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Opening of the School

by

Councillor H. S. LEES, M.A. (Cantab.)

preceded by

The Dedication of the School

by

The Rt. Rev. and Rt. Hon.

ROBERT WRIGHT STOPFORD

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LORD BISHOP OF LONDON

on Friday, 21st May, 1965 at 2.30 p.m.

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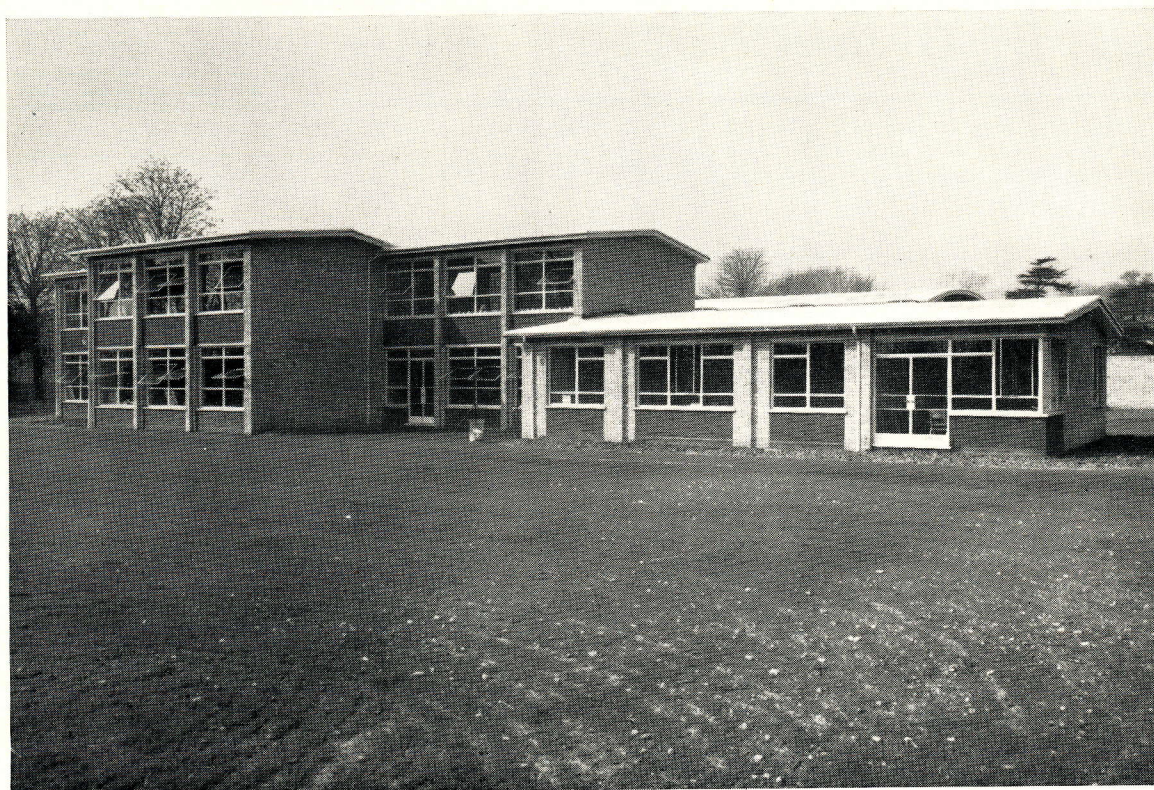
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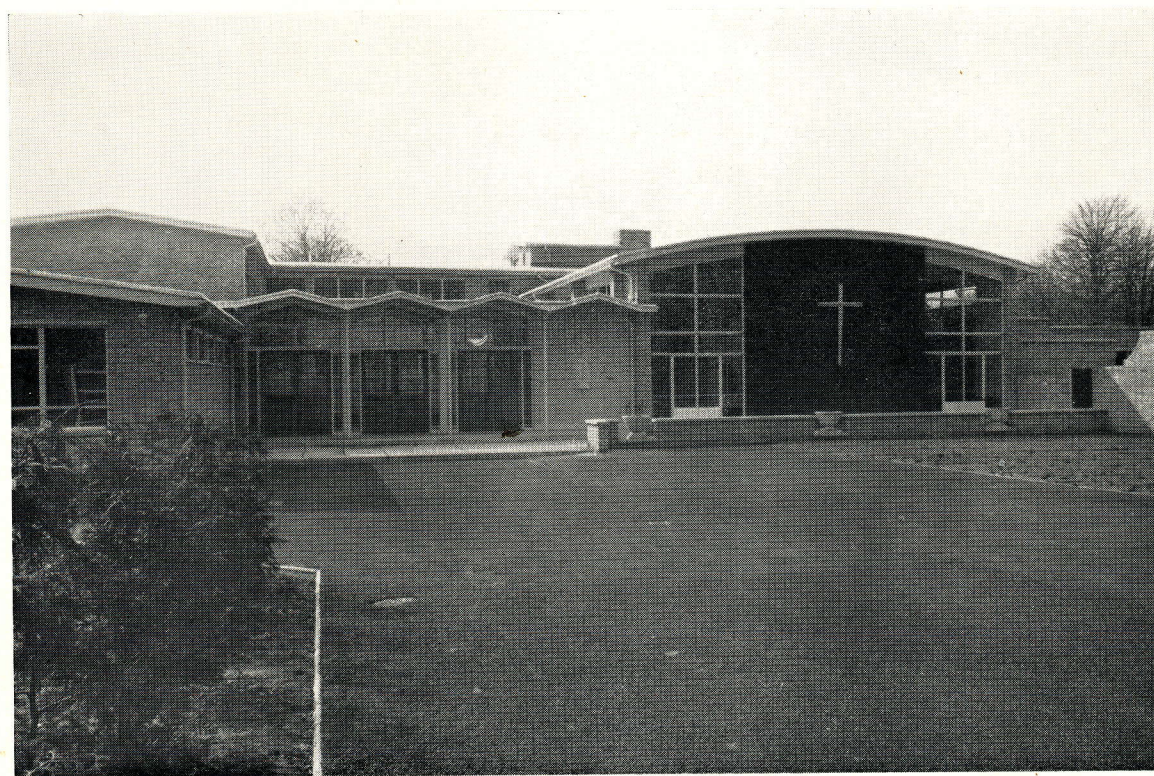
Church of England Junior School

