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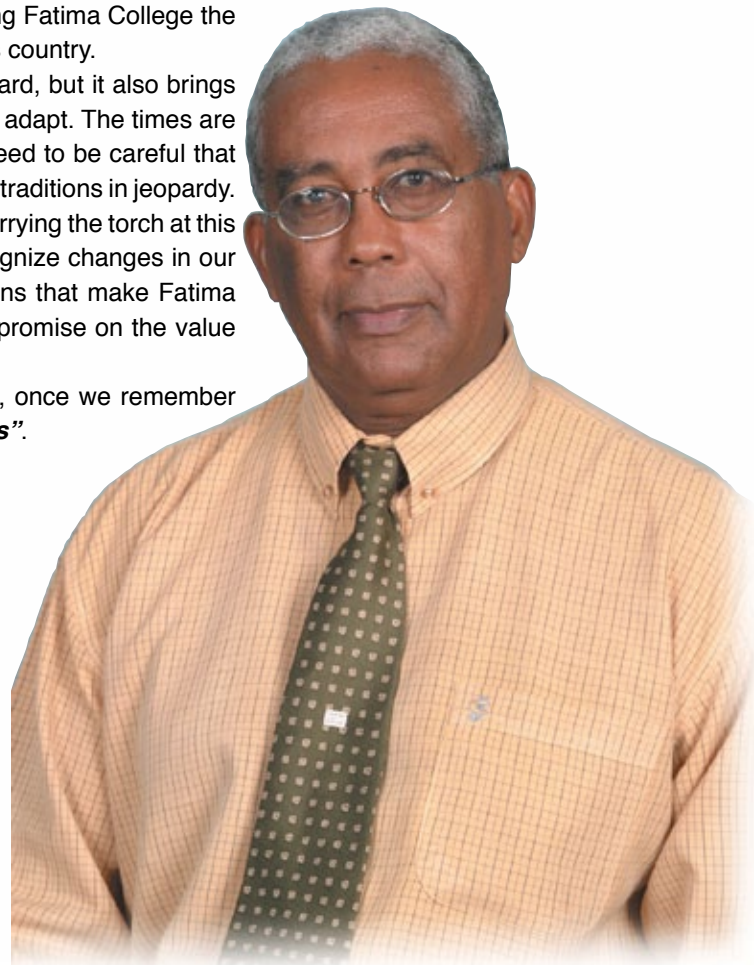
# Message from Principal

**S**ixty years of existence of Fatima College have left their mark on Trinidad and Tobago and the world. Our graduates can be found in all committees, making their contribution as they were taught to do at the College. There is no doubt that what started out as an appendage to St. Mary's College, now stands mightily on its own, strong and proud. The traditions, which the founding fathers were at pains to instill, have stood the test of time and have grown to the extent that one can easily spot a Fatima boy, whose actions are proscribed by his strong foundation.

It is difficult not to notice Fatima Boys. The sixty years have seen Fatima graduates in all fields of endeavour. They are found in industry and commerce, in sports, education, politics and in religious life. Much tribute must be paid to those whose vision sixty years ago, set the tone for what has followed. That the students who experience Fatima, wear their badges with pride, says much for what goes on in the College and is a further tribute to all those who have contributed in making Fatima College the premier boys educational institution in this country.

Sixty years is a long time by any standard, but it also brings us to a point where we must evaluate and adapt. The times are changing at such a rapid pace, that we need to be careful that we are not carried along with it and put our traditions in jeopardy. The onus is therefore, on those who are carrying the torch at this time to be very vigilant that while we recognize changes in our environment, we hold on to those traditions that make Fatima College what it is and that we never compromise on the value that have built our traditions.

This is not as difficult as it may seem, once we remember always that ***"Fatima Boys are good boys"***.



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# Vice Principal Comments

## - Anne Gomes-Phillips

**B**efore proclaiming our Jubilee Year at a special assembly on Monday 3rd January, 2005 the Fatima College community paused in silence for the hundreds of thousands of people who lost their lives in the tsunami devastation in South East Asia. The human family was still coming to terms with this tragedy which brought our world to a virtual standstill. There were heart-rending stories of the loss of family, friends and relatives. Relationships were ruptured and many came to an abrupt end. Families were torn apart and separated; the grief and shock had taken its toll on the human heart and spirit. Our world was in mourning.



It is this same family and community spirit that our Founding Fathers made a deliberate choice to foster, nurture and strengthen here at Fatima College in 1945. Sixty years later, we are faced with a collapse of a family and community spirit in our country and our world. We are confronted and reminded of this reality on a daily basis as we go about our duties in our beloved College. The challenge is before us all, as a Fatima family to refocus, to rebuild, to restore relationships and community. The late John Paul II has reminded us that our greatest task as educators, particularly in the light of educational reform that is sweeping our world and our own country, is the forging of relationships with our students, the building of a family and community spirit. No curriculum, no building, no upgrading of facilities, while it has its place, can ever replace the personal relationship that is at the heart of teaching.

In our Catholic tradition, a Jubilee Year is a sacred year. It is a time of home-coming and stock-taking. We celebrate our roots, our founders and we are all invited to respond to the call for right and just living. As we engage in reflection, let us also respond courageously to the challenges that face us so that together we can do our part "to heal and strengthen our land."

Send forth your Spirit O Lord and renew the face of the earth!

## Heads of Departments



**M. Maraj - Business**



**A. Poon - Languages**



**C. Churaman - Biology**



**F. Garcia - Physics**



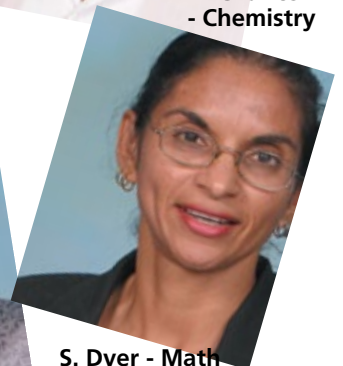
**F. Harricharan - English**



**K. Charles - Chemistry**



**L. Ali - History**



**S. Dyer - Math**

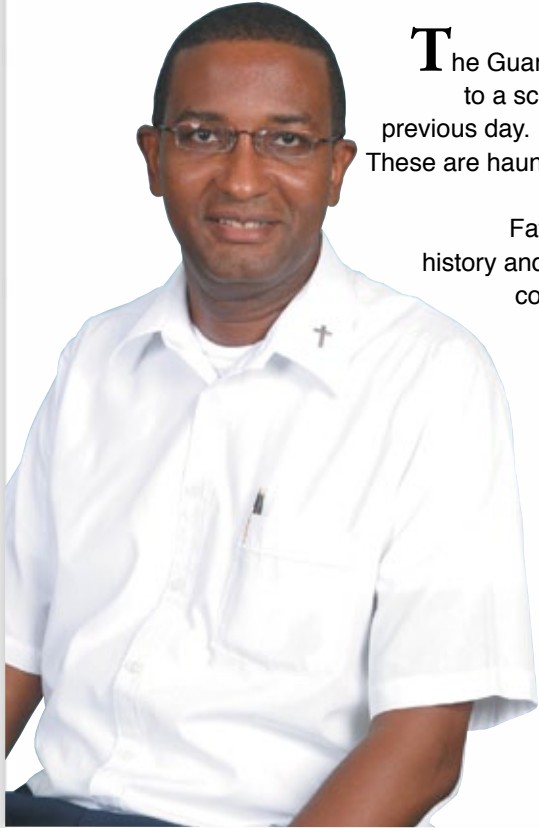


**F. John - Sports Co-ordinator**



**Fr. Gregory Augustine - Religion**

## *A Message from Fr. Gregory*



**T**he Guardian's headline of Saturday May 14, 2005 read "Ghost School" referring to a school in Arima at which only 50% of the student population turned out the previous day. In that very week the Minister of Education referred to student arsonists. These are haunting signs of our times; it is certainly not the full story of education in our country but a story that calls us to reflect.

Fatima College celebrates its Jubilee Year and we too are reflecting on our history and our roots. Jubilee is a time of stock-taking. What then have the present concerns to do with us? Are we shielded or more privileged? Is the Fatima boy of a different stock from others? I think not. We are all cut from the same fabric of this nation; we must take account of our sacred responsibilities to our brothers and sisters particularly the very young, the aged and the most vulnerable. We must ensure that the minds and hearts of our young people are molded in a fashion that makes them critically aware of the challenges of our time and their Christian responsibility of compassion and social action.

The Founding Fathers responded to the call in a time of great transition 1944 - 45 which marked the end of the Second World War. There was an increased demand for secondary education. The fathers said a clear yes to this need. We too, sixty years later, must say a clear yes to the demands of our time. Our faith tells us that the crises that we face will indeed be overcome, for by striving we will conquer.

## TEACHING STAFF 2005



**BACK ROW (L-R):** Gavin De Souza, Roger Berment, Krishna Charles, Selwyn Marcano, Tyrone Indalsingh, Francisco Garcia, Ian Des Vignes, Michael Maraj, Allisten Cooper, Aloysius Joseph, Nigel Cooper, Harry Ramdass. **MIDDLE ROW (L-R):** Sharmila De Gale, Utra Ramlal, Anthony Young, Amraj Seemungal, Glen Roach, Francis John, Maurice Brash, Rosmarie Duff, Mervyn Achille, Elizabeth Habib, Gillian Ramdass, Wendy Marin, Patricia Clerk, Aleemudeen Mohammed, Fr. Michael Ezenwamadu, Garnet Pierre. **FRONT ROW (L-R):** Susan Chapman, Allison Poon, Nalini Harricharan, Nirmala Bejai, Karen Mohammed, Shaneela Mahelal, Candy Churaman, Anne Gomes-Phillips (Vice Principal), Anthony Garcia (Principal) Fr. Gregory Augustine (Manager) Londell Ollivierre, Alicia Manuel, Cadine Parson-Ellis, Khadine Brathwalte, Myrtle Cumberbatch, Lourdes Ali.



# Our Lady of Fatima College

## *The Beginning* Fr. Andrew Cockburn, C.S.Sp



**A**fter many meetings and correspondence, and disagreeing and agreeing and frustrations - with the Archbishop Ryan, Dr. Meenan, Principal of C.I.C. Fr. J. Byrne, CSSp, Fr. Flavin, O.P., P.P. of St. Theresa's Parish, and the CSSp Generalate in Paris, it was finally agreed that the Holy Ghost Fathers would be entrusted with the direction of the New Secondary School in the Woodbrook - Mucurapo area.

In deference to the Archbishop who had a great devotion to Our Lady of Fatima, it was to be called "Our Lady of Fatima College."

The new College opened on Monday 29th January 1945 in temporary quarters at St. Theresa's. It was a small two-room building with a partition dividing the two classrooms. There were 2 classes of 30 boys each. The staff was Fr. J. Byrne, CSSp, and Principal, who spent most of his days at the new building site on Mucurapo Road. He took the last class in the day.

The other members of staff - two in number - were Michael Mc Carthy, an Irish Holy Ghost Seminarian, and Andrew Cockburn - the first lay Teacher of the School.

It was on Monday 10th September, 1945 that Fr. Byrne transferred his boys to the New College where two classrooms were occupied. I had just completed my studies at St. Mary's and the Superior of the Holy Ghost Fathers, Dr. Meenan, Principal of C.I.C., asked me to teach at the New School. This was January 1945.

World War II was still in progress - it ended in the latter part of 1945. Things were very hard and almost everything was in short supply or could not be gotten at all.

The first batch of boys numbered 60. Thirty in a classroom. The two of us teachers, Mc Carthy and myself switched classrooms during the day at the end of each period of class. We taught all subjects except Physics and Chemistry (No Labs). There were no such subjects as P.O.B., POX, Computer, and Technical Drawing. They just did not exist.

There was a very good spirit among the students and staff. It was like one big family. I can still remember the names of most of those pioneers. Many of those were - **BRILLIANT**. We had no playing field, but we did have games, for we had the equipment. This was in a small space in the Savannah. There was no television or video or DVD in those days, but Fr. Byrne did get a loan of a film projector and showed us films on Friday nights. I remember distinctly walking or sometimes cycling from our home on Phillips Street on the Eastern side of the Cemetery with a load of exercise books duly corrected, to the Fatima College temporary site on Petra Street. The war was still on.

Towards the end of 1945 I was to leave Trinidad for Canada to join the Holy Ghost Fathers.

It was on 14th October that the Archbishop formally blessed the new School - "**Our Lady of Fatima College.**"

The "mustard seed" was sown. And it was to flourish to what it is today.

*O Lady of Fatima Hail! O Pray for us help us today, the hope of the human race.*



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## Fatima College Diamond Jubilee 1945 – 2005

by CLIVE PANTIN



### **Fatima College – 60 years Old! Unbelievable!**

It has brought back so many memories for me that I have become emotional.

You see, I first started teaching there in 1950 – I was sixteen years old. I taught for seven months, January to July 1950 – then I left to go to Canada and then Ireland to study with the intention of becoming a priest. I returned to Trinidad in 1954, did not pursue my studies for the priesthood, but continued to teach at Fatima College from 1954 - 1981.

They were undoubtedly the happiest days of my life, and it was my privilege to see Fatima progress from "another school" to which you sent your son if he did not get into CIC to the No. 1 school in Trinidad and Tobago. The College simply grew from strength to strength with some wonderful principals and teachers to become the school that it is today.

I remember with fondness and admiration, Fr. J.E. Byrne, Fr. Ryan (the "Raj"), all those splendid priest and prefects who taught at Fatima along with some great lay teachers such as Mr. Carlton Craigwell (later to be principal at Belmont Intermediate) and Mr. Van Stewart (later to be Principal of QRC).

Our great motto "Nitendo Vincens" and our school song ideally give the story of Fatima College.

The final thought I would like to share is that "Fatima Boys never give up!" We learnt this from the many years we tried to win an Intercol until we eventually broke through in a memorable victory. There was no stopping Fatima after that.

Congratulations, Fatima! May you continue to uphold the wonderful tradition you have had and remember always "Come answer to your call."

AD MULTOS ANNOS

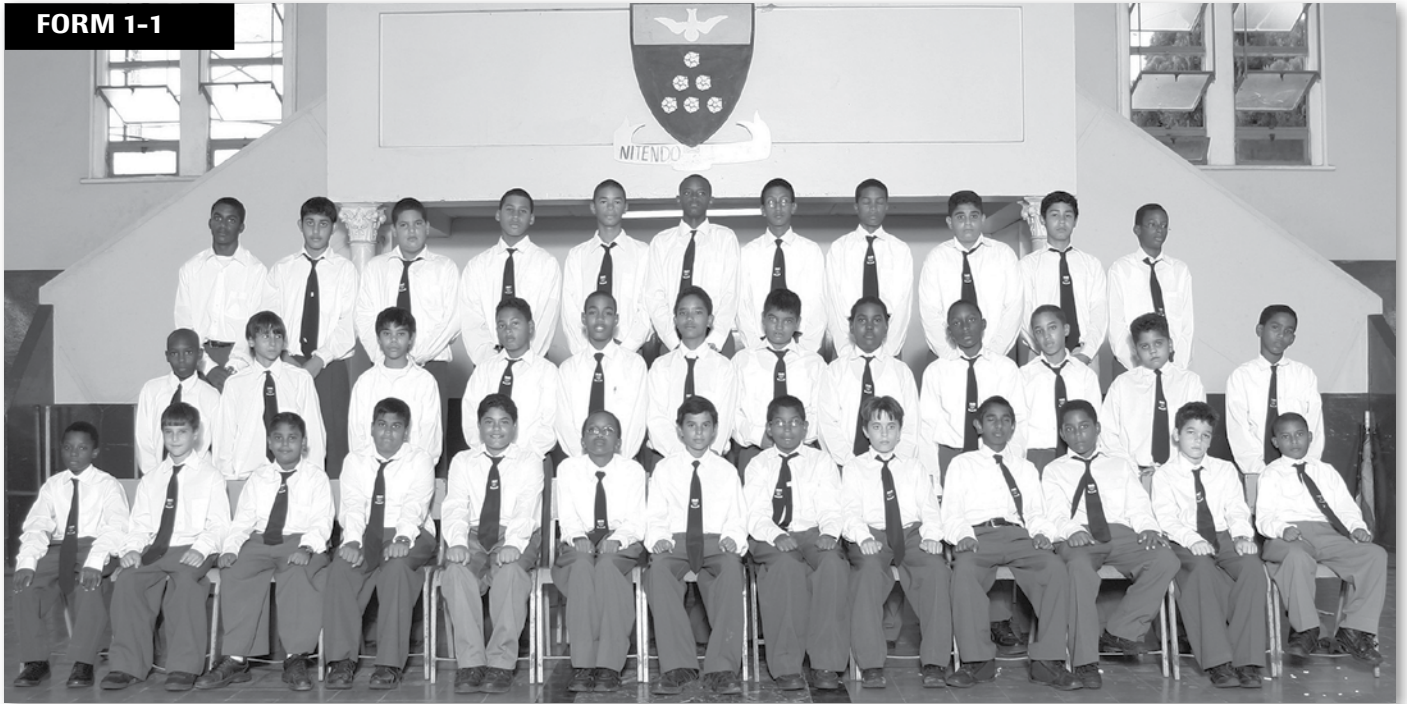
*Sixty years have come and gone  
 Since the commencement of this School,  
 On the flagpole upfront, the blue and gold fly strong,  
 In the breeze as it is hoisted by the faithful Scout Crew,  
 A sea of grey and khaki flood the field  
 at our assembly held every Monday Morning,  
 With the principal saying all the good fortunes we have yield  
 in the week to come, and Father G giving us a lil' blessings.  
 Whispers of lil' conversations could be heard  
 while the school body receives its lecture,  
 But when the deans pass not a single word,  
 Out of your mouth, you dare to venture,  
 Then comes the school song, sang with much pride and vigor,  
 How can we be so diligent, you may ask???  
 Fatima boys are good boys, that must be the answer done by.*

**Yannick Smith**



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**Back Row (l-r):** Jonathan Celestin, Jonathan Bolai, Derron De Freitas, Jean-Luke Atwell, Rory-Stefan Afoon, Michael Deane, Brandon Bodie, Ellron Applewhite, Luis Abdul-Melendez, Marc Alkhal, Derron Arrindell.

