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CROSSWORD CLUES continued:

14 Direction. 16 Street. 17 Air.
19 Policeman. 20 Sad. 21 Strike with foot.
23 Belonging to us. 25 Not out.

HOLIDAY DIARY

week 1 Christmas))) normal holiday
week 2 New Year

week 3: One day back (8th Jan.) to discover that there was enough coal only to keep the pipes from freezing, so weakling pupils were all sent away to swot at home, build snowmen, skate and sledge. Some teachers worked in cold rooms, while others ward off hypothermia with electric fires and coffees. On Fri 12th, staff were told that plumbers were draining all the water from the toilets and heating system, so the school could not be used, and staff would have to keep in contact by phone.

week 4: During the shut-down, Higher pupils sat exams in Cranberry Moss (no schools had coal). Quote from P.H. VI: "it was comfortable and had a pleasant atmosphere"; quote from a teacher, Mr C.: "I told pupils to put cigarettes out"; quote from the Rector: "the community centre were extremely co-operative." A coal delivery expected that week did not arrive, so arrangements were made for St Mike's seniors to camp out at Ravenspark.

week 5: Mon. 22nd was a one-day janitors' strike. By Tuesday, all staff and seniors were in Ravenspark. Ten tons of coal arrived at St Mike's, and staff and seniors had returned by Thursday. No-one bothered about bells (bliss!), 4th yrs sat exams, others complained of "being mucked about" and everyone looked forward to a normal week.

week 6: A normal week. More coal arrived at 7.30 a.m. on Wednesday. (by 'Minos')

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INSIDE we have a prize crossword, for which entries must be handed in to room 26 by Wednesday at 4.00. There will be two prizes of 50p each.

SMART apologises for the lack of an issue in December - this was due to lack of time and to lack of articles. We also apologise for the poorer heading this week - there are technical reasons for this. At least SMART is back and can wish all its readers

A HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR.

WANTED

Good L.P.'s at reasonable prices, e.g. punk, rock, pop. Don't bring L.P.'s, just ask someone on SMART to pass a note of names of those you're selling on to the pupil interested.

RUMOUR: that Lynne Kerr was actually seen to pass a packet of Midget gems round the 5th year common room.

NEXT HOLIDAYS: Mid-term on Friday 16th and Monday 19th February. They can't be cancelled!

HOMEWORK . . . HOMEWORK . . . HOMEWORK . . .

SMART held a survey, just before Christmas, to find out about homework. Of course, there were lazy folk, like K (308) & L (406) who said: "there should be no homework at all . . . we do not get much time with our friends". Then a 4th year said: "I do not think that 3rd & 5th yr get enough homework." and another said "Mrs Fitzpatrick is excentrick about homework" (spelling work needed there).

However, many replies were serious, so we can present the following report of pupils' ideas. Teachers' ideas will come in a future issue.

HOMEWORK . . . HOMEWORK . . . HOMEWORK . . .

SMART's mini-computer (a Cornflakes pkt) digested the information and presented us with the following report.

When asked if they would like St Mike's to have a homework system, a majority (77%) said yes, although the computer notes a lack of genuine reasons why we should. The average answer was "Yes, 'cos we'd a' be happy." An interesting point was made by an S4 pupil who said that now we at least have a free night once a week whereas with this system we would all have homework every night.

We also asked if there was one subject which had excessive homework connected with it. Almost every department received some stick although none came out really badly. Some 4th yr girls complained about difficult "O" grade Modern Studies papers - well, you don't expect them to be easy! There is too much memorising work in History, complained some, while S/3 Geography pupils said that the work was two or three times more than in S4 and S2. The message to

continued on next page . . .

(Homework continued)

Biology is "too much, too often", and from a senior girl comes the warning "Beware of language interpretation passages."

How long should be spent on homework? A third year dared to suggest $\frac{1}{4}$ hour while some seniors hit the two hour mark. The average haverer was about an hour. Conclusion: First and second years are very lucky.

(report by "Sleuth")

U-13 FOOTBALL Irvine Royal 2 St Michael's 3

St Mike's dominated the first half, giving no chances away, but there was only one goal from Jim Jardine to show their efforts at the break. St Mike's didn't stop there; they attacked continuously and were awarded a free-kick 25 yards out. Paul McLaughlin took it direct and scored magnificently. 15 minutes through the 2nd half a deflection gave I.R.A. a chance to open their account which they didn't refuse. A couple of minutes later the same thing happened. 2-2. St Mike's didn't give in and during a goal mouth scramble the ball fell at the feet of Jim Stewart who made no mistake. This was the best ever team performance by St Mike's. Well played.

(by "Offside")

GRATEFUL THANKS

The school did well at Christmas Parcel time. You gave a total of £195.39 in cash and 239 items. 164 parcels were distributed as far apart as Kilbirnie and Spring-side. Special thanks from Sr Dománic Savio go to 101 who raised about £28, to Fr Murphy who allowed a disco in St Mary's (raised £43), and to VI yr for all their hard work, collecting, shopping and delivering, and to Fr Bradley, who organised the disco. Also included were Ravenspark Hosp., Central Hosp., Burnside Hse & Dunton-knoll Hse.

"FLIGHT OF SPARROWS"

BORROBIL by William Croft Dickinson

Two children, Donald and Jean, decided to visit the woods. In the woods they meet a small man, Borrobil. Borrobil tells the children that he is the best good magician. Borrobil takes the children to see Morac, Borrobil's friend, who is going to fight a dragon. Morac wins the fight and then goes to find a princess whom he wants to be his bride.

It is a good book to read if you believe in fairies.

(by Kim Sweeney)

* This, and the other books reviewed
* in SMART, can be borrowed from the
* school library.

ANNA by E. M. Almedingen

This book is about a girl, Anna Hhlebnikova. Anna and her brother spend most of their time in Sparrow Mills. This is quite an interesting book but some of the names are quite hard to say. I liked it very much.

(by Joan Chambers)

GOALKEEPERS ARE DIFFERENT by Brian Glanville

I think this is a very good book about a young goalkeeper's rise to fame and what it is really like to be a pro-footballer. I thought it was good because it makes you think it is non-fiction by mentioning a few real footballers.

(by Paul McCutcheon)

"Flight of Sparrows" by Roy Brown.

Keith and Scobie have come out the hard way from an Approved School. Keith Burrows, nicknamed "Rabbit", escapes with Scobie, a cunning young criminal, partly because he wants to get his revenge on Turner, a boy who framed him, and partly out of a sense of loyalty to Scobie; for only he can hold Scobie back from outbursts of brutal violence.

Scobie has a sister in London and that is where they are heading for. Scobie's sister Doreen owns a hotel called "Smoke" so they say that she will put them up for a night.

A good read! (review by Elizabeth Todman)

VITAMINS

One Thursday at the end of November, a Mr Kennedy from Roche gave the Science Club a very interesting talk. He told us about how the vitamins are made and he also showed us slides. He says that a lot of money has been spent making the air in Dalry less smelly.

A new factory is being built which will be producing Vitamin C. It should be in production by 1983. Even though the meeting was not very well attended it was very enjoyable.

N.B. Only those who attend the meetings will be allowed on the visits planned for later in the term.

(from C.C.)

COMP. WINNERS

Only 12 of the 25 entries in the "work out the number of faces" competition in the last issue had the right answer, which was 12. The two winners drawn were Maureen Docherty 102 and Stephen Wallace 302, who can now collect their prizes from room 26.

