

FAREWELL AND WELCOME



After 6 years and 1 term, Revd Steve Padfield moved on from Royal Russell to take up his new role as Chaplain at Dulwich College. Steve wrote: "I find the experience of Chaplaincy hugely rewarding, and the community of Royal Russell an absolutely wonderful group of people to be part of." Although Steve has moved to 'pastures new' he will remain in our hearts as a wonderful Chaplain and friend. Pictured above is Steve saying his farewell speech and with Hugh Sutton, playing himself out! As Steve leaves, the school welcomes The Revd Henry Kirk and his wife, Carolyn (pictured above right). Henry was born in Scotland, and educated Australia, Scotland and England. He has been a Parish Minister of Priest in Scotland and England, and a School Chaplain and teacher in South Africa and England. Henry comes to the school from Abingdon School in Oxford and everyone is delighted that he has a great sense of humour and we hope that he and Carolyn will be very happy in the school community. O.R.s are most welcome to attend the Sunday and Lent events in the Chapel Calendar: http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/forthcoming_events/index.php

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Nick Southey (at school 1968-1976) on his appointment as O.R. Treasurer. Nick takes over from Julia Lee (at school 1982-1988) who is Vice Chair.



Congratulations to Patrick Sherlock (at school 1973-1979) who married Flo on Saturday 24 September 2011. They are pictured here near Sanderstead pond, in thoughtful mood, shortly after coming out of the church service.



Congratulations to Mrs Rose Gedney (Head of Geography at RRS 1996-2009) who won the National Women's Doubles Tennis Championships (over 65 category) in October 2011.



Congratulations to Zuan Zelada (at school 1992-1996) on the release of his new album, 'High Ceilings & Collarbones' featuring his single, 'What Do I Know'. Juan can frequently be heard on BBC Radio 2 and was recently interviewed on BBC Breakfast.

FARMHOUSE IN WALES



Fiona Potts née Wood (at school 1973-1976), wrote to us in January wanting to obtain an old school photo. Having seen our website and our O.R. Website Directory, she asked us to include her website with details of her beautiful farmhouse B&B in Wales. Also chosen as one of the best B&Bs in the UK in March 2011 by The Independent. For details of how to book Fiona's B&B go to: <http://www.gwaenynog.com/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=http://www.gwaenynog.com/>

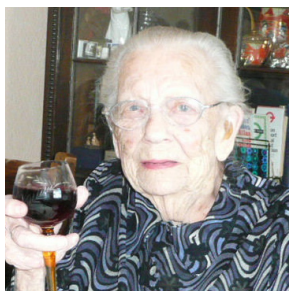
LOOKING FOR

Elaine Cotterell (née Campbell) is looking for Miss Olive Brown. Miss Brown was appointed Senior Mistress in 1959 first at Purley and then at Ballards. She left in 1963. She made contact in 2007 and was nearly 91 at that time, but we have since lost contact. Does anyone have any news of her?

DONATIONS & BEQUESTS

Old Russellians wishing to leave a bequest to benefit the current school and pupils should use the term '**Russell School Trust**' (not Royal Russell School) in their Will to avoid any confusion with the original charitable trust. More details regarding this are on the website.

CONDOLENCES



The Old Russellians are sad to hear that **Frances Mary Sagar née Richardson** (at school 1911-1919) passed away on 8 October 2011 at the grand age of 107! Frances was known as Mary when she attended the school. Mary is pictured here on the left. She wrote her memoirs two years' ago, which are on the O.R. website at: <http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/uploads/1/FMR.pdf>

Frank Rodney Townsend (at school 1931-1939) sadly died in May 2011. His son contacted us to let us know later in the year. Royal Russell School is delighted to report that a bequest of £1,000 was made to the school in Frank's Will. This money has been put towards framing some displays in the new Sixth Form Cafeteria and a new chasuble for the Chapel.

We were advised by the family of **Frank Elkin** (at school 1938-1947) that Frank had died in 2000. We are now in contact with his brother, John and sister, Mary.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE US YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOGRAPHS!

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