



The Wycliffian Society Times

2023



Welcome to the 2023 TWS Times!

Wow, another year has passed in the life of TWS and for those of you who have supported Alumni activities (attending events, including Wycliffian Day; participated in giving back, be that Year 11 mock interviews, Year 8 careers, running subject focused events; simply connected with friends), I thank you. TWS serves many purposes but helping to ensure our OWs continue to stay in contact is a key one.



As I look back on 2023, I should start by saying thank you to those at the TWS Committee AGM in September for supporting me to move from acting Chair to elected Chair of TWS – now the hard work begins! Additionally, OWs **Jenny Paxton** (HE 1992-1994) and **Kirsty Turbott** (M 2013-2017) were elected members of the Committee and I look forward to working with them both. The Committee remains keen to increase in number, so please contact TWS@wycliffe.co.uk if you would like to discuss being more involved in your alumni organisation.

So, what have been some highlights from the past year:

Launching the Alumni Wellbeing platform with InsideOut

During 2023, TWS piloted our partnership with InsideOut offering you access to a comprehensive wellbeing platform, across multiple platforms. This platform is not only full of articles, guides and information, you also have access to specialists should you need to speak to someone. This has been launched for you, so if you feel it is relevant, please have a look!

New TWS Awards

In 2023, the TWS Award was relaunched

to offer 5 Awards (instead of one) each of £2000 - three specifically for Year 13 leavers and two for you, the Alumni. The new Awards, whilst aligned to The College values, also aimed:

- To be more inclusive and representative of the pupils at Wycliffe College
- To cover the breadth of options that school leavers pursue
- To recognise the agile nature of modern working trends

For Year 13 leavers, the focus is on Academic Endeavour, Pioneering Spirit and Global Citizenship with individual awards and for the Alumni, Awards are offered in field of Entrepreneurial Spirit and Continued Professional Development. More information on TWS Awards can be found in TWS Times. I was really pleased with this change to able to support a wider number of pupils and alumni.

TWS Events – new opportunities for 2024 to host your own!

TWS continues to bring together OWs from across the generations on a frequent basis and we remain open to new ideas to appeal to more of the alumni – any ideas of events you would like to see, please contact TWS@wycliffe.co.uk.

Your annual London drinks was again popular, hosted at The Oriental Club in Stratford Place and this night remains a destination evening for year groups to arrange to meet up. In 2023, regional events in Birmingham, Bristol and Stroud offered additional opportunities for Alumni to meet up and we will continue to do this in 2024, launching the opportunity for OWs to apply to host their own OW drinks gathering, aimed specifically at those OWs who are unable to attend our regular events (please contact TWS@wycliffe.co.uk for more information).

On the sporting front, our regular TWS Sports event in March drew in record numbers and included basketball, football

matches and a netball tournament. Later in the year we hosted OW cricket, tennis and hockey. New for 2023 was the launch of TWS Squash event and this will be something TWS want to further develop moving forward.

Something new for 2024 for those of you who remember with fondness singing at school, TWS will host a ‘Come and Sing!’ day in March with the chance to relive memories and ‘clear the pipes’ at, what is set to be, a fun and enjoyable event.

A full list of events will be published on TWS website and on the back of this edition of TWS Times.

Communication - A plea to you

It is one of the key aims of the Alumni to connect and support you and part of this is communication about TWS, OW activities, stories from the College. TWS remains active across social media platforms (please follow us!) as well as continuing to communicate via email and via copies of The Wycliffe Times (the termly College newspaper), The Wycliffian (the College annual publication) and The Wycliffian Society Times (the Society’s annual publication) on the TWS website. If we do not have your contact details, please get in touch!

Goodbye

In 2023, we said “goodbye” to **Sara Smalley** as your TWS Manager. Along with **Matt**, Sara has for 2 years supported us all and I wish her good luck as she pursues her executive coaching career. Thank you Sara!

Finally, it remains for me to wish you a happy and healthy 2024, and we hope to see many of you at TWS events during 2024.