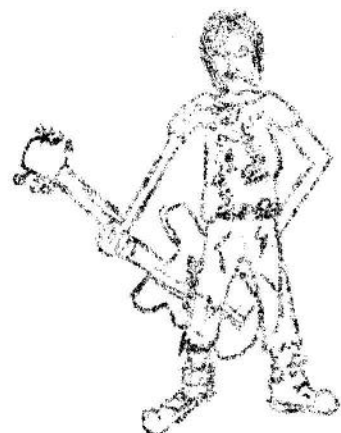
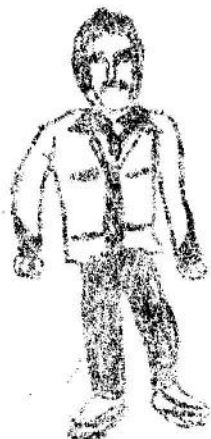
INTERVIEW

Mr Colgan lives in Prestwick and has lived there for $\frac{1}{2}$ years. He attended Queen Margaret Ac., Cumnock Ac. and a school in Canada. His interest is guitars and his main ambition is to retire. We asked him what he had to say about school dinners; he said, "I eat them under sufferance because my wife won't make me sandwiches". He became a technical teacher because he didn't like his original job. Mr Colgan thinks that the belt is necessary, e.g. for people not going to the school party. Mr Colgan does not like using the belt. He likes rock music and we asked him who is his favourite pop group and he answered, "Original 'Sydes' and By 'Cocker'." We said, "My pet is P.G. and my favourite actor and actress is Marlon Brando and A. McD." His favourite class is 203. His favourite programme is "Going Straight" and his favourite sport is rowing. He said he likes

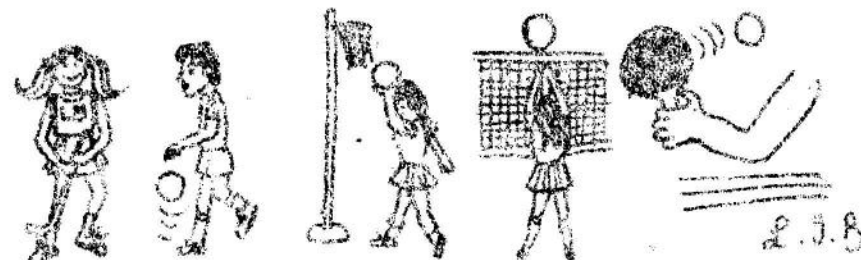
St Michael's and he likes second year the best. Mr Colgan says "SMART is very good, not funny enough, bring back Superjanny." Mr Colgan likes being interviewed. He thinks all teachers are the same so he can't pick the best one.

By Carly. Larry, Mo

(203)



Sports Report



P-13 FOOTBALL St Michael's 1 Ardrossan 3

Both teams started well but after a while Ardrossan went for the ball and put more effort into it. Then a cross from the left fell at the feet of an attacker who shot at goal, deflected to another attacker who made no mistake. 1-0. St Mike's then created chances but didn't score. After the break St Mike's slowed down giving Ardrossan most of the play. 15 minutes through the second half a goal mouth scramble gave Ardrossan another chance to score - which they took. St Mike's made a break from centre which ended in a corner. Paul McLaughlin took it direct and scored 2-1. Later another goal mouth scramble resulted in a goal. 3-1 to Ardrossan. Disappointing result for St Mike's. (by 'Offside')

P A D M I N T O N Under 16's

Since the unfortunate illness of Miss Cruickshank the under 16 badminton club has been running on a temporary basis. Mr Vernon has informed the members that unless the club has a teacher to supervise them the club will be abandoned. If any members of staff would like to cooperate, the members of the club would be grateful. The club is on a Thursday at 4.00 to 5.00. If any member of staff is interested please contact either G Hamon, G Waddell, M Kolodziej, M Hand or K Griffin.

MR MCKINLEY

At first Mr McKinley was not too keen on the idea of being interviewed, saying, "Once I read in SMART that someone was a Wizard Chemist, someone else was a Scientific Genius and we believe Mr McKinley once had red hair." But eventually he agreed, so we began. He really seems to be a very mysterious person as most of his answers were puzzles. To prove this, when we asked him where he was born, he replied, "A town between Beith and Dalry - but I'd rather not say." He did however tell us that the schools he attended when he was a boy were St Michael's College, Irvine and St Aloysius, Glasgow. But he said that he'd been teaching only 20+ years. On television he likes Coronation Street and he likes good, plain home cooking. He likes books about modern history - 1939-45 - is this modern? He lives in the "posh part of Kilwinning" (Wood wynd). He has remarkably few relations and in his spare time he prepares for the day ahead. He has worked at many things in his life and calls himself a M.O.A.T. No! Not a Moany, Old, Aging Teacher but a Master of all Trades. He has taught in Ayrshire schools only. When we asked him why he became a Science teacher, he replied, "Because of my Brilliant Scientific Mind." As for St Michael's he said "It is and no doubt always will be."

(interviewed by Paul McMahon)

SMITHSTONE'S NEW BUS

Smithstone has another mini-bus!

The old crate has gone to the great scrap heap in the sky (it was Catholic).

The new model is a red Sherpa 240, registration MKA 501R. It is much more comfortable and Gonzo doesn't have to sit in the boot. Like its predecessor it too has a 'kick-to-open door'. There are seats for 11 passengers and a driver. The bus is not exactly new and has been in use around Liverpool. (by J.P. III)

TOP TEN TEACHERS

The results of a survey done shortly before Christmas are: in order of popularity:

- 1 Mr McIlroy
- 2 Mrs Nolan
- 3 Mr Johnston
- 4 Mrs McGuinness
- 5 Miss McLaughlin & Miss Whiston
- 6 Mr Kavanagh & Mr McLaughlin
- 7 Mr Gill
- 8 Mr Fitzpatrick (survey by A Twigg,
G Scott & J Hayes)

(How much were they paid? Ed.)

THE TWELFTH DAY OF JULY by Joan Lingard

I liked this book because it was exciting, about Catholics and Protestants fighting, painting all over each others' walls. And when Sadie's mother and father were away to see Sadie's grandmother, Sadie decided to start a chip shop and set the kitchen on fire. The fire engine came screaming around the corner to put it out. At the end Sadie and her brother go to the seaside with some of the Catholics.

(by B Johnstone)

COMPETITION SUCCESS

Congratulations go to Michael Keen and Paul Scott. In a recent national competition to design a logo for the Consultative Committee on the Curriculum (a Scottish education body), out of over 300 entries Michael's design was 3rd (winning £5) and Paul's design was 4th (winning a commendation). Thus they are keeping up the St Michael's tradition of success in national art competitions.

500 CLUB PRIZEWINNERS - DECEMBER

week ending 1st Dec.: £5 J Murray 103
 £4 Mrs Paul £3 C Fyfe 108
 monthly £20 prize B Teaz 403

week ending 8th Dec.: £5 D Jackson 601
 £4 Mrs Rattray £3 M Duffy 202

week ending 15th Dec.: £5 J Welsh 404
 £4 C McKinnon 404 £3 I Robertson 601
 £2 H Sweeney 501 £1 E Scott 202

week ending 21st Dec.: £5 J Hayes 203
 £4 W Harrison 102 £3 S Jackson 302
 £2 A Higgins 301 £1 C McHugh 203
 monthly £20 prize Mrs Anderson

