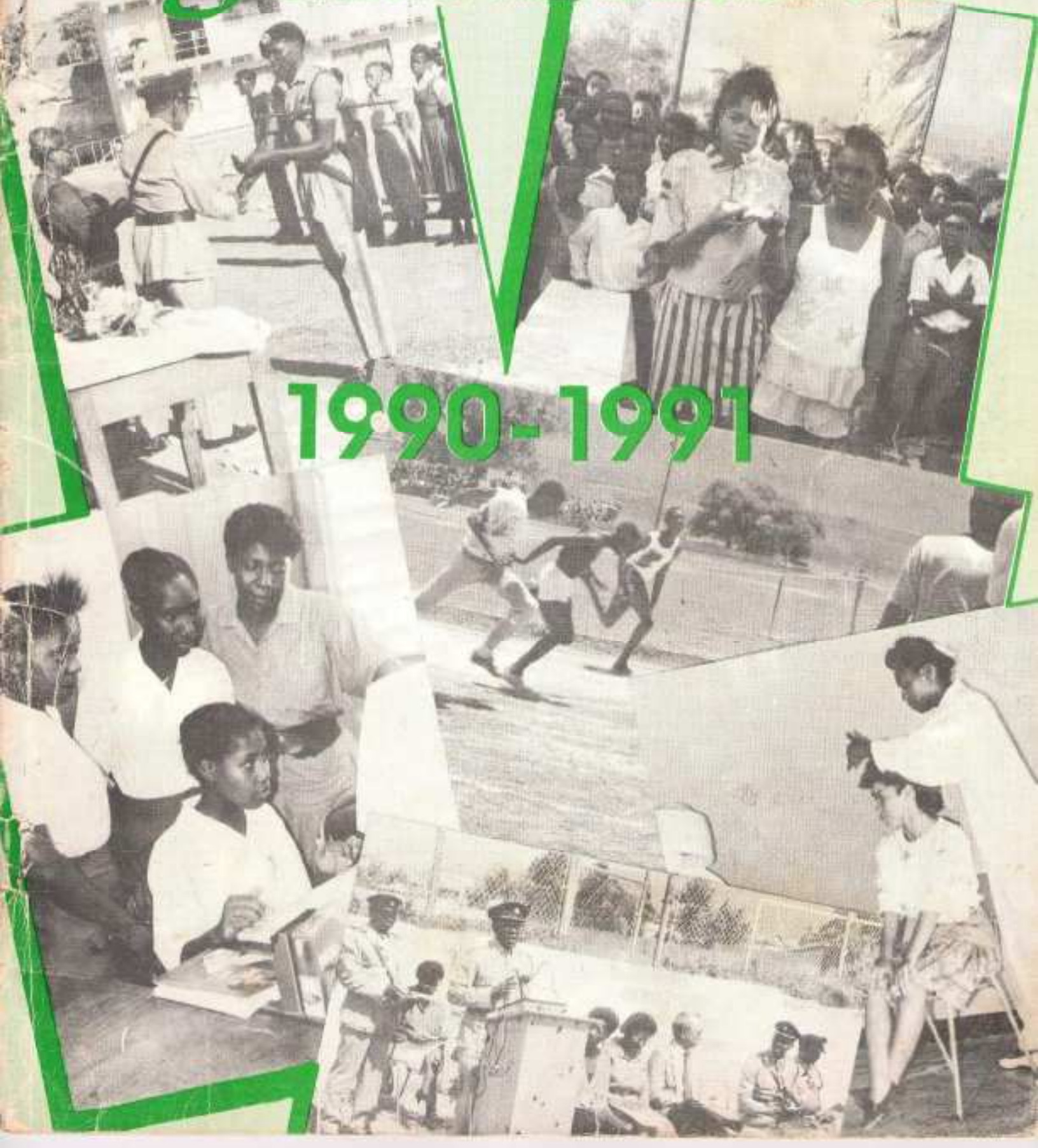


# The *Lignum Vitae*

YEARBOOK OF VAUXHALL SECONDARY SCHOOL

1990-1991







## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



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### Guidelines for Parents

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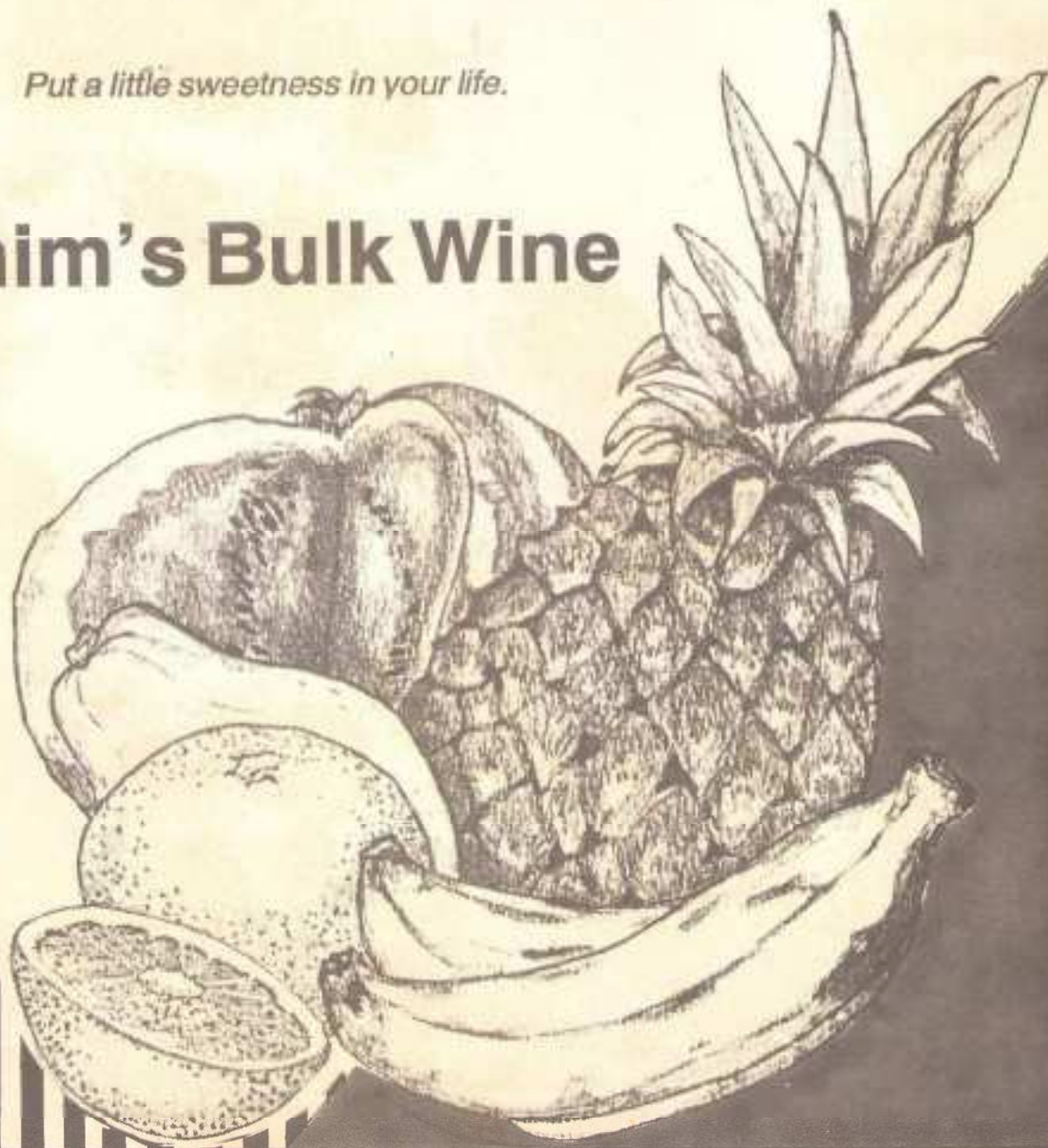
1. When you select a minor Kid-Life problem, ask yourself the following questions:  
Am I willing to change?  
Have I tried every other way?  
Will I continue to "let go" of the problem no matter what happens?
  2. Turning responsibility over to your teen must be done in a loving, caring way. If you can't do that with the problem you've chosen, pick a different problem.
  3. Keep in mind that **the success of your letting go does not depend on what your teen does.** You are being a responsible parent by giving your teen **the opportunity** to take care of himself and experience consequences.
  4. Showing trust is a sign that you actually expect your teen to take control of issues in his life.
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ICOLYN GREEN

# EDITORIAL

The publication of the 32nd Anniversary Souvenir Magazine signifies the spirit of renewal which characterises the Vauxhall Secondary community. One only has to look at the school's history to see that Vauxhall has been through a series of the changes which have allowed it to make a great impact on the Jamaican society.

As editor of this Souvenir issue it gives me a deep feeling of pride to be associated with this effort. I use this medium to wish for Vauxhall the continued blessings of God and the dedication of its staff that have carried the school over the years and will continue to carry the good work in this era of worldwide change and revival.

I hasten to thank all those who worked to make the publication of this magazine possible. Special thanks to the members of the Magazine Committee who laboured in various ways at this task. To Miss Fairclough of Communications Experts Limited for the guidance which she gave to the Magazine Committee and the hard work which she has put into this publication.

A big thanks to the firms who bought advertising space, without your input this publication would not have been realised, we do appreciate your participation.

Words are inadequate to express gratitude to Mrs. Ruth Haynes, the Coordinator of the Magazine Committee who has been the driving force behind this venture. She has been the liaison officer between the school, publisher and the public and through her wide network of contacts has sold most of the advertising space. Her humour and determination have kept things moving and I really want to say, "Well done Mrs. Haynes."