Ollie Hart

(S & H 1983 – 1993 and Chair of TWS Committee)

OWs volunteer their time and expertise to their former school

Rachel Egan (C IG 2020-2022)

Thanks to OW **Rachel Egan** (C IG 2020-2022) for volunteering her time in February during Wycliffe Rowing's Big Boats Head at Saul Junction. Rachel is now at Harvard University studying Art History. Rachel was on the all-important finish line supporting the timing of the races. The former Ivy Grove House pupil is a frequent visitor to Wycliffe, keeping in good contact with staff and pupils. If you are ever interested in helping out with Rowing events, please contact OW **Pete Salvin** (P S R M 1986-2001), Chief Steward of The Wycliffe Watermen via wycliffewatermen@gmail.com



Bruno d'Abo (SH 1999-2002)

We were delighted that OW **Bruno d'Abo** (SH 1999-2002) was able to share some of his experiences in business with Wycliffe College Year 13 pupils in February. Mike Mills, Head of Business & Economics had this to say about Bruno's visit: "Bruno D'Abo has recently been appointed Chief Executive of Little Verzons farm in Herefordshire. This is a diversified business that has developed from the Handmade Scotch Egg company to include a farm shop and leisure facility, as well as food production. He spoke to Year 13 Business pupils about a range of topics, including growth, business strategy, operations, finance and managing change in a challenging economic environment. The talk was highly relevant and provided a useful case study on which to base business concepts that the pupils have studied or will look at in coming weeks. There was lots of Q&A as well as plentiful samples of produce from the kitchens at Little Verzons Farm that were very well received!"



Poppy & Sasha Sathasivam (both HE 2020-2022)

In May we welcomed back OWs **Poppy** and **Sasha Sathasivam** (both HE 2020-2022) to share with Pre-Prep pupils, wonderful stories of Little Gold Ted (books they have illustrated), along with the author of the books, Vanessa Wiercioch.

Peter Dukes (C 1995-2005)



Many thanks to OW **Peter Dukes** (C 1995-2005) for taking time to judge Wycliffe House Drama, pictured here with this year's winners, Haywardsend House.



Sally (HE 1988-1990) and Paul Kenchington (P SH 1980-1988)

The Mark Kenchington Cup for All-Round Contribution to Drama was awarded for the first time this year to **Grace G**, pictured here with OW **Sally Kenchington** (HE 1988-1990). Sally and her brother, OW **Paul Kenchington** (P SH 1980-1988), requested that an award be made as a legacy to their Father, **Mark Kenchington** (P J H 1949-1957), an OW who was passionate about drama & rowing, and a former Trustee, who gave much of his time to Wycliffe College.



OWs Achieve



Charlie Russell (P C 2004-2011)

Many congratulations to OW **Charlie Russell** (P C 2004-2011), pictured above, who successfully reached the base camp of Mount Everest (Kala Patthar at 5445m) in April, in his efforts to raise money and awareness for the Long Covid SOS charity, having himself developed Long Covid in March 2020. He was joined on the hike by brother **Howie** (C 2007-2012) and **Tony**, their Dad.



Stella Fielder (C 2019-2022), Rhianna Sumpter (C 2019-2022) and Grace Dening-Smitherman (HE 2019-2021)

Congratulations to OW **Stella Fielder** (C 2019-2022 and Wycliffe Rowing Captain 2022), who won the Aspirational Eights with Oxford Brookes Uni and OW **Rhianna Sumpter** (C 2019-2022) who won the Championship Eights also with

Oxford Brookes, beating OW **Grace Dening-Smitherman** (HE 2019-2021), representing the Leander Club, in the semi-final at Henley Regatta in June.



OWs Visit



We were delighted to welcome OW **Pete Hill** (P SH 1991-1998), now residing in Canada, to Wycliffe College in May for a tour around campus and a trip down

memory lane – pictured here with his wife, **Sasha**, & mother, **Shirley**, a former Trustee of the College.

In August we were visited by OW **Konrad von Kalckreuth** (L 2003-04) and his parents, who were visiting the UK from Germany. We were delighted to be able to offer them a tour around the Wycliffe campus.



We were pleased to welcome OW **John Lumby** (J S 1958 – 1968) along with his wife, **Carolyn** (who were both visiting the UK from Canada in October), for a tour of Wycliffe.