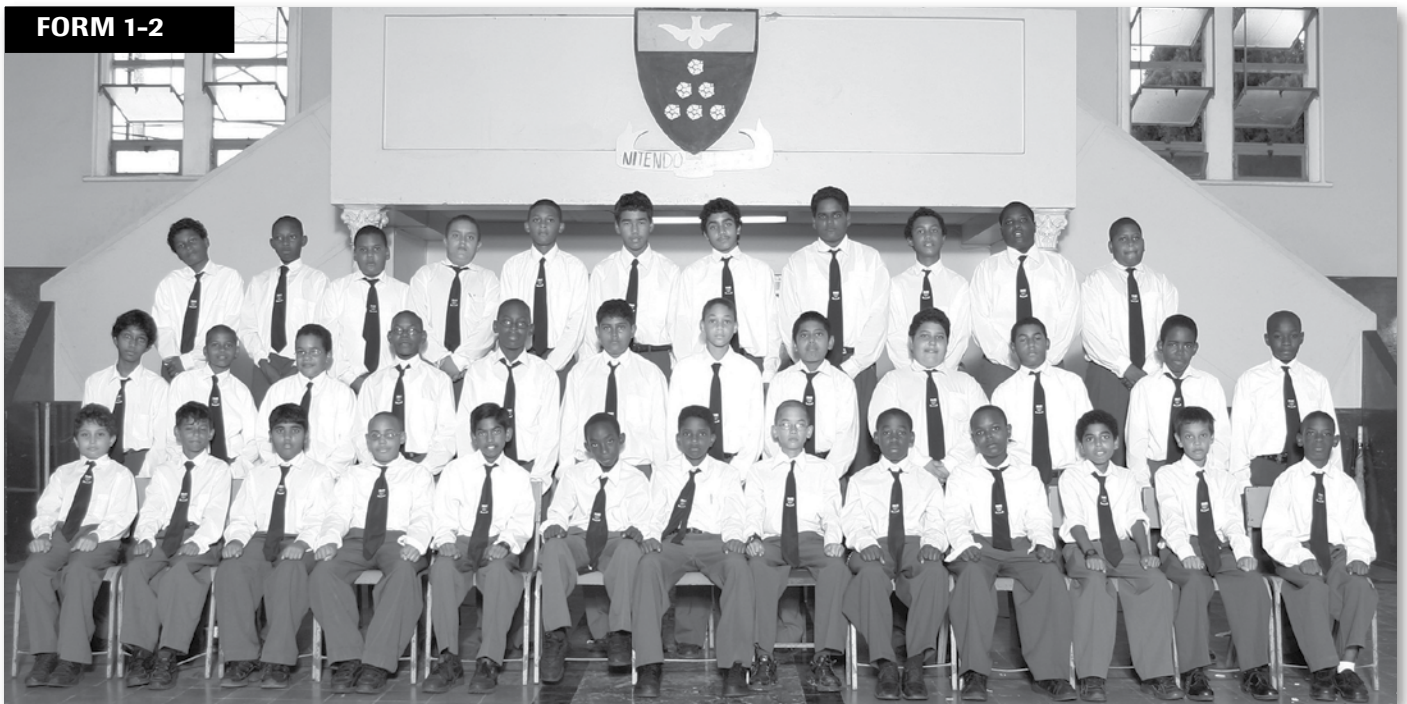
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**Missing:** Elias Aboud, Klynt Bally, Shane Clarke.

**Form Teacher:** Ms. Karen Mohammed

## FORM 1-2



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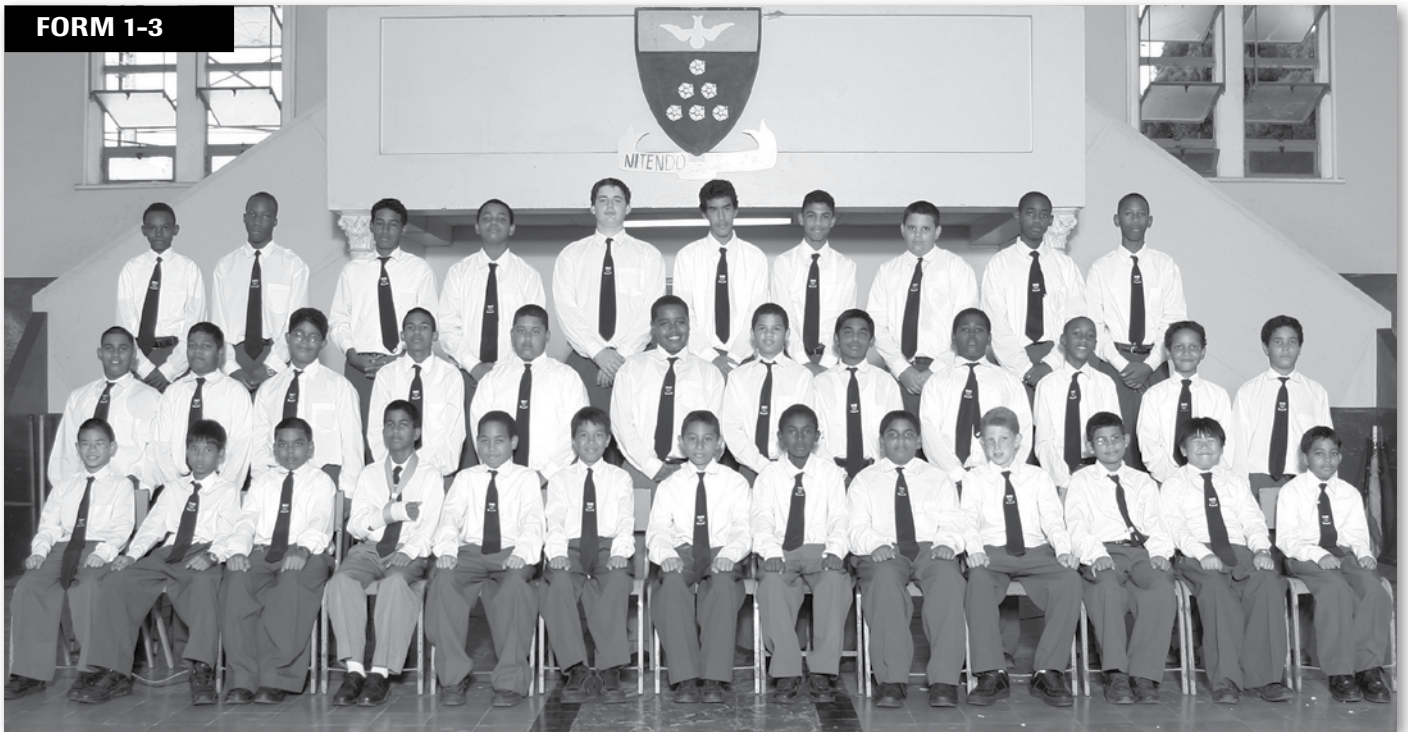
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**Form Teacher:** Mr. Christopher Bhageraty

**FORM 1-3**



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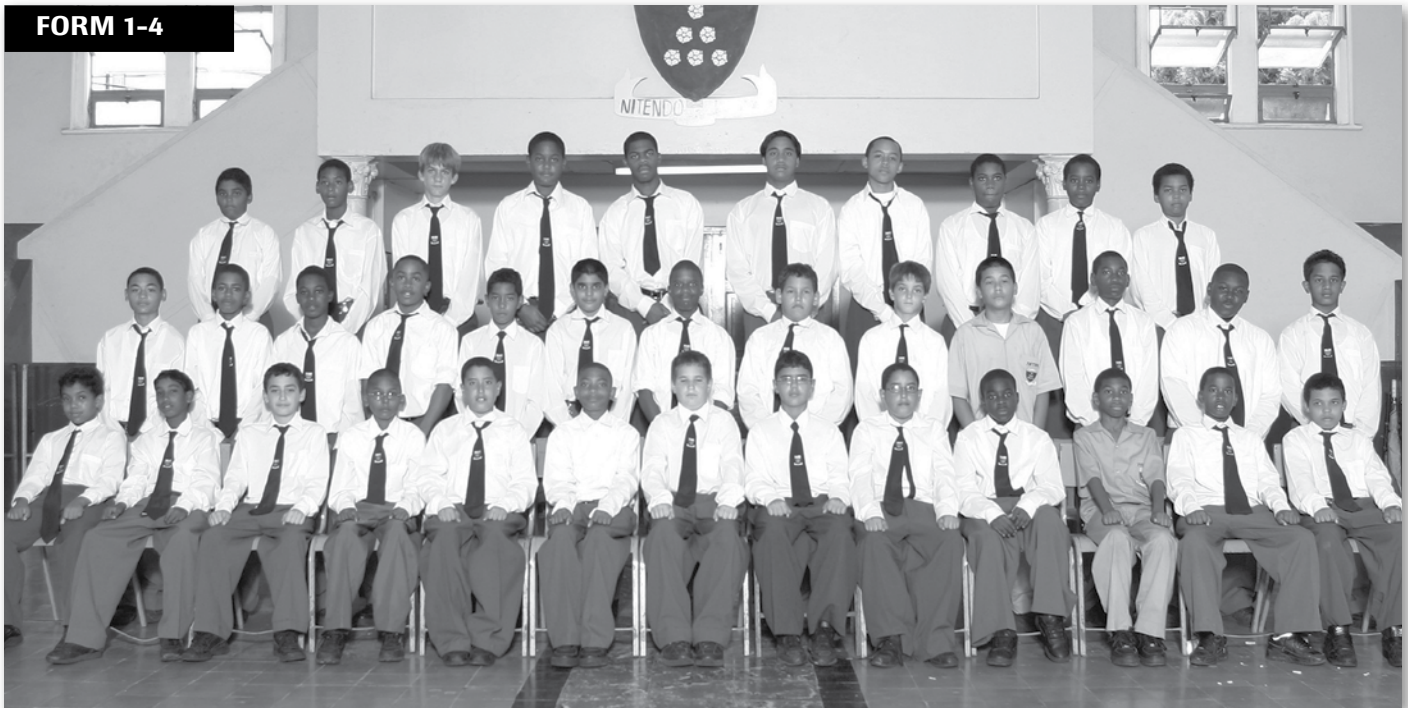
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**Missing:** Matthew Lee, Matthew Naranjit.

**Form Teacher:** Mr. Allisten Cooper

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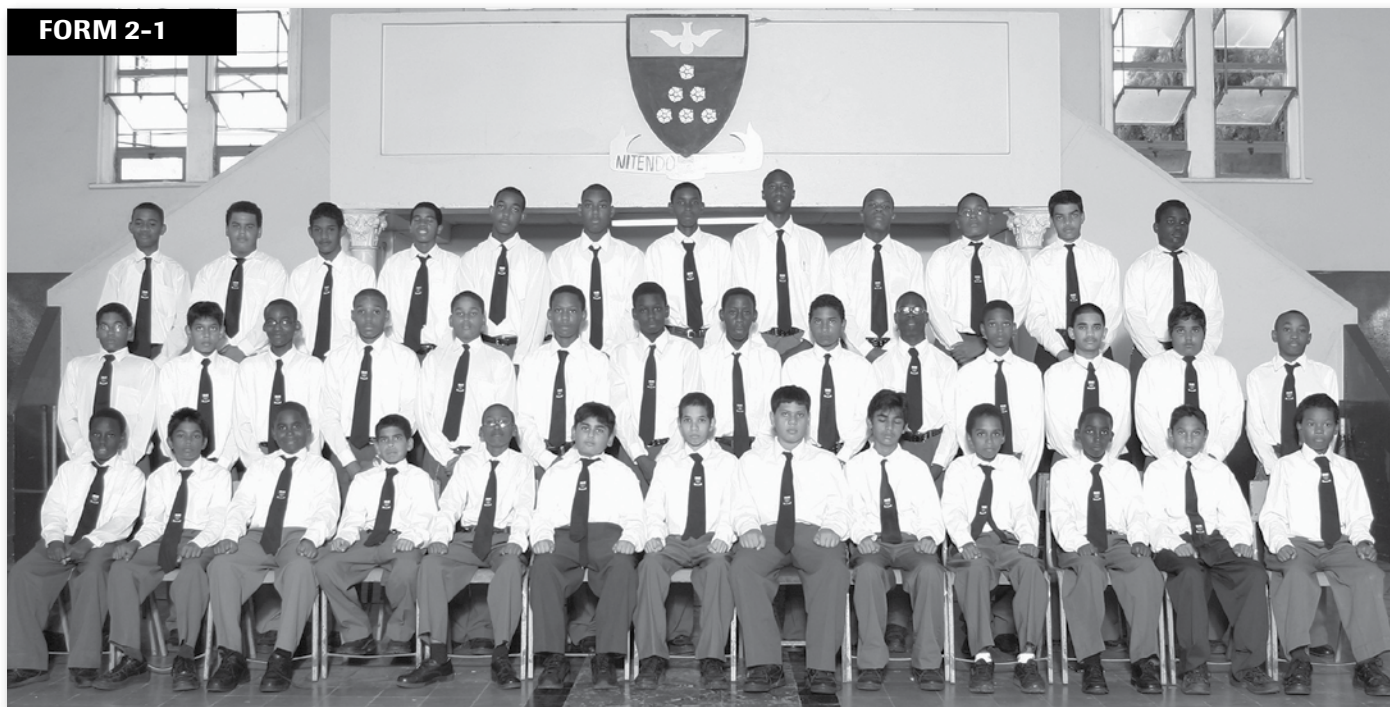
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**Missing:** Jordan Sadler, Adesh Singh and Marc Thompson.

