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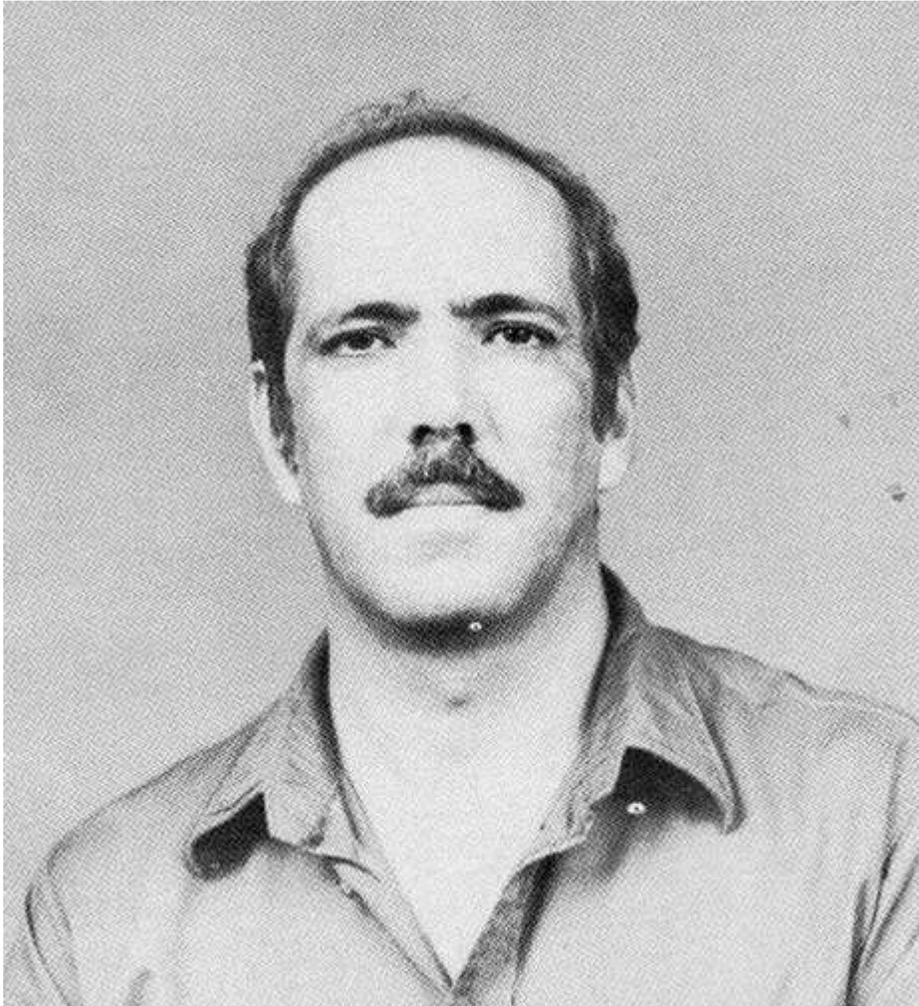
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EDITORIAL

On this 40th anniversary of the College Magazine we must bid farewell to the previous editor Mr. Alfred Bhulai, the first non-Jesuit to edit the whole Magazine. We wish him well in his new endeavours (see Staff Changes). We also bid farewell to Mr. Clarence Trotz, the first non-Jesuit headmaster of the College.

This year, the Magazine must again be in reduced format due to financial constraints. It continues from the last Magazine and goes up to April, 1983. Since the last Magazine had been thought to be the very last one ever, no diary was kept in 1981-82. As such, the College Diary cannot be very detailed for that period.

We have two Salvetes so that people who entered the college in different school years are not confused. A point to note: since the Salvete and Valete cover such a wide period of time, people who spent only one or two terms at St. Stanislaus will be in both the Salvete and Valete. We have, for convenience, counted a fraction of a year as one year in the Valete.

To say that the college was disinterested in the Magazine would be an understatement. We, the editors, were viewed as vampires who chase victims for articles down the corridors of the college. Many sports photographs were not taken because students had not bothered to turn up in games clothes. There was no prefects' photograph taken since the prefects did not turn up at all. The list can go on. Not everyone was unhelpful - we would like to thank Mrs. H. Moses and Mrs. C. Heywood for their assistance in collecting articles from their classes. Their enthusiasm made the Magazine worthwhile.

There is, we realise, a severe disillusionment with the Magazine. Due to financial difficulties and the unreliability of the printers, the Magazine, is released so late that the information interests hardly any of the students and teachers. Other problems, of course, are the poor quality of photographic reproduction and the necessary amount of advertisement. We persevere though. The Magazine is a record of the college and what the college has done. It is a symbol of the College and therein lies its importance.

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ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE ASSOCIATION

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT	
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Ex-Officio Members	
Mr. Dinband Khusial	Headmaster of the College

ASSOCIATION SECTION

It is significant on this fortieth anniversary of the College Magazine that we have a College Association Section. This was a notable feature of the Magazine for several years though was eventually lost. This loss was unfortunate since, with a less active role in the magazine, the Association was no longer a visible force in the College. But the Association is a force and we will give it its due. To ignore the Association is to ignore the College.

MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

The St. Stanislaus' College Association was formed in September 1942 by a group of former students of the College to ensure that the doors of St. Stanislaus' remained open.

Through the years, the Association has stood by the College in good times and in bad, lending support, raising the funds for extensions and improvements and supplementing the income of the College when it became difficult to make ends meet. From the beginning as an old Boys' Association - today parents, guardians, members of staff and all old students are eligible for membership. The annual subscription is only \$10.00 for full members and \$2.00 for school leavers for the first two years after leaving school.

The College today needs the Association more than it has ever done. The present economic situation has made it impossible for the Government to maintain the buildings and furniture and to continue to supply the funds necessary for the supplying of equipment to the various departments, as well as the everyday school requisites. Within the last two years, the College has been relying more and more on the Association which has been most fortunate to have obtained an able ally in Guyana Stores Limited who have adopted Saints' under Guystac's School adoption programme. While their help has been tremendous, we the parents, guardians, old students and staff who make up the Association must bear our share of the responsibilities not only to ensure that the doors of Saints remain open but that the students attending Saints obtain the best possible education, both academically and morally.

Within recent time, the Association with the help of Guyana Stores Limited was responsible for the erection of the new Sports Pavilion on Carifesta Avenue and the grading of the sports field. The Association continues to administer the School Farm at Sophia. In addition, the Association has a Building Sub-Committee responsible for the maintenance of the school's premises. The Education, Sports, Magazine and Social Sub-Committees are all integrally involved in the day-to-day programme of the College.