TWS Gloucestershire Drinks

- 9th February 2023, The Old Lodge, Minchinhampton



Wycliffe College Update

Informal speech from the Head of Wycliffe College, delivered at TWS event at The Oriental Club on Thursday 12th October:

Let me start with my own 'thank you' to **Sara Smalley** who has really moved us on and sharpened up our act these past couple of years.

So... where is your old school 'at' as we stand here now in October 2023? The Senior School has 420 pupils in it split virtually 50/50 Boarding/Day and with the Boy/Girl mix at 55/45. I am very proud indeed of the place's energy, dynamism and self-confidence. And, at the same time, I am proud of the fact that we have managed to retain Wycliffe's essential identity and ethos. I can assure you without hesitation that the centrality of Chapel and the crucial role played by a sense of belonging to one's House are both – as they have always been - absolutely integral elements of a contemporary Wycliffe education.

The 2022/23 academic year saw us get back (after the limitations imposed by Covid) to offering a full programme of educational visits including two major overseas trips: an Art/Music/Drama cultural trip to New York in the Autumn and a Spanish trip to Andalucía in the Spring. And we now have an exciting trip for our Geographers to the Azores coming over the hill next week. In Drama, the 2022/23 School Production was 'A Christmas Carol' and we now have a 'new tradition' every

June of putting together a Scholars' Play each Summer which in June 2023 was 'Pygmalion'. January/February 2024 will see the pupils performing 'The Wizard of Oz' in Sibly Hall – we would be delighted to welcome any alumni/alumnae back to Wycliffe who might like to see it. In Music, we have had three members of the National Youth Choir, several members of the Gloucestershire Youth Wind Orchestra, and House Song every September is one of the

commitment to, charitable and fundraising activity, with almost £14,000 raised for a wide range of good causes such as Breast Cancer, Scotty's Little Soldiers, The Down's Syndrome Association, and Blood Cancer UK. As I speak, five members of the school (plus two staff) are representing us at the Round Square International Conference in Nairobi (Kenya) after we were granted full membership of Round Square this time last year. And in Sport, Rowing and Squash see

us compete at national and international level (seven of our Rowers rowed for GB in Summer 2023); Girls' Cricket has really grown in previous years; and Rugby and Football have now come into the heart of the school as a result of the new pitch installed in front of Ward's-Ivy Grove, Robinson and Lampeter. A young man called **Naquan Smith** from Gloucester, with us since Year 9, has been the first Year 13 leaver for many, many years to be awarded a



contract with Gloucester Rugby. He is not 19 yet but look out for him!

Do join us at TWS Carols on the evening of Saturday 2nd December if you can. It really is a great event. Or come along for the Remembrance Service on the morning of Sunday 12th November. Or – if you are old enough to have been in the school under George Loosley – come to The Loosley Lunch on Sunday 3rd December.

Thank you very much indeed for supporting today's event.

Nick Gregory, Headmaster

big events of the year (the boys of Ward's won in September 2022 and the girls of Haywardsend have just been crowned in September 2023). Activity at all levels of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme remains incredibly busy: no fewer than twelve members of Year 13 successfully completed every aspect of the Gold Award in 2022/23. Similarly, the Combined Cadet Force remains an important part of Wycliffe life: we had a dinner in November 2022 to commemorate 50 years of Wycliffe CCF, Year 10 Cadets still take part in May's 35-mile Ten Tors event on Dartmoor, and we seem to have a Lord Lieutenant's Cadet every year.

An additional (and notable) feature of last year was the amount of engagement in, and

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OW Basketball

OWs v Wycliffe College, 25th March 2023



OW Netball

OWs v Wycliffe College, 25th March 2023



OW Football

OWs v Wycliffe College, 25th March 2023.

Played under lights at Filton College, Bristol.



TWS Awards

From 2023, TWS Award was redesigned and extended to incorporate a range of awards, providing the opportunity to be more inclusive and representative of the pupils at Wycliffe College, the breadth of options that school leavers pursue and to develop the provision of well-being and hardship support for Old Wycliffians, recognising the agile nature of modern working trends.

Year 13 TWS Awards:

‘Academic Endeavour’ (£2000): awarded to a Year 13 leaver in financial need, who is planning on pursuing post-secondary school study in Higher Education. This award will include those applying for apprenticeships.