It has taken much thought, planning and hard work to make this an informative publication as we strive to fulfil Vauxhall's motto "Saber es poder, Knowledge is Power."

I trust that all our readers will find this publication informative and interesting as Vauxhall continues to hold on to God's word, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and he will direct thy path."

ICOLYN GREEN

EDITOR





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SIR FLORIZEL GLASSPOLE

GOVERNOR  
GENERAL'S

MESSAGE

The Vauxhall Secondary School in an effort to restore and improve its image has revived the publication of the school's magazine - "The Lignum Vitae".

In this issue will be highlighted the school's contribution to education. Through its many articles readers will be taken back through time to the very early beginnings and the path of growth and development will be traced to the present day where since 1974 it became a Secondary School.

I remember very well the establishment of this School - a small school with four teachers including the Principal, Mrs. Myrtle Banks. At that time I was Minister of Education and Member of Parliament for East Kingston in which constituency the school is located. With much dedication each succeeding Principal has worked hard for the development and expansion of the school. I do not forget nor understate also the many trying and difficult times it passed through.

It has passed through many phases - Primary, Senior Modern, Junior Secondary and Secondary, offering a wide range of certificate courses to the CXC and SSC levels. And the school has had outstanding achievements in its participation in extra-curricular activities, particularly Netball as well as in the Arts in the National Festival of Arts competition.

I offer my warmest congratulations to the School on its achievements over the years. I pray that through this issue and the revival of your school magazine generally greater interest in the school will be stimulated leading to a marked improvement in the support from parents, friends and well-wishers.

May the school continue to grow and prosper.

FLORIZEL GLASSPOLE



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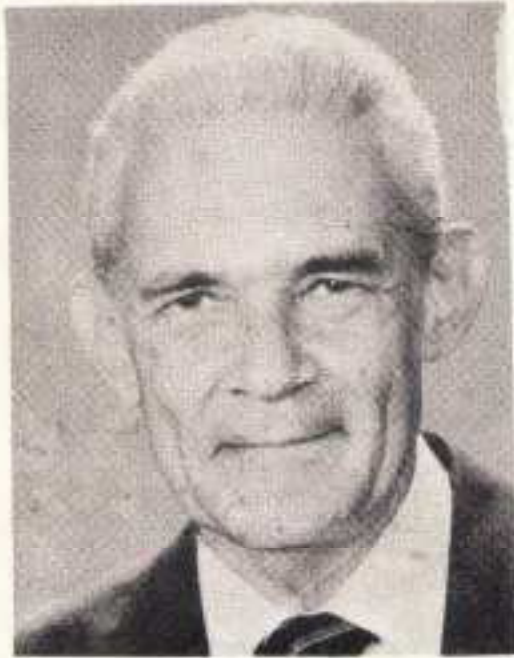
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PRIME  
MINISTER'S

MESSAGE



RT. HON. MICHAEL MANLEY

I am very happy for this opportunity to congratulate Vauxhall Secondary School as it revives the publication of its magazine "The Lignum Vitae".

As you know, I have had a personal interest in the school and have observed its performance in the academics, sports, and its involvement in cultural activities through the annual Jamaica Festival.

I will always support you in your efforts to achieve further excellence and wish members of succeeding class of graduates as they begin their personal career and begin to take part in the great work of the nation building all the success.

My best wishes to you all.

MICHAEL MANLEY





RT. HON EDWARD SEAGA

OPPOSITION  
LEADER'S

# MESSAGE

The Vauxhall story is one of a school's evolution from modest beginnings into a more complex institution that answers successfully the changing needs of the community that it serves. What was an elementary school in 1951 developed into a senior school, then a Junior Secondary School and then became the Vauxhall Secondary School. From an Elementary School curriculum, Vauxhall has advanced to where it offers academic courses leading to the CXC and SSC as well as Vocational Training in the practical skills which are in demand in the world of business.

In the pursuit of scholarship, the school has not neglected the pursuit of excellence in sport and culture. Vauxhall has distinguished itself in cultural performances in Jamaica Festival and its prowess on the Netball court has made the name of the school familiar in every Jamaican household. The Editor of the *Lignum Vitae* will have a deep well of school experience from which to draw material for the school magazine. I hope the publication will be so well executed that it will be a credit to both school and community and will become a part of the fine Vauxhall tradition.

EDWARD SEAGA





CARLYLE DUNKLEY

EDUCATION  
MINISTER'S

MESSAGE

I am indeed pleased to extend greetings to the staff and students of Vauxhall, one of Kingston's leading Secondary Schools.

Although Vauxhall actually started in May 1951, it formally became a Secondary Institution of learning in 1974, having moved from being senior modern to Junior Secondary in the interim.

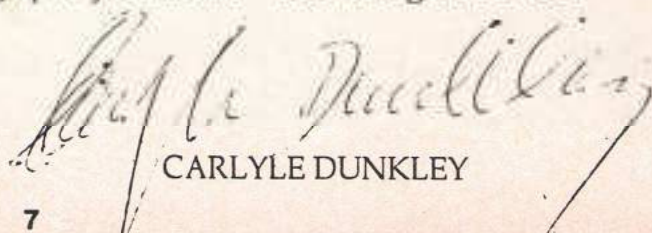
I have been particularly impressed with the establishment of the Vauxhall Day Care Centre, which while benefitting the surrounding community, allows students in the Child Care Vocational course very valuable practical experience.

This sort of imaginative and innovative thinking as well as sense of reality is what will be required of all of us who are involved in the educational system, as we seek to make the United Nations resolution "Education for all by the Year 2,000" an achievable objective here in Jamaica.

Vauxhall has had a long history of fine academic performance and you have also been highly successful in the National Festival of Arts through the years.

When in 1974, the Grade 10 & 11 programme was introduced, with this new programme came of necessity the extension of the original three year programme to a five year programme. Indeed, in addition to the usual range of academic subjects at CXC and SSC level, there was offered a wide range of vocational subjects of relevance to the student career needs and experience, for instance, vocational courses in Cosmetology, Child Care, Clothing, Catering, Metal Work, Carpentry and Cabinet Making, Electrical Installation, Plumbing, Auto Mechanics, and Business Education. The school was now catering to the manpower needs of the society.

I commend you and wish you continued success in the years to come and trust that you will keep on living up to your motto - "Knowledge is Power".

  
CARLYLE DUNKLEY





MRS. DOROTHY RAYMOND

PRESIDENT  
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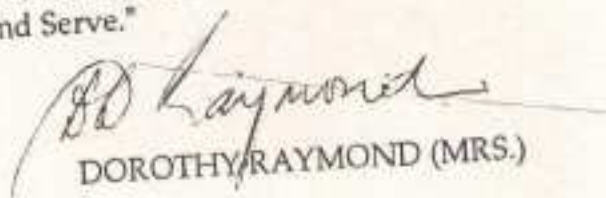
# MESSAGE

There are few persons involved in Education who have not heard of Vauxhall Secondary and its outstanding contribution to education over the years. Your school has been blest with a long list of illustrious principals who have been able to motivate students and staff to work to achieve excellence.

I must remind you that the prestigious "R.C. Tavares Awards" which is presented by the Jamaica Teachers' Association to outstanding young teachers, is given in the honour of a former principal of that school. The late Mr. R.C. Tavares was known to have had a passion for the young.

May I congratulate all those who have continued to work at Vauxhall through all the problems which the school has faced over the years.

I challenge you all in the Vauxhall family to continue to work hard to achieve the dreams of the Founding Fathers. You must continue to strive for excellence. God bless you all as we "Unite and Serve."

  
DOROTHY RAYMOND (MRS.)





LENAN S. CHIN

SCHOOL  
BOARD  
CHAIRMAN'S

# MESSAGE

Vauxhall Secondary School has been a beacon of hope for many of our young people since 1958.

Many of her graduates have blazed successful trails in various spheres of endeavour. Others, though not so stellar, have been giving useful service to their country.

The Teachers over the years have engaged in a labour of love, working under stressful conditions to give the students the best they have.

All of us involved with Vauxhall; whether as Pupils, Teachers, Parents, members of the Board or well wishers, owe it to this institution to give of our best for the continued good of the school.

I must call on the people of East and Central Kingston to realize that the school is theirs. It is an intergral institution in the development of the area and they must take the best possible care of the school and its facilities. This is where most of their children will be educated and equipped to take a meaningful place in the society.

In that spirit, I send on behalf of the board, our best wishes, and hope for a successful mission for your "Lignum Vitae" project.

LENAN CHIN





RUTH W. HAYNES

MAGAZINE  
COORDINATOR'S

# MESSAGE

The sense of achievement that comes with the publication of this 32nd Anniversary Souvenir Magazine is tremendous.

As coordinator of this Magazine Committee I found the task a challenging one that required great effort. At times when the interest slumped there were moments of frustration but the desire to see the idea of the Magazine materialise into a reality spurred me on.

I take this medium to wish Vauxhall God's continued blessings as the school faces the challenges of this unpredictable decade.

Let us bear in mind the words of one of Jamaica's great sons of music the late Jacob Miller "Forward ever, backward never".

*Ruth W. Haynes*  
RUTH W. HAYNES





ACTING  
PRINCIPAL'S

MESSAGE

### MRS. BARBARA SINCLAIR

After 31 years of existence, Vauxhall Secondary School stands on the threshold of new and dynamic experiences, positive expectations and challenging development.

As this institution wends its way to a brighter day yesterday, with, its fortunes and misfortunes, its brilliant times, dulled by the tarnished periods has got to be recognized for its many contributions, as well as for the stimulation it has provided for new growth and development.