**Form Teacher:** Mrs. Jacinta Maharaj

## FORM 2-1



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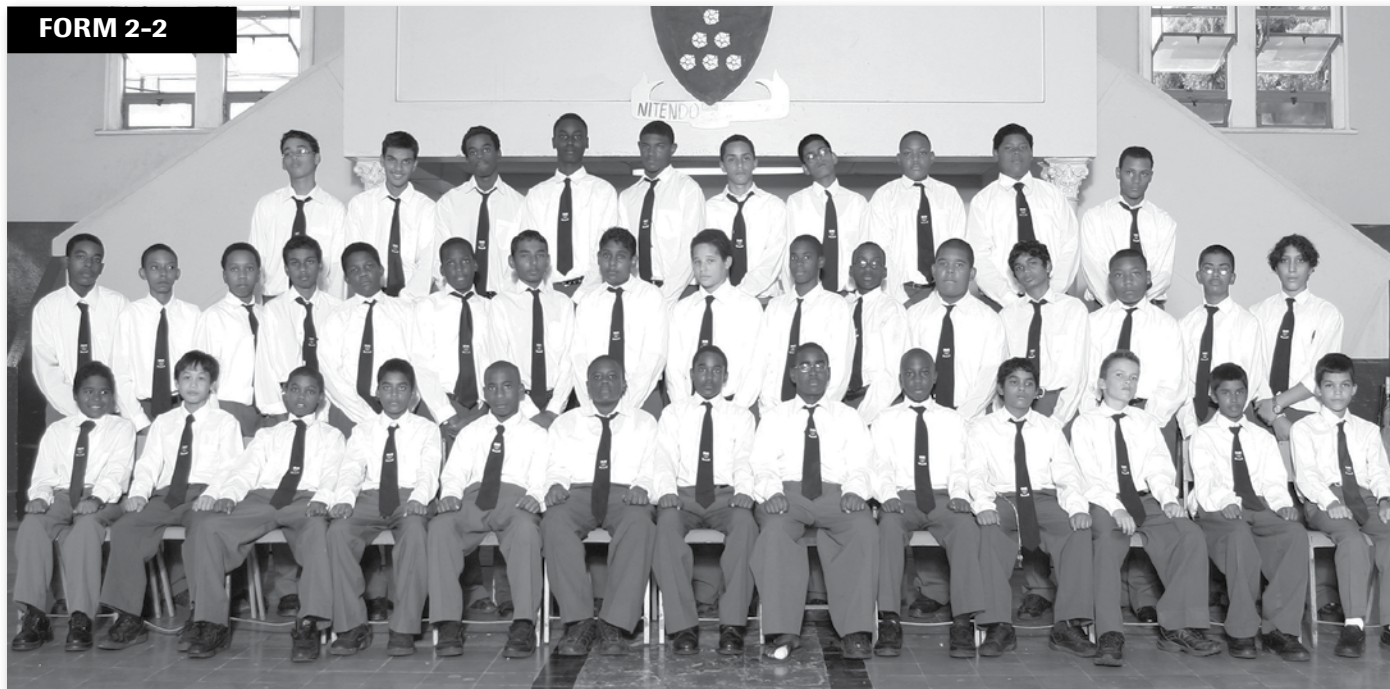
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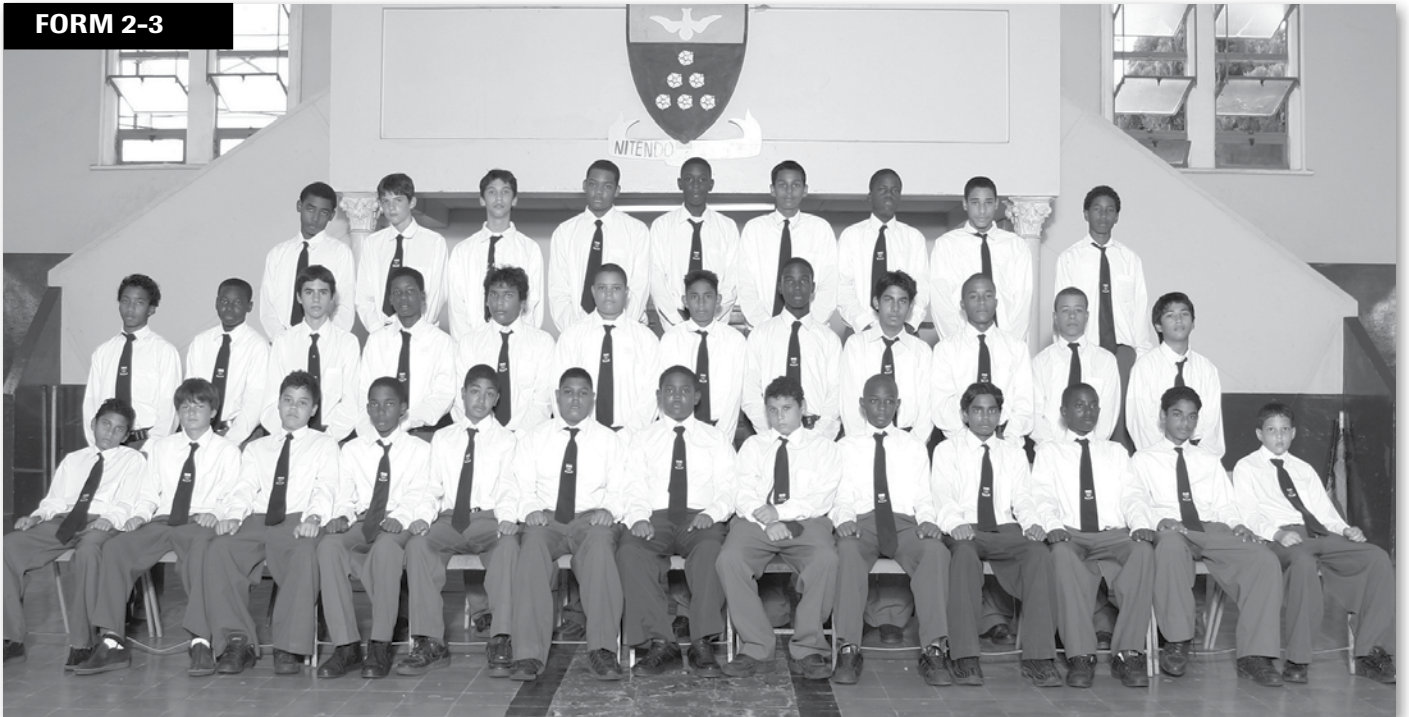
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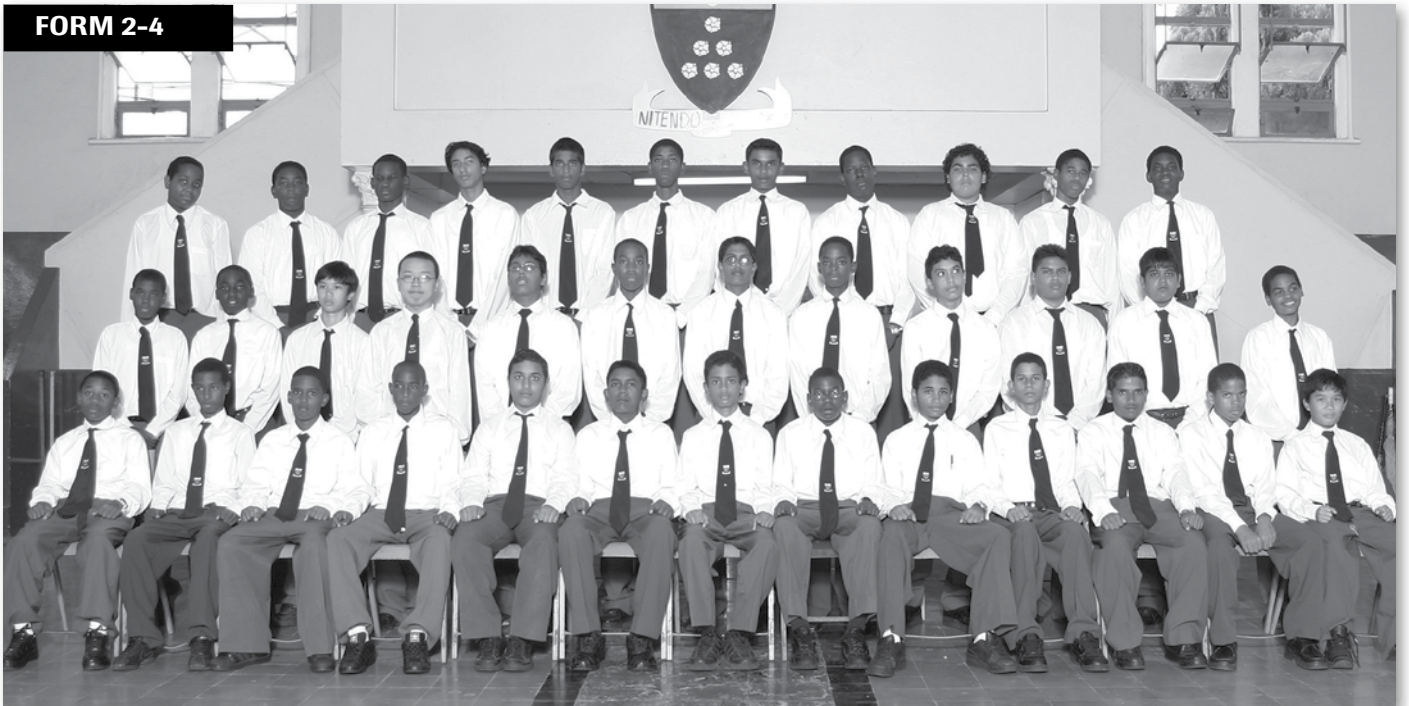
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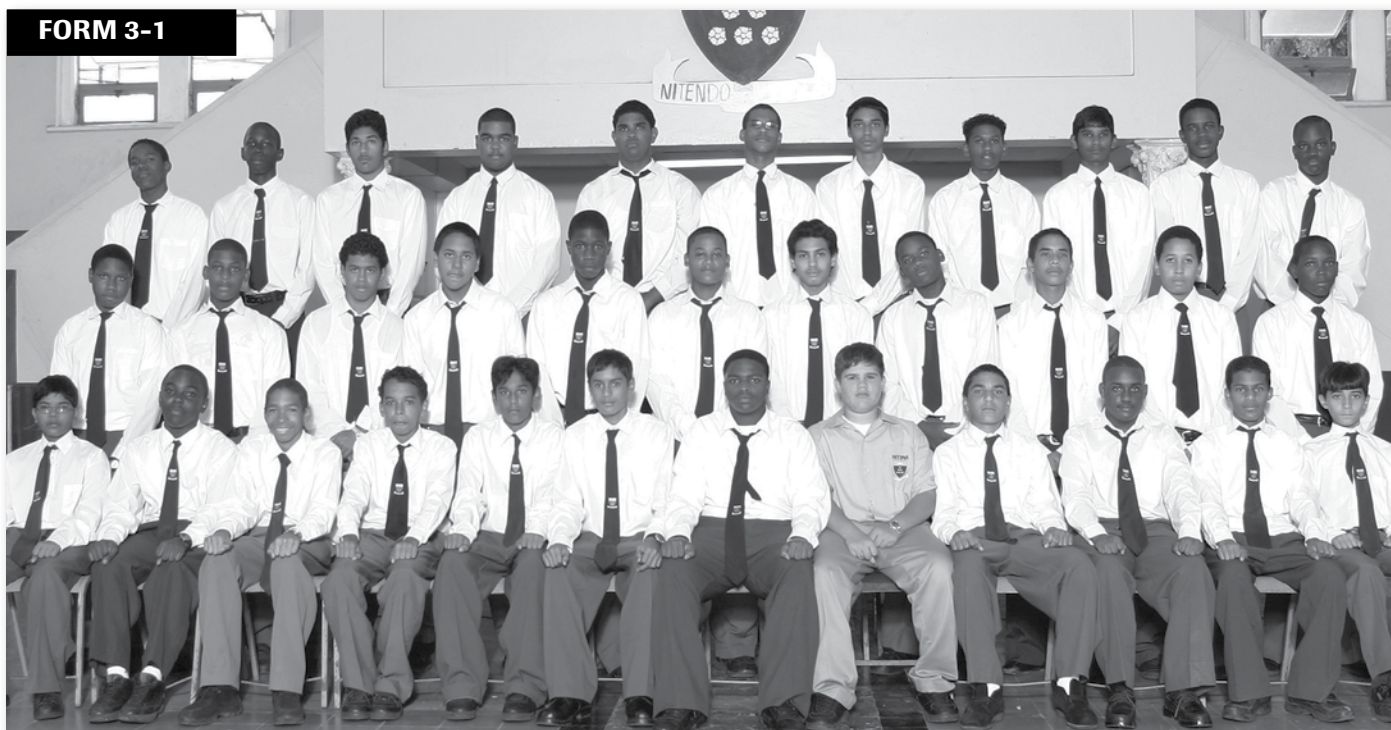
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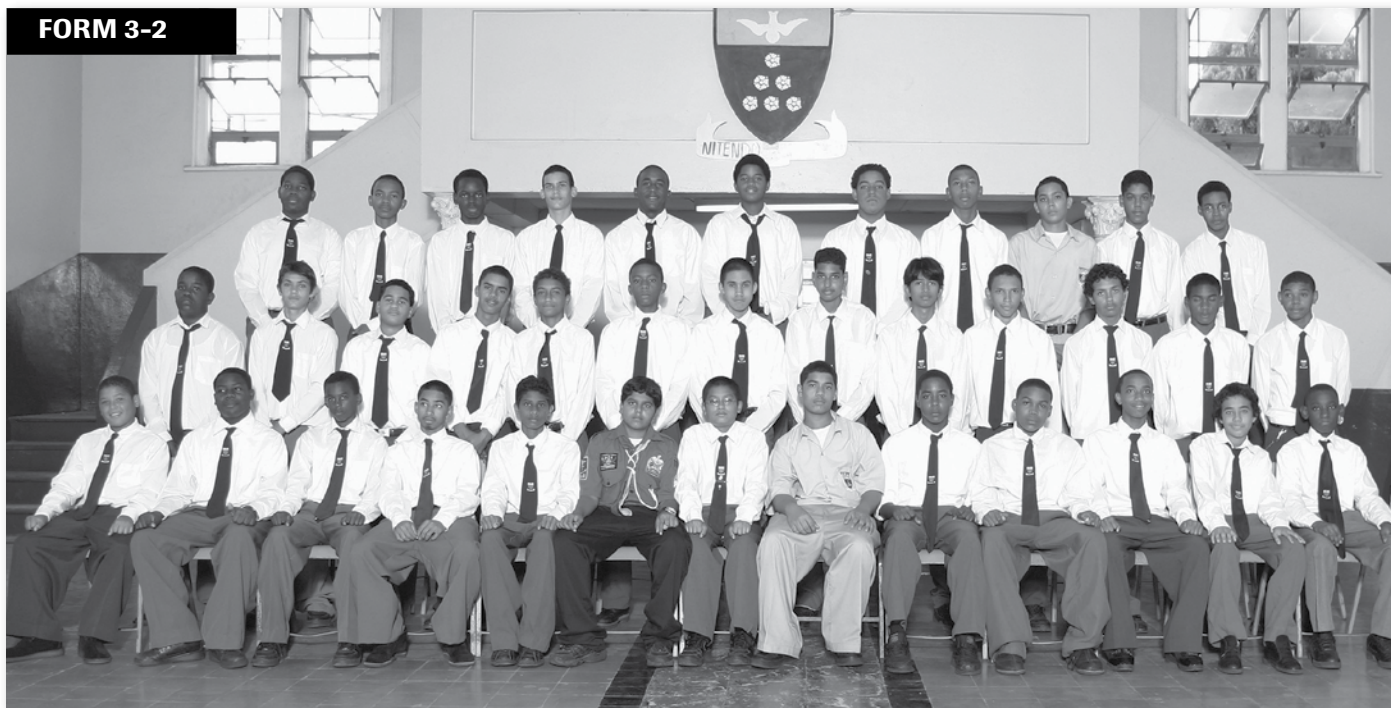
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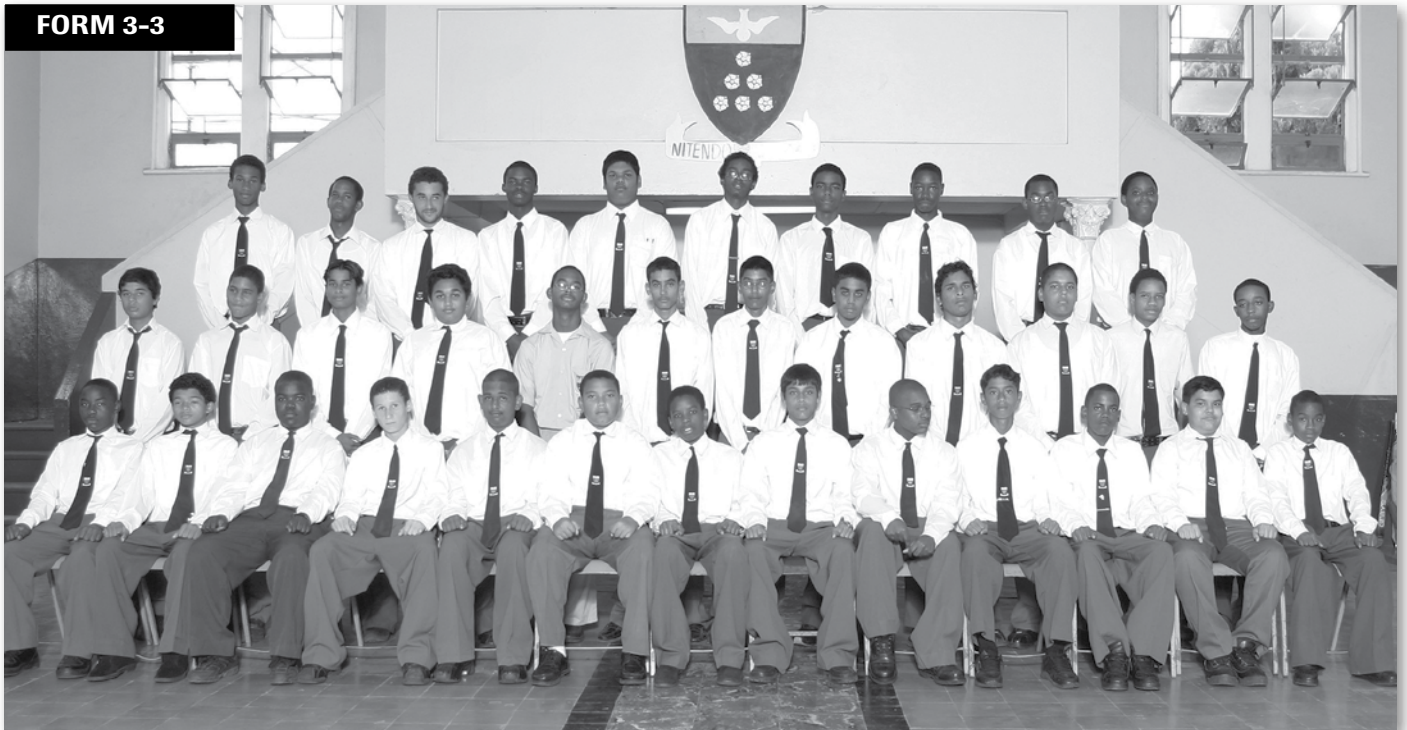
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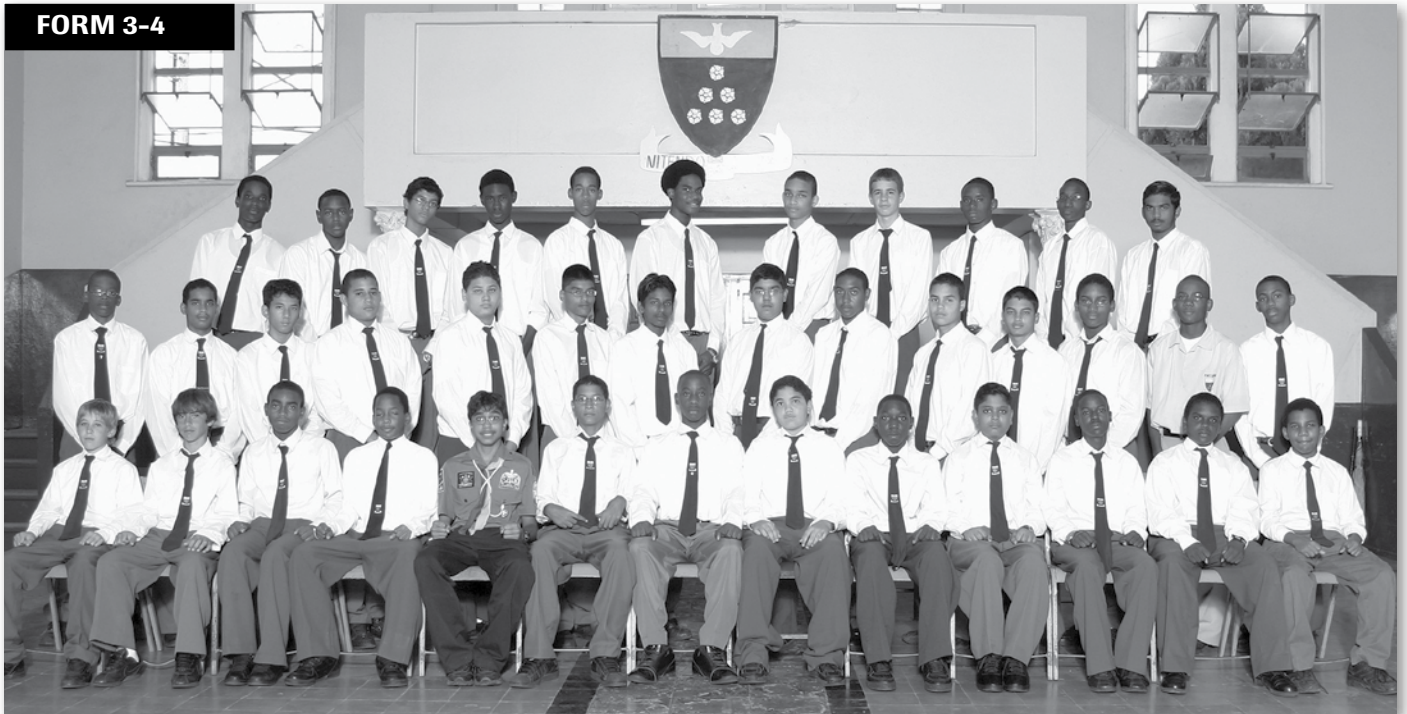
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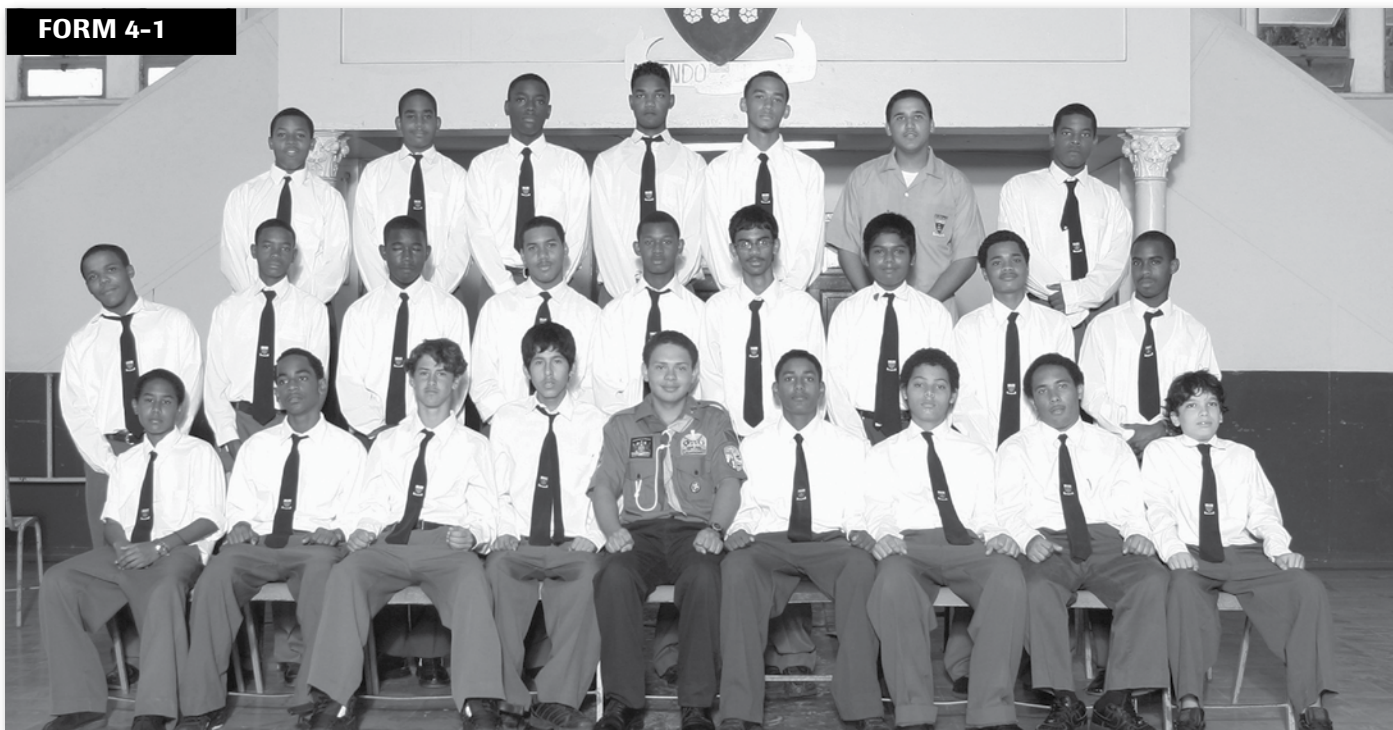
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**Missing:** Randal Ramcharan, Nicholas Taylor, Adrian Ward.  
**Form Teacher:** Ms. S. Mahelal