As a former student, you owe a debt to your old school, as a parent you have a parental responsibility to ensure that your child receives the best possible education and as a member of staff, your input is vital if the high standards associated with Saints are to be maintained.

Let us all pull together in the months ahead and I am sure that despite our many handicaps, we will overcome.



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NEWS OF OLD BOYS

<p>LEITH YEARWOOD (1976)</p>	<p>Had graduated with the B.Sc. degree from the College of Leather Technology University or Calcutta, India. Leith specialized in the manufacturing of leather from raw hides and skins. He gained the highest degree marks in the college since 1919, and his academic performance has qualified him for a gold medal.</p>
<p>RICHARD CHOW- WAH (1975)</p>	<p>Obtained a B.Sc. degree in industrial Engineering in 1980 from Windsor University, Canada and is presently reading for a Master's degree in Business Administration at another Canadian institution of learning - York University,</p>
<p>RAYMOND SHEPHERD (1949)</p>	<p>Is residing in Trinidad, and has been appointed the Lions Cabinet Secretary/ Treasurer for Sub-District 60A, of Multiple District 60, for the fiscal year 1983/84,</p>
<p>VINOO SOLOMON (1980)</p>	<p>Was the Captain of the Guyana Team for this year's West Indian Youth Cricket tournament. In the 1982 Competition, he was voted the best player in the Guyana Team for his performance and conduct both on and off the field. Vinoo has successfully completed a two-year Diploma Course in Electrical Engineering at the University of Guyana.</p>

RUDY LUCK (1976)	Has obtained a B.Sc. degree in Chemistry from the University of Toronto, and is reading for his Master's degree at that University.
RICHARD CHIN (1981)	Won the Under-14, Under-16 and Under-19 titles at two invitation Squash Tournaments held in Ottawa, Canada this year.
ANDRE De SOUZA (1976)	Has graduated with a B.Sc. degree in Mechanical Engineering from Auburn University in the U, S.A.
NEVILLE GOMES (1948)	Is now the Factory Manager at Guyana Timbers Limited, where he has been working for the last seven years. Among other things, Neville is responsible for the building of nearly three hundred pre-fab houses annually.
J. R. (JOE) VIEIRA (1936)	Is now the Executive Chairman of the Guyana Airways Corporation. At a recent ceremony, honoring employees of that Corporation, who have given dedicated service over the past twenty-five years, Joe was the recipient of a special award for his contribution to the Corporation over the last eighteen years.
DESMOND BURCHSMITH (1956)	Has been appointed Principal Magistrate. With this appointment, Desmond became one of the few persons, whose father has also served as a Magistrate in Guyana.
WILFRED HINDS (1946)	Has been appointed an Assistant Comptroller of Customs and Excise.
BALRAM OUTRAM (1977)	Graduated from the Schwerin School of Mechanical Engineering, in the German Democratic Republic, where he completed practical and theoretical courses, inter alia, in Construction Engineering, Production Engineering, Agricultural Engineering and Metal Processing.
J.D. SIMMONS (1946)	Has been appointed Deputy Secretary to the Treasury, in the Ministry of Finance.
ARTHUR VEERASAMMY (1957)	Was the Lions Cabinet Secretary for Sub-District 60.4 - Trinidad & Tobago, Suriname and Guyana - for the fiscal year 1982 - 83.
SYDNEY CHRISTOPHE (1982)	Emerged winner of this year's Youth Week Table Tennis Tournament organized by the Department of Youth and Sports.
ANTHONY CHAPMAN (1958)	Has been the Assistant Training Coordinator at the Guyana Management Institute since June 1980. Anthony, who obtained the BSc Economics degree from the University of Guyana in 1977, worked at the Supreme Court and Deeds Registry for twenty-one years, before joining the staff of the Guyana Management Institute.

NIGEL FISHER (1978)	Graduated from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, with first class honours in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics. Nigel, who is now working at the Bank of Guyana as a Computer Programmer/Analyst, is also the Scout Leader of Troop 25 - St, Stanislaus' Own.
AMARNAUTH NARAIN (1979)	Has successfully completed his first year of studies at St. Mary's University, Halifax - Nova Scotia, Canada, where he is going for a degree in Business Administration.
JOHN BUTTERS (1969)	Has been appointed General Manager of the Guyana Co-operative Agricultural and Industrial Development Bank.
J.M. (MIKE) de ABREU (1944)	Is now the Assistant to the Managing Director of Texaco (Trinidad) Limited.
CLEM H. Da SILVA (1928)	Has been commissioned a Minister of the Eucharist for the Fatima Roman Catholic Church.
CHARLES (BONNIE) RAMSON (1968)	After serving for two years as the Assistant Secretary of the Guyana bar Association, has been elected Secretary of that organisation for the fiscal year 1983-84.
FRANKIE CHEONG (1976)	Became the first the local Karateka to win both Kata and Kumite contests when the Karate Association International of Guiana, held their National Championship earlier this year, at the St. Joseph's High School. After training for thirteen years, Frankie was awarded a third-degree Black Belt, at a graduating exercise held prior to the Championships.
MICHAEL (MIKE) BRASSINGTON (1954)	Has been appointed a member of the Guyana Export Promotion Council, and elected the Vice-Chairman of that body.

MARRIAGES

STEPHEN CAMACHO (1964)	to Alison Hunter.
ANDREW (ANDY) CARTO (1969)	to Meena Skull.
ORIN BARKER (1975)	to Winnita Drayton.
CHARLES De FRETTAS (1974)	To Debbie De Nobrega.
PATRICK (TONY) FARNUM (1974)	to Sandra Plummer.
CHRISTOPHER GORINSKY (1955)	to Renee Nascimento.

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OBITUARIES

NOEL FRANCIS BARCELLOS died on the 20th January, 1982, from a heart attack, while on holiday in London. He was sixty-three (63).

Noel, who was a bachelor, and of retiring disposition, was at the college from 1929 to 1933. He continued his studies after leaving College and then worked with his father, the late A.M.S. Barcellos, Accountant.

He pursued a course in Accountancy and qualified as a Certified Accountant (A. C.C.A) in 1952, and as a chartered Secretary (A.C.I.S.) in 1958. Noel subsequently became a fellow Member of both bodies. He first practiced his profession with his father, and later with the firm of Barcellos and Company.