CHANGING TEACHERS

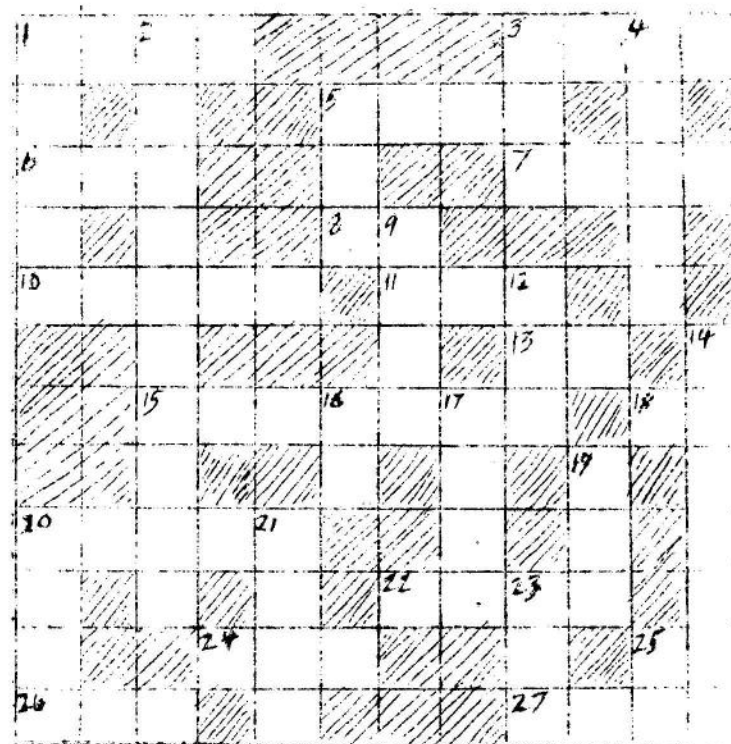
Mr Kavanagh told SMART he was delighted with the tankard presented to him when he left in December. Mr McNulty has now taken over his duties. Someone new to help Mr Gill with 1st year will be chosen at then end of February or beginning of March.

will leave
 Mrs Tannahill, expecting to start a family,
 next Friday. When asked by SMART what she would miss most, she said, "My Mars bar at 11 o'clock."

Mr Johnston was absent last week to spend three days filming with BBC for a programme about his paintings. SMART will try to let you know when the programme is put on.

Contrary to some beliefs, teachers have no plans to go on strike, and many believe striking is a waste of time and money, both to the strikers and to the country.

PRIZE CROSSWORD



Class:

Name:

tear along dotted line

CLUES: ACROSS:

- 1 Open mouth sleepily. 3 Grasp. 5 Christmas.
 6 Sea creature. 7 Tear a person apart.
 8 North-west. 10 Past of dry. 11 Skinned & sore.
 13 Railway. 15 Horrid or ugly. 18 Opposite of 8.
 20 To stop the Way. 22 Halt. 24 One. 25 Not in.
 27 Sound as a bell.

DOWN: 1 Surrender. 2 footwear. 3 Edge.
 4 Make amused sounds. 5 Japanese coin.
 9 An order from a court of law. 12 Twisted

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ST MICHAEL'S TOP TEN TUNES (compiled by M and Σ)

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|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 Chiquitita (Abba) 43 votes | |
| 2 Heart of Glass (Blondie) 39 | |
| 3 Lay you Love on me (Racy) 9 | 7 Pretty Little Angel Eyes 4 |
| 4 I was made for Dancing 7 | Hit me with your Rhythm |
| 5 Y.M.C.A. (Village People) 6 | Stick 4 |
| 6 A Taste of Aggro 5 | 9 Car 67 3 |
| | Rem-a-lang-a ding dong 3 |

RECORD REVIEW

THE BEE GEES - "Spirits Having Flown" (RSO)

If your taste in music is satisfied by male falsettos or a good smooch, this Bee Gees album is a must. Their UNICEF song "Too Much Heaven" is featured, as is their latest single "Tragedy". Other tracks include "Living Together", "Love You Inside Out", "Reaching Out" and "Stop".

ELVIS COSTELLO & THE ATTRACTIONS - "Armed Forces" (Radar)

If new wavish music suits your palate, tune an ear to Elvis' new L.P.. The only problem might be getting a copy. I tried several Irvine shops before finding a copy. Apart from their no. 5 single "Oliver's Army", other tracks include "Goon Squad" and "Sunday's Best". (reviewed by Sleuth)

REPLY TO LETTER ON PAGE ONE (from Mr Cooke)

- 1 Only pupils who deserve to be 'picked on' are singled out.
- 2 There are large numbers of 3rd year pupils, male and female, whose behaviour gives cause for complaint - I think there is no need to go into details here..
- 3 The complaint about the library always being shut on Wednesday lunchtimes is totally groundless, as the complainants know.

CHESS matches (one home, one away) were postponed last week due to the janitors' work to rule closing the school at 5.00 p.m..

RUMOUR that the Kilbirnie bus tried to damage the roundabout railing one frosty morning last week, but failed. However, the bus had its front badly bus-t up. (from M.W. 107)

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This is a mini-SMART - only two sheets, but still full of news and articles, not forgetting a puzzle and a competition - you lucky number is somewhere inside. Keep this copy safe so that you can claim if you win. If your friends miss their copy on Monday morningg, spares are available at room 26.

SMART REPRESENTATIVES must remember to attend the weekly meeting held for about ten minutes each Tuesday interval in room 26. That's where the important decisions about SMART are made. Don't miss this week's - tomorrow interval.

BRIDGE

Will any pupil (3rd to 6th year) who is interested in playing or learning to play bridge please see Miss Murphy or Miss Lennom as soon as possible. We hope to start a SCHOOL BRIDGE CLUB which can join the inter-school league which the Ayrshire Bridge Union is attempting to form at this moment.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Why does Mr Cooke not let third years into the library? Every Wednesday at lunchtime, he always says he is going somewhere or doing some other thing. Our English teachers won't let us go either. Has he anything against 3rd years? Why do the rest of the teachers bring down 3rd years, saying that we are a cheeky and mannerless. We would like replies from teachers, especially Mr Cooke. P.S. Some of us are cheeky but others are not.

(reply on back page)

INTERVIEW WITH MR McNULTY

Mr McNulty was born in a posh place!? called Glasgow, but now lives in a mud hut in Saltcoats similar to those in Kilbirmie. He has been teaching here for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years and intends to stay here until he retires as he loves the school and hopes that he can form a good relationship with 3rd year.

His hobbies are going for messages for his wife, ironing and cooking, but he loves football. His favourite team are any team that beats Celtic (where's his taste?). If he were not a teacher he would be the President of America but would need to move house. When we asked what he would do if he won the pools the class shouted things like "buy a new mud hut" but he said "I would give most of it to relations." His favourite actor is Paul Newman (whose isn't?) and favourite actress is Shirley McLaine. He detests punk but likes pop and Scottish music. He would love to go to the Holy Lands or Greece but has only been to Majorca. He thinks school dinners should be varied more but are well worth 25p. The best film he has ever seen is "High Noon" or "Gone With The Wind" and best books are - wait for it - the Beano and Dandy.

(by Susan & Elaine, two 3rd years)

Robbie. Cheryl

DEEP SEA DIVING

Stephen O'Conrell (4th yr) has finished all his pool training and is due to make his first aqualung dive in the sea next weekend, weather permitting. Terry Hodge is expected to follow him soon.

RUMOUR: that on Thursday 15th February, Roseanne McKenna was seen combing her hair 32 times. Can this be beaten?

AN INTERVIEW WITH MR McILROY

Mr McIlroy, who has just been voted no. 1 teacher in St. Mike's, says he feels good about it but he doesn't think it means anything very special; when we asked him what his wife thought of his position, he told us he talked to her only when he wanted some money.

Mr McIlroy likes all kinds of sport, especially football and rugby. He plays football for Beith Juniors and he is a striker. He lives in Stevenston with his wife and five year old daughter Fiona and his Old English sheep dog, Kelly. He drives an Allegro Special.

Mr McIlroy says he likes all the pupils a great deal but in particular his registration class 106. He added "I think St Michael's is a good school and always will be".

(interviewed by MR PAT and SUE ANN)

LUCKY NUMBER DRAW

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This issue has a lucky number draw.

