



# THE OLD RUSSELLIANS NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2013

Please see below all the forthcoming O.R. events to which you will be invited by email. Please note that all of these are free of charge!

**Friday 29 November 2013: The Winter Toast at Champagne Charlies, Villiers Street, London. Area reserved for O.R.s from 7.30pm. (AGM at 6.30pm - please advise your attendance.) OLD RUSSELLIANS WILL GET THEIR FIRST DRINK FREE!!**

**Friday 6 December 2013: O.R. Basketball v Staff v U19 School Team 5pm in the Sports Hall**

**Sunday 15 December 2013 at 6.30pm: RRS Senior Carol Service in Great Hall**

**Saturday 29 March 2014: Annual O.R. Footie organised by Mr Steve Greaves to be held on Top Pitch from 1pm**

**FULL DETAILS OF ALL EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE**

[www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events](http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events)

## RIVERSIDE REUNION 2013



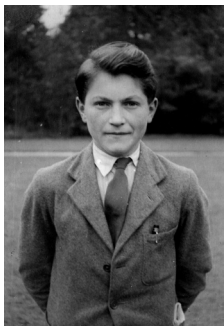
## RRS RAISES MONEY FOR MND



P.E. Teacher, Sarah Culliford, was determined to raise awareness of this terrible illness. Sarah's brother, Andrew, was diagnosed in 2010. The whole community at Royal Russell came together during the weekend of 16/17 June 2013 and raised an amazing £25,000 - from walking the Vanguard Way to abseiling off the Chapel Tower nearly

everyone got involved in this huge event. Sarah and Andrew are pictured above scaling the Tower.

## BARRY AND BRUNO



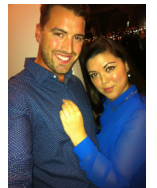
Several contributors to the slide show of "Life at Ballards in the 1950s" attended the Biennial Reunion back in May this year. Bill Forster, (1948-1958) who produced this wonderful show was delighted to meet Barry Robinson (1946-1952) at this event. Barry's leaving photograph (above left) was on the original poster about the project and Bill was able to take this amusing photograph of Bruno Bygate (1946-1951) holding the poster alongside the "original". Says Bill; "I was really pleased to catch both Bruno Bygate from Italy and Barry Robinson looking so relaxed, and reunited at Royal Russell in May 2013.

Pat (Bruno) Bygate has produced an updated version of his 'epistle' entitled Ballards Days. This makes very interesting reading, even to those of us still at the school, especially to those of us still at the school!!

## CONGRATULATIONS

Many congratulations to Jane Bruce who got engaged to Ben in September 2013. Jane and Ben are pictured here.

Clare Smith and Jonathan Escott were married on 4th August. Photo to follow we hope!!



## WEAR YOUR BADGE WITH PRIDE



The Old Russellians are now selling lapel badges, brooches and cuff links for any past or present pupils and parents. These are available at the following costs from the school reception or from Julia Powell.

Lapel Badges £1 each

Brooches £2 each

Cuff links in presentation box £5, or without box for £4

## 66 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP



Richard Dadson (1947-1955) writes: "I thought I would send you this photo of (L to R) myself, Bill Cave and David Pethen. We can claim 66 years of continuous friendship, something we are very proud of. I was Best Man at both their weddings, Bill was at mine and David was Usher at Bill's and my weddings and Bill was Usher at David's. I hope I've got that right!" Thank you Richard for sending in this lovely photo taken at the May Reunion 2013!