Noel was one of the Founder Members of the institute of Chartered Accountants Guyana, and its secretary for many years. He was also the Institute's Auditor and Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee which considered applicants for registration as students with the Association of certified Accountants - one of the parent Bodies of the institution.

Noel was for a very long time the Honorary Auditor of the St. Stanislaus College Association.

He is survived by his younger brother John, and his sister Joan.

May he rest in Peace.

The voice of the people is the voice of God.

Alcuin

To send too much time in studies is sloth.

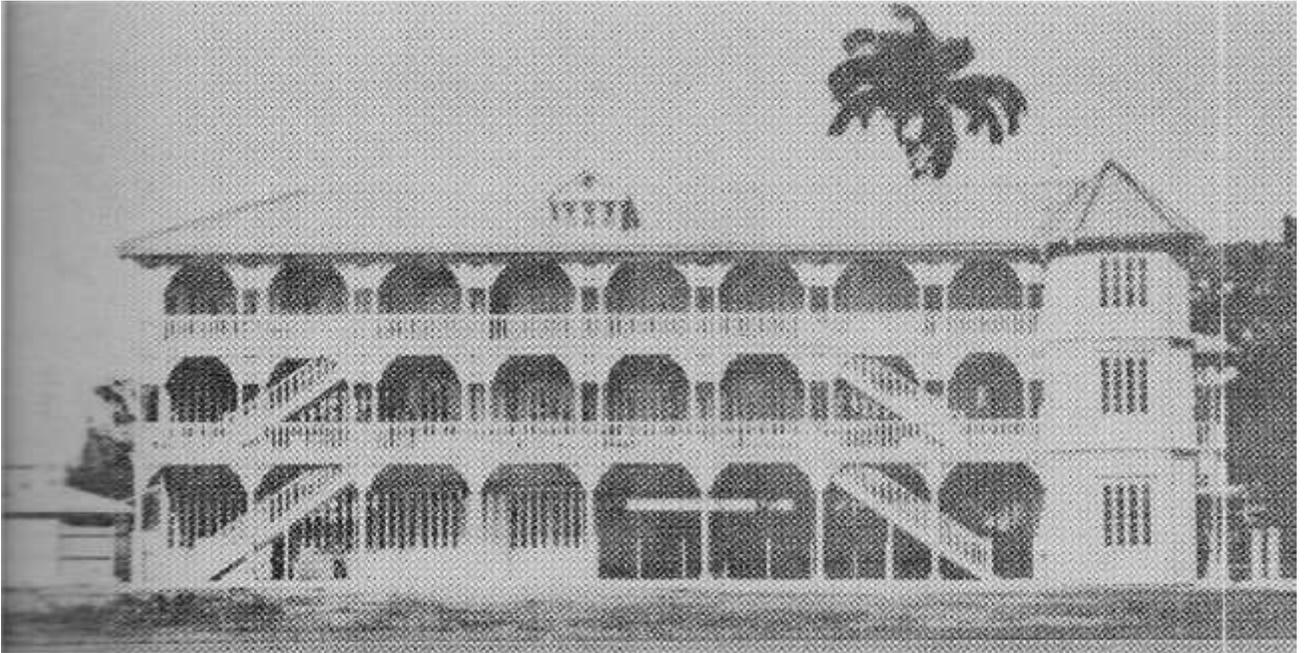
Francis Bacon.

Orden no es una presion que desde fuera se ejerce sobre la sociedad, sino un equilibrio que se suscita en su interior,

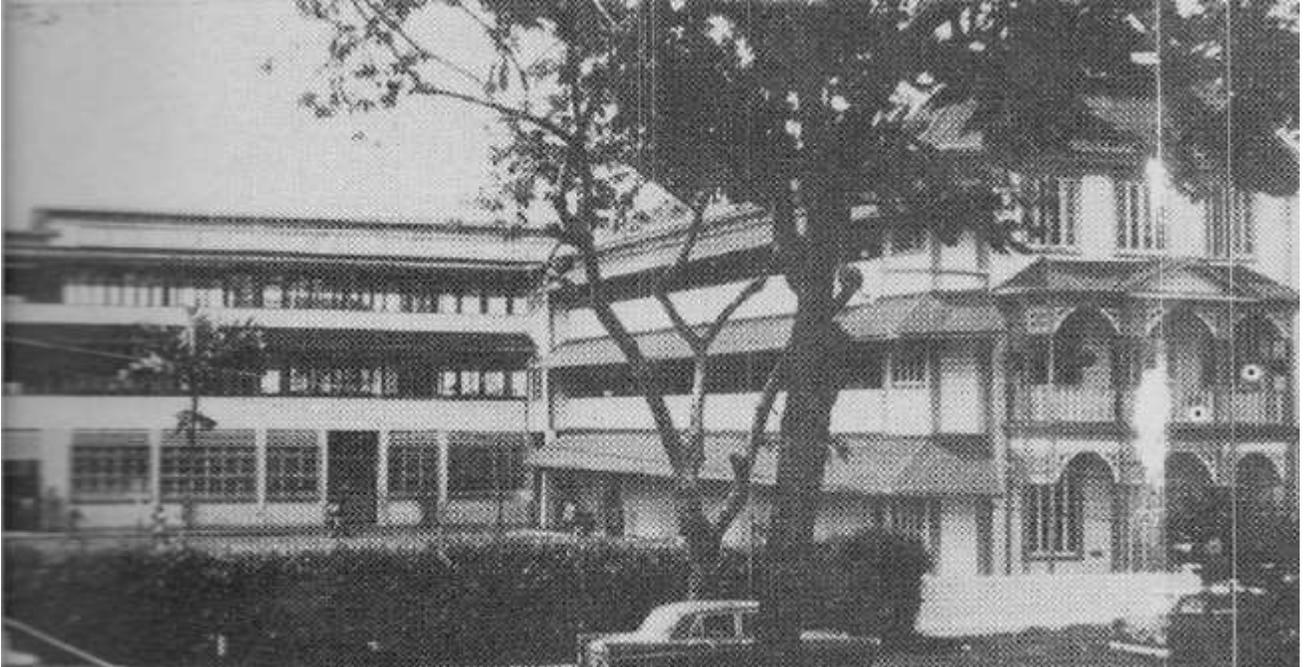
Jose Ortega y Gasset.