Your number is

All copies of SMART sold up to Tuesday at 1.30 p.m. will be included. The numbers drawn will be put up on the link corridor notice board on Tuesday at 2.30 p.m.. Winners will have one day to claim their prize, i.e. by Wednesday afternoon.

There will be two prizes of 50p each.

LAST ISSUES WINNERS

The crossword, made up by Jacqueline McMahon (2nd yr), must have been too difficult as there were only 9 entries. ('Sad' was 'blue', not 'bale' - 'bale' is a noun.) Winners were Michael Neison and Brendan Keenan.

Find The Girls Name PUZZLE

Z	Y	E	N	N	O	V	Y
T	H	E	R	E	S	A	V
X	M	I	R	I	A	M	O
E	I	R	E	L	A	V	N
I	N	A	S	U	S	L	N
L	O	M	A	C	R	V	E
U	R	E	N	Y	R	A	M
J	A	N	E	B	N	N	A
A	E	N	E	C	D	J	Y
N	K	A	R	E	N	S	K

compiled by
Anne Marie McGrattan

Find:

Anne Marie
Lucy
Valerie
Susan
Karen
Theresa
Mary
May
Yvonne (twice)
Julie
Miriam
Ann
Jan
Nora
Reena
Jane

EMIL AND THE DETECTIVES by Erich Kastner

Emil is going to Berlin to visit some relations. On the train Emil meets a strange man in a bowler hat who says his name is Mr Grundeis. Emil falls asleep and when he wakes up finds Mr Grundeis has gone and so has his money! I started to read this book expecting to have a good read and that's exactly what I got. I read the first chapter one night and the next night I started reading the rest of the book till I finished. It is a book full of suspense and well worth the reading.

(reviewed by Anne Marie Gilchrist)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

When I go to get my chips at school dinners, the woman scoops quite a lot, then takes some off and then gives me my chips.

(from W. Benson 306)

EMERGENCY (by Paul McMahon)

Emergency is a brand new Punk Band that is rapidly becoming famous throughout the area. The places they have appeared at include the Railway Club in Irvine, Ayr Pavilion and the Sandrian, a popular night club in Kilmarnock.

"Flesh Gordon" is 18 and lead vocalist in the band. His ambitions are to become famous, take singing lessons and buy a new left leg. He says that SMART should be famous after this interview.

Among their current songs are Who Killed the Baby, Confessions, Kid With A Vengeance, Crises and Vices, and Sale of the Century.

"Joe Public" is also 18 and the lead guitarist. He wants to live in Buckingham Palace and thinks that "Abba" are "clean". Of John Travolta, he said "He's a great dancer, but I wouldn't marry him".

Their first appearance was terrible! The drummer didn't turn up and "Flesh" was electrocuted fixing an amplifier. The group first got together about seven months ago.

"Mike Strand" is eldest at 19 and bass guitarist. He wants to see SuperJanny back in SMART and thinks he's great. "Stanley Knife" plays rhythm guitar and is 18. He doesn't really like wearing safety pins but he does like different clothes. He thinks everybody is disgusting. Rumour has it that "Giles" is human and 18. During a 'conversation' with him I could make out, between puffs and growls, 'drummer'. Altogether they are great.

BOOK REVIEWS

RACE AGAINST THE SUN by Douglas Rutherford

The story begins with a team going abroad to take part in a dragster race. Unfortunately, the aeroplane they were in crash-landed on an island somewhere off the West Indies.

They had to ration food and water and they tried lighting fires, but they never worked. Then they built a buggy but the nearest place was 200 miles away, so they gave that up. A few ships sailed past, but never noticed them. One of the team died and another broke her leg.

It was all very exciting. I thought it was a sort of drama rather than a book. It had a happy ending and I enjoyed every minute of it. The sort of book I like to read.

(reviewed by Brian O'Connell)

THE PASTEL CITY by M John Harrison

This is the story of a future time in Earth's history. There is a war between the Young Queen and the Old, for control of the Empire, ruled from the Pastel City. With the aid of some remainders of a past civilization, the Old Queen seeks to destroy the Young. Tegeus-Cromius leaves his retreat and with the aid of his comrades goes across the Rust Deserts and Dreamy Marshes to try to prevent the destruction of the Empire. He finds that the Old Queen has unleashed powers that she is unable to handle and he sets out to try to stop them.

I liked this book very much and found it interesting. I would recommend this book to anyone who enjoys science fiction.

(reviewed by Lynne Kerr)

FAREWELL TO MRS TANNAHILL

As everyone knows Mrs Tannahill left last Friday to have her baby. Two girls from third year decided to collect money to get a small gift for her.

At first it was just supposed to be her netball team who were going to collect, then Mrs Dorrian suggested the whole of third year, then the Rector gave permission to collect from the whole school. The amount collected was £8 odds. The girls went into Irvine in the afternoon to buy her something. They ended up buying something for the baby - a small lemon babygrow, a lemon blanket and a white matinee jacket; also a card for her and a small card to put on the baby's present.

The girls left their present in Mr McNulty's room overnight. He prepared to have an assembly just so two pupils from Mrs Tannahill's registration class could give her the present. The pupils were Julie Busby and Kevin Fyfe. On Friday morning Mr McNulty called Mrs Tannahill up on stage. She was surprised and embarrassed and all she said was that she was very pleased with our small offer of gratitude. She doesn't know if she will be coming back to St Michael's and if she does it won't be for a long time. We all wish Mrs Tannahill and junior all the best of luck.

(by Superwoman)

IRVINE JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOOLS PROJECT

This project covers all the senior schools in the area and is meant to give the pupils who volunteered an idea of what Junior Management is all about and what is available in careers, especially in the Irvine area. Visits to the important industries in the area, including Beechams, I.C.I. and Roche were arranged. But the first visit, to Beechams on Tues. 20th, was really very unhelpful as all we really learned was how the factory operated and its history. We hope that the next visit, to Roche on Wed. 28th, will be more suited to what the project is about.

(by Anon.)

RUMOUR: that Mr Cooke has some new books in the library.

Art Expedition

While the majority of Scotland 'Devolved', a number of pupils from the school converged on the unwary town of Ayr. No, it was not a foray or a horde of 3rd years on their way to a Union Convention, but a number of 4th, 5th & 6th year Art students en route to the Newton Centre to see a collection of work that managed to satisfy last year's Art 'O' grades.

The work came from all over Scotland and certain people were seen rushing around looking for their own masterpieces - none of which were found - or if it was, it remained under wraps. The trip - organised by Mr Nellany (One Stop Wonder Tours) - was found to be fruitful and an awakening to all who attended. We would like to thank Mr Johnstone and Mr Smith for giving up their time to control us.

(by Ghengis)

Certificates For All.

Recently a group of very intelligent Latin scholars including Tom Gallacher, Gerard McGrory, Paul Neilson, Michael Nelson, Frances Traynor, Patricia McGorry, Paul McGowan and Alexa McCaffery made the trip to Glasgow University for a Latin Speaking Competition. At Dalry Tom Gallacher was still sleeping at the cross. In mid-morning we went to the Hunterian Museum - there was a nasty rumour that Mr Dickson knew so much about the Roman pieces because he was there when they were made, but this is untrue. We returned for lemonade, after which we found out that although none of us had won prizes, every St Michael's pupil who took part that day (named above) had won a certificate of merit. After lunch at the University Union, we went to "Watership Down" but Paul McGowan, being afraid of rabbits, went home earlier. The film was garbage anyway. At a chippy everyone bought chips except Paul N. who was stony broke. After this we came home (at Kilbirnie M.N. departed with a little wave from J.M.; at Dalry P.C. refused to get off because his mum wasn't there to walk him home; at Smithstone G.M. and P.M. went back to the Prison Camp) after a successful and enjoyable day. (by a Killie & a Clydebank supporter)

ST. MICHAEL'S ACADEMY RAPIDS & TALES

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12th March, 1979

2p

A NEW LOOK SMART - A SMARTER SMART

Since the last issue of SMART two weeks ago, a new machine has arrived in the school - a Roneo 7000. In spite of its high rental charge of about £1750 per year, it has two main advantages. Firstly, it will improve the quality and legibility of all the notes teachers give out, and will also allow staff to get more on a sheet, thus saving paper. Also, secondly, it avoids the use of messy ink and stencil methods of duplication, also saving time. SMART will gradually move over to using the new machine. This outside cover has been done on it.