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**Form Teacher:** Mr. T. Indalsingh

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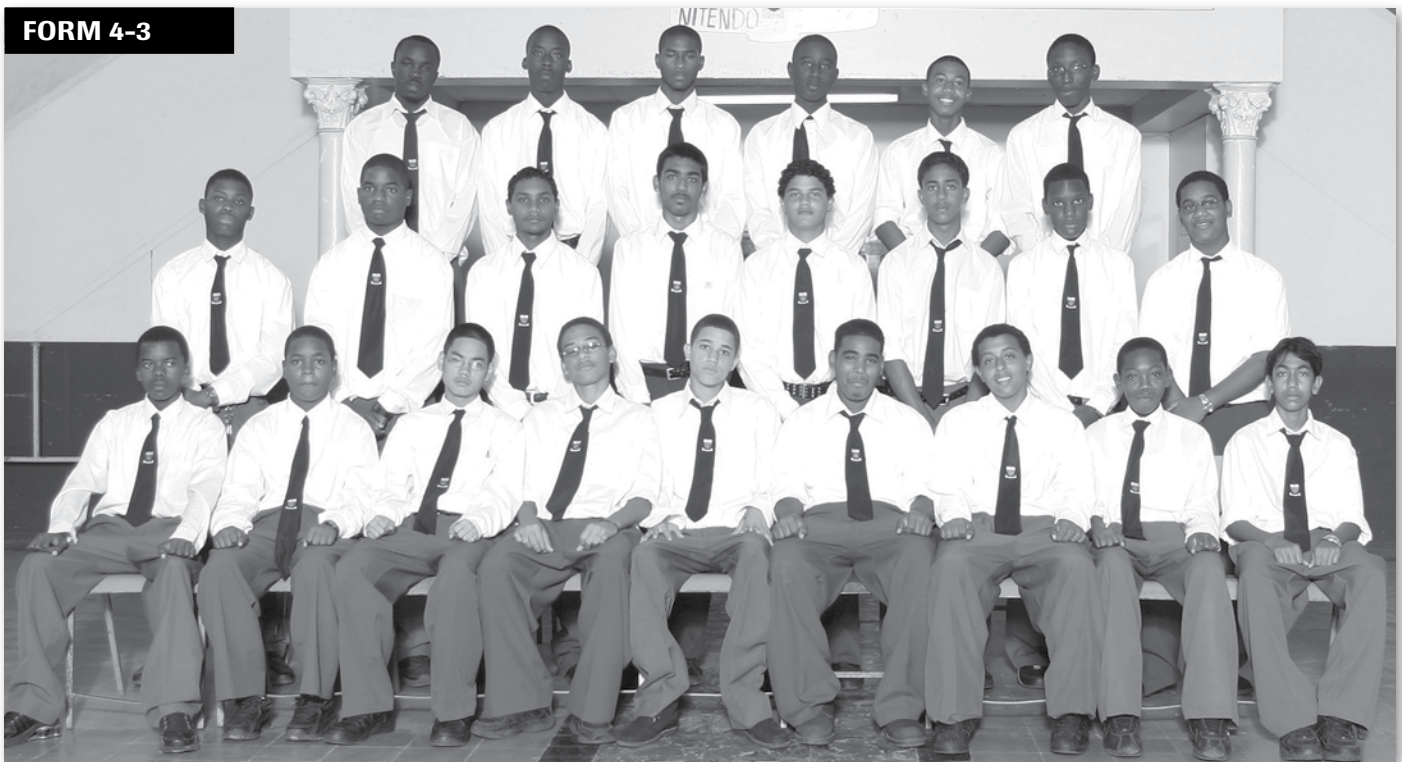
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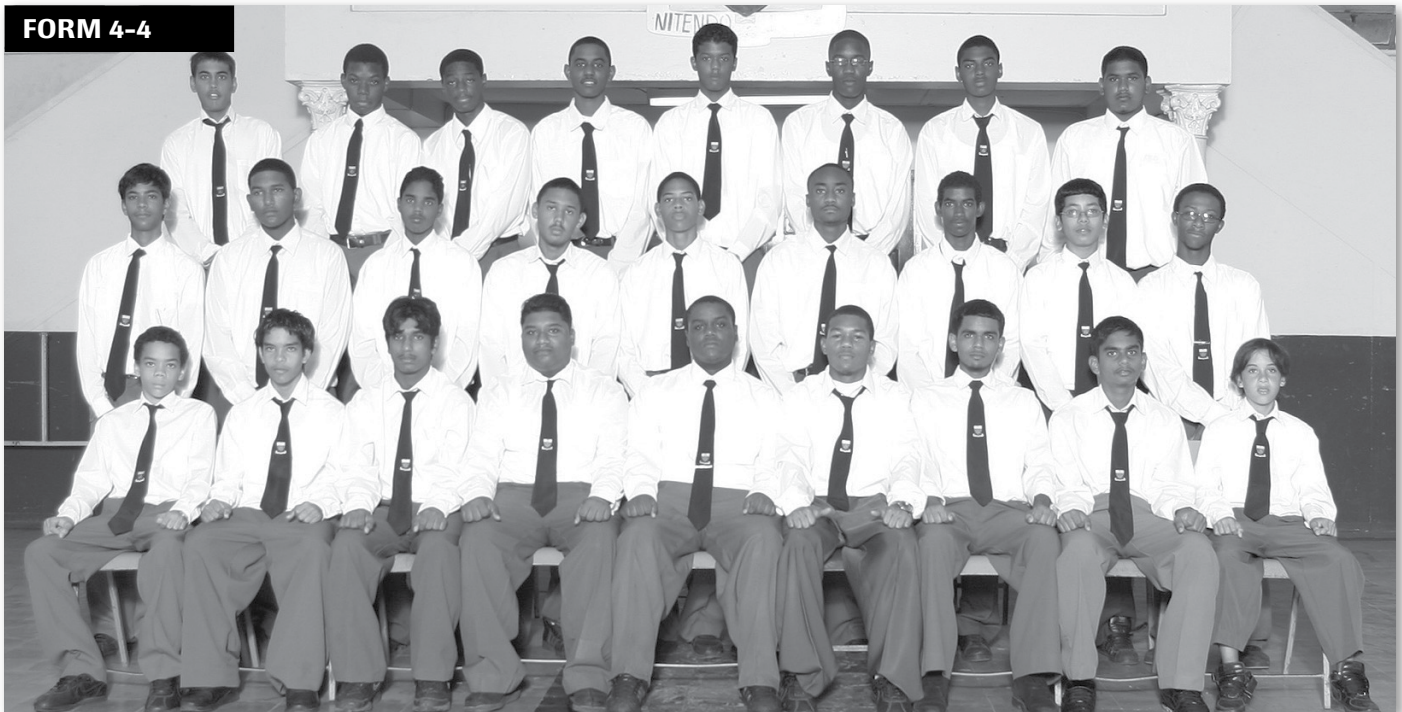
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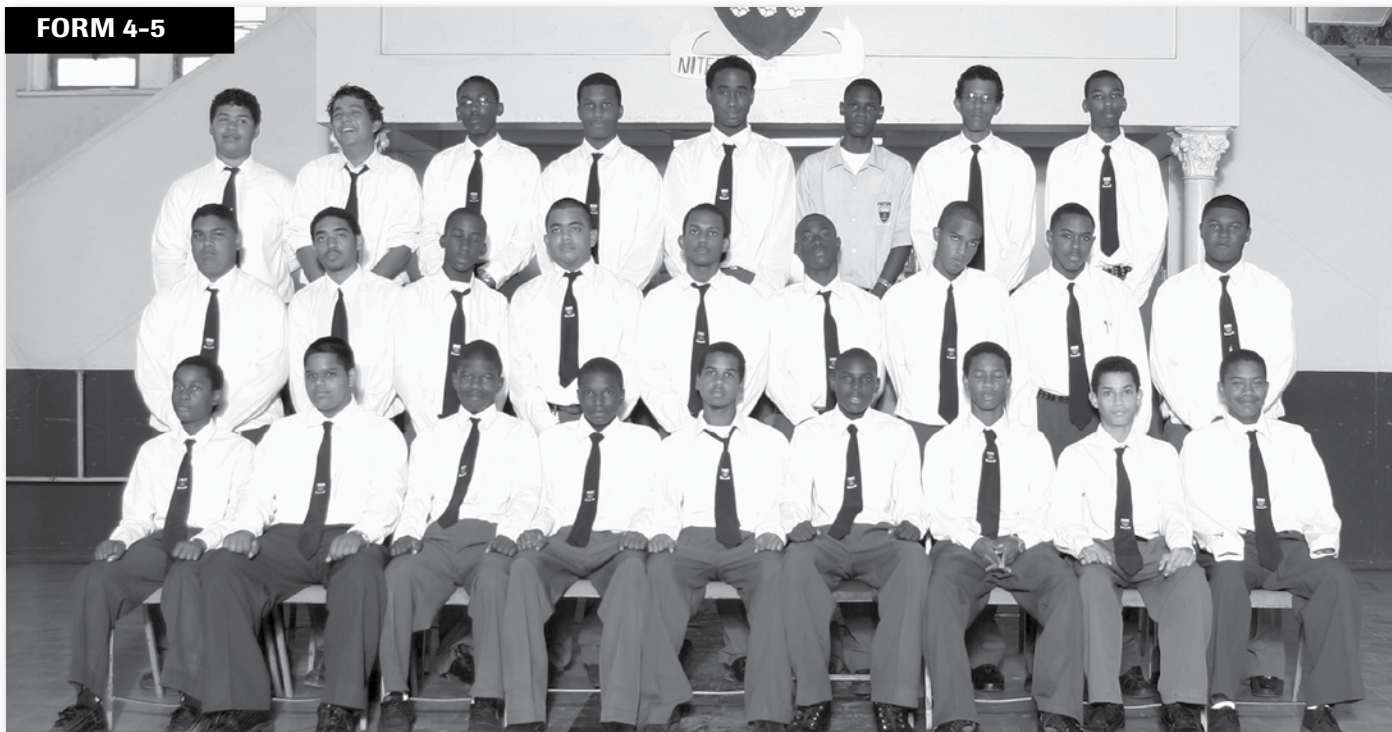
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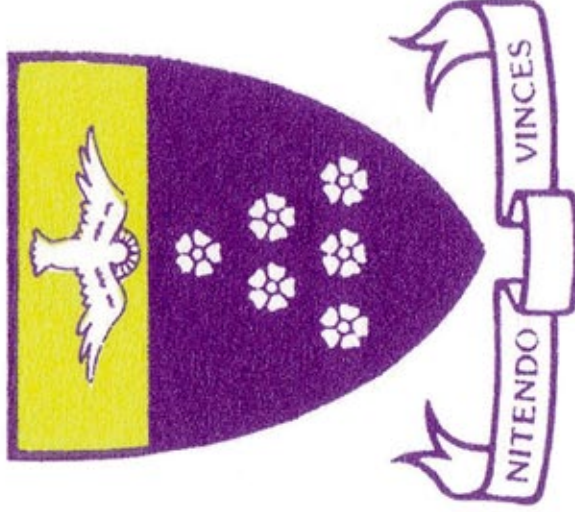
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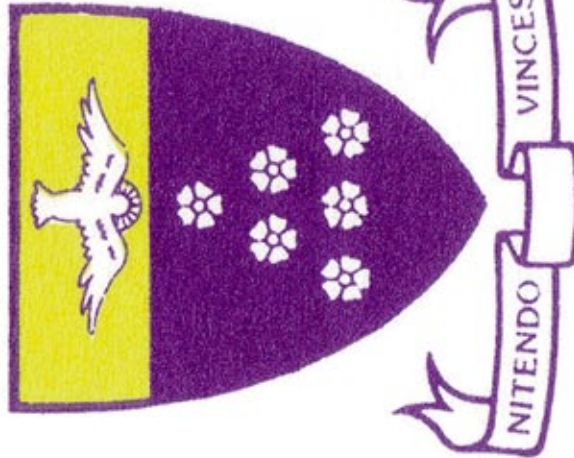
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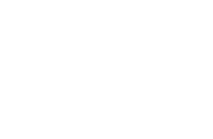
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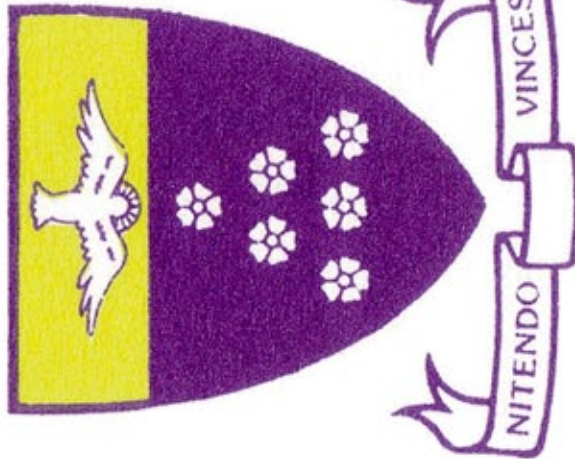
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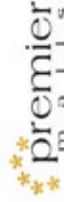
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# ACADEMIC AWARDS

## Scholarship Winners:

Alexander Paddington	Open
Fanon Dottin	Further Additional
Nashir Mohammed	Further Additional
Sean Peters	Further Additional
Stephan Stewart	Further Additional

Academic Year 2002 - 2003

## Our Lady of Fatima College Cup

(Awarded by the Principal to the Student who Best Exemplifies the ideals of the College)

Alexander Paddington

## G.C.E. A Level Examinations:

### First in the World:

Alexander Paddington – Physics

### Second in the World:

Alexander Paddington – Geography

### Seventh in the World:

Stephan Stewart - Physics



Alexander Paddington

## Scholarship Winners:

Ammiel Arra	Further Additional
Robert Babwahsingh	Further Additional

Academic Year 2003 - 2004

## Our Lady of Fatima College Cup

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## G.C.E. A Level Examinations:

