology generously offered by the Friends to girls in Year 11 was the chance to use a photobooth at their dazzling end of year celebration at Bath's Assembly Rooms. The girls were treated to unlimited fun snaps with their friends in all their party-going finery, something to treasure as they move onto their sixth-form life.

Upcoming Events

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Events Calendar 2016/17



ROYAL HIGH BATH ALUMNAE

Date and Time	Event	Details	Venue	Ticket info
September 12 th 7pm	Alumnae Event: RHBA Committee Meeting (& AGM)	Quarterly alumnae committee meeting.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend the meeting.
September 19 th 8.45am	School Event: Alumnae Awards Presentation Assembly	New prizes will include the Red Squirrel Award to remember Sarah Williams, and an award in Hilary Williams' memory.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend.
September 19 th 2.00pm	Careers Event: Life in the First Year at University	Members of the Class of 2015 return to give advice on starting university to current Year 13 students.	Royal High Senior School	Alumnae from the Class of 2015 will be invited to return to school to offer their advice.
November 8 th 7.00pm	School Event: Friends' Fireworks Event	Fireworks on Paddock Field with hot food and drinks.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend – ticket price tbc.
November 10 th 7.00pm	School Event: Music Scholars' Concert	Current RHS Music Scholars will perform a selection of musical pieces for all to enjoy.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend – free entry.
December 1 st & 2 nd 7.00pm	School Event: Whole School Play	Girls from all years will perform in the whole school play – details to be confirmed soon.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend – ticket information available soon.
December 8 th 7pm	School Event: Christmas Carol Service	Join staff, students and parents for our annual carol service in the beautiful Bath Abbey.	Bath Abbey	All alumnae and their guests are welcome to attend – free entry.
December 10 th 10am to 12pm	School Event: The Friends Christmas Bazaar	Come and enjoy some festive fun and discover sparkling stalls, perfect presents, glittering gifts, creative crafts & tasty treats.	Royal High Senior School	All alumnae are welcome to attend – free entry.
December 18 th 7pm	Alumnae Event: Christmas Drinks	Come and catch up for some festive cheer with the home-crowd when you're back with family in Bath for Christmas – the first round is on us!	Confessional Bar	All alumnae are welcome to attend – free entry.

Upcoming Events

THE FRIENDS OF RHSB CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Friends of the Royal High School Bath
Supporting our school community

£1 entry for adults, children go free.
Entry price includes a raffle ticket for
a bottle of Champagne!



Saturday 10th December
10am - 12.30pm
Senior School



Join us for some festive fun
and discover the perfect gift, tasty
treats and delightful decorations
from one of our specially selected
stalls.

Homemade Crafts

Great Gifts

Festive Treats

Meet Father Christmas

Choose your Christmas tree!



The Royal High School Bath

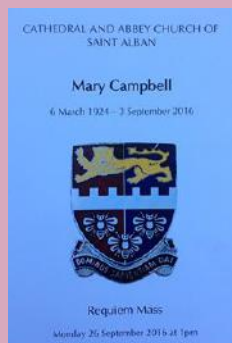
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Girls' Day
School Trust

Catch Up Corner

A Fond Farewell to Miss Campbell



There was a heart-lifting turn-out of Royal School Alumnae at the funeral of Miss Mary Campbell, Headmistress of the Royal School 1968 - 82, and fondly remembered by many. Miss Campbell died on 3rd September 2016, and was remembered and celebrated at a service in St Alban's on 26th September. Tributes to her flowed in, and all were grateful to Caroline Lucas, not only for her sterling support to Miss Campbell, but for her efforts in co-ordinating her send-off.



'What a beautiful service & send-off for our wonderful Headmistress of The Royal School, Bath, Miss Mary Campbell. '

'She was a treasure & had such an influence on so many of our lives.'

'I'm so pleased that I was able to attend the service & it was great to see so many old faces there & later at her wake.'

'Thank you to her family & also particularly to Caroline Lucas for putting together such a memorable day. '

'May she rest in peace.'

Mary Fenton née Hawkins (BHS 1957 – 1970)

We are sad to report the sudden death at the age of 62 of Mary Fenton née Hawkins, a student of Bath High School from 1957-1970.

Weddings



Can there be a more telling hallmark of the bonds and memories that school creates, than making school part of your wedding day? We are thrilled to receive news of our alumnae as they marry, and often the pictures we are sent include bridesmaids who are friends from school, or even the school itself....See Charlotte Mace above, surrounded by at least 4 RHS bridesmaids on her happy day in July, and Anna Auty who braved the current scaffolding to capture school as she fondly remembered it as part of her 1940s themed wedding day.

Social Media

Join Our ONLINE Community!



We use social media to send out news, post photos and help connect friends throughout the year. Please do join our ever growing social media community by:

- 'Liking' the 'Royal High School Alumnae' page on Facebook
- Following us on Twitter @RHSAalumnae
- Connecting with us on Linked In – search for 'Royal High Bath Alumnae'

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