RECORD SALES LAST MONTH

The number of copies sold last time (26th Feb.) was 439 - a record for the 6 years of SMART - beating the previous record of 415 in February 1974.

Find the Boys' Names

J	O	N	H	T	N	E	C	N	I	V	I	N	C	I	P	B	M
A	Y	K	C	I	M	N	H	T	N	O	D	P	O	G	I	R	A
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FIND : ROBERT, NIGEL, TERENCE, TOM, GEORGE, MICKY, BILLY, JOHN, TONY, RICKY, EDWARD, DAVID, STEVEN, ANTHONY, OSWALD, ANDREW, OSCAR, ADAM, JIMMY, JACOB, TIM, KEITH, KEVIN, MARK, PETER, PELE, HARRY, SAM, MATTHEW, BOB, RICK, DONALD, DON, CHRIS, VINCENT, BRENDAN, RAB, WILLIAM, CRAIG, SPIKER, COLIN, PAUL, ALAN, GRAHAM, JIM, GORDON, DAVE, EDWIN, TAM, ANGUS, BRIAN, KEV, VINCE.

Also find one wrongly spelt name.

By ~~Elizabeth Anne Allan~~
and Elizabeth Anne Allan

WORD PUZZLE: The word puzzle on the opposite page is by Agnes Walsh and Elizabeth Anne Allan.

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LUCKY NUMBER: Because sales were so high last time, SMART made it 3 prizes instead of 2. By mistake, the numbers went up on the notice board about 45 mins. late. Although 3 prize numbers and several reserve numbers went up, only 3 reported in, so nos. 318 and 008 missed 50p. Those who won 50p were Thomas Barrett 307, Gerard McGrory 206 and Steven Jackson 202. (P.S. If sales of this issue are also high, SMART will be able to afford an extra crossword prize.)

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COMING EVENTS: Second year exams are from 28th to 30th March. The U-15 and U-16 5-a-side teams have both won their area finals and played at Maygum in the Ayrshire Finals last Friday (9th). Full report in next issue.

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NEW TEACHER Mrs Long is the new teacher who has taken Mrs Tannahill's place in the Modern Studies Department. She hails from Glasgow and has taught at Notre Dame (Glasgow), Hamilton Grammar and St Gerard's, Girvan. When asked what she thought of St Mike's she said "So far it's okay". She has been teaching for five years and has no real hobbies. Mrs Long has no favourite football team or actor/actress. She likes quiet popular music and doesn't like Rock Music or Punk Rock (No Taste!). America is the place she would most like to go. If she weren't a teacher she would be - wait for it! - nothing!

by Charlie's Angels

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This issue was stapled by John McLaughlin, Billy McLaughlin, Michael Meechan (all 3rd yr), Andrew Twigg, Gordon Scott and John McCourt (all 2nd yr) after 4.00 p.m. on Friday. The written headings on the outer sheet are by Susan Donachie.

SPARES: If your friends miss SMART, tell them they can buy spare copies from room 26 anytime during the week at changes of period. Next issue due on Monday, March 26th or April 2nd

RUMOUR (true): Pupils trespassing in the Art corridor are having their names noted and being reported.

CAREERS EXHIBITION AT GLASGOW

On Thursday 8th March, 4th year went to the Careers Exhibition at Melvin Hall, Glasgow. There were over 300 different types of careers advertised, ranging from adventurous careers in the R.A.F. to being a teacher.

One of the highlights of the exhibition was the exciting (?) parachute jump where daring, intrepid fools risked their life to jump 10 ft to the ground, and the giant Art and Design pencil in which we saw pottery, jewellery and textiles. There were also various careers involving computer programmers and a catering exhibition where people went to scrounge something to eat, to no avail. One of the most popular places was the ice-cream stall where people spent their money on various weird concoctions including blue-berry cheesecake, black liquorice and bubble gum flavour ice cream.

Armed with bundles of literature, badges and leaflets, we made our way back to the bus after a very rewarding few hours spent at the Exhibition. (by 2 intelligent 4th years)

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M. MOULINET

Monsieur Moulinet, the French assistant, comes from a town in France (obviously) called Sarlat. When he was 12+, he attended St Joseph's School. His interests are art, at which he's rather good, poetry and reading. He likes Folk and Classical music but has no favourite musicians. He lives somewhere in the deep, dark, mysterious depths of Kilwinning (Almswall Rd). He is over 20 and has no girlfriend (Good luck all hopeful VI years). He likes St Michael's very much but says that Scottish schools are more formal regarding uniforms. He has relatives in Turkey and Syria and has visited both countries often.

At home he has one brother and a mother and father. His one ambition is to do something lawful, but it's a secret. Au revoir, tout le monde!

(by Paul McMahon)

FOR SALE: ALBUMS: ALL IN GOOD CONDITION.

1. Beatles at the Hollywood Bowl - Price £2.00
2. A Hard Day's Night - Beatles - Price £2
3. Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band - Beatles - £2

Contact Robbie Foy, Class 303

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WANTED: If anyone has any Marvel comics lying about the house and their mum wants to throw them out, I will be happy to take them into my own collection. P. McMahon 108

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BRIDGE CLUB The Bridge Club, which is run by Miss Murphy and Miss Lennon, meets every Wednesday night after school and Friday lunchtimes. Eight third years attended last Wednesday night, and one illegal 2nd year (Jelly from 206). Other 3rd years said they would come, but didn't turn up. (David Higgins, 301, can be excused because he's just recovering from his seventh bout of every known tropical disease, and unknown, like gangrene of the brain and such like). Everyone is welcome and can come along on Wednesday nights. The game itself is a matter of learning the basic rules and then developing the skills. (John Neison believes that he knows all the skills, after just two weeks, and thinks he can beat anybody. John Neison is a BIGHEAD.)

by JAP

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SPEECH CONTEST There is a big chance for any 5th or 6th year pupil who can write and deliver a 7-minute speech to win back the Irvine Speakers Club Schools Trophy (which St Michael's has held in the past) on Tuesday 27th March. There will be a set subject (not known at time of going to press). Any pupil interested (male or female) should see Mr Cassidy for further details.

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EASTER TRIPS A parents' meeting for the Berlin trip will be held this Wed. (14th). A Holland parents' meeting will be organised sometime, and there will probably be a short series of lunchtime talks about Holland for those going. Watch out for details.

GOSSIP COLUMN

(compiled by the Funky Gibbons and several others)

We hear Mally has just completed his bionic transplants which enable him to dance, sing, change records and play a game of draughts while sitting down, all at the same time (you've got to see it to believe it!)

Rumour has it Elizabeth Gillespie has been bitten on the neck by a dog twice (ha, ha? who's going to believe that??)

Mr Vernon's going to be 1979 Slimmer of the Year.

A few girls in 2nd yr saw Dennis going onto an A1 bus wearing a conductor's uniform. High hopes, eh?

We'd just like to advertise Paul McGeown's disco.
R A Y F U N K Y.
E L L U N

Karen Russell still hasn't got an apron for cooking. If feeling generous, please donate 2p.