Thus concerned by failures, yet inspired by the successes the Vauxhall team today signals a readiness to move on.

In planning for effectiveness in the new thrust, the team recognises that Education is dynamic, that the world though experiencing economic and literacy crises, is advancing in technology. We further recognise that our students need to be able to interpret, and adjust to these changes in order to be effectively equipped and consequently equally rewarded when they enter in the adult world.

The New Thrust takes into consideration the fact that only a highly motivated, respected and disciplined staff enhanced by team cohesiveness, a comfortable well equipped and attractive working environment will be able to bring about the changes that are necessary for improvement and enrichment.

Using the theme "Excellence Begets Excellence" we have attempted to create a learning environment in which provision is made for remediation, development of new learning strategies and an improved evaluation system in an effort to graduate all our students literate, highly motivated and with positive work attitude. We have restructured the curriculum for meeting the needs, and planned strategies for training and development of personnel. A Reading Room has been identified and we have already committed ourselves to the literacy thrust.

The Home Economics and Business Education Departments, two departments that have effectively impacted on the labour market over the years, are now with newer programmes to meet the growing needs of the society.

Pattern Making, Designing, Tailoring and having Adult Education classes are the new Thrust of the Home Economics Department whilst the highly motivated Business Education Department seeking to keep abreast with the Age of the State of the Art, yearns for new infrastructure. Plans for development in other programmes continue with the same thrust.

As we move on and up, we want to continue playing, we want to be refreshed and so we have sought for help to improve our playing fields and beautify our environment. We at Vauxhall are indebted to all who share this vision with us and have supported our programmes, sponsored our students for higher learning, or just cheered us on.

The Vauxhall Family members have pledged to be supportive to the New Thrust we have robed ourselves with mantles of courage and perseverance to assume the responsibility to perform the tasks and pray daily and fervently that God will always be with us to ensure success and continuity of the New Thrust.





**DWIGHT SMITH**

To assume the responsibility of head boy at any educational institution is not an easy task and this is especially so at Vauxhall Secondary School where the emphasis is on excellence in every aspect of school life.

It is therefore a privilege and an honour to serve this noble institution and to be called upon to submit this article to the Lignum Vitae in the capacity of Head Boy.

Being Head Boy at this institution has been for me a very challenging experience but one which has helped me to grow into a more rounded person. It has taught me that being a leader does not necessarily mean dictatorship but rather compromise and understanding. The dynamic and vibrant staff has taught me that there is no room for mediocrity and therefore my academic performance must be geared towards optimum achievement.

I must say that with the assistance of the Head Girl, Deputies and dedicated prefects and the teaching staff we at Vauxhall have been able to work as a cohesive force making the school one of the hallmarks in education in this country.

On behalf of the student body, I would like to congratulate the magazine committee in its attempts to produce another edition of the Lignum Vitae. I know that all the hard work that has been put into the printing of this magazine will ensure the very high level of excellence that Vauxhall promotes.

Special thanks go to our dear Acting Principal Mrs. Barbara Sinclair, our Vice Principals, the Academic, Administrative and Ancillary staff for their invaluable contribution given in equipping us for the outside world - a world I might add that does not seem to await us with friendly arms.

In closing I must say that my years at Vauxhall were quality years - years in which I developed strength of character, resilience and what it takes to achieve. I learnt the equation for success God + perseverance + hard commitment and consistent work. This also epitomizes our school's motto "Saber es Poder". To Vauxhall - - - Continue to build.

DWIGHT SMITH

HEAD BOY'S

**MESSAGE**





# Excellence through the years

Vauxhall evolved from humble beginnings, on a property used as cattle farm by Dr. Delfosse, to a vibrant centre of learning undaunted by the vicissitudes of time or its environs. It is making a vital contribution to the community of East Kingston and the nation of Jamaica as a whole.

The property was watered by a well, pumped by a windmill located in the south western corner of the property. The windmill was an apt symbol signifying the winds of change that would blow across the ten acres bringing drastic changes through the years to come. It would change from acres where cattle grazed in tranquil safety to an institution where lives are being moulded for better living.

Like the proverbial mustard seed, minute, but with the potential to grow into a large spreading tree offering sanctuary, so grew Vauxhall. It began in May 1951 as a small school with four teachers including the Principal, Miss Myrtle Banks. This school was named after Vauxhall Avenue which was situated nearby. The first Vauxhall School continued for eight years when it was closed to make way for Vauxhall Senior Modern School.

The Vauxhall Senior Modern School under Mr. Raymond C. Tavares came into being in January 1, 1959. It was the first of this type of school in Jamaica and served as a model for other schools which would be converted into Senior Modern Schools. Built to accommodate 1,000 pupils, it had facilities for the teaching of Home Economics, Industrial Art and Science in a Laboratory. The new school was for pupils from 11 - 15 years old who came from Franklin Town and Rollington Town, which ceased to be all Age Schools, and Calabar and St. Michaels which were overcrowded. The younger children from the Vauxhall All Age went to Rollington Town Junior School where Miss Myrtle Banks was now Principal.

The site of the old school was cleared and prepared as a game field. Much of the administration of the school rested on the able shoulder of Mrs. V. B. Francis, then Vice Principal of this model institution. She along with Mr. R.C. Tavares and a group of dedicated teachers coped with the challenges of the new institution.

From those early years Vauxhall began making strides in the Academics, Sports and

Arts. In Netball the school emerged year after year the unbeaten champions in all the competitions. Vauxhall's prowess as invincible netballers became a byword islandwide.

In September 1967 another illustrious educator Mr. W.S.A. Johnson assumed the position of Principal of Vauxhall Secondary School. During this tenure additional buildings were erected including Block K which now houses spacious Home Economics Department, a Business Education Department, a Library and classrooms for Grade 10 & 11.

In 1973 the shift system was introduced and a year later the Grade 10 & 11 programme was introduced. With this new programme came the extension of the period of school life at Vauxhall from three to five years.

The Grade 10 & 11 Programme continues to offer in addition to academic subjects at C.X.C. and S.S.C. levels, vocational courses in Cosmetology, Child Care, Catering, Clothing, Metal Work, Carpentry and Cabinet-making, Electrical Installation, Plumbing, Auto Mechanics and Business Education. In 1974 the school was upgraded to the Secondary level.

Spearheaded by then Principal, Mrs. Vera B. Francis the Vauxhall Day Care Centre was established to benefit the community and to help in the training of students in the Child Care Vocational Course. This period of time could almost be called "the golden age" of Vauxhall, the school's outstanding performance in the Arts particularly Speech was at its zenith. Successive years saw Vauxhall raking in the highest number of gold medals for its entries in the National Festival of Arts. In 1980, the school won 9 gold, 2 silver and 5 bronze medals and in 1981 entered 8 choirs and five solos. The only school in the island receiving so many gold medals.

As we celebrate our 32nd year at Vauxhall, we are confident that in the ongoing process of change, we will reach out as a beacon providing hope and vision through education. For we know that without vision the people perish. As the Bible says "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" but Vauxhall recognises this and will continue to build lives through knowledge in keeping with our motto 'Knowledge is Power.'





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**AFTER GRADUATION**

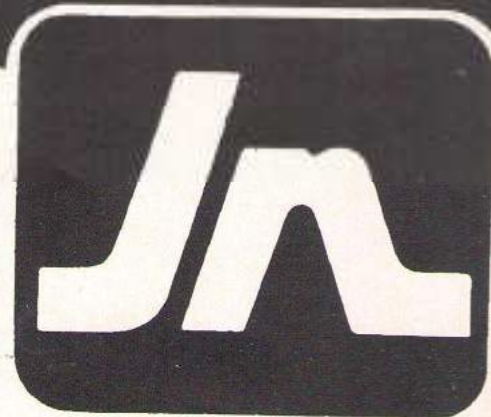
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# ...of a former Principal

by V.B. Francis

REFLECTIONS



It is with great pleasure that I send a message for the publication of another magazine for the Vauxhall Secondary School with which I have been closely associated for so many years.

One of the greatest joys of life is not just to watch but to take an active part in the gradual involvement of persons, nations or projects from the planning stage, through birth, infancy, childhood to full maturity.

Strolling down Memory Lane, one has fond memories of the small band of committed workers who blazed the trail for the record of excellence later attained.

Publicised in January 1959; under the caption "Vauxhall, a teacher's dream," this little band discovered alas, that the dream was not truly a reality as there was inadequate supervision, communication, furniture and equipment for the number of selected students.

Gradually as some of these obstacles were overcome staff members used their initiative to cope with the short comings as much as possible. Student enrolment increased and so more teachers came along to add their contributions. The Parent Teachers Association, Senior Students, The Past Student Association, Friends of the School, Ministry of Education Officials and the present Governor General who as Minister of Education was largely responsible for the establishment of the school - all played leading roles over the years in the development of the school.

Not only in Academics was excellence

achieved but in - Discipline, Sports, Dance, Drama, Music, Speech and Practical Subjects. Community Projects were included too e.g. Adult Evening Classes and a Day Care Centre while extra-curricular activities included a Guide Troop and a Cadet Corp.'