### Fifth in the World:

Anil Latchman – Technical Drawing

### Eight in the World:

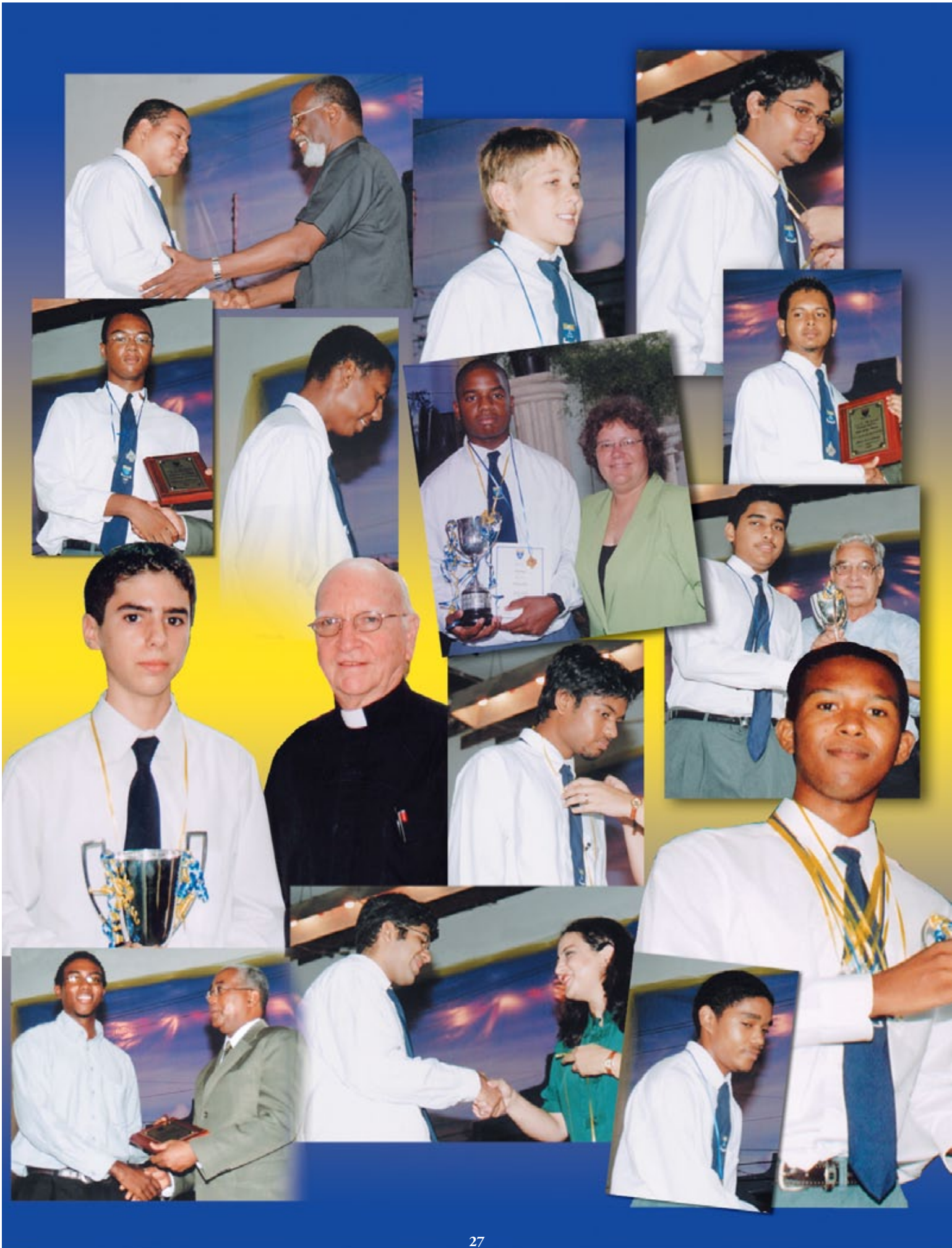
Antonio Gellineau – Technical Drawing

### Tenth in the World:

Stein Carrington – Technical Drawing



Robert Babwahsingh



# SPORTS DAY

Our Sports day was set for January 28th, 2005 (the day before our annual Carnival Fete). Our new coordinators were Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Braithwaite. We would like to sincerely thank Mrs. Camps for carrying the baton for so many years and we know that we can count on the continued use of her experience and expertise in organizing future Sports Days. We had hoped to make this Sports Day a very special one in celebration of our Jubilee Year and were therefore open to anyone with ideas and suggestions in this regard.

## Victor Ludorum 2005

Under 14	Dominic Jaikaransingh	Craigwell	26 pts.
Under 15	Germeel Romain	Craigwell	26 pts.
Under 17	Garvin Nero	Craigwell	40 pts.
Under 20	Cleavyn Roberts	Corcoran	20 pts.

## House Championships

1st	Corcoran
2nd	Archbishop
3rd	Craigwell
4th	Byrne
5th	Ryan
6th	Stewart

## Victor Ludorum 2004

Under 14	Jonathan William	Stewart
Under 15	Germel Romain	Ryan
Under 17	Kieron Anthony	Archbishop
Under 20	Christian Garnes	Byrne

## House Championships

1st	Archbishop	342
2nd	Stewart	336
3rd	Byrne	278
4th	Craigwell	252
5th	Ryan	246
6th	Corcoran	230



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# HISTORY OF FATIMA COLLEGE

by Glen Roach



**Fatima College is a seven year, male, Government-Assisted Secondary School. Fatima's tradition and culture encourages a family spirit amongst its staff members, students and parents. It is this spirit that allows Fatima College to boast of being one of the best Educational Institutions in the country. Its staff is hard-working and dedicated to producing young men with an all-round education.**

**T**he College of Our Lady of Fatima began under very humble circumstances on the compound of St. Theresa's Intermediate School on January 1st, 1945. The pioneering members of staff were Fr. John Byrne, Michael Mc Carthy (prefect) and Mr. Andy Cockburn, layman now a priest.

The association with St. Theresa's began with parish Priest Fr. Francis Flavin, O.P., who first recognized the need for an additional Catholic College in North Trinidad. His immense foresight led to the establishment of this great educational institution.

Work on the present site began in February under the astute supervision of Fr. Byrne. He even recruited labour from the islands as many locals toiled for the Yankee dollar. In September, classes shifted from St. Theresa and on December 1st, Archbishop Ryan formally blessed and opened this new College dedicated to our Lady of Fatima. The College was designed to create an atmosphere of intimacy and community.

Fr. Byrne retired in 1955 after overseeing the building of the eastern and western wings, the diversion of the Maraval River to accommodate the Assembly hall, the construction of the chapel and three classrooms.

Fr. James Ryan succeeded him and developed the academic structures

and systems of the College. Quietly and efficiently, he guided Fatima through the fifties and sixties when a new government came into power with revolutionary plans for education.

In the sixties, Fatima got its own uniform, held its own sports meeting, defeated C.I.C. to win its first Inter Col final in 1965 with the inspirational Gally Cummings and launched its own Old Boys Union. Fr. Girod joined Fatima in 1965, took charge of the Scouts and organized the first Mayfair in 1966. Fatima College had come of age.

The seventies witnessed many social changes in the country. Fatima led the way with the almost inevitable transfer from clerical to lay control with the appointment of Clive Pantin as principal in 1972. Fr. Farfan, local Holy Ghost Father, was appointed Vice Principal, and these two dynamic individuals directed Fatima through the seventies with many novel changes. The production of a well-rounded individual dominated Fatima's philosophy.

The period was characterized by the building of the Audio-Visual Centre, Library, New classrooms, Cafeteria, Workshops and curriculum and class changes. Streaming was abandoned in the lower forms and students were now placed in alphabetical order. The concept of free choice of subjects was introduced from Form four. The curriculum was diversified to include Art, Physical Education, Industrial Art,

Technical Drawing, Accounts and Commerce.

Daphne Heywood and Jeanette Zakour joined the staff in 1973, heralding the entrance of women in a male dominated institution. Fatima won Inter Col for the second time in 1979 whilst Eugene Joseph and Roger Hernandez became our first Island scholars in 1976. Fatima was now definitely ranked as one of the leading institutions in the country, a model of academic and sporting prowess, catering for the needs of every pupil.

Clive Pantin retired in 1981, having served Fatima as Dean, Senior Dean, Senior Lay Master, Cricket and Football Coach, Vice Principal and Principal. He was succeeded by Mervyn Moore who had joined the staff in 1959. He recognized the worth of his staff and allowed them the freedom to use their initiative. Just about every individual was assigned some responsibility and brought into the organizational structure at the school.

At the function to welcome him as new Principal, Mr. Moore declared his priorities – the Catholic identity of the school, the rise in academic standards, the fostering of the family spirit and the continued production of well-rounded individuals.

A Monday assembly was started to set the right tone for the week. A streamed class was introduced in Form three as it was felt that Fatima



did not adequately encourage the more gifted pupils to excel. Music was introduced to the curriculum with the arrival of Myrtle Cumberbatch. Fatima published its first Annual in 1982, Kieron James won the President's medal in the same year, a first for Fatima. Kyle Rudden repeated the feat in 1984.

In 1984, thanks to Republic Bank, the Computer Lab was officially opened under the direction of Fr. De Four. In 1988, the New Science Wing was constructed, the Library extended and a new classroom built. This was funded by Robert Amar in memory of his father, Bolan Amar, founder of the Amar Group of Companies.

In the eighties and nineties, the lay teachers got more involved in the teaching of religion with the departure of many priests who has served Fatima faithfully throughout the years. A lay person, Anne Gomes – Phillips, assumed responsibility for the religion department and has been doing an excellent job of developing the Catholic character of the school.

The nineties saw the addition of two new faces to the administration of the school – Bernard Tappin as Vice Principal in 1991 and Fr. Gregory Augustine, Fatima product,

as Manager in 1992. The dress uniform was reintroduced in 1995 to coincide with our fiftieth Anniversary celebrations. The Support Group Fatima and Friends 2000 was formed to give way to a more broad based parent Support Group a few years later.

Our football fortunes have declined over the years to the dismay of our loyal supporters. However we are now a force in Rugby, Basketball and Athletics. Table tennis has been revived, there is a renewed interest in Hockey and our Cricket teams have performed very well. We glory in the exploits of Ato Boldon and Brian Lara. Fatima boys are now excelling in a wide range of activities – Chess, Scrabble, Math Olympiad, Public Speaking, Essay Writing Competitions, Poetry, Model United Nations, Junior Soca Monarch, RBTT Young Leaders and Swimming. Our choir is a source of pride whilst our Form six boys undertake social projects with the Credo Centre and the Princess Elizabeth Home. Our Scout Troop is on its way to be ranked once more amongst the best in country.

The leadership mantle has been handed over to Mr. Anthony Garcia. He is working very closely with Vice Principal, Mrs. Anne Gomes –

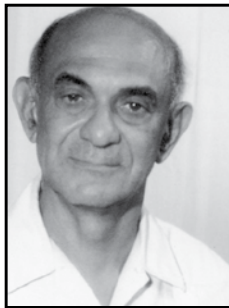
Phillips and the Manager Fr. Gregory Augustine in the shaping of Fatima's future. They have inherited a highly professional staff, very committed to Fatima. They have sought to build on Fatima's strength and improve on any areas of weaknesses.

Plans for the future involve the enhancement and expansion of the physical facilities and increase of Form six intake. These are costly ventures requiring time, effort and proper planning. Our Mayfair this year was a tremendous success and this has to remain our main fund-raising activity, bringing together the entire Fatima family, past and present. The Mayfair demonstrated the heights Fatima can achieve with all working towards a common goal. This is the spirit needed to drive the College if we have to undertake expansion works.

Fatima's future is indeed very bright. All the ingredients are there for Fatima to remain a foremost educational institution – solid foundation, visionary leadership, committed staff, meaningful structures, supportive parents and Old Boys, rich culture and traditions and most of all, the spiritual at the core of all our activities.

## FROM MR. MOORE

Positions are sometimes thrust upon us and so it was with me. I was called in during the summer holidays of 1981 and I was certain that it concerned the time table on which I was working. To my astonishment I was informed by Mr. Pantin of his decision to leave and of my impending position and duty. It was something I had not anticipated and yet the post carried dignity and responsibility, an honour and privilege that few achieve, making it thus desirable.



It was in 1982, the end of the first year of my term of office when celebrating a very successful year that I realized and stated that in all these successes *"we must be mindful of those who sow the seeds and not only of the harvests."* For it was during the 80's that we won the president's medal through Kieron James in 1982 and Kyle Rudden in 1984. In 1982 we won seven government scholarships, very memorable and joyful. We were bursting with pride.

But all was not plain sailing, percentage passes in both the Ordinary levels and Advanced levels were now going down. At 42.6% in the A levels in 1981 and bordering 50% at the O' levels. How encouraging it was to see that for the Advanced level part of the 80's we had progressed to 80% and continuing into the 90's brought 90% plus. While we were always in the hunt and always winning scholarships it must be recalled that the government in 1997 were offering 60 scholarships of which we won five.

From 1981 to 1999 we achieved 75 government scholarships an average of 4 per year.

On the playing field young Lara was blossoming. In 1984/85 he was playing both at the Under 16 and Championship levels and amassed a total of 1,319 runs with 807 (with 5 centuries) in the lower division. It is the memory of such dedication and performances that illuminate the years. David Carew scoring 123 in the Under 16 and taking 49 wickets was selected to represent the country in the Quadrangular Cricket Youth Series in Guyana. Further illumination – we made a clean sweep of all titles in this division, our semis team in hockey won the league, Intercol and indoor titles and we were champions in the inter school swimming competition for the 1985/86 year.

Such records were part and parcel of our year, sometimes exceptional and sometimes touched with mediocrity. But what kept us alive was the spirit – "we go beat them next year", our cry after so many intercols. We asked ourselves where did this spirit come from? Who were the sources? Teachers like Mr. H. Ramdass whose name comes first to mind and Mr. Kenny Roberts, Mr. Colin Murray, Mr. T. Fernandes, Mr. McNish (badminton) and of course principals Fr. Ryan and Mr. Pantin. There are many others - A. Piper and Larry Williams, Fr. Farfan (who built the pavilion), Ronald Daniel, Carew and Paty in more recent times, the past students who during school time every Tuesday at 5:00 pm and the names can go on and on. It was the work of everyone, for everyone who was favoured with a touch, a slice, a piece of this school seems forever bound by and bonded to it. We thank our Blessed Mother that she has in her own special way made this possible. We pray that we will continue to plant and to reap.

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## DEAN'S COMMENTS

### Form 1 Dean

#### Ms. Rosemarie Duff

My fourth year as dean and, while some things get easier, each new group brings with it new challenges. Still, it is rewarding to see the development and transition that takes place in the first year as they move from the "babies" to Fatima boys to young men.



### Form 2 Dean Mr. Harry Ramdass



### Form 3 Dean Ms. G. Ramdass

### Form 4 Dean Mr. DesVignes

The teacher has the awesome responsibility of molding, shaping and transferring the heart and mind of the students and he is accountable to God. Like the biblical potter and the clay, teachers must impact powerfully and positively in the lives of their students: "to whom much has been given, much is expected."



### Form 5 Dean Mr. A. Joseph

Advice to Form five students: "Set yourself goals, stay focused, persevere ... and you are certain to achieve some measure of success."



### Form 6 Dean Mr. Amraj Seemungal

"The job is becoming increasingly difficult, the younger generation seems bent on challenging rules and authority, while limiting themselves academically."



## NEW TEACHERS • NEW TEACHERS • NEW TEACHERS

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### Miss Elizabeth Alia Habib

Miss Habib came to Fatima in 2003 from St. Joseph's Convent, St. Joseph. A highly qualified, experienced and dedicated teacher for many years, Miss Habib has taken on the heavy load of not only English Language and Literature from Forms 4 to 6 but also General Paper and Caribbean Studies at the advanced level.



She revealed that she was very touched by the warm welcome she received from the administration and staff and also was impressed by the strong traditions which set Fatima apart. She finds both the staff and students well integrated and appreciates the general sense of camaraderie which prevails over the college.

### Mr. Christopher Bhageraty

Mr. Bhageraty joined the staff of his Alma Mater in September 2003. He holds a B.Sc. in Management Studies and teaches Accounts, P.O.B./ Economics, Religion and Music. This versatile young man is also a talented guitarist with a lively and quirky sense of humor. Having spent nine years of his life in Fatima, he acknowledges that the college "feels like home." He also



describes the students as "gentlemen of great intellectual and athletic capacity." The staff, he sees as "wonderful people who are willing to help everyone to grow and actualize their potential."

### Ms. Susan M. Chapman

Ms. Chapman joined the staff in August 2004 and currently teaches Geography to Forms 2, 3 and 4 and Caribbean Studies to Form 6. She has past experience of teaching not only in Trinidad but also two years in Toronto and obtained her B.A. in Geography in 2000.



She is very environmentally conscious and was able to form an Environmental club in Fatima. She also enjoys Literature, concerts, sightseeing, traveling and road trips. Having spent almost a year in Fatima she views the students as "intelligent, gracious and generous" and sees the staff as "dynamic and professional." One of her greatest challenges is motivating some of the "lazy" Fatima boys to study.

### Mr. Ian Forde

Mr Ian Anthony Forde, with twelve years teaching experience, has a B.A. in Mathematics and a teaching diploma. Joining Fatima on November 17th 2004, he teaches Mathematics and Add Math at the Form 4 and 5 level. He describes Fatima as a "cutting edge" educational institution, "steeped in tradition yet flexible enough to deal with the challenges of contemporary times." He sees the student body as quite intelligent and capable of competing with difficult life choices. He respects the staff as they are, in his eyes, teachers who are "dedicated to the fulfillment of students." His greatest challenge is to allow students to recognise their abilities. Mr Forde is a man who enjoys world politics, sports and family life.



### Mr. Tyron Indalsingh

Mr. Tyron Indalsingh has a B.Sc. in Chemistry, Biochemistry and Optometry (with honours) with two years teaching experience. He first joined the Fatima staff in September 2003, and teaches Mathematics to Forms 1-3. He sees Fatima College as "a long established and well structured school." He also says "students are full of character", seeing them as respectful and "willing to learn." "Getting students to realise their true potential" is his greatest challenge. The staffs he says, is "friendly and efficient." His hobbies include basketball, pool and fishing.

### Mr. Aleemudeen Mohammed

Mr. Mohammed joined the Mathematics/Science departments at Fatima in 2003. Teaching the lower Forms (1 - 3), Mr. Mohammed finds them to be generally "good" boys but easily distracted. He also revealed that the staff contained some of the best teachers, friends and comedians that he had ever met. Mr. Mohammed was also instrumental in starting the Environmental Club at Fatima as he is very concerned with environmental issues.



# NEW TEACHERS • NEW TEACHERS • NEW TEACHERS

## Ms. Amira Mohammed

Ms. Mohammed is the most recent addition to the faculty of Fatima College, joining only in April 2005, and will only be spending 3 months with us, as a temporary replacement for Mrs. Khadine Braithwaite, who is presently on maternity leave. With Advanced level qualifications, this is her first experience in teaching, specializing in Form 2 and 3 History. She says that "...the staff and students have been very welcoming and have offered great advice and support." She believes the students are "...very well behaved, and well mannered. The school in its entirety should be well commended for maintaining such disciplined students." Her greatest challenge is entering new classes and her hobbies include reading, writing and swimming.



## Sumatee Ramdeo

Ms. Ramdeo graced us with her presence in September 2004 as a welcome addition to the Science department. She holds a B.Sc. in Physics and teaches Forms 3, 5, and 6. She describes Fatima as an "institution of learning that motivates students and encourages teachers to use initiative." She feels that many students lack focus and her greatest challenge is disciplining them. She appreciates the staff as they have created a hospitable environment for her and are very supportive.