K Fyfe eats Fry's chocolate cream sandwiches.

P Mount hurt herself walking into a wall - backwards.

Tom Tipping plays with his Weetabix Superman every day in Spanish.

What happened to Mr Fitzpatrick? Did he have a fight with the Indians? Or was it just that he didn't have enough money to get it finished?

Rumour has it that Susan . . . fancies the commis chef at the Dalry Inn.

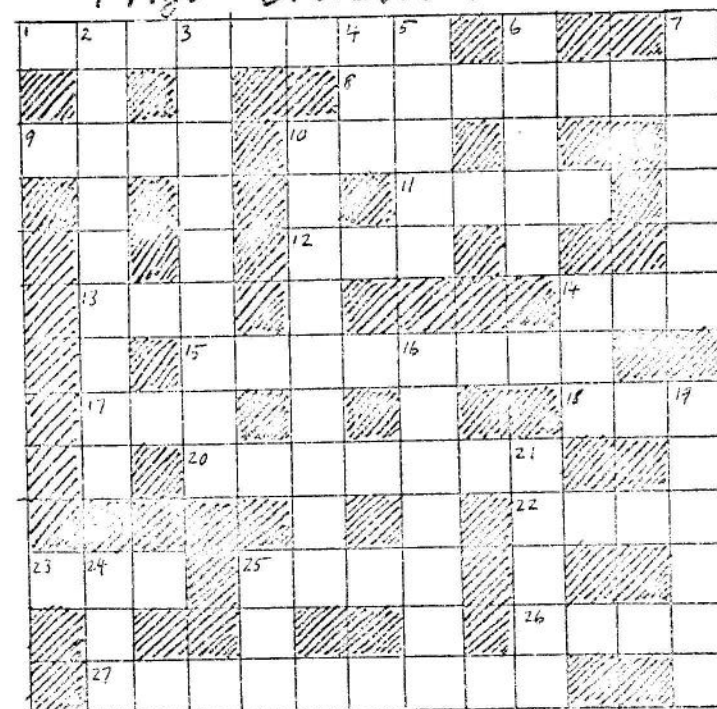
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COMING SOON . . . The Incredible Sulk . . watch SMART

500 CLUB: In the last four weeks, several people have missed cash prize chances through forgetting to pay their 10p - but 12 pupils, 7 parents, 1 teacher and 1 teacher's wife have won prizes. A total of 51 prizes have been paid out so far. If you have a number, don't forget the weekly 10p.

HELP (3rd yr and above) needed for mentally handicapped childrens club in Irvine. Contact Catrina Running for more details. Could YOU help?

Prime Crossword.



Your name:

Class:

clues: across:

- 1 Motorcycle racing
- 8 Disease that eats away bone and flesh
- 9 More than duo
- 10 Common beverage
- 11 Large ribbon
- 12 Decay
- 13 Animal that thrives in rubbish
- 14 Mathematical calculation
- 15 Proved not to have done wrong
- 17 Prime number
- 18 Word of agreement
- 20 No bias or not involved
- 22 A space
- 23 Drink like a dog
- 25 A tree and a method of fortune telling
- 26 Having little colour
- 27 Brings shame upon

down:

- 2 Fill with holes
- 3 Gradual development or change through the ages
- 4 Drink made with malt
- 5 Used to create alcohol
- 6 Not poetry
- 7 A way of doing things
- 10 Large spider
- 14 Pig house
- 16 Made of clay
- 17 Removed racial hair
- 21 Sources of light
- 24 Assist
- 25 Found in 14 Down

Answers must be handed in to room 26 not later than 4.00 p.m. on Thursday. There will be two prizes of 50p for the first two correct entries drawn.

SKI-ING HOLIDAY in ITALY

Mr Fentleton and Mr Cairney are arranging a school ski holiday next Easter (1980), starting 9th April. There will be a bus going to Glasgow Airport, then the plane will leave Glasgow non-stop to Venice and then there will be another coach to Andalo. Mr Fentleton has been ski-ing himself in Aviemore and Glenshee and Austria. The price is about £145 for full board in a hotel and ski-ing lessons. You will need about £40 spending money because everything is about twice as much as it is here. You will need a £10 deposit. If there is a huge response Mr Fentleton and Mr Cairney will think of making two groups but this will take time to think about. First & second year will be in second & third year at the time.

(by D Kirkwood & D Herraghty)

Last minute news: There have been 68 applications. After the figure of 70, names will be put on a waiting list.

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The puzzle inside is by Riccardo Angelini. Entries must be in to room 26 by Wednesday at 4.00 p.m..

SMART apologises to 4th year staplers for labelling them as 3rd year in the last issue.

Rumour: K Mount was beaten by a lassie at arm wrestling.

Rumour: School meals are making a profit - the army are buying their pastry to make bullet proof material.

SMART representatives: Be Smart: remember the Tuesday interval meetings in room 26. Important business coming up.

Sell through SMART. Robert Foy sold all the three records he advertised in the last issue.

HOLLAND trip pupils: remember the meeting today (Monday) at 1.00 p.m. in room 25 (Mr Cassidy's).

Chess Club doing quite well. Seniors winning. Juniors beat Kilwinning 4-2. Kenneth Cochrane is unbeaten all season.

Mr Johnstone will be on TV on April 6th (Friday) on "Spectrum"

"500 CLUB" Another 16 prizes given out this month. Make sure you keep your lucky number paid up.

No more room so watch out for next issue on April 23rd.

ST. MICHAELS ACADEMY RUMOURS & TALES

No. 70

26.3.79

2p

T-SHIRTS

For weeks there have been rumours going round the school concerning T-shirts as a summer uniform. So we went along to ask Mr McCutcheon about this.

Why does he want T-shirts as part of the uniform, we asked.

He replied, "Policemen have uniforms for summer, likewise with the army. Even bus drivers have summer uniforms. Why can't we? It would be better than coming to school wearing long sleeved shirts and ties."

Did he think it would be a success?

"I think it's an excellent idea, but whether it will come about or not is up to the parents and pupils. I will shortly be sending out a letter to parents explaining the situation. The price of the T-shirts will depend on the response we receive. Obviously the more who order one, the lower the price."

The T-shirts themselves are yellow with a black band down the left hand side and a school badge printed on them. Most people seem to want to wear T-shirts during the summer term anyway, so why don't we all wear school T-shirts?

Unless you want to be dressed in collar and tie this summer, give some thought to St Mike's T-shirts.

(by C.R. and Sleuth)

WHO ARE THE BEST ? by Mr Gill

Since coming to St Michael's, first year pupils, either individually or in classes, have persistently asked me which first year class is the best. Sometimes I have joked about this honour, but most of the times I have been serious in my replies.

I was mentioning this to the Rector recently and he suggested that we should start a Class of the Month for First Year and publish this in SMART. We are, therefore, awarding this distinction to 106 as the winners of March's award; for general all-round behaviour, attendance and time-keeping.

Class holding the Wooden Spoon for March are 107. And they know why.

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CROSSWORD RESULTS:

Because sales of the last issue were 430, the second highest sales figure ever in the history of SMART, SMART can afford three prizes of 50p for last issue's crossword. Out of 44 entries, 20 were wrong. 5 mis-spelt 'perforate', 6 mis-spelt 'tarantula' and 9 didn't have 'shaved' for the clue 'removed facial hair' (they had 'shaves' or 'shaven'). Out of the 24 correct ones in the draw, the following entrants can now come to room 26 to claim their prize: Pauline Donohoe 102, Judith Bradford-Knox 108 and Stephen Wallace 302. SMART thanks John Neison for making up a very good crossword.