"Work without play makes life monotonous. There was plenty of the latter for students as well as teachers. Every member of staff from the Principal down found time for Fellowship - sharing joy and sorrow, exchanging gifts, playing pranks, games, enjoying excursions and staff parties. There were lots of jollity in the 'Bath Suit Parades and the 'tripping of the light fantastic toe'. All this helped to dispel the human feelings of frustration caused by the many robberies and other hindrances that arose from time to time. Vauxhall was that rare thing - a loving family - a home away from home. Some of these members have now left this earthly sphere. Others are still around - scattered here and overseas watching with pride the fruit which continues to mature from their labour. They give encouragement to the faithful few who have remained to ensure that the sturdy plant maintains and increases its strength, remembering that:

'The best is never over  
The best has never gone  
There's always something lovely to  
keep you struggling on  
There's a compensation for every  
cross you bear  
A secret consolation is hidden some-  
where there.'

I pray that with God's Blessing and Divine Guidance this institution will continue through the united commitment of all concerned, to climb and do its part in building this nation.



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# REMINISCING

by Francisco J. Machado



I was a much depressed man when on the 3rd May, 1961 at 7.45 a.m. I reported for duty as a teacher of Spanish at the then VAUXHALL SENIOR SCHOOL, which later became VAUXHALL JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL and today is VAUXHALL SECONDARY SCHOOL. My being so depressed on that Wednesday morning was caused by my having been compelled to leave Cuba, my country of birth, leaving behind all my assets and, above all, my dear parents and a promising future.

When I went to the Principal's Office, Mr. Raymond C. Tavares, who was Principal, introduced me to Mrs. Vera B. Francis, the Vice-Principal, and to Miss Barbara Robinson (now Mrs. Sinclair, Actg. Principal) and Mrs. Ruth Haynes (the present Chairperson of the Magazine Committee), two members of the teaching staff. This introduction was the beginning of the hospitality and love that I so badly needed after all I had gone through in Cuba. There was so much goodwill on the part of the management and members of the teaching staff that every newcomer to VAUXHALL had to feel at home immediately.

As time went by I began to meet the other colleagues, among them, the Misses Elva G. Robinson, Myrtle Hines, Myrtle Lindo, and Madames Mabel Livingston, Cecily Smith, Irene Harris and Barbara A. Williams, just to name a few. These ladies and Mr. Tavares would always encourage and make me feel at home. Needless to say, little by little I began to regain my happiness, sense of humour and the feeling of being at home because VAUXHALL and all it represents to me is still there.

I have always felt indebted to VAUXHALL

my second home, and it has always been a pleasure to serve it in different capacities and to the best of my ability. To me VAUXHALL has always meant hospitality, love, consolation, friendship and family. I love VAUXHALL and all those connected with it, for in my saddest moments, namely, when my daughter, wife and my mother passed away, I had shoulders to cry on. I have no next of kin, but I know that I am not alone, because VAUXHALL and all it represents to me is still there.

I am proud to say that VAUXHALL, as Senior, Junior and Secondary, has indeed made and continues to make a great contribution to the education and training of young Jamaicans since its inception in 1959. It has had its moments of crisis, but the fellowship, which is second to none, found among the members of staff has always overcome all difficulties. It has contributed and still is contributing much to the country in education and sports. It is a pity that acts of vandalism have hampered its progress at times. Here I must commend the Actg. Principal, Mrs. Sinclair, and her collaborators for smiling on adversity and pressing on. Many successful teachers in other schools, here and abroad, did their internships and teaching practices at VAUXHALL under the watchful eyes of its teachers. Many trophies and medals have been won by the school in contests, and . . . who has not heard of its netball teams?

In closing this my contribution to "Lignum Vitae", Vauxhall's Magazine, I must thank the Actg. Principal and her staff for considering me still a member of the Old Guard. It is a wonderful feeling to know that I am still loved. I know that the good job that has been going on for thirty-one years will continue so that future generations may build on the good foundation you have been laying.

REFLECTIONS





# Changing Room Building Project

# HAPPENINGS



Vauxhall's Sports programme soon will be greatly enhanced as plans are well underway to construct a block of changing rooms, a facility which is non-existent at the moment. To this end Industrial Commercial Development Limited has come to the fore initiating the fundraising drive with a \$10,000 contribution towards the building project.

The entire project is slated to cost over \$1/2 million which will cover the construction and equipping of the facilities.

ICD's generosity has also extended to the supply of building material at a reduced cost to ensure the success of the project.

On completion the project will give a boost to the very active physical education and sports programme for which the school is renowned as evidenced by the number of competitions that the school has won over the years.

### ESTIMATE FOR FURNISHING & CONSTRUCTION OF CHANGE ROOM BLOCK

Estimate of Construction Cost	\$ 500,000.00
Furniture Fixtures & Fittings	<u>50,000.00</u>
	<u>550,000.00</u>





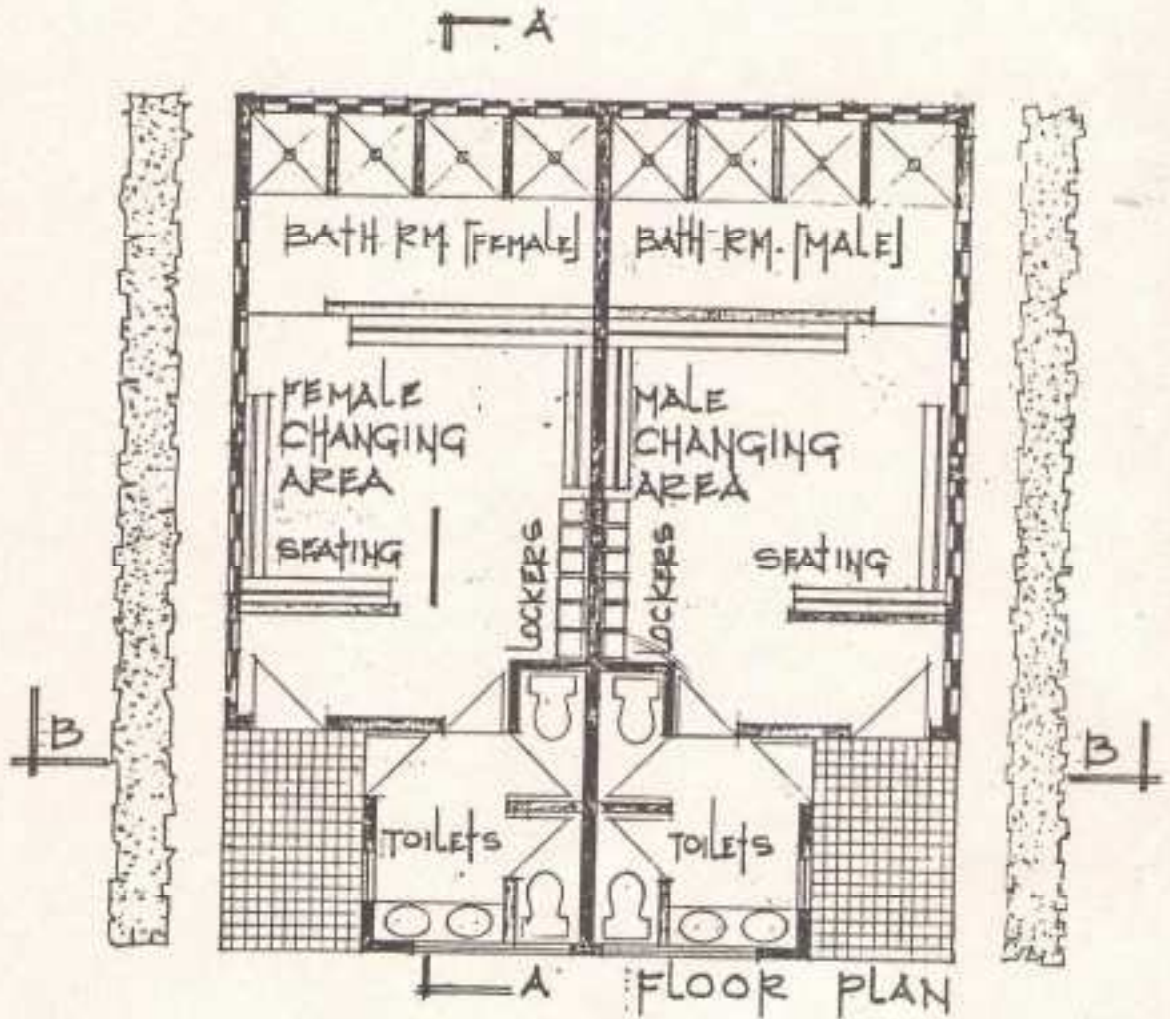
## ESTIMATE OF COST FOR SPORTS FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT

### Physical Education Programmes

	\$
Equipment for Courts and Fields	5,500.00
Affiliation & Umpire Fees	3,000.00
Gears for Teams	27,200.00
Supplementary Diets	25,000.00
Refreshment for Competitors	6,500.00
Professional Services/Team Coaches etc.	5,500.00
Field & Equipment Rental	1,200.00
Medals, Flowers, Certificates	3,500.00
Allocation to Houses	<u>6,000.00</u>

TOTAL

83,400.00



Drawing of Proposed Sports Changing Room Complex

HAPPENINGS





# SCHOOL WATCH PROGRAMME

# HAPPENINGS



Vauxhall Secondary School like many other schools in the island has been plagued with the problem of inadequate security. The physical layout of the school makes it difficult for the compound to be effectively monitored from any one point. This has resulted in the loss and destruction of school property, fear among students and staff and in extreme cases, injury to members of the school population.

Over the years it has been the pattern for the school to be broken into three or four times. The hardest hit sections are the Home Economics Department and Canteen where all electrical appliances, cutlery, utensils even stoves and refrigerators have been stolen. The Business Education and the Industrial Arts Department have also been hit by criminals who have stolen typewriters, tools, machines, and materials. The continual loss of school property has seriously affected the school's programme and led to frustration among the staff.