‘Pioneering Spirit’ (£2000): awarded to a Year 13 leaver who has considered, developed, and has the intention to undertake post-18 plans that demonstrate an “independence of thought and deed”.

‘Global Citizenship’ (£2000): awarded to a Year 13 leaver who has considered, developed, and has the intention to undertake, post-18 plans that demonstrate a significant contribution to community service.

Applications for 2024 Awards

During 2023, a presentation was given by TWS to Year 13 pupils, along with

information sent to their Parents and Guardians, outlining their eligibility for the Awards and explaining the application process. Applications were received and at the time of writing, interviews are imminent. Once decisions have been made and awards are given, the pupils and parents will be informed. Later in 2024, we will run the process again for those entering Year 13 in September 2024.

OW TWS Awards:

‘Entrepreneurial Spirit’ (£2000): awarded to an alumnus/alumna of Wycliffe College, who is developing a business idea and requires financial assistance to further develop it.

‘Continued Professional Development’ (£2000): awarded to an alumna/alumnus in financial need, who has demonstrated a commitment to undertake a professional development course. This could include

further study within Higher Education.

‘Well-being’ (3 x £500 per annum): awarded three times per annum to an Old Wycliffian who seeks to access well-being support and demonstrates a financial need that currently prohibits them from doing so.

Applications for 2024 Awards

Details of the application process for 2024 will be made available in due course via our website and social media.

All applications (for both groups of awards) are considered by a panel of TWS Committee members and applicants will be informed of the outcome of their decision at the earliest opportunity.

Applications and interviews are coordinated by TWS Office, on behalf of TWS Committee.



Congratulations to the 2023 TWS Award Recipients

Following re-development of TWS Awards and the application and interview process, in which a very high standard was set. Awards were made in the following categories to Year 13 leavers:

Academic Endeavour - **Nkiruka (Kiki) Ndubuisi** (IG 2021–2023)

Pioneering Spirit - **Kathryn Burton** (L 2021–2023)

Global Citizenship - **Hettie Hunt** (C 2018–2023)

Each successful recipient will receive £2000 to support their post-Wycliffe plans.

Kathryn writes:

“I began my gap year early, in July, by moving to Henley where I trained to represent GB U19s at the Coupe de la Jeunesse and went on to win a gold medal in Amsterdam in the double sculls. After a few weeks at home, I returned to Henley to begin my gap year at the Leander Club. We train 6 days a week from 7am-1pm. It is great to join such a big high performance women’s squad. Alongside this I was invited to visit universities in the USA in September, and I am happy to say I have been offered a scholarship for 2024 to attend the University of Tennessee. In addition to rowing, I have begun my study to be a Level 2 gym instructor for fitness, spinning and exercise classes. This is where the award has supported me this year, as it is my ambition to start influencing others through coaching and training and the financial support to pay for these qualifications will hopefully make that



L to R: Kathryn, Kiki and Hettie

possible. At Leander I am also hoping to start my rowing coach certification. I am so happy to begin this new stage in my life following on from Wycliffe and am so thankful for the opportunity that this award has given me.”



Ollie Capehorn

Congratulations OW **Ollie Capehorn** (P C 2000-2010), 2023 recipient of TWS Award for Entrepreneurial Spirit and **Orla**

Wright (HE 2021-2023) who has been awarded TWS Award for Continued Professional Development. Both impressed the selection panel with excellent written applications and interviews that provided a well-researched plan of how they intend to use the bursaries. We will publish an update of how they are doing in due course.



Orla Wright

A previous recipient of TWS Award, **Nathan Berrecloth** (C 2018-2020) gave us an update:



“Over the past fourteen months I’ve completed a full-time industrial placement at PwC, spending time in both

Birmingham and London. During this time, I developed many skills that will set me in good stead post university. I thoroughly enjoyed this period in the Deals Technology team. I’ve now returned to the University of Birmingham for my final year; this will involve undertaking four optional modules and a final year project. Modules for the coming semester will be Dependable and Distributed Systems and Human Computer Interaction. And, next semester I will

study Computer Vision and Imaging, and Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing. For my final year project, which is worth one third of the final grade, will be on the subject of the proliferation of misinformation on social media, and the ability of AI to categorise this data. Away from studying I’ve just completed preseason with the university rugby team and am looking forward to the season ahead.”