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See the next issue of SMART (first Monday after Easter holidays) for details of a new club, a Drama Club, starting with 3rd years. Club activities will include trips to theatres as well as acting, speaking and other tasks.

SOME OF THE NEW 1979 BOOKS IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

"CAVE" by Barry Pointon

This book is about a boy called Ian Thompson, who has to look after his kid sister. Ian has a passion for motorbikes and he sells something to 'Cave' Allison, who has a fight with Ian because the thing he sold him didn't work. I like this book because it is like real life.

(by Michael Walsh)

"THE RESTLESS BONES AND OTHER TRUE MYSTERIES"

This book tells of true mysteries that have never been solved - the Roman bones that came to life, the airliner threatened by flying saucers and other amazing mysteries which are all true.

It is a very exciting book and I thought it was very good. I recommend this book to anyone.

(by John Cook)

"THE SURVIVORS" by Pierre van Rooyen

This is a gripping story of drama and suspense. The book is filled with action and many unexpected obstacles and traps. The author brings out the feelings of his characters as they set out through the African bush, with the threat of being attacked by terrorists, but their will to live drives them on to safety. A very worthwhile and enjoyable book.

(by Laurence Roche)

"THE SNAKE" by John Godey

This is a good book about a snake which is turned loose in New York's Central Park. You may think that it would be easy to find a snake in a park, but this proves a little difficult because Central Park is over 800 acres in area.

Although it is not as scary as it says on the cover, I enjoyed reading it. This book is definitely a good read.

(by Hugh Davidson)

"THE DOLPHIN CROSSING" by Jill Paton Walsh

This book was about two boys whose friendship flowered between them during the early days of World War II.

They both knew the risk they were taking when they took a boat to help save the British Army at Dunkirk. It is not a true story but it also might have been a true story. It was an interesting book as it was about Dunkirk.

(by Mark McGowan)

"THE PASTURES OF THE BLUE CRANE" by H F Brinsmead (by A. Muir)

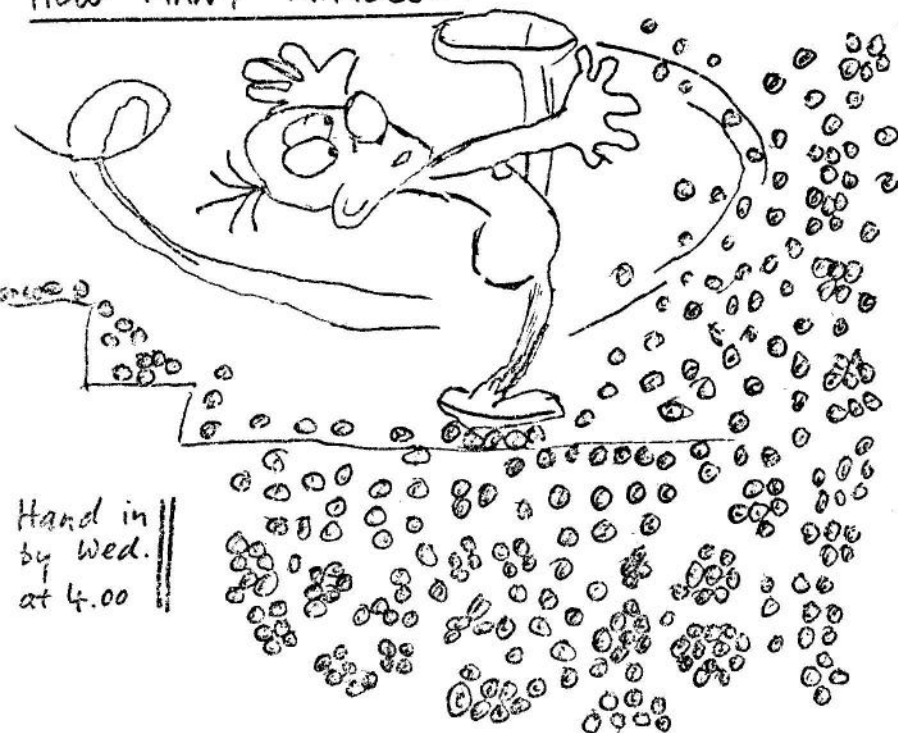
This book is about a girl who is sixteen years old. Nobody cared for her, she was alone with nowhere to call home, but later on she is granted a new lease of life, in which she has to unravel a strange mystery connected with her past. It becomes an adventure. I thought it was very good; first a mystery, then an adventure.

MR. BLAIR

Mr Blair was born in Maybole but is now married and lives in a great place called Irvine. He does not have a favourite class, thinks SMART is rubbish and should be burnt (so brave to say so). His favourite sport is Rugby and his favourite team is the one he plays for. He thinks the quality of school meals is good. (?) If he was not a teacher, he would be a civil engineer. Mr Blair likes St Michael's as this is his first year at this school and has never taught before. He thinks the belt is necessary, especially on bad pupils. He likes folk music and has no favourite actors or actresses. Mr Blair goes camping in the British Isles and his favourite author is Walter Scott. He has a black Labrador as a pet. Mr Blair likes some of the pupils. We asked him "Do you like being interviewed". He answered "Not particularly".

(by Hazy, Scotty Dog, Keany, Twiggy)

HOW MANY MARBLES?



Hand in
by Wed.
at 4.00

Name:

Class:

Answer:

ANNUAL:

After last year's very successful Smart Summer Annual, this is to be another this year. Like last year's, it will have a mixture of news, interviews, reports, proper photographs, articles, poems, rumours, puzzles, cartoons, etc. and will cost the same amount - 20p. One big difference will be that it will look even better than last year, because it will be produced on the school's new machine, using the same method as the centre pages of this issue of SMART. Pupils are already planning items for the 1979 Summer Annual. So as to avoid waste and keep costs down, SMART will be taking orders in advance; seniors should order before the Easter holidays and juniors after the Easter holidays. Last year we sold all the copies we produced in about two days, so don't miss it this year.

SPORT:

U-13 FOOTBALL reports by "Offside"

St Michael's 3 Irvine Royal Academy 4
In blizzard conditions both teams took time to adapt. After a series of raids on the IRA goal, Francis McFarland sent over a low cross to Michael Horn who knocked it into the top right hand side. Five minutes later IRA equalised with a high ball. After the break St Mike's went into the lead again with a solo goal by John McDonald. An IRA winger was given room to move and took the chance to equalise. Paul McLaughlin was soon on the attack and scored superbly. Two minutes later he hit the post which IRA cleared. An unchallenged IRA player had a chance to shoot which he did - it hit the post and, for us, unluckily went into the net, 3-3. It was set for a draw but then a high ball took St Mike's by surprise; a delayed back pass gave IRA the game which St Mike's should have won.

St Andrew's 2 St Michael's 5
St Mike's did not start well with St Andrews scoring first. We soon fought back and Francis McFarland with a low hard shot to the near post equalised magnificently. St Mike's created many other opportunities but never scored. In the second half Jim Stewart opened the scoring with McFarland following on. 3-1. Andy Keenan played a large part in the game and set up a volley for Tom Gallacher which he put away. McFarland scored his hat-trick goal to put us 5-1 ahead. St Andrews slipped one in before full time.

SPORTS REPORT CONTINUED AFTER THE INCREDIBLE SULK

1 AFTER VOLUNT- MR KILL IS BOMBARDING WITH COMBAT-
RING TO HELP WITH AN EXPERIMENT

AAAHH!

NOW ANY TIME MR KILL IS BORED OR FED UP HE
TURNS INTO...

THE INCREDIBLE

SULK

AFTER 4:00 IN SCHOOL MR KILL IS FED UP
SO

ME LONELY!

SCHOOL IS GETTING
WALL THIN

WHEEEEEEEEEE

THUNK!

AGIRL SEESHIM! TEDDY!