Many attempts have been made to solve this problem. The Ministry of Education has arranged for watchmen on a full time basis and for special guards when the situation has become threatening. The school along with P.T.A. and School Board all have tried strategies. But despite the efforts and limited success the problem always resurfaces.

The importance of securing the school community prompted the Chairman, Mr. Lenan Chin along with the Acting Principal, Mrs. B. Sinclair and others to organise a School Watch Team. It was felt that people from the community who were familiar with the layout of the school compound would be asked to form this School Watch Team.

On May 22, 1990 the School Watch Programme was officially launched in a ceremony chaired by Mr. B. Denniston, member of the School Board. Present were Mr. Lenan Chin, Chairman of the School Board, Mrs. C. Burrell, Councillor, Mr. E. Wilson, Councillor and member of the School Board, Mrs. B. Sinclair Acting Principal, Miss H. Sterling Vice Principal, Supt. B. Kerr, Mr. Hylton, a community Youth Leader and member of School Watch Team.





# Dr. Conrad Douglas -a shining example

**D**r. Douglas is the founder and president of Conrad Douglas & Associates, a management consultancy firm.

Dr. Douglas' experience in Research and Development, Project Planning, Project Development, Project Management and Appraisal and Process Engineering spans two decades and has exposed him to project work in Europe, the Middle East, North America, Latin America and the Caribbean.



Dr. Douglas is a graduate of Vauxhall Secondary School, Excelsior Extension, Excelsior High School, The University of the West Indies where he completed a B.Sc. (Upper Second Class Honours) in Applied Chemistry in 1970. He was awarded a PhD in 1975 for research work on a joint Alcan/UWI project on Soda losses to the Red Mud Lake. He then served Alcan Jamaica Limited as a Senior Development Engineer and later served the Jamaica Bauxite Institute as Director of Process Research and Analysis.

Between 1979 - 1981 Dr. Douglas served as Manager of Process Engineering at the Jamaica Bauxite Mining Limited. There he performed a variety of duties including the preparation of feasibility studies and the evaluation of project proposals; participated in the design of a 600,000 MTPY Alumina Plant; Coordinated all aspects of Process Engineering with the technology supplier Chemokomplex - aluterv - FKJ; performed Monitoring and Technical Advisory functions on behalf of Jamaica Bauxite Mining; carried out detailed technical and economic reviews of all process alternatives; investigated alternative technologies and equipment and reported on all process alternatives; investigated alternative technologies and equipment and reported on all features of process such as consumption, maintenance, suitability, economic life, record of past performance and obsolescence.

From 1981 to 1985, as Project Manager for the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Dr. Douglas was responsible for upgrading the scientific and technological capabilities of the Jamaica Bauxite Institute. Dr. Douglas was the first National, world wide, to have been recruited by the United Nations to work in his country as a Project Manager.

In 1984 Dr. Douglas carried out work for UNIDO as Consultant to the Iran Government in the preparation of a pre-feasibility study for the establishment of a Metallurgical Laboratory and Pilot Plant. He was also UNIDO's Consultant to the Government of Haiti in the preparation of a project plan for investigating the non-metallurgical use of Bauxite.

For ten years a part-time Lecturer in Process Economics, Fluid Dynamics and Alumina Production Technology at the University Of The West Indies, he supervised two PhD Students. Dr. Douglas has over 25 publications in technical journals in Jamaica and overseas, four of which are major publications of The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

He is also a Consultant to UNESCO, The UNDP, USAID and the Administrative Staff College of Jamaica as well as a part time Lecturer on the Government's Management Development Programme.

He was a National Project Manager for the preparation of the IDP/UNDP/UNESCO/PIOJ/ feasibility study on the restoration, rehabilitation and redevelopment of New Seville, Spanish Town and Port Royal. Dr. Douglas has worked as a Consultant to several local companies and organizations and to international companies such as World Wide Imports, Hercules Limited and the Government of the Dominican Republic.

He is a Distinguished President of the Kiwanis Club of North St. Andrew, member of the Geological Society of Jamaica, the Jamaica Institute of Management and the Jamaica Institute of Engineers and has served on several boards and committees including: The Scientific Research Council, The Chemical and Allied Products Committee Of The Jamaica Bureau of Standards, The Technical Sub-committee of the Board of the Natural Resources Conservation Department (NRCD)

He is currently; the Chairman of the Minerals, Chemicals and Heavy Industry Committee of the Board of Jampro, a member of the Board of Clarendon Alumina Production (CAP), a member of the Council of the College of Arts Science and Technology (CAST) and a member of the Executive Committee of Kaiser Jamaica Bauxite Limited of which he was Chairman in 1983-84, a Director of the Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust, Perishables Jamaica Limited and Cowan's Amusement Limited.

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*Graduate presenting a bouquet to an obviously delighted Principal of Vauxhall Secondary School.*



*Member of the graduating class, Gregory Mayne presenting a crochet piece to Mrs. Lenan Chin, wife of school board Chairman Lenan Chin..*





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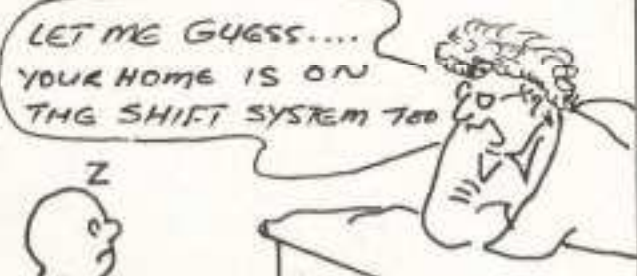


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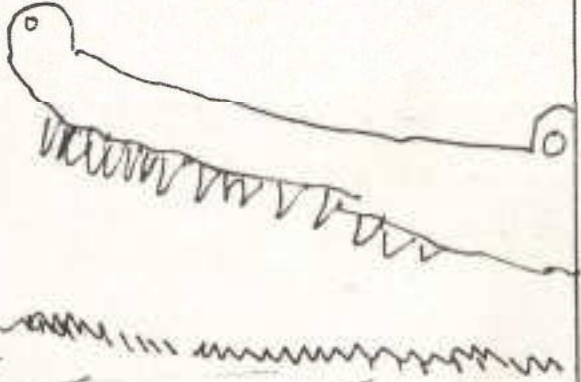
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**10V - SHIFT 1**

**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Tanetta James, Jacqueline Richards.

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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Henroy Brown, Mauvette Grunt, Kirk Myers, Andrene Byfield, Aaron McKie, Antoinette Underhill, Noreen McCurdy.

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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Aretha Thompson, Richardo Edwards, Aretha Hamilton, Nicole Suah, Omar Jackson, Ian Smith, Huquart Connel, Claudine Palmer, Karen Cooke, André Chuck.



**10X - SHIFT 1**

**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Robert Scott, Claudius Kessam, Ian Brown, Michael Meikle, Terrian Nicholson, Jennifer O'Connor, Karen Byfield, Sophia Burrell, Rohan Henry.

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**10H - SHIFT 1**

**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Marvalyn Brown, Geraldine Gordon, Sandra Dick, Rowena McClaughlin, Sandra Hylton, Andrea Campbell, Alecia Stewart, Joan Henlin.

**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Andrea Walker, Ngina Lowe, Andrea Smith, Charlene Wedderburn, Deborette Whyte, Kereen Gayle, Celeat Miller, Rose-Marie Symes, Keisha Lee, Andrea Messam.

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**10L - SHIFT 1**

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**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Horatio Bonitto, Jermaine Patterson, Richard Grant, Mark Mardner, Ian Reid, Tashna Fraser, Jerme Porter, Ann-Marie Murray.

**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Selvin Green, Carlos Brown, Kirkland Smith, Patrick O'Sullivan, Clive Marshall, Harold Plummer, Rohan Scott, Kevin Smith, Errol Francis.





**11V - SHIFT 1**  
**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Wayne Harris, Dionne Matticks, Latoya James, Horace Robotham.  
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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Charmaine Buck, Gregory Mayne, Cordelia Bentley, Milton McTaggart, Horace Walker, Courtney Hudson, Nicole Pinnock, Shernett Scott.



**11U - SHIFT 1**  
**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Sharlene Daley, Carlene Hugh, Raquel Hall, Rose-Marie Myers, Oral Coleman, Gayon Clachar, Suzette Thomas, Veronica Thompson, Katherine Williams.  
**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Juliet Passley, Shernett Chaplin, Garfield Martin, Tovia Taffe, Sheree Hollingsworth, Shane Gayle, Jenny Martin, Francine Mignott, Corie Powell, Sharon McDonald, Dorost McLeod, Lorraine Henry.  
**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Stephen Campbell (partly hidden), Denroy Lindo, Ryan Stewart (partly hidden), Gary Smith, Christopher Wright, Robert Reid, Tashana Lee, Dwight Thenstead, Serchpaul Hinds, Rodney Crouch.

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**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Cinderella Green, Cythia Foreman.

**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Denise Benjamin, Guardia Hammond, Christopher Lawrence, Jacqueline Beckford, Vivian Farquharson, Desrene Barnett, Nicola Waysome, Sophia Williams, Oswald Samuels.

**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Mr. H. Roberts (Teacher), Alecia Hamilton, Tarin Davidson, Andrien Titus, Nicolene Lawrence, Marcia Letts, Leslie Spence, Rose Dixon, Greg Lewis.



**11H - SHIFT 1**

**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Meshia Warren, Rupert Murray, Venice Francis, Christopher Burrows.

**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Simone Roach, Ophelia Lewis, Michelle McPherson, Evelyn Francis, Howard McKenzie, Sharon Venair, Elworth Fraser, Collin Christie, Jermaine Reid, O'neil Simpson.