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The College in 1929



The College in the 1960's



THE College Today



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COLLEGE DIARY

CHRISTMAS TERM 1981	
Sept. 14 th	School opens.
Oct. 5 th Oct. 9 th Oct. 19 th Oct. 27 th	C.X.C. and G.C.E. results are released. Eid-UI-Azha (National Holiday). 5R and 6S1 start classes. Diwali (National Holiday).
Nov. 12 th Nov. 13 th Nov. 15 th	Sports Day – (at last!) School Holiday for Sports Day. Feast of St. Stanislaus Kostka. Annual Dinner of the College Association
Dec. 11 th	School closes.

EASTER TERM 1982

Jan. 4th Jan. 8th Jan. 21st	School opens, Youman Nabi (National Holiday) Mr. Trotz seconded to Ministry of Education as Coordinator of Math's and Science Unit. Mr. Khusiai becomes Acting Headmaster, Mrs. Sargeant - Acting Deputy Headmistress, Mr. Samaroo - Acting Senior Master and Mrs. Persico - Acting Senior Mistress.
Feb. 12th Feb. 19th Feb. 22nd Feb. 23rd	Elocution finals Prize Day. School Holiday for Prize Day, Republic Day (National Holiday)
Mar. 10th Mar. 12th - 13th Mar. 25th Mar. 30th	Phagwa (National Holiday). House Plays at St. Roses'. End of term exams begin. Retrenchment letters received by a few members of staff in the nation-wide retrenchment programme.

AUGUST TERM 1982

April 6th April 26th	School closes. School opens.
May 3rd May 5th	Mr. Bhulai resumes duties, the only person to be reinstated. Exam students allowed to stay home to study.
June 27th	Guy-Fun Fair, arranged by the College Association, is held at the National Park.
July 5th July 14th July 16th	Caricom Day (National Holiday) Third Anniversary of the death of Fr. Darke S.J... School closes.

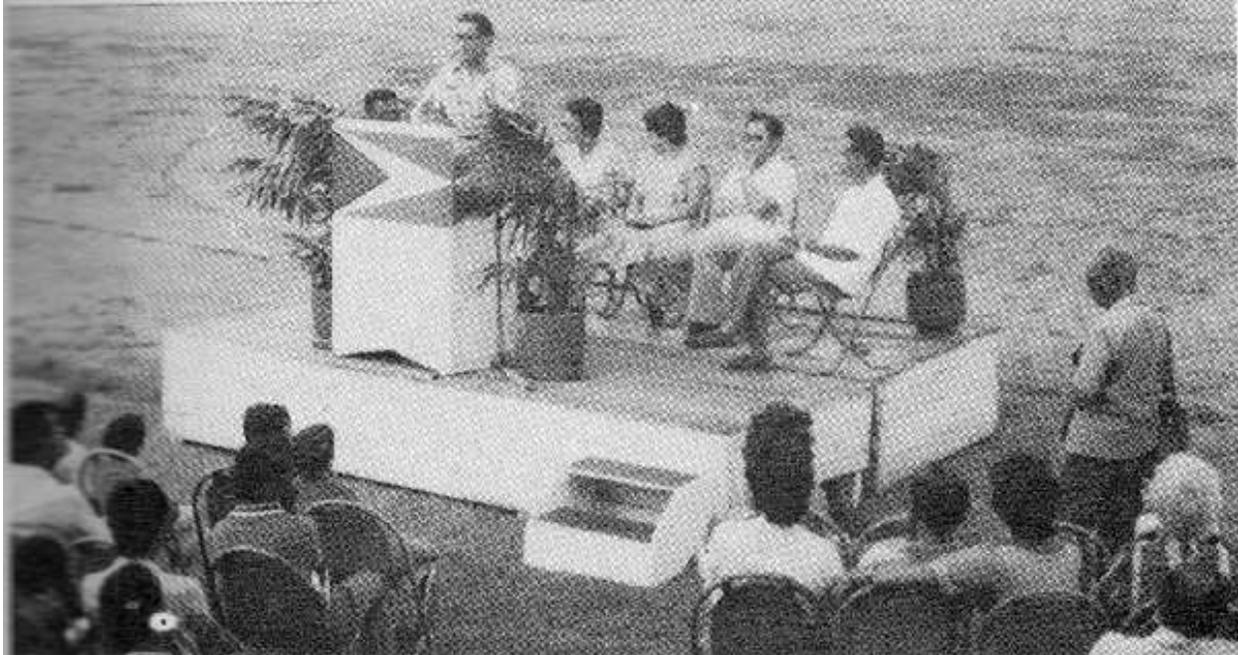
CHRISTMAS TERM 1982

Sept. 3rd Sept. 9th Sept. 13th	C.X.C. results released. G.C.E. results released. School opens for new school year
Oct. 1st Oct. 8th Oct. 11th	Informal social evening for parents/guardians of new students (sponsored by the Association). New College Sports Pavillion is opened. Cost: \$150,000, Guyana Stores contributed \$110,000 6S1 and 5R start.

Oct. 13th - 14th Oct. 15th Oct. 18th Oct. 22nd	Heats for Sports. No school Sports Day at the College Ground. School Holiday for Sports Day. Saints' wins in debate against Richard Ishmael Secondary in the J.O.F. Haynes debating competition. The team: David Singh, Kojo Parris and Kashir Khan.
Nov. 12th Nov. 13th Nov. 15th Nov. 24th Nov. 26th	Tour Club Dance Feast of St. Stanislaus Kostka. Annual Dinner of St. Stanislaus' College Association. Hindu Society holds havan for Diwali. Diwali (National Holiday). End of term exams for 4 th forms, 5th and 6S2. Students attend National Sports finals. No school.
Dec. 10th	School closes. Christmas concert held and staff and students express their appreciation to Mrs. Stephen and Mr. Bhulai for their service. Saints, lose by 0.1 mark to Queen's College in the J.O.F. Haynes debating finals. Kojo Parris is voted best speaker for the competition.

EASTER TERM 1983

Jan. 3rd	School reopens.
Feb. 18th Feb. 20th Feb. 23rd Feb. 25th Feb. 28th	Elocution finals. Mass Games Premiere. The exercise sacrificed school time and disrupted school programmes. Republic Day (National Holiday) Prize Day School Holiday for Prize Day. Annual General Meeting of the College Association is postponed due to a lack of a quorum,
Mar. 7th Mar. 28th Mar. 29th Mar. 7^{31st}	Annual General Meeting of the Association, Pre-Phagwa excesses. Phagwah (National Holiday). School closes.



Opening of the New Pavilion at the Sports Ground.

L-R: Mr. Khusial (partly hidden), Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Chan-A-Sue, Mr. Chan-A-Sue, Fr. De Souza.