AAAAHH!

IN HIS MIND THE SULK REMEMBERS MR KILL
AS A BABY.

TEDDY BE HIS FRIEND... TEDDY BE SULK'S FRIEND

SULK IS SO HAPPY
HE BEGINS TO CHANGE

SULK HAS A FRIEND

OH MY HEAD!
WHAT'S THIS?
A TEDDY BEAR

TOGETHER
KEEP IT!

GOOD JOB I KEEP SPARE
CLOTHES OR I'D GET
ARRESTED GOING ABOUT
LIKE 'SULK'

LATER IN ST MIKE'S
I'LL HIDE THIS STILL
TOMORROW.

SO AT 7:00 MR KILL
LEAVES ST MIKE'S

BUT AS MR KILL LEAVES
ROOM 22'S WALL
CRASH!

SHUDDER
CRACK
CRACK

HURRY UP SEARCH
THE ROOM.

AGH GOOD!

MEANWHILE ON THE
WAY HOME MR KILL
IS BORED.. SO..

WHEEEEEEEEEE

WHERE IS TEDDY?

NEXT ISSUE...
THE SULK BATTLES
DR DASTARDLY AND
HIS DIABOLICAL
DASTARDLY
DEVIOUS BR DEED
DOERS.

U-14 FOOTBALL reports from Sports Editor John Hutcheon

A Record - two successive Victories:

St Michael's 5 Ardrossan 3 (North Ayrshire Cup)
from Mr Mousley: "A shock, but a well deserved victory. An excellent display by Hughes, Steel and Pollachi but all others very good."
Scorers: Brennan (2), Hughes, McMillan and Evans.

St Andrews 0 St Michaels 6 (League)

With an extremely strong wind blowing, St Mike's chose to play into the wind in the first half. The away team, fresh from their victory the previous week, started off well, playing the ball along the ground. McMillan broke down the right & beat two players before cutting the ball back to McGeough to score easily. Soon afterwards they added another to their total through Brennan.

Before half time Brennan added another two to his own personal total, taking it to three and the team's fourth. But before the end Hughes and McMillan scored two more although earlier Hughes missed a penalty.

Kilwinning 6 St Michael's 2

Scorers: Steel and McMillan

ST MICHAEL'S SHINE IN AYRSHIRE 'FIVES' report from John Hutcheon.

U-15: St Mike's reached the final by eliminating Queen Margaret on penalty kick decider. In the final they played Loudoun and after a close match went down 1-0 and so took second place.

U-16: This was a great performance from the team and they took the Guthrie Newspaper Group Shield with ease. There was only one bad happening that night - when Arthur Grant was pushed against some seating and broke his arm. Final score: St Michael's 2 Kilmarnock 0.

U-14: Greenwood 0 St Convals 1

U-13: Ardrossan 2 Irvine Royal 1

U-15 FOOTBALL reports from John Hutcheon

Auchenharvie 2 St Michael's 4

A good performance from St Mike's who were at one time 4 up through Gilhooley (3) and Judge. Auchenharvie pulled two back but the points were secure for St Mike's.

St Michael's 2 Ravenspark 4

The team played very badly although they took the lead through Kytzia but Ravenspark came back strongly to win this double-header. St. Mike's other goal came from Steff Gilhooley.

Ardrossan 1 St Michael's 4

Another good performance from this team who took the lead through a great headed goal from Steff. Later Ardrossan equalised, but only for a few minutes, because straight from the restart we scored through McIntyre; other goals came from Judge and McDonald.

MORE SPORTS ON A LATER PAGE (volleyball & hockey)

FIND 27 EUROPEAN BIRDS

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FIND: HEDGE WARBLER
YELLOW HAMMER
REED THRUSH

SWIFT
WREN
DIPPER
SISKIN
SKYLARK
TREE PIPIT
SPARROW
SWALLOW
GOLDFINCH

ROBIN
BLACKCAP
REDSTART
STARLING
HAWFINCH
GOLDCREST
CHAFFINCH
WHEATEAR

GREY WAGTAIL
WOOD WARBLER
NIGHTINGALE
SONG THRUSH
HOUSE MARTIN
BULLFINCH
CROSSBILL
(by Michael McKee)

Record Reviews.

Various artists: "ACTION REPLAY" (K-Tel)

Every so often K-Tel busts on to the music scene with a new compilation album. This, their latest, features 20 original hits from the last months of '78. The tracks range from "Rat Trap" to "Love Don't Live Here Any More", from "YMCA" to "Radio, Radio" and from "Giving Up, Giving In" to "Rasputin". Other tracks include "Toast", "Don't Let it Fade away" and "Hot Child in the City", "Lay Your Love On Me", "Mexican Girl" and "... Starship Trooper".

DOBBIE GRAY: "MIDNIGHT DIAMOND" (Infinity)

A very good album from an underrated disco singer. The opening track is his latest single "You Can Do It". He has also disco-ised two already-rooted songs "Miss You Nights" and "I Can See Clearly Now". The best of the other tracks is "Weekend Friend", closely followed by "Who's Lovin' You?" and "Sharing the Night Together".

(reviewed by Sleuth)

A Record.

During the week ending 9th March, 1979, there were record sales at the Fuck Shop, totalling £287 in one week. Were the Art Department printing fivers?

Rumours.

- On Tues. 27th Paul Duffy was seen combing his hair 47 times; it is also known he washes it 3 times a day. Charles McChic has never been seen combing his hair; come to think of it, we don't think he washes it. *Paul Ruddy never combs his hair - a record?*
- Skinflint teacher: Mr F., in reply to a question by his favourite class, said: "Gowns cost money and I don't have any. If I couldn't afford a haircut, how could I afford a robe."
- "The Incredible Sulk" is a fourth year girl (out of 403?)
- P McMahon sleeps with his comics in the bed beside him.
- Frank Carson had his yearly bath on 1st March and Ian Valentine (so he tells us) washed his neck for the second time in years.
- K.M. (1st year) fancies D.J. (6th year).

SPORTS REPORT CONTINUED . .

First Year Volleyball report from Michael Walsh & Gary Welsh

Mr Vernon took the 1st year volleyball team to Kilmarnock a few weeks ago to play in a tournament. He took eight players in the mini-bus; 3 could play and 5 substitutes. Those who went were C McGeown, M Kolodjiez, J Jardine, F Grant, P McLaughlin, G Welsh, M Walsh & T Diamond. We got beat.

Third Year Hockey report from Anne McMillan

On 13th March our team met with neighbouring secondary schools hockey teams at Marr College to participate in a district hockey tournament.

St Michael's were in 'section 2' against Marr, Irvine Royal, Prestwick Ac. & Kilwinning Ac.. Unfortunately we drew every game against Marr, which we lost 1-0. Marr, being the winners of our section, went through to the next round, but were knocked out by the eventual winners, Garnock Ac..

VIST TO ICI

On Wed., 14th March, 3 St Michael's senior pupils and pupils from 6 other schools went to ICI (Organics) for a series of talks. In the first talk we listened for two hours to John Hart talking about Personnel, Industrial Relations and Training. This talk was fairly interesting but a bit long.

The best thing that happened all day was lunch. You could have a beef curry and rice, or chicken, roast beef, gammon, turkey and roast pork. For sweet you could have pears and fresh cream or gateau. Then biscuits and cheese, and a liquid that was claimed to be coffee.

Then we had a talk on the Trade Unions and on how good ICI were at sorting out problems within the factory. Since 1962 there has been only one strike - a national one.

Finally we were asked if the visit had been worth it. It hadn't really because we had expected to see round the plant but security is too strict. (by M.D.)

(A bit negative - last time our correspondent (a different one) complained that they were just shown round instead of being told about management problems. - Editor)