For further information regarding TWS Awards, please visit: www.wycliffe.co.uk/the-wycliffian-society/tws-awards/



From back row L-R: Peter Beynon, Christopher Woodcock, Colin Kaye, John Evans and Alan Porter. Insert: Philip Llewellyn (who sadly died, Summer 2005)

OW Memories

OW **John Evans** (J S 1952–1958) tells us of the lasting friendship and continued gatherings of a small group of boys who met at Wycliffe College in the 1950s.

The story began in 1948 when **Christopher Woodcock** joined the Wycliffe Preparatory School followed by **Alan Porter** in 1949 and **Phillip Llewellyn** in 1950. **Peter Beynon** started at the Junior School in 1951 and **Colin Kaye** and **John Evans** arrived in 1952.

Colin and John started in Ryeford and became friends on the first day and over the next few weeks we all became known to one another. Chris moved up to the Senior School in September 1953 and joined Springfield to be followed by Alan, Phil, Peter, Colin and John in September 1954. These moves cemented friendships that have lasted all our lives.

We all shared dormitories at various times went out with each other's parents on exeats and stayed with each other during the school holidays. We played in school and house teams and generally had a wonderful time.

Leaving school from December 1957 onwards we all entered the big wide world, Chris and John to do Civil Engineering, Alan to join the family firm, Colin to become a Chartered Surveyor, Phil after a change of direction to be a successful motoring journalist and Peter to be a Vet. Chris and John, in April 1959, found themselves working for the same firm of Consulting Engineers in London and shared a flat together. Later Phil and John also shared a flat in London just before Phil started journalism. Chris, Colin, Peter and John all worked as bar staff at the Beaulieu Jazz Festival, and we all joined in with various escapades during the early 60's, staying with Alan and Phil when their parents were away and generally partying whenever we could.

We all started to settle down getting married and having children, but we kept in touch and got together at various times.



From Top L-R: Alan Porter, John Evans, Peter Beynon, Philip Llewellyn, Colin Kaye, Chris Woodcock

Approaching 50, Christopher Woodcock's wife Barbara decided that a party was called for and invited us all as a surprise for Chris to the party at their home in Worcestershire. Such a good time was had by all we decided to celebrate again when we were 60.

By 2000 and 60 we are all retired, John had a Bed and Breakfast in Hay-on-Wye so that was the venue for the celebration and over coffee it was suggested we meet again after 5 years but Phil said why not every year as we were getting older. The first few years we continued to meet in Hay-on-Wye but after John sold up, we looked elsewhere. So far, we have met every year since, except 2020 because of Covid and this year we are booked for the Cotswold's in October.

2023 celebrates 71 years since we all met and whilst Phil and Alan have died, we are still seeing and keep in touch with Beth and Lesley, their widows, who have joined us on some of our reunions.

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OW Memories

From Martin Angel (J SH 1948–1955)

“In 1953, like most people, we did not own a television, but we were invited round to a neighbour’s to watch the outside broadcast of the coronation on a black and white on their new 12” screen TV – along with about 20 other people. Then, again like the majority of people we had watched in colour the film of the ceremony a month or so later at the local cinema. During the following autumn term, the whole school was ‘treated’ to another showing of this film in the assembly hall. By then most of us were more than a little satiated with the pomp and ceremony. So when the guards were marching to the tune of ‘Soldiers of the Queen’, someone began stamping in time with the march. Almost immediately the whole school was stamping in time with the march. This so incensed the master in charge, **Kenneth Wilden-Hart**, that he bellowed this behaviour was both unpatriotic and disrespectful. He followed this diatribe by trying to storm out of the hall by slamming the door behind him. Unfortunately, the door stuck; the school



erupted into guffaws of laughter.

George Loosely - the headmaster- had no choice but to support his master. He

penalised us all by cancelling the planned ‘whole day holiday’ when lessons were suspended and we were encouraged to escape and explore the surrounding countryside. This was probably as much of a penalty for the staff as it was for us. Was it really disrespectful? Even with hindsight I think not, but it remained an important lesson of how a knee-jerk reaction could go disastrously wrong.”