At extreme bottom right can be seen Mr. Trotz.

MON AMIE

Grande et belle est elle
Une personne de caractere remarquable.
Pour moi, mon amie n'est jarnais desagreable.

Aimable douce et gentille.
Je suis tres fired d'etre son amie,

CHRISTINE PARK 5C

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THE COLLEGE STAFF



4th Row (L-R)	Mr. Y. Raghunandan, Mr. D. Ramlall, Mr. J. Ramsaroop.
3rd Row	Mr. H. Stuart, Mr. K. Ramlochan, Mrs. W. Abrams, Mr. H. Persaud, Mr. M. Benjamin, Mr. R. Bobb, Mr. A. Ali, Mr. D. Chan.
2nd Row	Mr. R. Persaud, Mrs. J. Archibald, Miss Y. Wills, Mrs. L. Ramjattan, Mr. C. Vaughn, Mr. Z. Habib, Mr. P. Williams, Mrs. L. Meertins, Miss. A. Amsterdam, Mr. N. Alert, Mr. B. Kilkenny, Mr. A. Bentick, Mr. N. Ishmael.
1st Row	Mrs. B. Hamid, Miss E. Batman, Mrs. C. Heywood, Mrs. E. de-Mendonca, Mrs. L. Agard, Mr. B. Samaroo, Mr. D. Khusial (H.M), Mrs. T. Persico, Miss L. King, Mrs. J. Yussuff, Miss H. Moses, Mrs. B. Hemraj, Miss M. Yarris, Miss J. Browne.

COLLEGE STAFF – 1982 - 83

Name	Special Role
Mr. Dinband Khusial, B.A., Dip. Ed.	- Headmaster (Ag.)
Mrs. Hazlon Sargeant, B.A. Dip. Ed.	- Deputy Headmistress (Ag.)
Mr. Bernard Samaroo, B.A.	- Senior Master (Ag.)
Mrs. Tessa Persico, B, Ed.	- Senior Mistress (Ag.)
Mrs. Winifred Abrams, B.A. (resigned)	
Mrs. Lynette Agard, B. Soc. Sc	

Mr. Neville Alert	
Mr. Akbar Ali	
Mis Sharon Amsterdam	
Mrs. Janice Archibald	
Mr. Marc Benlamin	
Mr. Alfred Bentick	
Mr. Vidya Bipat, B. Sc	- House Master, Butler
Miss Joan Browne, Dip. Agri. (resigned)	
Mr. David Chan	
Mr. Andre' Greene, Dip. Agri.	
Mr. Zulfikar Habib, B. Sc	
Mr. Compton Harsham (resigned)	
Mrs. Bhanumattie Hamraj	- House Mistress, Weld
Mrs. Claudia Heywood, B.A.	
Mr. Noel Ishmael, B.A., M.A.	
Miss Norma Joseph	
Mr. Bernard Kilkenny, Dip, Agri. (resigned)	
Miss Leslyn King	
Mrs. Vimla Kishna	- House Mistress, Etheridge
Mrs. Lurine Meertins, B.A, Dip. Ed'	- House Mistress, Butler
Mrs. Elaine de Mendonca, B.A.	
Miss Hazel Moses, B.A,	
Mr. Hardatt Persaud	
M., Roopnarine Persaud, B.A,	
Mr. Mahendra Prashad	
Mr. Yudhisthira R4hunandan, B.Sc.	
Mr. Royston Rai	
Mrs. Linette Ramjattan, B.A, Dip. Ed, (resigned)	
Mr. Desbhandhu Ramlall, B, A,	
Mr. Kenrick Ramlochan	
Mr. Jeewan RamsarooP	
Mrs. Eileen Stephen (retired)	
Mr. Horace Stuart	- House Master, Weld
Mr. Charles Vaughn, O. T.D,	- House Master, Galton
Mr. Paul Williams, Dip. Agri.	- House Master, Etheridge
Miss Yvette Wills	- House Mistress, Galton
Mrs. Gwen Wiltshire	
Miss Margot Yarris	
Mrs. Joan Yuszuff, B.Soc. Sc	

Office Staff: Secretaries:	Miss. Elaine Balman Mrs. Bibi Hamid
Office Assistant:	Mr. Oswald Bunbury
Librarian-in-training	Mrs. Annie Chancellor
Accounts Clerk	Mr. Roland Bobb
Cleaner	Mrs. Joyce Clarke
Roundsman	Mr. Kenneth Kirgston
College Farm: Senior Worker:	Mr. Sunilall
Plant Section	Mr. N. Lyttle
Animal Section	Mr. Sukhram
Security Guard	Mr. Shamlall
Sports Ground Caretaker	Mr. Zafar Alli

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STAFF CHANGES – Up to April 1983	
Staff Lost	Special Role
Mr. C. Trotz, M.A., Cert. Ed.	Headmaster, Physics
Mrs. W. Abrams, B.A.	Spanish
Mr. H. Ali	Agriculture
Mr. A. Bhulai, B.Sc.	Chemistry
Miss. M. Bollers, Dip. Agri.	Agriculture
Miss M. Broodhagen, Dip. Art Teaching	Art
Miss J. Browne, Dip. Agri.	Biology
Miss P. Hamilton	Physical Education
Mr. C. Harsham	Laboratory Assistant
Mr. Kilkenny, Dip. Agri.	Agriculture
Miss D. Mohabir	Secretary
Miss S. Persaud	Secretary
Mrs. L- Ramjattan, B.A., Dip. Ed.	Geography
Mr. A Singh	Mathematics
Miss A. Sing-Wai	French
Mrs. E. Stephen	English

Mr. Trotz, headmaster from 1980 to 1982 and Upper Sixth Physics teacher, was seconded to the Ministry of Education to be co-ordinator of the Mathematics and Science Unit. His departure was a great loss, felt especially so by the A-level students. Miss Broodhagen, a well-known artist, was an excellent teacher. Since she was over retirement age, the Ministry would only employ her part-time. Claiming financial difficulties, the Ministry refused to pay her for several months for the work she had done. Eventually, still denied the money she had earned, she resigned in frustration. The College in losing a leading Art teacher, has had no replacement. Mr. Kilkenny left in the beginning of 1983. He had taught here for over six years and the excellent results in Agriculture that the College obtained were due mainly to him. Mr. Bhulai and Miss Sing-Wai were, in 1982, affected by the retrenchment programme. After protests over the dismissals from the Staff and the students, Mr. Bhulai was reinstated. He resigned a few months later to work at U.G. Miss Sing-Wai did not regain her job and no proper reason has yet been given for this. Mr. Bhulai was here for seven years and was mainstay of the A-level department. Both were good and conscientious teachers and were among the last teachers any school would want to retrench. We also bid farewell to Mrs. Stephen who retired after teaching for forty years, more than seven of them at the College. Many students are proud to have been taught by her. Mr. Alli, the popular caretaker, who was retrenched, has been employed by the College Association as caretaker for the College Sports Ground.