**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Garfield Burton, Sophia Robinson, Lisa Buchanan, O'neil Benjamin, Rosemarie Williams, Sheril Matheson, Dennis Wittock, Andrew Davis, Mark Baker, Hyacinth James.

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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- H. Donaldson, G. Reid, C. Turpin, L. Isaacs, S. Haynes, B. Ricketts, E. Wilson, G. Gentles, W. Brown, G. Perry.



### 10V - SHIFT 2

**FRONT ROW:** L-R:- Antoinette Curtis, Ingrid McLean, Sherrene Powell, Jewel Dixon.

**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Novelette Haynes, Nadine Edwards, Georgia Prince, Juliet Montaque, Andrea Thompson, Kaydene Johnson, Gilleon Lee, Jolie Morrie.

**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Bradley Howard, Miquel Wright, Hortense Allen, Richard Stephenson, Kenisha Calder, Delane Burgess, Marcia Chambors, Rohanña Reid, Manley Mullins.

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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Marlon Roberts, Lawrence McCarthy, Marcus Robinson, Rexroy Burrell, Jermaine Francis, Evan McBayne, Graig Bell, Kumar Griffiths.



**10X - SHIFT 2**

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**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Tamika Coombs, Rhondo Laidley, Natasha Stern, Tracy-Ann Millwood, Donnetta Daley, Ava Lindsay, Kevin Levy, Keith Kidd, Phillip Crawford, Marlon Greaves.



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**SECOND ROW:** L-R:- Wendy Green, Donavon Donaldson, Annetta McBean, Mark Ballentine, Dervon Allen, Selina Salmon, Simone Grosse, Natalie Campbell, Charlene Gordon.

**THIRD ROW:** L-R:- Leon Webb, Richard Campbell, Donovan Jonas, Erica Frater, Kevin Christian, Tanya Medder, Kimara Meade, O'neil Isaacs, Desmond Long.

## Examples of Turning Responsibility Over to Your Teen

### PROBLEM 1.

Your child hibernates in her room with her door closed and doesn't participate in family activities.

### SOLUTION

*Your feelings and thoughts.*

I miss spending time with you and wish you weren't in your room so much.

*Turn the responsibility over to your teen.*

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# "Tell it to Cordelia"

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Dear Angella,

Good-day. I know you are not in the best of health at this point in time, but cheer up; it could be worse.

I am very sorry you got into this mess, but you cannot sit and cry all day because crying is not going to help. You will have to find a suitable way to deal with this situation. Pregnancy cannot be taken lightly and you cannot handle this by yourself.

I wish I could be of more help, but all I can do for you is encourage you to tell a more experienced person. Why not tell your mother that you are pregnant Angella? No matter what she may say or do at first, you will have to understand her disappointment. She will be angry at first, but after all, she will forgive you. She is your mother and that love will not just fade away. You know how parents are; no matter how bad things are and no matter what they may say or do, they love us so much and cannot stand when something bad happen to us.

Please Angella, I am asking you not to go and do anything foolish. No abortion or taking any risk like drinking something someone might tell you to. Angella, please don't feel badly. It might seem like a very terrible thing but everybody makes mistakes. The important thing is that we can learn from these mistakes, so please Angella, talk to your friends, O.K.

I will come and visit you soon. Until then.

I am,  
Your friend,  
Cordelia Bentley



# Teenage Pregnancy

## - Can we help!!

The question of teenage pregnancy is one that has been a great problem in our society over the years. It is not only a national problem but an international one as well. Statistics have shown, however, that the Third World countries are mostly affected and that within these countries families of low socio-economic background are the ones mostly affected.

According to psychologists, the teenagers between the ages of twelve and nineteen undergo tremendous stress. It is at this time that their bodies begin to develop like adults, they go through emotional trauma as they seek to find out their own identity. It is also at this time that they experience great peer pressure and when they find members of the opposite sex quite attractive. It is this attraction which sometimes they find quite difficult to handle. In handling this "new attraction" many adolescents find themselves in extremely difficult situations where they become trapped. Pregnancy sometimes becomes the main result of such a trapped state.

Could such a situation be prevented? Most often or not the answer is yes. Parents have a responsibility to help their sons and daughters to cope with these traumatic changes. They need to tell them the reasons for the "new" feelings they are experiencing. They need to let them know that it is normal to have sexual feeling. A "don't care" attitude taken by many parents just won't do. What about the society's role? Is it that we now live in a modern society so moral values can be hurled through the window? Have we taken the attitude where we allow teenagers to "express themselves" without showing them the consequence of such free expression? No. We need to launch educational programmes informing, educating and guiding these young people. They need to know about family life education, family planning, and yes, that of treating their bodies as a "temple".

We need to put a ban on advertisement that promote young girls as sex symbols thereby be-littling womanhood. And parents you need to curtail your daughters' freedom but do not cage them. The latter breed distrust and can sometimes worsen the situation. You will agree that many of these situation mentioned are associated with teenage pregnancy. You also know teenagers who are victims of some of these.

Teenagers, you too have a responsibility to make yourself the best "me". Many of you are too greedy and you sell yourselves out by accepting the worst in life. Strive for excellence, emulate persons with high ideals and who are reaching for the skies. Those below you only seek to pull you down. Be content with what your parents can afford and don't believe that all that glitters is gold.

Finally, sex is not a play-thing and besides it will always be with us. The right time and person will come along and then it will be alright. Remember we don't prove that we are women by having a child.

By Shelly-Ann Dawson

11V - Shift one





# Vauxhall Secondary

## Reflections of a Beloved Alma mater

By

Richard Wayne Lee, B.A. (Hons.) Cert. Mgt. Stds. (U.W.I), Mona  
Deputy Head Boy 1984

I deem this a great honour and privilege to have been asked to make a contribution to the school's year-book.

I can vividly recall 1979 the year when I began my sojourn through the corridors of this great institution, "Vauxhall Secondary", in pursuit of academic training at Secondary level. It was condemned as being a failure by virtue of the absence of my name in the Daily Gleaner.

The poignant criticisms of relatives and friends were enough to drive one to suicide. Fortunately, I was however on the contrary motivated and aggressively determined to prove them wrong. Thus, undaunted by their various comments I proceeded on to the next phase of my educational training. My attendance at Vauxhall was another frustrating experience at the onset, having regard to the negative sentiments often expressed about Secondary Schools and the more positive ones often expressed about traditional high schools. I must therefore confess that I entered Vauxhall with much reluctance and scepticism.

The assimilation process at Vauxhall was surprisingly rapid and could be attributed to the caring and dedicated efforts of teachers. They were generally patient, understanding, loving and kind. Within weeks most of my apprehensions had been replaced with confidence and assertiveness. Teachers were very encouraging and did much to assist us in overcoming our disappointments with regards to the Common Entrance Examination. I will never forget the words of one teacher who purported that:

"The Common Entrance Examinations was in no way a reasonable test of your abilities. You can be successful if you so desire and can achieve even greater things than those who have gained places to traditional high schools. You must work diligently, since only through hard work and perseverance will you be successful."

Those words were divine and I was immediately tossed and driven by the very winds of motivation. For me, this was a turning point or what some writers would term a "watershed" in my life. I was inspired by those words and their effect instilled a rather positive determination to excel and achieve. In fact, at that time I adopted as my motto and still is "**Hard work and perseverance brings success**". Indeed, Vauxhall had become a new source of hope. A new sense of purpose had evolved.



Vauxhall as the years went by, unfolded the elements characteristic of a great institution. The rigorous and well thoughtout academic curriculum was of the highest standard. In fact we were taught courses of the same level as those offered by the traditional high schools. The knowledge of this made me fell equal to my peers at the traditional high schools and greatly enhanced my confidence when I had to address representatives from some of these schools at the National Student Council Executive Meetings. I was moreso proud when my school excelled above some traditional high schools in the National Mathematics Competition and also in the Caribbean Examination Council (CXC) Examinations. The sound academic programmes complimented by the high calibre of teachers; were responsible for laying the foundations for many of our successful graduates.

In fact it was this sound and well anchored foundation which contributed to my continuing academic achievement and professional development. My success in gaining the Bachelor Arts degree, several professional certificates, now reading for the Bachelor of Laws degree and tutoring in the Department of Government at the University of the West Indies, must be attributed to this foundation which had been laid. Indeed a builder cannot build unless he is positive that the foundation which has been laid is concrete for the purpose. Our teachers by virtue of their tireless efforts, dedication and devotion to duty in the midst of poor amenities and starvation wages, must be commended. It was by their nurturing and moulding of this foundation which has today assisted some of us to have become worthwhile contributors to society. I am particularly proud of my teachers and will forever accord them the respect and high praises they justly deserve.

Academics were not the only concern of teachers and administrators at Vauxhall Secondary. Although, they were given priority, the social aspects of the individual were also addressed with much importance. This was evidenced by the efforts of teachers to instill in us those social values which they considered necessary for engineering success. To that end we were taught impecable manners, self-discipline and self control. Our teachers were strict disciplinarians and sought to preserve the good reputation of Vauxhall. There were times however, when the efforts of teachers appeared to have been wasted but it was encouraged by the many who sought to preserve the good image of the school. The maintenance of discipline was in no way an easy task. However, the burden was made somewhat lighter by the assistance rendered by student leaders. I must say that it was an invaluable experience working with teachers in the common effort to maintain discipline and more so at a high standard. Though at times it became very demanding, it was very rewarding especially in the light of some possitive impact achieved on the lives of students.