Pictured: Cricket 1953 (School House XI), Martin pictured, top left.

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OW Achieves

Congratulations to OW **Céline Walser** (HE L 2015 – 2017) who this year won a 5th Swiss National Squash Championship.

Céline said: “The Swiss National Championship is never an easy tournament to win, since we have a handful of very strong players in Switzerland. Additionally, I think in most sports the National Championship title is a very prestigious title to win, and a highlight of the year for a lot of athletes, and hence I am incredibly happy to win the Swiss National Squash Championship for a 5th time.”

Pictured: Céline (centre), with trophy



TWS Drinks

Bristol - 9th March, Channings Hotel



Birmingham - 23rd March, Copt Heath Golf Club



Stroud - 29th June, Stroud Brewery



TWS London Drinks 12th October 2023 – The Oriental Club



Chris Bunker (SH 1970-1974), Iain Paul (P W 1962-1972) and Margie Coombs (H 1972-1974)



Will Clapham (P C 2000-2010) and Matthew Gillett (P C 2003-2010)



Harry Rapley (W 2015-2017) and Kirsty Turbott (M 2013-2017)



James Cowling (S 1990 – 1993) and Sally Baker (IG 1991 – 1993)



Jim James (P SH 1977-1987), Paul Vick (SH 1983-1988), Ted James (J SH 1974-1983) and Andy Rawll (J SH 1973-1981)



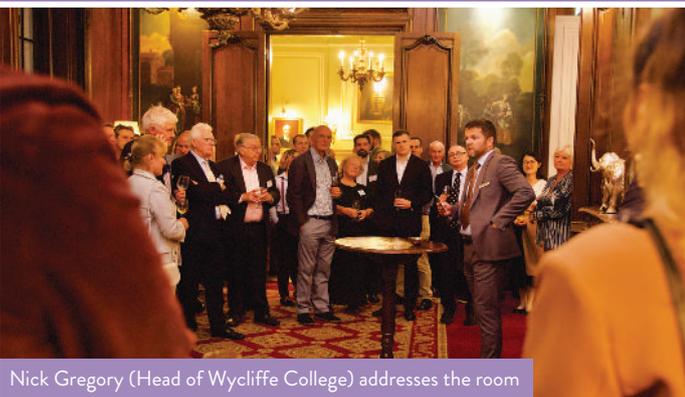
Ollie Hart (P H 1983-1993 and TWS Committee Chair) presents a thank you gift to outgoing TWS Manager, Sara Smalley



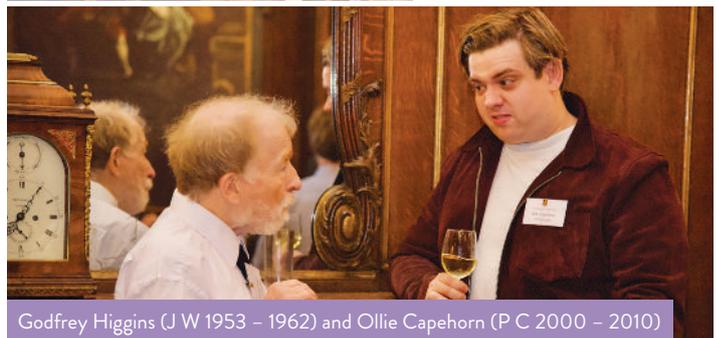
Stephanie Lloyd (SH 1975-1977), Iain Paul (P W 1962-1972) and Grace Hu (M 2004-2005)



Valerie Anguelova (L 2012-2015) with Guest



Nick Gregory (Head of Wycliffe College) addresses the room



Godfrey Higgins (J W 1953 – 1962) and Ollie Capehorn (P C 2000 – 2010)

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TWS Carol Service

2nd December 2023



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Your Well-being Platform

In 2023 we introduced an exciting new benefit made available to all OWs. TWS announced that it has partnered with the groundbreaking virtual therapy platform, InsideOut.

Through the platform, InsideOut offers you access to 1-2-1 virtual sessions with experienced coaches and therapists who specialise in various areas, such as career development, coping with significant changes, building relationships, and personal growth.

These professionals are dedicated to helping you thrive and achieve your goals, providing personalised guidance and support along the way whether you're heading to university, beginning a new career, or finding it hard to manage life at this time. As an Old Wycliffian you will always have the support you need.