Staff Gained	Subject
Mr. M. Benjamin	Mathematics
Mr. D. Chan	Physics
Mr. A. Greene, Dip. Agri.	Agriculture
Mrs. B. Hamid	Secretary
Mr. N. Ishmael, B.A., M. A.	French
Miss E. de Mendonca, B.A.	History
Mrs. H. Moses, B.A.	English
Mr. J. Ramsaroop	Chemistry

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PREFECTS	
1982 - 83	1983 - 84
D, Singh - Captain	L. Lachmansingh - Captain
S. Bhagrattee - Vice-Captain	K. Khan - Vice Captain
H. Ash	S. Ali
A. Barker	R. Abdool

S. Chan-A-Sue	A. Debidin
M. Chinnatambi	D. Etwaroo
M. Chung	S. Harewood
B. Fletcher	J. Henry
E, Lancaster	I. Hussein
F. Moses	A. Insanally
S. Patterson	D. Jadunauth
L-Persaud	M. Kowlessar
S. Raghoo	M, Ramcharran
A. Ramcharan	G. Sharma
H. Robertson	I. Singh
	N. Singh
	R. Singh
	S. Taharally

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HINDU SOCIETY REPORT

During the past year our Hindu Society has been the most vibrant ever since it started in 1975. We have had two havans and two concerts; one concert for Diwali (1981) and one for Phagwah (1982). The Society also purchased a dholak (drum) and a harmonium from funds gained from the concerts and a food sale. During the year, a Hindu Class was also started but unfortunately, it failed due to poor attendance. The Society, has also taken part in a concert held by Central High School Hindu Society for Diwali (1982).

During the year our activities have been numerous and the Society is proud to say it has been quite successful in promoting Hinduism and Indian Culture. At present, we have regular meetings, on Mondays and Fridays due mainly to the tremendous co-operation of our coordinator Mr. R. Persaud and teachers, Mr. V. Bipat, Mr. R. Persaud and Mr. J. Ramsaroop.

We would like to offer sincere thanks to two students, Tameshwar Bhagrattee and Meena Santdasani, who have whole-heartedly given their co-operation to the Society.

Next year, we look forward to more support from the Hindus at Saint, so that together we can strive for that eternal goal: "Liberation".

Hansrai Ramkarran (President)

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I. S. C.F.

In the school year 1981-82, meetings continued as usual except for one change. No Bible Studies were held on Thursdays, but the Committee catered for Bible Study on the Tuesday meetings at least once a month.

Elections held at the beginning of the year resulted in David Singh being President.

The year also brought many blessings from God. Several teachers were converted and the Club itself grew tremendously in size - so large that the venue for meetings had to be changed from 1C classroom to the lecture rooms 3 and 4.

There was one fund raising activity, in the form of a food sale, and a zone rally was held towards the end of the year.

We thank God for the great harvest of souls and our prayer is that the Bible Club may grow from strength to strength.

Marcia Chung (Secretary).

Let justice be done, though the world perish,

Ferdinand1,

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AGRI CLUB

This Club, which was formed a few years ago by mainly the agriculture students of the school, now comprises both Agriculture and non-agriculture students. Its main objective is to expose students to agriculture, not just as a subject concerned with the tilling of land and the rearing of animals, but also to point out the necessity for good management and skills.

During the first two years after its formation, the club was buzzing with activities and thus, it was one of the largest and most organised clubs of St. Stanislaus' College. However, it had a few setbacks during the last year. It was not functioning fully, due to the fact that most of its members, including some of the executives, had left the school and seemed to have forgotten about the club. Now, with a new set of members, it is trying to get on its feet again.

The club as a whole, normally plans a few fund-raising activities. The funds derived from these are used to aid students who are desirous of setting up Projects and are under financial strain. It is also used to assist the financing of agriculture tours. It has recently planned to improve the activities being carried out on the St. Stanislaus' College Farm at Sophia. This could be done with full support from its members.

Some of the places visited by the club members and non-members include, Black Bush Polder, Mahaica, Mahaicony, Abary Project (M. M. A. Irrigation Project), Moblissa, Lethem and Parts of Brazil' These trips were made Possible through fund raising activities such as raffles, fairs, food sales and the holding of food stalls and plays.

The main person behind these activities was Mr. Kilkenny. He was and still is the club's 'backbone' without whom there would not have been a club. He is always there to lend a helping hand; and to put things right, with a little assistance from the other agriculture teachers. Many students, including myself, can say that without Mr. Kilkenny and the club, they would not have benefited from Agriculture and it would not have been such an interesting subject.

It is hoped that the coming year would see an increase in our membership-. One need not be a student of Agriculture in order to join the Agriculture Club. A small subscription of \$2.00 per term is all that is asked.

P. Ramkissoon (Vice-President)

*Editors' note: Mr. Kilkenny has since left the College.

Fear is the parent of cruelty,

James Fronde

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ROOM SECTION

At the side of the lower school laboratories, under the staff-room, lies "Prep-room 1"

THE "PREP" ROOM

Definitely a misnomer. The pack of wild outlawed cowboys who reside within are not in the least "prep"-ared to do anything that is worthy of an educational institution.

In the first place, they crave the presence of any woman (i.e. any charwoman). Their townsite is so musty that it is often swept by the dust storms rather than by the charwoman. The saloon bears the sign "students are not allowed in this room".

Everyone understands that this is a less obvious way of saying "Whisky not available to wet-eared gringo kids."

Beyond the doors lie vice and tragedy in top form. Gambling (with one's own life) and drinking (to one's failing health) are rampant. Awesome showdowns also take place. But instead of heavy punches and flying bullets, chemical warfare tactics are employed. (Give a man enough - chemicals and he will kill himself). Of course, test tubes and beakers are broken instead of whiskey bottles.

Now, this is only a part of life in the "Prep" room. For a close encounter of the worst kind, go pay them a visit. You will never (live to) regret doing so.

A.M.D.G. (All Men Die Going)

A Gunslinging Member of Staff.

