



THE OLD RUSSELLIANS NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2011

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

Sunday 6th November: Annual Fireworks Display and Fun Fair - everyone welcome to come along and bring their families and friends

Sunday 13th November: Remembrance Sunday Service in Chapel at 10am - all O.R.s welcome to attend

Friday 25th November: O.R. Winter Reunion to be held at RRS - Free of Charge - O.R.s invited by email

Friday 26th November: RRS Parents' Association Christmas Fair - 1pm-4pm - all O.R.s welcome to attend

Friday 9th December: O.R. v RRS Basketball at RRS - followed by buffet supper

Sunday 11th December: RRS Carol Service in Great Hall at 6.30pm - all O.R.s welcome to attend

Saturday 24th March 2012: Annual Footie Tournament

Friday 22nd June 2012: O.R. Drinks on the River Thames with special invitation to all ex-MUNers!

Please click on relevant links to obtain additional information on all articles

www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events

WELCOME TO CHRIS HUTCHINSON

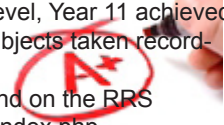


The Old Russellians would like to formally welcome Chris Hutchinson as the school's new Headmaster. Chris studied Metallurgy at Sheffield University and his PGCE at Cambridge. His teaching career began at Clifton College, Bristol, followed by Wellington College, Berkshire. He then became Headmaster of Newcastle School for Boys. We wish Chris and his wife, Alex, a very happy and rewarding time at RRS.

ROYAL RUSSELL EXAMINATION SUCCESS

At A2 Level, Year 13 recorded the school's highest ever A*/A/B rate at just over 72%, with a 100% pass rate. At AS Level, Year 12 gained the highest A/B rate ever which will allow them to apply to university courses from a position of strength. At GCSE Level, Year 11 achieved a pass rate in excess of 96%, with 42% of all subjects taken recording an A*/A grade.

More details of individual successes can be found on the RRS website at: <http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Seniorindex.php>



GEOLOGY FIELD TRIPS OVER THE YEARS



Mr Tanner has compiled the reports of the Geology Field Trips back to 1999. There are some missing ones and a lot more to go from when he arrived at RRS in 1982. If you have any articles from past magazines, or would like to send in any photos and comments about your

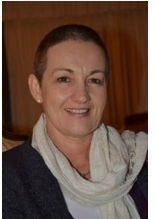
memories of these trips, please let Sue have them. The file so far can be downloaded here. It's work in progress! Thanks to Phil Reynolds and others who have already sent in your memories and photos.

http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/uploads/1/Geology_Field_Trips_Over_the_Years.pdf

FUND RAISING



Penny George née Doyle (1970-1974) is raising money for Cancer Council ACT. The full article and details of Penny's bravery in having her hair shaved off can be seen at: http://www.everydayhero.com.au/penelope_george



HOW IT WAS THEN by BILL FORSTER



A huge "Thank You!!" to Bill Forster (1948-1958) for all his hard work in putting together the 1950s DVD, of which there are only 2 left!! If anyone still wishes to purchase one of these, do email Bill and he may well get some more made up. bill@fischer-balcke.de



CALLING ALL RUSSELL HILL GIRLS



Where are you girls now? We want to hear from you!!

We are often getting enquiries about archive material from the girls' school at Russell Hill, and then later when the girls came to Ballards because it was safer for them during WW2.

You can read what Heather Lovell (née Morgan) (1946-1950) writes here: http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/uploads/1/Heather_Lovell__nee_Morgan_-_Russell_Hill_1.pdf

Christine Bell (née Harte) writes: I was at school in the 1950s at Russell Hill, not Ballards. Please don't forget us!

Please contact Sue with your stories and interesting facts about life for the girls at Russell Hill, Purley.

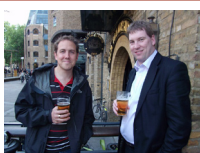
WINTER REUNION 2011



This year the Annual Dinner is being replaced by a new Winter Reunion. This event is free of charge. O.R.s can enjoy a buffet and are invited to bring their own wine and beer. During the evening the voting of officers will take place but without the formality of the AGM. So as to keep with tradition, there will also be the opportunity to toast absent friends

at 9 pm. All requests for tickets must be made before Friday 11th November to ensure your meal ticket: http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/uploads/1/Winter_Reunion_2011_Flyer.pdf

RIVERSIDE REUNION - JUNE 2011 and 2012



In June this year, the Old Russellians hosted their annual drinks party at The Old Thameside Inn on Bankside. Next year this event will be held on Friday 22nd June 2012 and will take place at The Anchor on Bankside. We will be especially celebrating Mr John Piggin's 30 year association with MUN and it would be wonderful if ex MUNers were able to join us as well as all Old Russellians.