Extra-curricular activities was one other way of developing the social aspect of the individual. The inter-house rivalry and high quality of sporting events were thoroughly enjoyed. Vauxhall had always dominated certain sporting activities such as netball and has held its place in athletics as well. Then there was my favourite; Speech and Drama Festival. I looked forward to this competition each year with great anticipation. The standards and quality of presentation were always of a very high level. Again this was evidence of the tiresome efforts of teachers who employed hours of hard work in preparation for this big day. Beyond the school level, the national finals was the best. I was always proud of my school's performance. These were times when one would convey to the world with a sense of pride and dignity that one was in fact a student of Vauxhall Secondary. I consider these extra-curricular activities to be of much importance since they greatly assisted in the development of the individual, thereby balancing academic development.

Life at Vauxhall was not a bed of roses. There were obstacles both man made and natural. In terms of man made, I speak with reference to the constant vandalism of the school property.



Unfortunately some of these acts were engineered by members of the school community. Although they retarded the school's progress, nevertheless it did not dampen our determination and aspiration for success. Then there were natural acts, such as the untimely passing of our teachers and colleagues. Those were sad and very discouraging times especially when one considers the circumstances surrounding their deaths in some cases. I will never forget the year 1980 when I lost my music teacher Mr. Paul Roach and my best friend Chester Thomas through political violence. Despite these tragic events our school was never made weak but instead strengthened and brought closer. The family type environment fostered by teachers provided solace and comfort. Vauxhall was indeed a home away from home.

Vauxhall was then and continues to be a great institution. I am proud to have travelled its corridors. I am deeply indebted to this noble institution and very much committed to its continued existence. Finally, I must pay tribute to those teachers who made a great impact on my life and who in times of need rallied to my cause. I must express my deep and profound gratitude to my adopted mother Mrs. Ruth Haynes who assisted me in every way possible during my sojourn at Vauxhall Secondary. My profound gratitude must also be conveyed to: Mrs. Mable Livingston, Mrs. C. Laing, Mrs. Gertude McKenzie, Mrs. Barbara Sinclair, Miss M. Clarke, Miss E. Rodney and the many others who were very patient, encouraging and understanding. Teachers I exhort you to continue to be patient with those whom the Lord has entrusted to your care for development. Remember, the seeds you sow will determine the produce you get. Finally, I wish to say, Vauxhall, I salute you, my teachers I love you.

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# THE ESCAPE

By Susan McKenzie

Grade 11<sup>v1</sup>

The night was pitch black, Balky stared from the small window in the General Penitentiary. It was the 14th of March - his son's birthday. The tears filled his eyes as he realized his enslavement. Now he was in bondage because he killed a man for his wife.

For five years he had taken it - living without his family, his only family - his son Johnny. But tonight the cry for freedom was louder, life an annoying drum beating without a pause. But even now after five years he didn't feel guilty about killing that man. Yes he felt guilty about killing his dog Rex, but not for killing a human being who raped and killed his wife. She meant too much to him, he couldn't stand to lose her, somebody had to pay.

The penitentiary had a closely knitted fence and a wall that resembled the Berlin Wall. How could Balky even think of escaping, but he had, so many times he had dreamt of leaping the walls, escaping the chains and the guns. And tonight he had a plan - a plan which would change his life hereafter.

It was seven o'clock, the guards would come at eight with his dinner, and there his opportunity to escape had been for five years. He must pretend something had happened and lay death-like on the prison floor. The guard would definitely rush in to see if he was dead, so he could have the pleasure of disposing of Balky. Then Balky would attack him, knock him unconscious and change into his clothes. A definite escape he thought as he rehearsed his plan.

At five to eight he lay stiff dead on the floor, like a snake awaiting its prey. The bells rang, signalling dinner time. It was at this time that every prisoner stood at the bar to receive his dinner. Tonight was no different. The guard walked towards Balky's cell and gasped as he saw the prisoner lying on the floor with blood coming from his head. Balky, to make it seem real, had cut himself. With pleasure the guard opened the grill "Another one bites the dust hey" he said as he stood over the prisoner. Then he knelt and opportunity knocked for Balky. He grabbed the guard and they wrestled until Balky slit the guard's throat with the small knife he had managed to sneak by him recently. He then took off the guard's clothing before the blood could stain it, exchanged it with his and left the prison.

He walked out like all the other guards as his peaked hat was sufficient disguise for him. He was out in the yard now and suddenly a bright light shone on him.

"Identify yourself" a loud voice burst through the thick darkness. Balky was in trouble now. He couldn't give his name. What was he to do? He looked down and tried to think of something to say, when from the corner of his eyes he suddenly noticed the initials J.C8 on his cuff. Maybe he could say this, it wouldn't matter either way, if it was nonsense he would die.

"J.C8 Sir" he said, his voice shaking with his body.

"Ok Sir" the light was taken off him and he went into a single file with the other guards through the iron fence. Was this freedom or the beginning of sorrows?

## Clear Water

Nights were long,  
Cold was I,  
My ways became frozen  
In the winter days of my life,  
Then the light touched me  
I melted,  
Into a body of clear water  
Flowing one way.  
Born again, born again, born again  
It was spring, life was new  
I grew towards those days of my life,  
I will always remember,  
Yes it was nice.

Colin Blair

## My Dream

My dream is to become a rich king,  
Living in a big castle with lots of pretty things,  
I want to sit in a beautiful garden,  
With flowers that only bloom in spring,  
I shall relax on my golden throne,  
With my beautiful queen and drink lots of gin,  
O I wish my dream would come true  
For I look forward to being a king.

Kevin Gordon





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# The importance of exercise.

It was Friday. The day was hot. It was third period. The bell went, science class was over for 9v and it was once more time for Physical Education class.

- DAVID: Have you brought your gears?  
CARLTON: No, I have not, I am not going any Physical Education class, I am not going to sweat up myself I have to take two buses and I don't want to smell bad on the bus.  
PETER: I don't know why they put Physical Education on the time table because every Friday I have to go to Pembroke Hall and check my girl and I don't want to sweat up and smell any funny way.  
PAUL: You have girl friend in Pembroke Hall and you told Mommy that you are going to cadet in the evenings, I am to going to tell Mommy.  
PETER: I can't stand you, you talk like a girl child.  
OMAR: I am going to tell sir I am not taking any Physical Education class because I have a headache.  
DUVAL: Why you are so sicky sicky is becuae you don't exercise.

Suddenly Mr. Green the Physical Education teacher appeared on the scene.

- MR. GREEN: What are you boys doing standing here?  
Aren't you boys going on the fields for Physical Education.  
PETER: Sir why did they put Physical Education on the time table.  
MR. GREEN: Because it is one of the most important subjects in the curriculum for your physical, mental and emotional development.  
CARLTON: But I don't exercise and I am perfectly fine, I don't have any problems. Physically, mentally or emotionally.  
MR. GREEN: You might not have any problems now but when you grow older that's the time you might have problems.  
If you do not exercise you can have heart problems, you will get tired easily as you walk a short distance and your muscles will get weak. You can do some simple exercise like jogging, situps, presss ups and stretching to build up your muscles and so your heart and your lungs will be able to function properly.  
DUVAL: Now that you hear what can happen to you boys if you don't exercise I hope you will start to exercise.  
PETER: I never knew Physical Education was so important, I am going to start exercises often from now on.

So the boys of 9v all went to the field and were ready for their Physical Education class.

Written by: COURTNEY EVANS

## The Beggar Man

*A sick hungry beggar man  
Stood there barefooted,  
" Get out of here and get a job," I said  
And he went in despair  
I had a five dollar bill  
Afterwards my heart was like lead  
And my eyes were filled with tears  
My conscience would not set me free.*

Corie Powell 9v.

## A Prayer

### Thank You God

*Heavenly father help me to hold out this  
very special day,  
Just to serve you in the right  
and proper way,  
Lord the day has just begun  
And thank you for the golden sun  
Just stay close beside me through this day  
And show me Lord your perfect way.  
Amen*

WRITER'S CR.







## To Friends At Vauxhall

No matter how much I complain about  
this school,  
The rules and pressure that come with it,  
I am grateful to it because I met you  
..... you my family you my loved  
ones.  
We make it fun .....yes fun.

I guess you will never know how much I  
care for you.  
I could never adequately explain I leave  
you now with  
very fond memories or our burdens,  
Our joys our laughs and our lunacy.

Mature grow ..... but do not change.  
I love you as you are, you are special.

## Dedicated To Our Teachers

Though we may be a set of pests,  
You taught us just the same  
We came here as beginners, fragile and  
shy  
But you showed us through the years,  
How to overcome all our fears.

When we were down, you helped us up.  
When we were rude, you punished us.  
And you helped us everyday,  
Now teachers we must say,  
Thank you for showing us the way.

Written by: Venice Andrews

## Death

Death  
So cruel and vicious  
It takes away loved ones  
It brings sorrow to so many

Death  
It separates people  
But then you die  
Sorrow and pain are here so much  
Death is here to stay.

Written by: Diana Harris 9v

## Vauxhall

This is a poem about Vauxhall  
A poem about students, teachers,  
preachers  
Who have to be guides of girls boys  
From different worlds.

Vauxhall is on the flat  
It is a different plane, your land, her land,  
my land

Vauxhall is weak yet strong  
Though others perish, Vauxhall lives long

Vauxhall is standing, imposing,  
Threatening you to be daring, easy going.

Vauxhall is on Windward Road in  
Kingston  
Watching you, watching me  
Daring you, daring me .....  
To understand it.  
And though others try to stop it,  
Vauxhall lives on and on and on .....  
Forever.

Done by: VENICE & ROSEMARIE.