## Ms. Alicia Manuel

Ms. Manuel, who recently joined the Fatima College community in September of 2004, is a Form 4 Principles of Business teacher. She currently possesses a Bachelor of Science in Management Studies (Hons.) and has interests in cooking and travelling.

Ms. Manuel views Fatima College as an institution of guarded traditions and loyalty, where the students are

"fun-loving" and "carefree" individuals who at times, will settle down to their work. She regards her fellow colleagues as "warm, caring, supportive and family oriented people." One of her greatest challenges at Fatima College is to instil in her students, the importance of honesty, discipline and their school work.

## Ms. Londell Ollivierre (BA English)

Ms. Ollivierre has been teaching at Fatima College since September 2004. Prior to her being at Fatima, she taught at Providence Girls Catholic School. She teaches English Language and English Literature from Forms 1-5. On her first impression of Fatima, she described the school as a "brilliant institution." She views the students as "a welcoming and refreshing challenge" and the staff as "genial and helpful." Ms. Ollivierre says that her greatest challenge is the "job itself." Her hobbies include reading, corresponding and cooking.



## Mrs. Sherene Soyer-Wallen

Mrs. Soyer-Wallen holds a degree in Business Management and joined the Fatima staff in August, 2003. She teaches Business, Accounts and Economics to Forms 4 and 5 whom she describes as "very assertive and hard-working students." She finds the staff to be dedicated and very supportive while Fatima College itself is a place where "traditions permeate the social fabric of the institution."

## Mrs. Ramona Singh-Samaroo

Mrs. Singh-Samaroo joined Fatima on September 2004 and is presently teaching Computer Studies to Form fours (4). With her B.Sc. in Computer Studies she's already on her way to adding to the great learning environment of "Our Lady of Fatima" in the recently refurbished computer lab. Fatima being her first teaching institution and experience she found that the level of discipline is much higher when compared to other schools. However her greatest challenge lies in motivating some students.

Her hobbies and interest naturally are surfing the net and playing video games as well as playing badminton and reading.



# TEACHERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

## *Chemistry Teacher retires after almost 48 years at Fatima*

### Interview with Mr. Francis John

by *Maraika Gooding*

Student, Dean, Acting Vice Principal, Senior Teacher – Francis John has worn each of these hats during his almost 48 years at Fatima College. After seven years as a student of the college, the young Francis went off to the U.W.I. Mona campus, Jamaica on a Government scholarship. Three years later, he returned to Fatima as a member of the teaching staff equipped with a B.Sc. (Hons) degree in Chemistry.



“The labour was often difficult – sometimes like bouncing your head on a brick wall,” the soft spoken but obviously determined Mr. John noted. “But students have done so well over the years, it has been worth it. This is both gratifying and encouraging, especially witnessing the improvement of students with smaller abilities.” The 40 plus years have passed quickly and Mr. John attributes much of his success to the good fortune of having worked throughout his years at Fatima, with a “very good staff”. “I have worked with some outstanding teachers like Borely, Craigwell and others”, he said.

A sports enthusiast, Mr. John is the captain of the Fatima teachers’ football team and plays hockey with the Notre Dame Club. Coming from a staunch Catholic family, he, with his wife and three children belong to the parish of St. Anthony in Petit Valley where they live. St. Mary’s in St. James however remains the venue for all extended family celebrations.

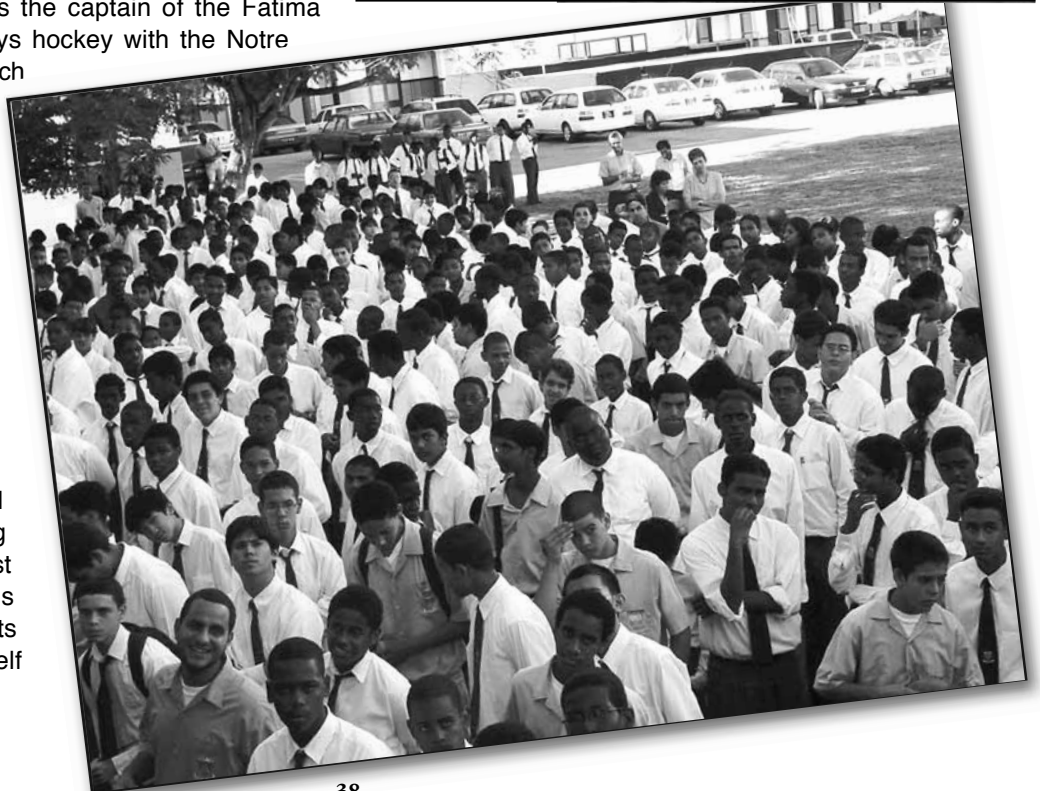
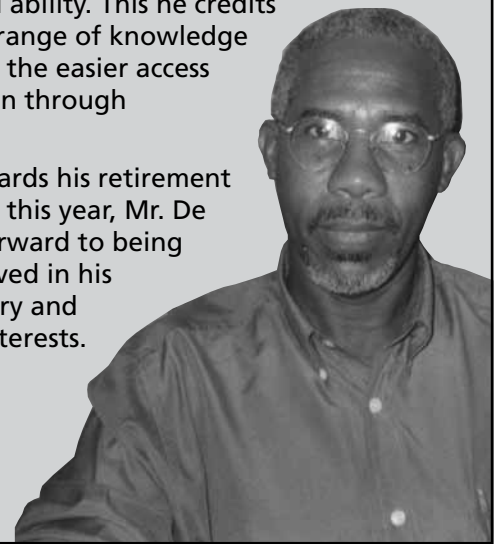
What will retirement bring? Mr. John has no immediate plans to give up teaching – he will continue to work at Fatima College for at least one more year before taking a much deserved rest for a while. After having taught the upper Forms for most of his teaching career, Mr. John is accustomed to preparing students for exams. This, he sees himself doing for some time to come.

## Mr. Fenrick De Silva

Mr. De Silva entered Fatima College first as a student 45 years ago and then as a teacher 5 years later. Over the years he has served as a teacher of Spanish, French, History and even Latin which he describes as one of the most enjoyable subjects that he has ever studied or taught. He has also served as the Head of the Language Department.

When comparing the students of yesterday with those of today, Mr. De Silva acknowledges that the students now have more scope to develop potential and ability. This he credits to the wider range of knowledge available and the easier access to information through technology.

Working towards his retirement in September this year, Mr. De Silva looks forward to being actively involved in his church ministry and his musical interests.





# TEACHERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

## MAURICE BRASH

**M**r. Maurice Brash is a well known and talented actor, singer, announcer and perhaps, most popularly known as “the Voice” on many advertisements. In fact he enjoys telling the younger students that they could go into KFC and just say he sent them.

However, in spite of his many roles, Maurice Brash is first and foremost a teacher – a dedicated Fatima teacher.

His history with Fatima College began in 1960 when he entered the College paying a fee of \$16.00 per term. His love of music and talent in singing was apparent even then as he fondly remembers winning the Boys’ Treble Solo at the music festival.

Mr. Brash continues in his successful role in music today as the leader of the College choir with the able assistance of Miss Myrtle Cumberbatch. Two scholarships in France and Holland as well as a year with the Television Unit of the Ministry of Education were the few times in a career spanning over 35 years that Mr. Brash was not a part of the Fatima community.

He voices his concerns that students today have a greatly diminished attention span and blames this on their over – exposure to television and computer games.

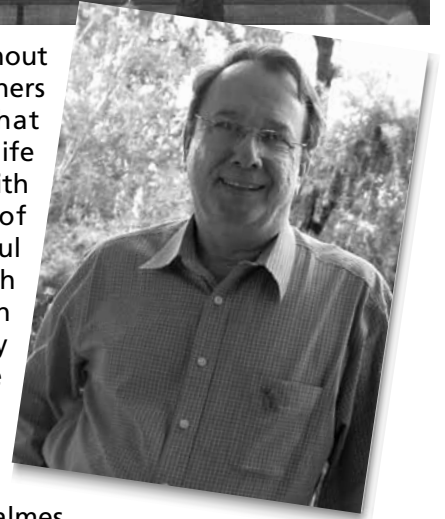
Mr. Brash has given so much of his time, talent and life to his Alma Mater that it is almost impossible to



imagine Fatima without him. His fellow teachers would attest to that fact that he is the life of the staffroom with his unique sense of humour, his powerful singing voice which explodes at any given time and his ability to imitate anyone at will.

In 1989, the French Government awarded him the ‘Palme Academiques’ for his contribution to the teaching of French language and culture.

We at Fatima hope that Mr. Brash will be with us for many years to come as he had indeed become an integral part of our beloved College.



## Mr. Mervyn Achille (1965 – Present)

**M**r. Achille, even though a past student of St. Mary’s College, has been a part of the Fatima family for almost 40 years. Starting first as a student teacher in 1965 where he taught languages for four years before going to University. After graduating in 1974, he returned to Fatima with a degree in Mathematics and has since been one of the main teachers of Math, Chemistry and his favourite, Add Math.

Mr. Achille sadly revealed that in September 2005, he would retire from Fatima. Of the things he would miss most he identified first and foremost the camaraderie of the staff throughout the years. He also fondly recalls many outings and retreats spent with the boys down the islands and in Tobago. In fact, he remembers that Fatima boys were present in Tobago for the first Great Race on a two week camp.

Today, he sadly laments the lack of discipline of many students and their negative attitudes. An avid sportsman over the years, he boasts that the staff team could years ago have beaten any of the Colleges’ first teams. He also believes that there is less participation in extra-curricular activities among students which helped develop the “all - round student” at Fatima. He states, **“All I want is for students to be true to the motto: Nitendo Vinces – By striving, you conquer, as too much time is lost and wasted which could have been put to more productive and constructive use.”**

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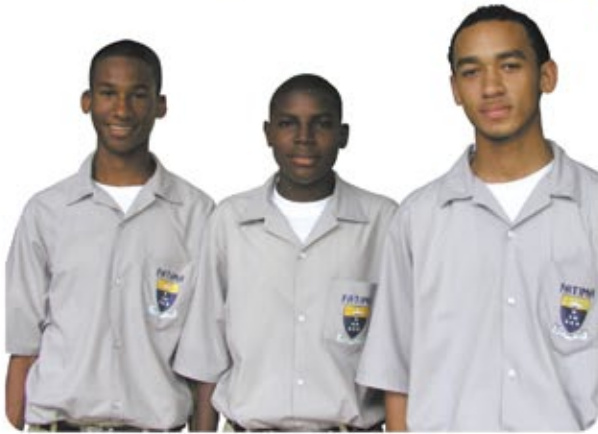


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## ATHLETICS



Garvyn Nero, Jevaughn Toppin & Kieron Anthony represented Trinidad & Tobago in the Carifta Games 2004



**T**hough not traditionally nor historically rich in athletic tradition namely track and field, Fatima College has been the Zonal and National Athletic Champion boys school for the past three years. This year over fifty athletes participated at National Secondary School games which comprise of 5k road race. A relay festival involving over twenty schools. Track and Field events which are held over two days. Three of our outstanding athletes continued their winning ways and represented Trinidad and Tobago at the recently held Carifta Games.



National 5k Road Race:	1st place – Garvyn Nero
National 5k School with the Most Finishers (37):	1st place – Fatima College
Zonal Champion:	1st place – Fatima College
Under - 17 Relay Champion:	1st place – Fatima College
National Champion Boys School:	1st place – Fatima College
Hampton Games 1 00m under - 17:	1st place – Kieron Anthony
Hampton Games 800m under - 17:	1st place – Garvyn Nero
Hampton Games 800m under - 17:	2nd place – Jevaughn Toppin
Hampton Games 1500m under - 20:	1st place – Garvyn Nero
Carifta Games 3000m:	1st place – Garvyn Nero
Carifta Games 1500m:	2nd place – Garvyn Nero
Carifta Member of the 4 x 400m:	Record Breaking Team – Jevaughn Toppin
Carifta Member of the 4 x 400m:	Team Placing Second at Carifta Games 2005 – Kieron Anthony

### Aerobics Competition

In the H.C.L. Aerobics competition, Aasan Lewis placed 6th out of the 175 competitors. Congratulations to him and we look forward to greater participation by our students next year.

## AUDIO VISUAL



# BASKETBALL

**F**atima College is an institution that has a long heritage of success in the field of sports. The school's basketball team is no different. Unlike both the football and cricket teams, it is common for the work done by the basketballers to go unnoticed. However during the last two seasons Fatima has earned great respect for the potency of its basketball team.

Under the guidance of long standing coach Martin John Edwards 'Ackee', the under 20 team came second in the north zone. This team was the strongest our school had had for quite some time. Only two games were lost for the entire season. The most memorable moment being a semi final game against Morvant Laventille which went into double over time. Fatima was down by 10 points with less than 2 minutes to go, but with an inspired performance our team was able to tie the game and eventually come away winners by six points. That season was also highlighted by great individual performances. Fatima was invited to play in an individual tournament during the off season and two of our players, Akinola Simon and Jevon Ford, were invited to play in an all star secondary school team.

The proudest moment in Fatima basketball however came that same season when Jason Sharp, the inspirational captain and top scorer in the league, was one of only three Trinidad students to win basketball scholarships to the USA. He now plays for the Military Academy University and he is living evidence of how great Fatima is in terms of basketball. For the 2005 season the under 20 team, missing most of players did not do so well but the under 15 team qualified for the big four competition of the north zone tournament. Credit must be given to this young side that were seriously lacking in terms of experience and preparation. It is hoped that this team would be even more successful and carry on the tradition of wining that has come to be synonymous with Fatima basketball.



# CRICKET



**A**t the recent prize giving ceremony of the Secondary Schools Cricket League we received a number of awards. Among them was Nathaniel Lum Wai, one of the Cricketers of the Year. Milton Dookeran received two awards (and was also awarded with the Fatima Senior Sportsman of the Year at our recent prize distribution function). Our principal, Mr. A. Garcia was also awarded the most Co-operative Principal of the Year. Congratulations to all three! We would like to thank our coaches, Mr. Michael Carew and Mr. Miguel Paty. They have asked for a more visual presence of our teachers and parents at our games. Let us not disappoint them.



## CHESS



Chess Team

## Environmental Club



### **F**atima's Environmental Club:

Fatima College has launched its brand new Environmental Club this year as part of the Environmental Management Authority's Pilot Project among secondary schools in Trinidad and Tobago aimed at raising environmental awareness among students.

Its membership is 50 strong and already students have organized themselves to fund projects and activities some of which include a talent competition in conjunction with Powergen, a recycling programme and a beach clean up campaign among many others in cooperation with other schools and Organizations.

Look out - Fatima College is going to be rolling out the new wave of environmentally sensitive citizens in Trinidad and Tobago for decades to come!

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**

**President:** Hamid Emamali

**Vice President:** Devon La Touche

**Coordinating Teacher:** S.M. Chapman

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Michael Belgrave

# SCRABBLE



**F**or most of my life at Fatima College I have been a member of the Scrabble Team. It all started when I entered a Scrabble Tournament for the nation's Form One students. The Scrabble Coach Ms. Marin chose the best of the scrabble players for this Tournament. Of course, I was one of them. Other great players included K.Gittens, A.Archer, J.P.Bruce, I.Ali and N. Palmer. We practiced a lot every lunch time, practicing to play to the best of our abilities and learning new words along the way. On the day of the tournament we played exceedingly well. Although we didn't win any prizes, we each made new friends, saw other schools and had a great time. A year later, a new and improved team entered the guardian general secondary school's scrabble tournament. This tournament was far more challenging

compared to the previous one. At this tournament only the cream of the crop was there. It was there that I faced my toughest opponent. She was ruthless in her skill and left me in the dust. However by that loss I began to sharpen my skills. After a couple of months, I challenged Ms. Marin, my coach to a game, on that occasion; I used every single trick in the book and ended up in the high ranks. At that moment, I considered myself being in the top 2, second to Nkosi Palmer. Presently my rival Nehemiah Edwards. During all our matches we always went neck and neck in combat. Scrabble has helped me considerably, besides recreation. It expanded my vocabulary and helped me to socialize with others. I strongly recommend it for an extra curricular activity.

*Lawrence Henderson  
Top Rank Scrabble Member*

## M.U.N.A.

**O**n Saturday March 6, 2004 Fatima College represented two countries at the Model United Nations Assembly (M.U.N.A.) held at U.W.I. This event was again sponsored by the Rotary Club of Central Port of Spain. Columbia's delegates were Akiel Ghany and Geon Bell whilst Mozambique was represented by Ashook Roopnarine and Jean Pierre Marcellin. Two restrictions were debated, "Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women" and "Declaration on the coming of Illicit Traffic in Small Arms and Light Weapons", the latter of which was presented to the Assembly by Akiel Ghany. The day was highly successful with both resolutions having passed.

This year, M.U.N.A. 2005 was held at the Cascadia Hotel sponsored by UNAIDS as it dealt with the importance of making drugs available to all those suffering with the virus. This was the first time that the Assembly was extended to two days with students overnighing at the hotel.