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UN JOUR AU VILLAGE

*Un jour que j'allais au village
pour acheter du fromage,
Je rencontrais un beau jeune homme
Qui me donna une grande pomme.*

*Je n'obtins ce que je voulais
Donc j'achetai ce que je pouvais,
Puis a un autre magasin j'allai
Voir ce que je pouvais acheter.*

*Après je me dirigeai chez moi
Et ce n'était pas très loin.
je m'approchai de la maison
Et quelle surprise! J'ai vu le garçon!*

CLARA CHIN 5A

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In the April, 1982 Edition of the College Magazine, an article in the "ROOM SECTION" was headed 'THE LIBRARY' Subsequently we received a letter from Mrs. Chancellor, the Librarian-in-training, which we are printing below, along with the response of the previous editor, Mr. Bhulai. We would like to point out that even though we did not approach Mrs. Chancellor, our discussion with Mr. Trotz, prior to printing was more than sufficient. In addition, we did investigate the state of the library - by going in to ascertain its condition as well as check its "records".

Dear Sir,

I read with great concern in the April 1982 edition of the College Magazine the article captioned "The Library" on page 28.

I wish to express surprise and disappointment that an article punctuated with inaccuracies and disrespectful insinuations was allowed to be published without giving me the opportunity to correct the misimpressions before printing, or to deny the claims made therein. Had the writers carried out a thorough investigation as to the reason for the present state of the library, the picture conveyed in the Magazine would be much less erroneous. I note that, as the person concerned, I was at no time approached on the matter, but perhaps, one cannot always take the knowledge of correct procedure for granted. The contempt with which staff, including administration, is referred to, leaves much to be desired on the part of a committee that produces a respectable Magazine for wide circulation. This is all the more disturbing when it is considered that the Magazine is not only for circulation within Guyana, but finds itself in the possession of old boys and others, no doubt, overseas.

The statements made are damaging, to say the least, and it is my view that the only way in which the Committee could make amends is to tender a written apology, since it would not be practicable to do so by any other means. Further, I should like to suggest that one of the hallmarks of good reporting is thorough checking of information to be published, and an honest and straightforward dissemination of such information.

I look forward to an early reply.
Yours sincerely,
A. Chancellor (Librarian-in-training)

Dear Mrs. Chancellor,

We the St. Stanislaus' College Magazine Committee were deeply concerned on receiving your letter. Let us state from the outset that we in no way meant to impugn you or cast aspersions on either your name or office. And if the article does this in anyway, we unreservedly apologise and withdraw such. I take the opportunity to explain certain things.

Editorial Policy:

It has been the practice over the years from contributors to the Magazine to enjoy a freedom of expression. The editor's 'nihil obstat' is awarded not so much to the article but to the contributor. Once the integrity and 'bona fides' of the writer are known, as in the case of a writer on the Magazine Committee, the article is accepted in good faith.

“There is nothing outside the man which going into him can defile him; but the things which proceed out of a man are what defile the man.”

Mark 7:15 (NAS Bible)

The Article in the Magazine:

The Article was written in July, 1981 and up to that time I think you may have to admit that many of the books had not been returned and that no one even finding the time to get after the offending persons. The headmaster and teachers have powers of punishment and it was up to them to take appropriate action.

With respect to the accessibility and unavailability of the books, especially reference books. The article in the Magazine in no way holds you responsible. - Mr. Trotz, the headmaster, in the Magazine interview admits to being defeated. It would therefore be almost a 'lese-majeste' to assume responsibility in such a situation, where for example you could not even obtain an accession stamp * to implement the Ministry of Education's system. The writer of the article was merely noting the fact that the books were piled in a certain way which made it difficult to even know what books were available in order to awaken a desire to borrow.

Finally, the Article laments the lack of interest in the library by the school as a whole, especially by the student body. I admit that you were therefore concerned. But the school's administration is even more concerned. I was part of that administration and felt the responsibility; the headmaster felt it most of all. However, we do not feel that this implication holds us in contempt. If it does, then it is justified by the facts, irrespective of our culpability. I believe the Article heightened our awareness of the situation, especially by making us see how some responsible students view it. If the school benefits as a result, then I think the Article had achieved its purpose.

**Yours sincerely,
Alfred Bhulai
(Editor, for Magazine Committee)**

* **Editor's note:** Mrs. Chancellor, later elaborating on the "inaccuracies", stated that the lack of an accession stamp was preventing the cataloguing of the books.

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SEVEN YEARS OF CO-EDUCATION

In September 1975, for the first time, thirty-six little girls were first-formers in the College. Seven years later, three of them were the first to complete the full O and A-Level courses: Carol Jeffrey, Sabina Kassim and Juella Ross. Other girls had completed their O and A-Levels in previous years but they had been transferred from other schools and so had not spent their complete secondary school life in the College. Maybe without knowing it, these three ladies have firmly established St. Stanislaus' as an integrated College.



From left to right, the three girls:
Carol Jeffrey, Juella Ross and Sabina Kassim

UNE SOEUR GENTILLE

*Charles regarda l'horloge Mon Dieu! Huit heures moins vingt-cinq.
"Jean, dépêchons-nous ou Papa sera très fâché," dit-il à son frère.
Très vite les deux garçons se mirent à courir chez eux. Mais,
hélas. Il était huit heures cinq. Monsieur et Madame Laroche
et leur fille Marie venaient de diner. Leur père était tres fâché.
"Allez à votre chambre," leur dit-il, "vous aurez pas de dîner,"
Les deux y allèrent. Mais leur soeur Marie avait pitié des deux
garçons et quand ses parents ne regardaient pas, elle mit des*

sandwichs dans un sac de papier, Elle monta l'escalier à pas de loup, à la main le sac qu'elle donna aux garçons heureux.

Sharnaine Ali 5A,

MA SOEUR

*Marie est une petite fille,
Et elle n'est jarmais très tranquille,
Car towjours quand elb est en classe
Elle fait à son maître une crasse.*

*Marie est ma soeur quelle horreur!
Elb donne mà tete une douleur,
Et quand elle commence à pleurer
Je rne sens toujours perturbée,*

*Un jour que j'allais étudier
J'entendis un cri dans haie
Je descendis faire une enquête
Elle jeta de l'ean sur ma tête.*

*Mais quand elle est contente, rna soeur,
Elb est aussi jolie qu'une fleur.
Elle est ma lumière, cette fille,
J'aime beaucoup ma soeur Marie,*

Denise Friday 5A.