To get started:

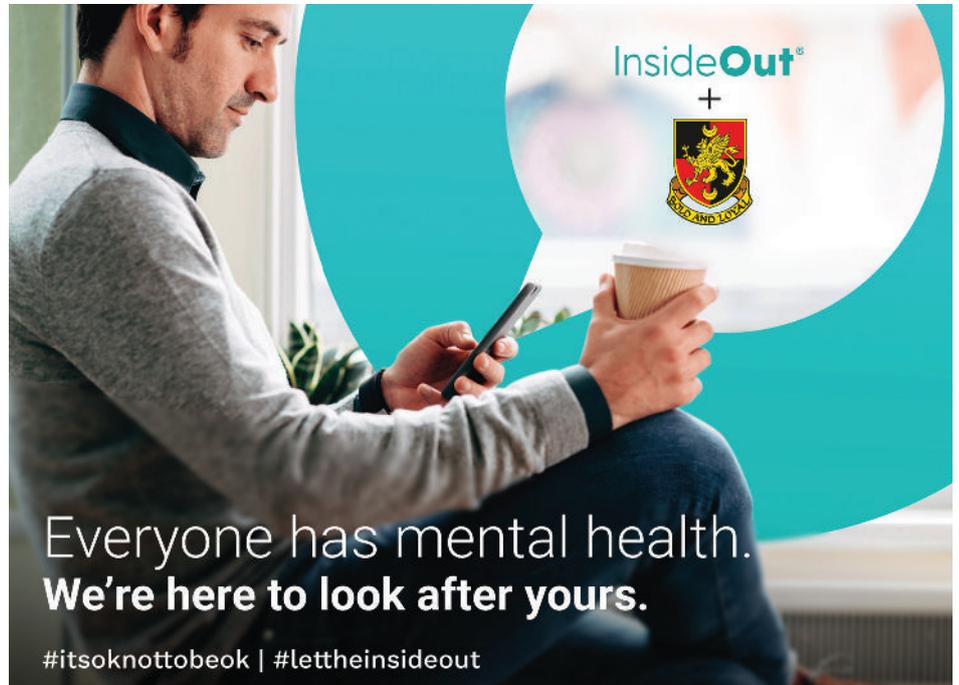
1. Download the InsideOut App to your phone by clicking here:

<https://insideoutibhid.app.link/wycliffe>

(This link is unique to us and will allow you to sign up as an Old Wycliffian member)

2. Create an account with your preferred email address

3. Verify your email address & open the app.



From here, just complete the well-being survey to be matched with the right support for you. If you have any questions, then you can reach out to support@lettheinsideout.com

“ InsideOut offers you access to 1-2-1 virtual sessions with experienced coaches and therapists.. ”

Remembering Paul Etheridge

Paul Etheridge passed away on 6th January 2023, aged 83.

Paul was a pupil at Wycliffe in the Prep, Junior and Senior Schools between 1948 and 1955. But as many will know, his connection to Wycliffe continued and he would later serve for a decade as a Trustee (1979-1989) before becoming Chair of the Council of Trustees between 1989 and 2006 - a period of enormous and significant change across the College. In 2006, Paul took on the role of President of Wycliffe College, which he held until 2021, then becoming President Emeritus.

To read Paul Etheridge's full obituary, and the other obituaries featured on TWS website, please go to: wycliffe.co.uk/the-wycliffian-society/news/obituaries.



Announcements

Deaths & Obituaries

Ben Dudley

In April, we were saddened to hear that former Wycliffe College hockey & cricket coach (2006-2008), **Ben Dudley** had died after a long period of serious illness. OWs may also know Ben as husband to **Sally** (OW & current Housemistress of Lampeter) and father to **Ruben**.

Jason Murphy

After being taken seriously ill in July, we were saddened to hear that **Jason Murphy** (teacher of Digital Media) had passed away in August. Many OWs will remember Jason as a capable and diligent teacher & a conscientious, dedicated and compassionate Tutor, who joined the staff at Wycliffe College in 2015.