# FOOTBALL



Junior Group



Senior Football Team

**A**fter placing third in 2002, the year 2003 was supposed to be the year for Fatima. With the additional two players Coach McFarlane acquired and the majority of players from the year before still eligible, Fatima was on paper, the best team in the north zone. However, everything is not what they may seem. The boys started well beating the favourites 'The Tigers' of St. Anthony's College in Westmoorings and winning games in quick succession. After joy was definitely sorrow as after an agonizing defeat to rivals Q.R.C., we lost momentum and were trying to avoid relegation. Eventually we placed fifth in the league and lost to St. Anthony's on penalties in Intercol.

After the departing of the 'pensioners' team 2004 placed fourth although Kern Gardiner and Josimer Belgrave gave a good showing in the league. Captain Kedan Crosby and other senior players had to guide an inexperienced team through the season. All in all Chad de Freitas top scored with 9 goals at the age of only 14 and a lot of players made their Intercol debut.

We therefore look forward to a bigger and better 2005 season. Watch out! Special thanks to the coaching staff, Mr. Roach, Mr. John, Fr. Gregory, Mr. Garcia and the cafeteria staff for their continued support as well as the parents, students and the sweetest sounding rhythm section in Intercol.

<b>2003 SEASON</b>	<b>COACH:</b>	Errol McFarlane
	<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	Pedan Squires
	<b>VICE CAPTAIN:</b>	Kerdyn Moe
	<b>TOP SCORERS:</b>	Stefan St. Louis – 5 Goals Kern Gardiner Josimer Belgrave
	<b>MOST CONVINCING VICTORY:</b>	<b>Fatima College 3 vs Morvant 1</b>
<b>HEAVIEST DEFEAT:</b>	<b>QRC 2 vs Fatima College 1</b>	
<b>FINISHED:</b>	5th League	
<b>BEST GAME:</b>	<b>Fatima College vs St. Anthony's College – Intercol</b>	
<b>2004 SEASON</b>	<b>COACH:</b>	Errol McFarlane
	<b>CAPTAIN:</b>	Kedan Crosby
	<b>VICE CAPTAIN:</b>	Madel "Jumb" James
	<b>TOP SCORERS:</b>	Chad de Freitas – 9 Goals
	<b>MOST CONVINCING VICTORY:</b>	<b>Fatima College 4 vs St. Mary's College 1 – Intercol</b>
	<b>HEAVIEST DEFEAT:</b>	<b>Mucurapo 7 vs Fatima College 3 – Intercol</b>
	<b>BEST GAME OF THE SEASON:</b>	<b>Fatima College vs St. Mary's College – Intercol Semis</b>
<b>SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:</b>	Kedan Crosby, Madel James, Cleavyn Roberts, Kieran Marin	

# HOCKEY

**B**y far not the most popular and least promoted sport in our educational institution, the development of Fatima has transformed us from so called "whipping boys" to true national competitors. Under the tremendous stewardship of our coaches Derek Lee and Nathalie Nieves we have seen a comprehensive development

in our team's abilities and skills. In all aspects of the game, we have seen the immense transformation due to hard work and determination.

The balance is splendid and the role of each individual is well defined coming together to form the melting pot which is Fatima College Hockey. Under the Fatima College Club's futuristic program many young players have graduated

from it adding great skills and I believe that Fatima hockey is in good hands.

Many of our students have gone on to represent the club's men's team and one of our players represented the club recently in an tournament in Barbados. Two of our students even had the privilege of training with our national team for the Pan-American Games.



# RUGBY



Junior Rugby Team



Senior Rugby Team

**F**atima's Rugby Team has historically been the most prestigious and dominating team in the league. We have set an example for other teams to emulate. These past two years have been no different. With great fervour we have procured near undefeated records, winning nearly every game we played. We could have asked for little more. This year has brought changes to our coaching staff. Dale Trotman (aka Beast) has taken over the reins of Fatima's Rugby team. The guidance of our coach of nine years, Graham Chin, will be sorely missed. The team may certainly die of thirst without him. However, we are truly grateful for the experiences that Dale brings to the team. His technique is not as subtle as Graham's (e.g. running across the field during a game to subtly share his concerns with the referee). It is also relaxing to know that your coach has a playing style that gave him the nickname "Beast."

We are grateful for the unique techniques we have learnt from them both as many players have used these techniques to reach both the Club and National levels. With the continued assistance of our coaches and

supporters we will continue to develop into an undefeatable team. Special thanks go out to Dale Trotman, Graham Chin, Clyde, Mr. Aqui and Mr. MacLean for their support. We could not exist without your help. As a team we must take the bad with the good. Last year we had a serious injury where a player broke his ankle. He has recovered remarkably. It was also unfortunate that over the last two years Fatima had to relinquish the Carib Rugby Seven's Title twice. We were forced to settle for silver. These losses could easily be blamed on injured players, poor referee calls and ambiguous try lines. However, the team takes responsibility for their losses and dedicate themselves to better results next season. All in all, it has been an exciting two years. Be proud of your rugby team for their many successes.



**O**ur young team of hockey players has linked up with the Fatima team of ex-students and has been participating in most of the tournaments run by the governing Hockey Federation. We would like to thank Mr. Derek Lee in particular, for undertaking the coaching of our students. Derek has also acquired a building for the hockey players to study for a couple of hours on at least two days of the week. We need one or two teachers to help, any volunteers?

Kerron Valere  
Upper 6 Group 2  
Team Captain

In conclusion, I pray for the support of the entire school community in our sporting avenue, adding to the development of our game to continue bringing glory to our school and us.



## SCOUTS



Fatima Scouts

## SCOUTS – Grenada Relief

**W**e rose at 5:00 a.m. and watched the sunrise on the horizon, as we sailed into the harbour. Our initial impression was that it was not as bad as they had said it was, we had only seen one or two houses so far but, as we pulled into the harbour we were hit by the true onslaught of Hurricane Ivan's passing. Parts of the hillside were devoid of trees and those that remained were stripped bare.

We anxiously wanted to go ashore to work but Mr. Chin Lee informed us that the port workers had not arrived yet, so we still had to wait. We finally got the go ahead at about 7:00 a.m. We worked tirelessly offloading the boat then reloading the goods back onto trucks. After two to three hours we were split up into groups and sent along with the trucks to the various convents. On our way there we could not believe that this was once the Spice Island. There were houses with their



roofs blown off; in some places all that was left was the foundation. There were people's belongings strewn everywhere. We would not have believed it, if we had not seen it with our own eyes. At the Convent, the nuns were very grateful for our assistance.

When the rest of us came, we all headed to the school to help clean up. Our first task was to move about 200 bags of cement to the downstairs library. When we were done, we all looked like a bunch of gray ghosts.

Our next endeavour was upstairs, helping the cleaning crew clear the debris from the classrooms. Being the scouts that we are, we found ways of making the work enjoyable and the thought of going to the beach after was even more of an incentive. Mr. Chin Lee, the nuns and the other ladies that helped coordinate were amazed at our enthusiasm, because unlike the previous set of scouts that was before us, we did not complain. We left Grenada with a sense of accomplishment at having done what we could have done and wanting to do more.



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## SWIMMING



**T**he FATIMA COLLEGE Swim Team continues to serve us proud. The number of competitive and non-competitive members has grown to over 60 swimmers, twice as many as in previous years. The head coach Kenny Francis, along with assistant coach and Fatima student Mark Ryan Talma, have been training these young swimmers 4 times a week, Monday thru Thursday during lunch time at St. Mary's swimming pool adjoining the St. James police barracks.

The Fatima College swim team, led by team captain Kyle Affoon and vice-captain Mark Ryan Talma was able to secure a close second place finish in the 2004 National Secondary Schools and 2005 Tidal Wave Aquatics Secondary Schools swim meets. For the latter, exceptional performances were made by Rory-Stephan Affoon, Matteus Otero and Osei Philip who captured overall third places in the 11-12 non competitive, 13-14 non competitive and 11-12 competitive age groups respectively. Other noteworthy performances were made by Antonio Gomes, Quinn Serville, Seitu Joseph, Johnathan Bolai, Michael Deane, Stephan Lue Chin, Joseph Deane, Rory Yearwood, Andre Ali, Osei Campbell, Ikenna Aberdeen, Adam Andalcio, Kahlil Chu For, Sean Garcia, Jarryd Gregoire, Mark Ryan Talma and Kyle Affoon.

Regionally our Fatima College swimmers have done our school and nation proud. Jarryd Gregoire and Kahlil Chu For represented Trinidad and Tobago at the 2004 Carifta and C.I.S.C swim meets held in the Bahamas and Jamaica respectively performing exceedingly well.

In August of 2004 Fatima College students also participated in the Goodwill Swim Meet held in Trinidad. Trinidad and Tobago team captain Mark Ryan Talma

coped 1 bronze, 1 silver and 3 bronze while vice captain Kyle Affoon won 3 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze. Adam Andalcio and Osei Campbell were both awarded 1 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze medals. Also in December of 2004 we had our very own Kahlil Chu For break the national 13-14 record for the boys 50 meter breast-stroke.

This year for the 2005 Carifta swim meet held in Curacao Jarryd Gregoire made the team capturing 2 silver and 1 bronze qualifying in the 200 backstroke for the 2005 CCCAN swim meet later this year in Santo Domingo. We wish him the best of luck.

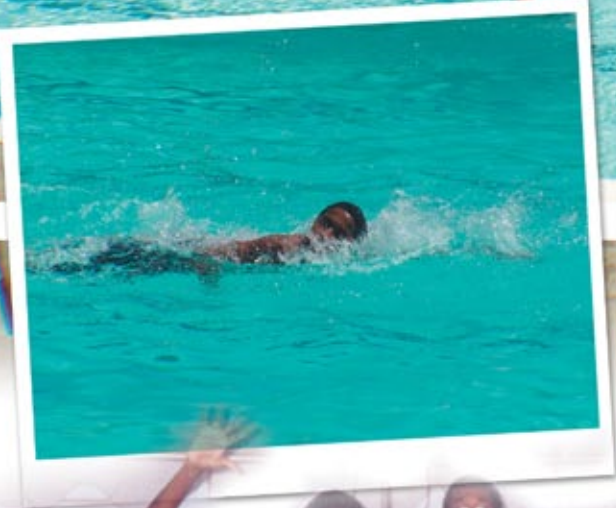
We continue to work at strengthening the team spirit and camaraderie of our team. Many of our swimmers have already purchased team trunks and plans are in the works to get our team to participate in fundraising events towards the purchase of track suits. We are also working towards beginning an all year round training program to increase the fitness and strength of our team for future meets.

We must take the time to thank Mrs. Fakoory, the team manager, who as a past student parent continues to generously give of her time to help coordinate and administer the swim program. Without her our team would be at a great loss. We would also like to thank the parents who take time out of their Sundays to help at the swim meets timekeeping, preparing and gathering our swimmers for their races. Your assistance is much appreciated by all of us.

The swim team looks to improve once again for the next school year in order to emerge as the top national college in next years National Championships and towards the continued success of the swim program.

*Mark Ryan Talma - Vice-Captain,  
Fatima College Swim Team*

# Swimming Shots





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## TAI KWAN-DO

**F**atima personnel, including Mr. Cooper performed with distinction in the 19th Jung Taikwando Open Championships. Outstanding contenders were Tahir Rochford, Lucas Lee Kim and Aasan Lewis who received gold medals. Winning medals also were Emmanuel Joseph (Form 3), Ivan Lum Wai, Kevon Paul, K. O'Brien and Y. Nicholas.



## TABLE TENNIS

### A Commendable Attempt

**T**able Tennis in Fatima College has definitely seemed to become the most popular discipline in Fatima College over recent years capturing the interest of the athletic and the not so athletic alike. The challenge has always been to let everyone participate to their satisfaction with the limited time and resources available. This notwithstanding, there have been vast improvements in the game play of some of the more talented players and even the not as talented ones. With the assistance of Mr. Richard Loregnard who coached the boys on Wednesday evenings the boys took part in the Charles Chocolates National Schools Table Tennis Competition. Jean Marc Hills, a 'veteran' of this competition, became the Boys'

Singles Under 13 champion. There were also creditable performances by Kwame Rodriguez, regarded in the school as the most improved player over the year, Nadeem Mohammed, Akeem Francis Charles, Ibrahim Hosein and newcomers Jared Scott and Daniel Francis. The boys also took part in the NemWil Open Table Tennis Competition, though with not as much success but all being a very good learning experience. I'm positive that with continued effort and astute guidance Fatima College will emerge as a leading secondary school in the ping-pong arena in the years to come.

by Selwyn Marcano



# WATERPOLO



JUNIOR GROUP

**W**ater Polo in the three years since its birth in the 2003 Secondary School Water Polo League (SSWPL), has become one of Fatima's fastest growing teams, growing from only a single team (in the open division) to three teams (open, under fifteen, and Form one mini-polo teams).

The 2004 season was the team's best run in the SSWPL, where we placed third in the national tournament with a solid team performance lacking however, the experience of every other team in the tournament which could boast of national players. However against these odds the team, led by captain Francisco Marcano, was able to pick up bronze with spirited performances from the captain as well as Kevin Macintyre, Kyle Affoon, Adam Hive, Kyle Fakoory, Kitwana Israel, Roddel Remy, Aaron Rodriguez, and Michael Hernandez, leading the team to a commanding 12-1 victory in the third place final against St. Anthony's College.

The 2005 season was not as good for the team as the previous one due to a number of factors including the absence of players from games, the clashing of games with national swim meets, and mistakes in game times. These factors led to the open team, captained by Michael Hernandez, forfeiting a game against Queens Royal College, and playing in other games without a full team and therefore placing fourth in the open division.

The under-fifteen team, led by captain Marc Mc Comie, in their first appearance in the league placed third with good performances by the captain, Matheus Otero, Rory Yearwood, Ignacio Marcano, Andre Ali, J. Bocus, and Chad Lee. This team also lacked the experience of national players, which led St. Mary's and St. Anthony's College to first and second respectively. The Form one team, which led by Matheus Otero in the 2004 mini-polo placed second, was not able to retain their position as



Senior Water Polo Team



UNDER 15 GROUP

the 2005 team led by Marc Chong placed fourth. Despite the drop in places of the teams they all played in a spirit of fair play and had the best record of any school as only one player was permanently excluded from a game for the entire season, earning the team added respect from the league.

The future of Fatima water polo is bright as two players have been called to national team duty in the recently held Carifta games in Curacao, Aaron Rodriguez (captain), and Mathues Otero, as well as a number of players who have been called to train with the national team in preparations for trials for the up-coming CCCAN games in the Dominican Republic (Aaron Rodriguez, Andre Ali, Chad Lee, J. Bocus, Marc Mc Comie, Matheus Otero, Michael Hernandez, and Sean Garcia). The accomplishments of the students have caught the eye of the sports co-coordinator (Mr. John) who has, on behalf of the school, equipped the teams with caps and balls. Fatima's three years of water polo has a lot to be proud of as the vision of a few in 2003 has led to a growing movement which continues to grow in size and caliber in 2005.



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# SEVEN YEARS OF FATIMA

## - A STUDENT'S VIEW

“I did not think I would be there for so long; I don't know what I did wrong to deserve such punishment.” Those were the words of one of our former students; I'm sure most of us agree.

Our Lady of Fatima College; this school and I have been through a lot of drama ... seven years of drama. Each year brought new experiences, new obstacles and without a doubt, new annoyances. Each Form had its own unique events that made it memorable. Form one; I remember the event of the Dixie, quite hilarious to all who were in Form 1 group 2, of 1998. Form 2 was the most uneventful year in existence. Form 3, the bonding of classes, meeting new friends, and of course, our new principal. Who can forget that day when he said “Good morning boys and girls”?

But in a strange and twisted way, it was all worth it. Fatima has made me the person I am today, despite how weird that sounds.

To be honest, on looking back at my years, I have come to realise that the only year that was actually blissful was that of Form one. Afterwards, Fatima pushed us each year into working harder, making us believe that a goal was lying at the end of each Form. Form 2 was hard work to strive for entrance into the so called “special” class of Form 3 group 4; form 3 was another set of work to acquire the subjects we wanted. Form 4 we had to work towards not failing our subjects. The consequence would be us paying for them (note, I still have yet to get back my money). And of course, Form 5 was the dreaded CXC.

My acceptance to Form 6 was quite welcomed, and thank God we escaped the horrific CAPE. Form 6 brought new privileges, and a new sense of superiority. Being a prefect was sweet. Our duties were not as difficult as they seemed and in fact it was more play than work. Leaving the school at lunch time was always a nice way of getting away from the stress of school, and of course, the urge to exact our power on unexpected youths was forever there. One of the more memorable moments of Form 6 was the day Deane slapped Barrow, quite unexpected and yet hilarious. We also can't forget Form 6's constant battle with the rest of the student body. Yes, good days.

Yet despite the annoyances, troubles and principal; I believe Fatima was simply training us for the world ahead. The seven years of attendance has taught us to become young men who understand responsibility, respect authority, and without a doubt, young men capable of accomplishing anything.

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**Upper Six Physics students engaged in “Delta Design”, this is a M.I.T. created board game designed to train engineers in various aspects of real world team engineering dynamics.**

### Upper Six Poll:

1. Faal	—	Nicholas O'Brien	36 Votes
2. Bachelor	—	Jonann Olivieri	47 Votes
3. Footballer	—	Kedan Crosby	57 Votes
4. Nutsman	—	Richard Morton	42 Votes
5. Terrorist	—	Usayd Hamid	44 Votes
6. Get ahead in life	—	Temayne Gooding	51 Votes
7. Twenty Children	—	Kurt Goodridge	21 Votes
8. R. Kelly of the future	—	Dorian Henry	20 Votes
9. Stalest jokes	—	Jean-Paul Williams	28 Votes
10. Priest / Pastor	—	Walter Rochester	46 Votes
11. Musician	—	Dax Carter	47 Votes
12. Bollywood star	—	Sanjeev Patel	39 Votes
13. Successful businessman	—	Marlon Woodruffe	27 Votes
14. Government / Politics	—	Runako Drayton	48 Votes

**Aaron Humphrey**  
Form 6



**Form 6 Physics students on a site visit to Powergen's facility in Port-of-Spain. Here students were lectured on and exposed to the industrial applications of Electromagnetic Induction, probably the most troublesome area of their course.**

## A Graduate's Reflection

Andrew Welch

"No one can forget the memorable lunch time detentions, the searches, broken windows and sessions".