Hampton Wick

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF ENGLAND JUNIOR SCHOOL



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THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

A bidding by

THE REV. FRANCIS BALE, A.K.C.

Rural Dean

HYMN

Glorious things of thee are spoken
Zion, city of our God!
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for his own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters.
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord the Giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Saviour, since of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am.
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy name:
Fading is the world's best pleasure,
All its boasted pomp and show:
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know.

THE LESSON

Read by CANON L. B. TIRRELL, B.Sc.

Director of Religious Education

The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and thou shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. (Deuteronomy VI: 4-7)

Then shall the Parish Priest say to the Bishop

Reverend Father in God, we present unto you this school and pray you to dedicate it to the Honour and Glory of God.

THE DEDICATION BY THE LORD BISHOP

Guide and prosper us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

'In the faith of Jesus Christ we dedicate this school for the glory and honour of Almighty God and for the education of our children in his fear and love. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.'

Here let true religion, sound learning, and brotherly love ever abound. May this School, now dedicated by our office and ministry, and with the invocation of the most holy name, be prospered continually: and may the work done here have good and abiding success: to the glory of God and the benefit of our Church and Nation. Amen.

O God, from whom all good things do come: send thy blessing, we beseech thee, upon this School, and give wisdom and understanding to those who teach and those who learn: that, serving both in work and play, they may know thee, whom truly to know is everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Musical Item *Brother James's Air* The School Choir

The Parish Priest shall then say to Councillor H. S. Lees

May it please you, Sir, to declare this School open.

ADDRESS AND OPENING OF THE SCHOOL

By COUNCILLOR H. S. LEES, M.A.(Cantab.)

'To the Glory of God and for the education of our children we declare Saint John the Baptist Church of England Junior School open.'

Vote of Thanks by

J. OFFER, ESQ., J.P.

Seconded by

A PUPIL OF THE SCHOOL

HYMN

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices.
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love.
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us.
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One Eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

Then shall The Lord Bishop conclude The Ceremony with

THE BLESSING

The history of our school

The tradition of our School goes back over three hundred years. By the Wills of Robert Hamonde and Edward Pigeon, bearing the dates 7th day of March 1556 and 20th day of October 1657 and comprised in the Deeds dated 19th and 20th of April 1697, money from rents and profits was given to provide instruction for the children of all persons resident in the Parish of Hampton in reading, writing and other elementary learning and in the knowledge of the Church Catechism.

Children of Hampton Wick made the long walk between the local parks to a shed used as a school near the old Church at Hampton and later to a school near Garrick House. In 1830 Hampton Wick Church was built following agitation by the increasing local population, who then continued pressure until the Endowed School for Boys was built and opened in 1845. A special room was provided in the school as a library for the district to the cost of which Queen Victoria donated £5. This room served as the local library and was supervised voluntarily by the teachers until Twickenham absorbed the Hampton Wick District. Donations were then obtained including gifts of £50 from the Dowager Queen and £10 from the Bishop of London to provide a school for girls.

These schools rendered excellent service to the district for 120 years thanks mainly to a succession of highly devoted teachers who gave the whole of their teaching careers to the schools.

After many years of effort and the ungrudging support of the London Diocesan Board of Education we now have an excellent modern building in beautiful surroundings which provides accommodation for 320 children. It is hoped that the successes and traditions of the old schools will continue in the new school and serve as inspiration for the future.



The design of the school

The school has been designed to relate to, and harmonise with, the atmosphere of quiet seclusion apparent in the surrounding district. Although a large building compared to the adjoining properties, the scale has been kept down to give a sense of intimacy between it and the surroundings which it serves.