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HONOUR AND JUSTICE

The Pilot had graduated from Sandhurst with honours. The Government had paid for his training. He owed it to them. He lifted the lever. The plane rose. They were airborne. He checked the control panel. Everything was in order; everything except the main mechanism in the aircraft. Everything except him. The Pilot. Their lives were in his hands.

"Stop it," he chided himself. "You're the President's private pilot. Obey orders. He pays you well. Where is your honour?" A voice shouted in his head. 'You're a coward!'

The plane circled the airfield for the last time and was on its journey. The pilot was thinking of the past and the present, afraid to contemplate the future. "It is wrong. I know it's wrong. They're nothing but criminals, just ordinary criminals. Their B.Sc's and M.A.'s don't mean a thing. They're men like me, with ambitions, aspirations and passions. Their money did not send me to Sandhurst. The money belonged to the people. The taxes of hardworking people like Jean. Those same taxes are helping them to escape. Should I turn back? Their lives are in my hands. Should I? Do I dare to do so?

My life is at stake, but if I turn back, my honour would be saved. Criminals! President and Cabinet, Their families are safe, while mine and thousands of others are left to perish in what was once a flourishing country. Not fully developed, but yet flourishing. These bandits have turned it to nothing. My country. The Revolution is on. Riots have broken out. Rebellion! Jean is among them, and little Roy and Rhonda. My family. But orders are orders! The Army is my life. I must go on. Lord, what must I do?".

Then he saw it all. Before his eyes, in the empty clouds, flashed a vision of the suffering. He realized the injustice of it all. He knew what he must do.

"I can't turn back. The people would tear us to pieces. No, those bandits would soon finish me off. They wouldn't let me, but justice must be done...."

The Pilot, graduate from Sandhurst, honourable soldier and proud family man, touched the control panel. Just two knobs. The plane shook violently, then it plunged towards the ground. Soon, it was an inferno..... accidents do happen.

Jewel Robinson. 5C

The universe is not hostile, nor yet is it friendly. It is simply indifferent.

John Holmes.

Taxation without representation is tyranny,

Janes Otis.

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DO WE NEED A 5R?

In October 1980, a 5R was established here for the first time and since then, there have been two more of these classes. The basic principle is to provide an opportunity for students, who have been unsuccessful at their exams to 'have another chance' and to improve grades.

Is 5R a wasted effort? We think so, and we have written this article to explain why. We have compared the results of the first and second exam sittings of two 5R's. The school files are incomplete for some people, so these persons cannot be taken into account. Judging however, from the 1982 results (which we do have records of), many of the persons without school files failed abysmally:

	# of people in Class	# Surveyed
5R: 1980 - 81	37	27
5R: 1981 - 82	45	23
TOTAL	82	50

Students were given points for grades obtained and this was calculated as a fraction of the maximum possible total. A student with Grades II, B and D would have 4 points out of a possible 9, i.e. a fraction 0.44. An overall pass (an average of grade C) would be 0.33. An average grade of B or above would be 0.67 upwards.

Grade	Points
A or I	3
B or II	2
C or III	1
Other	0

The average student entering 5R had written 6 subjects and obtained 0.30 points (i.e. about 5 or 6 out of 18) an overall average just under that of a grade C. When the student repeated, he wrote 4 subjects and obtained 0.33 (i.e. about 4 out of 12) an overall average just about that of a grade C. The table shows the range of the results:

Aproximate no. of points obtained	No. of students:	
	At 1 st Sitting	When Repeating
Below 0.3 (fail)	25	23
0.6 to 0.3 (about grade C)	24	25
Above 0.6 (grade A or B)	1	2

The table below shows how the number of subjects taken decreased when the students repeated:

No. of subjects taken	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
No. of students at first sitting	0	0	2	5	12	15	9	5	2
No. of students when repeating	1	7	11	14	12	5	0	0	0

If 5R is to be feasible as a class, there must be a substantial improvement in the results of many people in it. For the two years surveyed, however, the improvement has been nearly zero despite, on average, less subjects being taken.

One can imagine the waste in having a special class of which half will fail just as miserably as before, Consider the chalk, exercise-books, text-books, laboratory chemicals, even the increase in teaching staff, all of which are needed. When few materials are supplied to the school, 5R gets a portion which could be better utilized by other classes.

There are other effects:- 5R influences other fifth forms. Some fifth formers believe they can fail in fifth form and be allowed to repeat in 5R next year. As such, many of the lazier students lose an incentive to work. Not, of course, that they start to work if they enter 5R – their habits will die hard. Anyway, a small number of subjects in 5R means free time and the more the free time, the less the inclination to work. Paradoxical, perhaps, but a fact well known by teachers. Free time can also mean boredom and bored students have a habit of getting into trouble.

All this does not mean that some students should not be allowed to repeat. What is important is that care should be taken in choosing and that repeaters are not put all together in one class. A deserving repeater is one who will definitely work and improve grades. It goes without saying that many of the repeaters do not fall under this category.

The Ministry of Education sets the policy on 5Rs and we think that now this should be reviewed,

The Magazine Committee.

Publish and be damned.

Duke of Wellington.

Quand tout le monde a tort, tort le monde a raison"

Nivelle De La Chaussée,

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THE SECRETARY

*There she sits, waiting
Anxious to begin
Drumming ready fingers on her typewriter
Hoping and waiting.*

*Waiting to hear the familiar crush of his footsteps
But in vain
Then the phone rings, invading her thoughts
And surprising her*

*What a relief to hear that familiar voice
But now she cries
He is ill, she must go
Even though she wants to stay*

*So she busies herself
Dusting and clearing
Oh, what a mess
Sorting, filing and tidying his desk*

*Then she saw it
Written on a pad
It said
She was the best he ever had,*

SHEREN MATHIAS 3A

THE STAR

*One night I saw a star,
It looked just like a scar.
It was in the sky,
And looked like a fly,
Was it close or far?*

Sandrawattie Sankar (1A)

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L'HOMME

*A la campagne près d'un village
Habitait un homme d'un certain âge.
Autrefois il était docteur
Et puis il devint professeur.*

*Il aimait beaucoup de fillettes
Qu'on voyait souvent sur l'herbe verte
Elles s'appelaient le groupe français
Mais elles ne surent parler qu'anglais.*

*On me dit qu'il devint auteur,
garçon et plus tard mene gangster
Il écrivit son propre histoire
Et mourut quelques heures plus tard.*

ARLEIGH CR/NDON 5A

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