Peter Rawll

In December, we were notified of the sad death of **Peter Rawll** who passed away on 5th December 2023 aged 96, bringing down the curtain on an extraordinarily rich and long life in the service of others. He is survived by his wife **Cicely** and two children, OWs **Andrew** (J SH 1973-1981) and **Katherine** (HE 1982-1984).

Peter was Bursar of Wycliffe College from 1972 until his retirement in the summer of 1989 and continued his long connection to Wycliffe, as Honorary Treasurer of the OW Society until 2001.

Previously, he served with distinction as a Royal Marines officer for 27 years, across a wide variety of roles and theatres, including deployment with the SAS during the Malayan Emergency and as an instructor for the SBS, rising to the rank of Major. There were many affiliations within the local community including past terms as Local Councillor for Rodborough, Chair of Governors at The Shrubberies School, President of Stonehouse Rotary, Branch Chairman of the Royal British Legion and Chair of the OW Lodge.



Jason Murphy



Ben Dudley



Peter Rawll

Deaths

This year we sadly said farewell to the following OWs and Hon OWs

Charles Gardner (SH 1939-1943)

Derek Vennard (P J SH 1936-1944)

John Jenkins (H 1941-1946)

Michael Hawkins (P H 1938-1946)

David Spark (SH 1944-1948)

Jeremy Barber (W 1947-1950)

Peter Michell (J SH 1945-1951)

Paul Etheridge (P J DB 1948-1955 & President of Wycliffe College 2006-2021)

Giles Barber (W 1954-1958)

Robin Woodman (W 1955-1959)

Alastair Brotchie (H 1965-1970)

Laurence Porter (J SH 1962-1972)

Peter Rawll (Hon. OW & Staff Member 1972-1989)

Kate Thompson (Hon. OW & Staff Member 1988-1993)

Daphne Denton (Hon. OW & Staff Member 1987-2023)

To read any obituaries visit: www.wycliffe.co.uk/the-wycliffian-society/announcements/

Please let us know of any announcements for The Wycliffian Society Times 2024 issue and Wycliffe Times.

Please contact TWS@wycliffe.co.uk

TWS Loosley Lunch 3rd December 2023



A chance to reunite and to catch-up



John Loosley (P J 1947-1953) and David Chatham (P J H 1949-1955)



John Loosley (P J 1947-1953) with Nick Gregory (Head of Wycliffe College)



Jim Smylie (SH 1959-1963), Andy Williams (P J SH 1954-1964) and Ian Hall (J S 1954-1964)



Portrait of S.G.H. Loosley, hanging in Wycliffe Hall



Drew Horsfield (P S 1964-1972) and Philip Daniels (P J H 1950-1959)



Old and current pupils exchanging stories



David Pollard (SH 1959-1964), Anne Pollard (Guest) and Chris Owen (SH 1959-1963)



Michael Stubbs (J H 1951-1956) and Rodney Bird (J SH 1949-1956)



Fred Ballard (P J SH 1950-1960) and John Thurston (P SH 1949 - 1958)

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The Wycliffian Society Events 2024

Exact details and timings, along with invitations, will be made available via email and TWS social media as each event approaches.

FEBRUARY

Sat 3rd Wycliffe Big Boats Head Race, Saul Junction, Gloucestershire

Thu 8th TWS Committee Meeting

Thu 8th TWS Drinks at The Old Lodge, Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire

MARCH

Sat 16th TWS Sports at Senior School Campus – OWs v Wycliffe Basketball, Netball and Football

Sun 17th TWS Come & Sing! at Sibly Hall, Senior School Campus

APRIL

Sun 28th TWS Sport at Senior School Campus – OWs v Wycliffe Cricket and Tennis

MAY

Thu 9th TWS Committee Meeting

JUNE

Thu 27th TWS Drinks at Stroud Brewery, Thrupp, Gloucestershire

SEPTEMBER

Sat 7th Wycliffian Day at Senior Campus

Thu 19th TWS Committee Meeting

OCTOBER

Thu 10th TWS Drinks in London (venue tbc)

NOVEMBER

Sun 10th Remembrance Sunday Service, Wycliffe College Chapel

DECEMBER

Sat 7th Wycliffe Small Boats Head Race, Saul Junction, Gloucestershire

Sat 7th TWS Carol Service, Wycliffe College Chapel



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