An attempt has been made in the layout of the building to combine a feeling of informality and spaciousness and to reduce to a practicable minimum the effect of division between the building and its surroundings. The effect, particularly from inside the building, is that of one entity, the building, gardens and play areas merging into a whole, rather than existing as separate self-contained units.

The relationship and proportion of the various elements have been arranged to reduce the overall scale of the building, and this, it is hoped, will have a favourable effect upon the children. The child entering the school should not find its surroundings overpowering but find the scale comfortably related to its familiar surroundings of home.

Primary school activities centre around the Assembly Hall and this has been positioned as the focal point of the building. The Hall and entrance with the adjacent courtyard and terraces, separated only by glazed screens, is the nucleus around which the remainder of the building has been designed. The Assembly Hall is fitted for Assembly, Teaching, Dramatic, Dining and Gymnastic purposes. A fully equipped kitchen with its own access road adjoins it. Classrooms have been positioned to take maximum advantage of sunlight and outlook. Lavatories and cloakrooms are placed conveniently for classroom and playground use. The administration rooms directly adjoin the entrance with practical convenience and pleasantness of outlook in mind.

Close to the main entrance door is a figure of Saint John the Baptist, the patron saint of the School, carved in Portland Stone by John Cobbett, whose work is also to be seen at Guildford Cathedral.

A house for the Schoolkeeper is built to one side of the main entrance. Its main rooms face over the gardens and drive, thereby taking full advantage of both sun and outlook, and at the same time facilitating control over the entrance.

The layout of the site consists of a grass playing field, a paved play pitch and gardens. The paved area is kept away from the road and is also positioned to cause the minimum disturbance to the school. It is lined out for two tennis courts and a netball pitch for use in connection with organised games and instruction. The grass playing field lies to the south of the building and the remainder of the site on the road frontage is laid out with gardens. As many of the original trees as possible have been retained and many new trees have been planted. Most of the newly planted trees are fast in growth, so it is hoped they will reach maturity in a few years.

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The Church School

A Church of England School is a school founded by members of the Church. The children attending it are instructed in the Christian Faith according to the tenets of the Church of England.

The existence of such a school makes it possible for parents who wish their children to be educated in the faith of the Church to be able to choose to send their children to it. A Church of England School, therefore, exists to serve the wishes of Church of England parents. During the past 250 years some hundreds of such schools have been erected in England. Their quality has been such that the State has made education compulsory and now includes a daily act of worship in the life of all schools and biblical instruction in the curriculum.

Our Church of England Schools, therefore, have the additional cause for their existence in that they now uphold the Christian standard in education and influence the whole approach in all educational matters.

It is the intention of the Bishop, the Diocesan Board of Education and the Managers of the School to continue this tradition and dual purpose of Saint John the Baptist School. Tribute must be paid to the support and active co-operation given by the Middlesex and Twickenham Education Committees and the Ministry of Education in the erection of this school.

The Governors of a Church Aided School appoint the Head Teacher and Staff. It is this fact that enables the whole atmosphere of a Church School to be Christian, and for all its subjects to be taught accordingly. This enables the pupils to be prepared for their future life in the world, and to know of their value as children of God.

The Diocesan Board of Education regards all Church Schools as area schools and not solely as parochial schools. It is of course necessary for the staff and pupils to worship regularly as members of the School in the Parish Church. Children are admitted by the Head Teacher under any directions given by the Managers, whose duty it is to maintain the Church Character of the School. This, of course, is only possible by the co-operation of the parents and staff of the School.

The tradition of this School has been maintained during most trying circumstances. The new School makes it possible for this tradition to be enlarged and for the School to take a very honoured place amongst all schools. May all the pupils who will attend this School become ambassadors of Our Lord Jesus Christ and his Church.

L. B. TIRRELL,

Diocesan Director of Education.

Managers of the School

The Rev. A. C. Bowell, A.L.C.D. (Chairman)

J. Offer, Esq., J.P. A. C. Davies, Esq.

Councillor Miss O. Wilkins Miss M. Kearn

Councillor H. S. Lees, M.A. (Correspondent to the Manager)

The School Staff

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Deputy Head: Miss M. S. Brown, B.A.

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Miss C. Larbalestier	Mr. N. P. Redston	Mr. P. W. Wright, B.A.	Mrs. M. Owen

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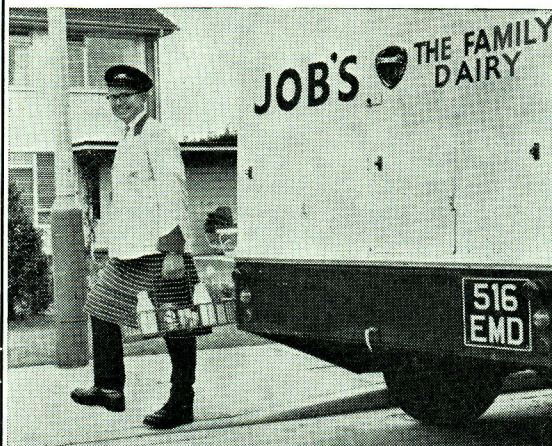
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