## Night

Night every few hours  
Dark with fear as each  
Man goes by.

Night  
An eternity of minutes  
When we all should rest  
Black as a cat - you can  
Hardly see a thing

Night  
Has come - you feel the dewdrops,  
Late in the night the dog hounds  
Stay asleep,  
It's still  
Night.

Written by: Diana Harris 9v

# WRITERS' CORNER





## Loneliness

Pity Me,  
Love Me,  
Comfort Me,  
Because I Feel So Weak.

Born With Hatred,  
Born In Fright,  
Hold Me Close,  
Because I Feel So Sad.

Pity Me For Love,  
Comfort Me In Sadness,  
Pray With Me Nightly,  
So That I Will Be Glad.

*Suzette Wallfall*

## Jokes

Irritated Boss: Where have you been all this time?  
Employee: Out having a hair cut  
Boss: Well you can't cut your hair on my time!  
Employee: Why not? It grew on your time.

Three men were admitted into a particular hospital in the same room. The doctor informed them that if they spoke they would die. One particular day a nurse on duty gave one of the men one bowl of soup, the other, two bowls, and the third none. The man who did not receive any asked, "How me nuh get none?" he died immediately. The man that got one bowl asked, "How im dead? shortly afterwards he died. The man that got the two bowls of soup said, "Teng God me neva talk".

*Written by: Venice & Rosemarie*

What has ears, nose and eyes but no teeth.  
Answer - TITUS

## The End Of A Dream

The end of a dream happened today  
as I packed my things to go away,  
So many memories both happy and sad,  
So many plans that all went bad.  
I'll still be your woman you'll still be my man  
So why do I feel such pain in my heart.  
Why am I left

Why can't you want me like I want you?  
The end of a dream the breaking of my heart  
But my love will stand.

*Written by: Beverley Green*

## Jokes

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A boy asked a boy,  
"What is the capital of Manchester"  
Another boy jumped up and shouted  
"Womanchester teacher".

What vegetable do you, throw away the outside, Cook the inside, eat the outside and throw away the inside.  
Answer - Corn on the Cob.

*Written by: Tanya Osbourne*

A boy was asked to say a poem for a concert put on by his school.  
"This is a poem about a burning deck", he began,  
"One day a boy stood on a buring deck"  
He paused for a moment then said, "the brute burn up".

*Written by: Venice & Rosemarie*

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The 1989-90 season was a relatively successful one for the Physical Education Department. Although we were a bit hampered by lack of equipment, we managed to get through our classes with a certain degree of success. Our school teams did not win any of the major competitions, but they performed creditably.

## FOOTBALL

With the competition starting at the end of September, our team had a very short time to prepare. We did what was possible, and the boys won two matches out of four, just failing to reach the semi-finals on goal difference.

## NETBALL

Our girls started well by winning the opening rally, defeating Holy Trinity in a thrilling final. They then swept through the first round of the school league unbeaten. They were playing well, and seemed certain of winning the trophies. This was not to be, as due to over confidence, both the Juniors and Seniors lost their semi-final matches to teams they had already beaten.

## RUGBY

Due to the indiscipline within the Rugby teams, they did not do as well as expected. The Under 15 team went to the semi-finals and lost to Jose Marti. The Under 17 team won four matches out of seven, but did not qualify for the finals. This same team entered the Under 19 league, but was no match for the much bigger boys at the high schools. With much more discipline and dedication our team should do well next season.

## ATHLETICS

Our track team did relatively well throughout the season. They started with the Gibson Relays, where we entered 5 races and qualified for the finals in three. At the Junior Relays, we entered ten events, and made the finals in all except one. Although they did not get a medal, the teams ran well, and were not disgraced. Other good performances came at the National Relays and Corporate Area Champs. Nine of our athletes were selected to represent Kingston in the All-Island Secondary Athletic Championship.

## SPORTS/DAY

Our Sports Day was held in April at Up-Park Camp. It was a relatively successful one, with many exciting races and close competition between the six houses. At the end, there was a new champion, as Marley House dethroned Wint House. Delapenha House was second and Headley House third. Barnett and Wint tied for first place in the uniform parade.

The P.E. Department would like to thank all the students who gave their time and energy to represent the school, and would like to make special mention of two students, who gave outstanding performances. They are Dave Duncan, our top male athlete who won the high jump event at Champs, and Antoinette Smith, our Netball captain and top female athlete. The Department is now looking forward to the 1990-91 season with the aim of improving on this year's performance.



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In the month of February, awards are given to the Best Non-Commissioned Officer, Best Cadet, Best Recruit and Cadet.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS - 1990

Each year, all units of the Jamaica Combined Cadet Force are inspected. The Vauxhall Cadet Unit has won the Battalion Inspection in 1985 and were the runners-up in 1986. They won the DeCordova Shield three years in succession the years were 1985, 1986 and 1987.

Since the month of May 1988, the Vauxhall Cadet Unit was twinned with the Royal Canadian Army Cadets of the Toronto Scottish Regiment.

The Vauxhall Cadet Unit still remains the only Unit with a C.B. Communication Network which is not only used for Communication but for Telecommunication Training.

#### THANKS

Vauxhall's Cadet Unit wishes to pay tribute to all Past and Present, Principals, Staff, Officers, Cadets and Friend's who have made invaluable contribution to the Unit over the years as they look forward to better years.

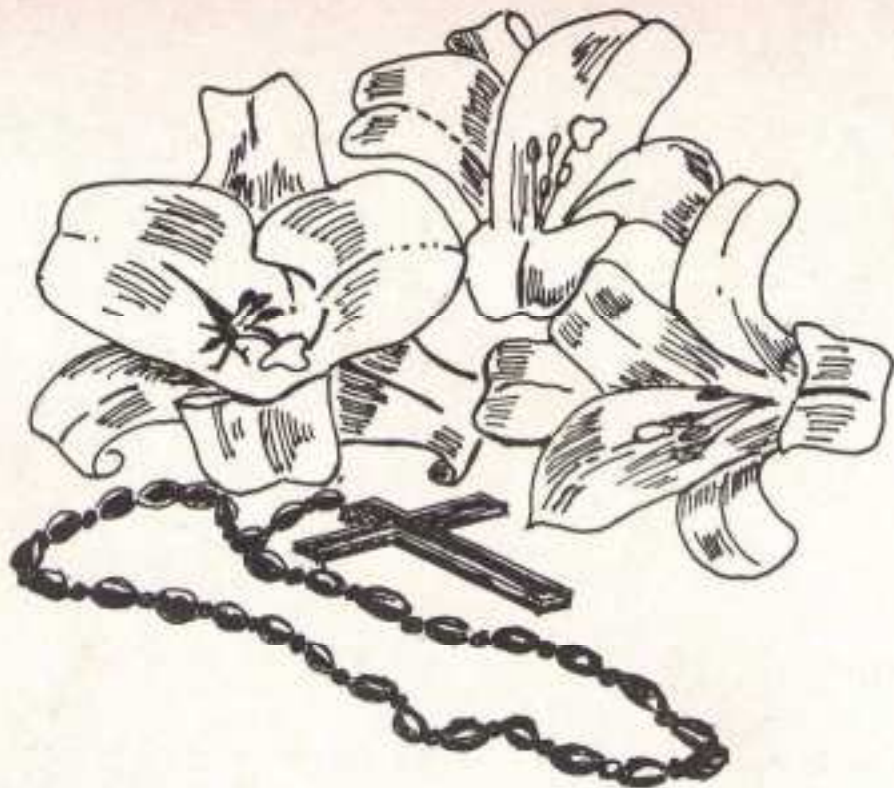
Special tribute to Mr. Daniel Douglas J.P., past Chairman of the School's board.

Mr. Douglas has given invaluable moral support and encouragement to the Vauxhall Cadet Unit during his stay in office, and best wishes to him in his future ventures.

# CADETS



# MEMORIAM



As we celebrate thirty-four years of existence we pause to pay tribute to the memory of those who served and have been called home.

**Mr. W.S.A. Johnson** - W.S.A. as he liked to be called was strong-willed, persevering and at heart a humanitarian. To his memory, the Lignum Vitae pays tribute for his contribution to Vauxhall in particular, and in general to the total educational system.

**Mrs. Thelma Gayle** - A very informed and concerned teacher who headed the Social Studies Department and gave invaluable service to Vauxhall Secondary School. She was one of the foundation members of staff and was instrumental in building this noble institution.

**Mrs. Barbara Williams** - Class teacher, Mathematics teacher par excellence, a stickler for discipline, she was one who manned her post and believed in answering the call of duty no matter what the circumstances. Your memory lingers on Willie.

**Miss Rosaline James** - A young vibrant past student of Vauxhall who entered the teaching profession and served at Vauxhall. Rosie was a model teacher intent on giving back some of what she gained at this school. Rest in peace Rosie.

**Mrs. Hepzibah Johnson** - was a dynamic hardworking teacher who was concerned about giving her best to all who came into contact with her. A community worker she seemed indefatigable as she worked with her Brownie pack and carried out her task as an innovative Art teacher.

**Mr. George Anderson** - 'Andy' as he was affectionately called was a friend to both student and teachers. He provided the father figure for many of the boys whom he taught Carpentry and Joinery. A dedicated, dependable teacher.



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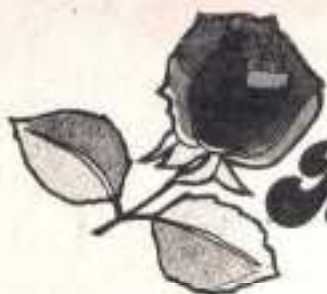
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