When I was younger I remembered driving past Fatima College and thinking to myself "I don't want to go to that school and become fat." The primary school days were enjoyable but secondary school was an experience.

I remembered entering Form one young and naive, which may or may not have been a good thing. I experienced problems adjusting to secondary school life and the people. Life was no longer just the pond of primary school; it had evolved into a vast sea. Form one was a period of adjustment for everybody including myself. I was appointed the editor of the Fatima newsletter to occupy my time and to improve my social skills.

By the start of Form two I had become accustomed to the change and my class. Students already knew what buttons to push on which teachers to have some excitement. By Form three the pace began to accelerate and it continued. At the end of Form three I picked the subjects that I enjoyed.

By far, the most enjoyable years during my tenure at Fatima were in Forms four and five. There was an enormous amount of freedom and responsibility, which is what made it enjoyable. The time however flew by, I still think I entered Form four two months ago.

The whole Fatima experience has been fulfilling with euphoric highs and manic lows. The entire class of 2005 seems to have aged with the school and the teachers some faster than others. In retrospect, my views on life, school and family have undergone dramatic change from Form one to the present because of this school.

Fatima College is not just the name of the school we attend and teach in, it encompasses much more. It is the unique learning and teaching atmosphere, not just about education but also about life. It is a standard of education, a place to mature, an opportunity and a gift that keeps on giving long after you leave.



## TEACHER PROFILE

### Amraj Seemungal

With a 13 year history at Fatima, Amraj Seemungal is one of the most hard working and dedicated members of staff within our College's community. He came here as an assistant teacher III and though there were initial adjustment problems, he worked diligently and was placed in charge of printing of exams and made detention master. He initially taught Geography to Forms 1-5. He also taught English to Form one which is quite shocking because as most of us Form sixes would know, sir is alphabetically challenged.

In 1995 he left Fatima on a government scholarship to pursue a Bachelor Degree in Geography at UWI's Mona campus. He returned in 1998 and was appointed Dean of Form Six in September 2002. Under his guidance Fatima has continued its tradition of winning A' level scholarships and Form sixes have excelled academically. They also have the best discipline records in the school. To most lower school students, Mr. Seemungal is feared, but as I myself can testify, "D' Bos" as he is called by sixth formers can be quite fair and reasonable in his judgment.

For the past two years he has been exclusively teaching A' level Geography. His pass rate is almost a hundred percent and it is in this area that he really pushes his students. From experience I can tell of geography class being about all work. No matter how well one does, sir would lament that there was still room for improvement. He does more work than any of his students and has very high expectations for his class. It is because of actions like these that two years ago, Alexander Paddinton was able to place 2nd in the world in A' level Geography. An achievement Mr. Seemungal views as the greatest moment in his career thus far.

Mr. Seemungal has an excellent attendance and punctuality record (probably bettered only by Mr. Ramdass). He claims that his greatest challenge is to form a balance between students, teachers and parents and blames this (not old age) for his increasing number of grey hair. With a aim of achieving 100% passes at A' level and a minimum of 15 scholarships in one year, it is clear that Mr. Seemungal has very high goals but by performing his duties justly and fairly he believes success would be achieved by creating a rewarding experience for both himself and for the students.

Always quick to talk about his rough past and explain to students how fortunate they are to be given an opportunity, Mr. Seemungal is a very inspirational person that most students view not only as a teacher or Dean but also a friend.



### Mr. Michael Maraj HEAD OF BUSINESS

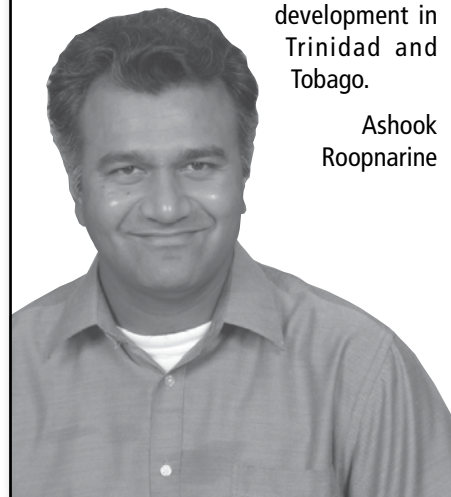
Mr. Michael Maraj started teaching since 1994 till this very date. His qualifications being a B.Sc. in Sociology Management and a Diploma in Education (teaching of Social Sciences) makes him well equipped for his task at hand. He teaches Form 6 - Business Studies and 4 and 5 - Economics and Principles of Business. He began teaching in Fatima in 1996 and found Fatima to be "a premier institution" where there is an all-round development of young people in relations to education and social aspects.

His favorite moments in Fatima include conversing with Brian Charles Lara and the day he met world renowned Ato Boldon.

His greatest challenge is getting young men (you guys) to achieve their fullest potential. In the coming years he envisages Fatima's standards to continue to rise and this can only be done by working together and going the extra mile. His future wish for Fatima is for it to be the leading premier institution of learning and human

development in  
Trinidad and  
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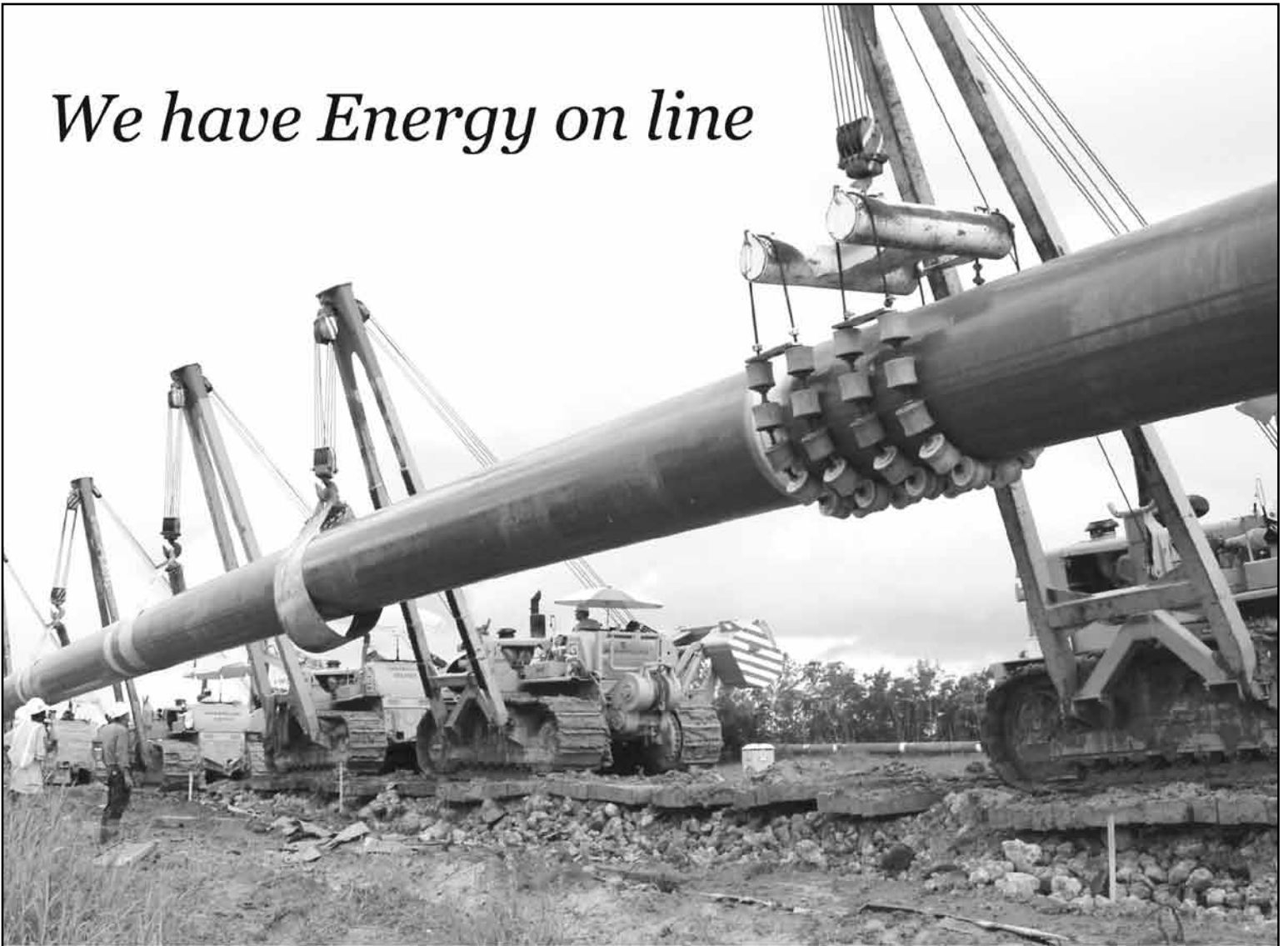


### Teachers Luncheon

***Fatima teachers enjoy one of their many luncheons at the Pelican Inn being served personally by its owner, Mr. Patrick Hamel-Smith.***

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*Mrs. Marian Hubbard*

**H**ow long have you been teaching at Fatima?

“Since 1979, 26 years ago”

**Before coming to Fatima, what did you do?**

“After leaving Holy Name Convent with A levels, I taught at Mucurapo Girls RC for 3 years, then I left and went to UWI Mona, Jamaica to study Geography. After graduating, I taught at Tranquility for 1 year, then came to Fatima. I have never really done anything else, but I taught for my entire working life!”

**What inspired you to teach?**

“As a little girl, (no, I wasn’t born big), I played dolly house - I was the teacher and my dolls were the pupils. I guess I always knew that I wanted to work with young people, to help guide and mold their lives, to influence them positively.”

**Is there anything special about Fatima?**

“Yes . . . everything.

1. The family “environment” after 26 years, this too is my home - it plays an important part in my life, considering I spent over half of my working hours here. It has matured me into the person I am today.
2. The teachers – their dedication and commitment and love for this school - their willingness to go the extra mile, beyond the call of duty, without being asked for love of Fatima. As students, you may not see this, but I know what happens behind the scene!!
3. When past students return to visit to show their progress and success with us, and when they join the Old Boys

Association, wanting to give back to their alma mater - I know that Fatima is special and has done excellent foundation work.”

**What do you like about the students?**

“The innocence and naivety of the Form 1’s – watching them grow from this stage, through the restless puberty (and backchat) years, to the point where they are mature and focused, ready to leave school.

I can talk and reason with Fatima boys, especially on a one to one basis. Most of them understand and respond positively. Even if they don’t behave, what can I say; I know they eventually will - when they get older!!! I know this because they come back and tell me.!!!”

**What do you like about your colleagues?**

“Their support and generosity. They are always there for me in m professional and personal life. I have built up many solid friendships that have weathered the passage of time, through good times and bad.”

**What are the negatives about Fatima?**

“It never ceases to amaze me how students can sit in a filthy classroom with food and paper spewed all around. How can you concentrate and perform in such a vile, unhealthy environment. I dislike seeing students in sloppy uniforms, like having their shirt out of their pants and at the same time, wrinkled too. It tells me that these guys have no pride in their appearance, and no respect for their school.”



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# FORM 1 – 2

# OUR FIRST YEAR IN FATIMA

**A new experience, difficult and sometimes tedious**  
– Micah Jodhan

**I made new friends and new enemies**  
– Blaine Gittens

**Mr. Garcia taught me that Fatima boys are good boys**  
– Andrew Friday



**Real decent!**  
– Matthew Edwin

**My main feeling is that I was proud to see that the hard work in S.E.A. paid off**  
– Jovon Jacob

**I was fortunate to pass for this school** – Steven Francis

**Good but some teachers were horrible**  
– Andrew John

**I threw a boy into a bin and got detention. It was my first** – Myles Felix

**Torture!!!** – Jahryl Francis



**Another year of education**  
– Dominic Farah

**The only thing I won't forget is whenever Mr. Ramdass walked in you could hear a pin drop** – Justin Jihan

**Experience of a lifetime**  
– Jonathan Kissoon

**Boring and subjects were of little challenge**  
– Brandon Forde

**Exciting but scary at times**  
– Dominic Jaikaransingh

**It was interesting but not so good. If there were girls it would have been a lot better**  
– Steven Jennings

**Worthwhile and productive** – Christian Kelly

**I thought it was kind of hard to cope with the new pressure but after a while I got accustomed and it was perfect**  
– Jose Gonsalves

**The first time I was called to the Principal's office I was so scared my heart beat like African drums.**  
– Christopher Julien



## **Rising Lawn Tennis Star Liam Gomez**

**S**tarted playing tennis at about seven years old. I played my first tournament at that age and I reached the finals, which was in the under tens category. At that time I was playing at P.S.A. Courts in St. James with a very kind lady named Jean Merry. At ten I decided that I might attempt to play more seriously so I started to train with Wendell Mc Connie at St. Mary's Courts. He was very strict and he has taught me what hard work and discipline really was. If I continue to train hard I could become a professional in the future.

(Liam has participated in many international tournaments and certainly seems on his way to developing professional status.)



## **Human Development and Integration workshops**

**L**ast November, the College organised Human Development and Integration workshops for Forms 1 and 2. These sessions were facilitated by Sr. Julie Marie Peters S.S.M.

Sr. Julie Marie is a sister of the Sorrowful Mother. She holds a M.S. degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and has conducted seminars and workshops throughout the Caribbean, Guyana and North America.

We are happy to host workshops for all of our students.





## Myself and Changes

By: Nordric Hinds

September 7, 2004 changed my life. Hurricane Ivan struck the beautiful island of Grenada – my home and place of birth. In less than fourteen hours the island was left like an abandoned ship. The mountain side was stripped of its loveliness. What was once green and full was left naked. The rivers were filled with debris like a magpie's nest. It had been two long months of hardship and

labour, until we were forced to flee the island of Grenada since things were getting harder and harder everyday. After this event I was able to reflect on what was no longer there. The education system was slow in trying to get things back in order. It was decided that some of my cousins and me had to come to Trinidad to seek refuge.

The flight over Trinidad had me feeling happy but a little bit unsure coming to start a new life. The one thing I felt sad about was leaving my close friends and family behind to suffer their fate specially my

two younger brothers and parents. I wish that I could have brought all my friends with me but I could not because that's life, we rise and we fall.

It took about three weeks to get into Fatima College. My older cousin and my grandmother took me for the interview. I went into this big building and wondered what the teachers and other pupils were going to be like. The interview went well and luckily I was successful and to date I am still enjoying my school days at Fatima College.

## Guolei Wang (Form 2 – 4)

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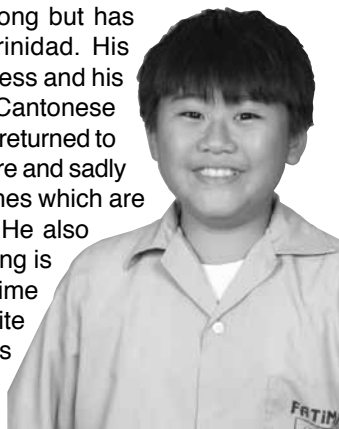
Guolei Wang entered Fatima in 2004 coming originally from the People's Republic of China. He lived in China for approximately 11 years in Chang Chun in the Gilin Province.

This highly intelligent and mature young man managed not only to learn English in less than four years but also to pass for Fatima College, his first choice. While he respects the high level and well organised education system here, he feels that corporal punishment may help with the general indiscipline and lack of respect demonstrated by many students. "Detention solves nothing – licks may be more effective."

Coming from a Communist environment, Guolei appreciates the general freedom enjoyed by society in Trinidad especially that of the freedom of speech. Among the differences he identifies are the limits put on couples to bear children in China (two in rural areas and only one in urban cities), China's support of abortion, its strict policy against gambling and also the absence of authentic Chinese food in Trinidad.

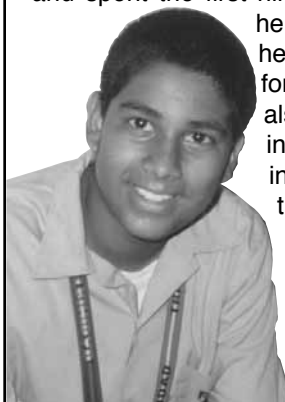
## Nicholas Tin – Han Li (Form 1 – 3)

Nicholas Tin-Han Li is from Hong Kong but has spent more than half of his life in Trinidad. His family migrated in order to start a business and his household is still mainly Chinese with Cantonese being the first language spoken. He has returned to Hong Kong three times since moving here and sadly misses the many authentic oriental dishes which are not of the same standard in Trinidad. He also noted that the cost of living in Hong Kong is much cheaper than in Trinidad and crime is also much less. However, his favourite aspect of Fatima is the number of sports being offered.



## Nicholas Koon Koon (Form 1 – 3)

Nicholas was born in Canada of Trinidadian parents and spent the first nine years of his life abroad. When he moved to Trinidad four years ago he first resented the fact that he was forced to wear uniforms to school. He also noted that the education system in Canada moved at a slower pace in order to allow students to work at their own speed. He finds Fatima College far more disciplined with much stricter rules and teachers, but he is learning to adapt.



## Ignacio Marcano (Form 2 – 3)

Ignacio Marcano was born in Barcelona, Spain but spent most of his childhood in Venezuela. His father is employed with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Venezuela and as such was posted to Trinidad seven years ago.



Ignacio was excited at first as he envisioned a tropical island setting where he would swim in the ocean after school each day. However, despite this disappointment, he found Trinidad very modern and fast moving. He has enjoyed his time here and at Fatima College. He finds it a place filled with friendly students and some friendly, patient teachers.

Unfortunately, the Marcano family will be returning to Venezuela in July and while Ignacio will miss all the good friends he has made here, he looks forward to an exciting future in Foreign Affairs.

**Fr. Matthew d'Hereaux**  
**Asst. Parish Priest San Fernando accepts**  
**contribution from Form 4 class towards**  
**the rehabilitation of the Halfway House**  
**for ex-prisoners.**



The Ten Commandments – According to Form 1-3 2005	
Thou shall not have pre-marital sex.....	Chad Lee
Thou shall not be lustful.....	Chad Lee
Thou shall not indulge in politics.....	Kelmond Constantine
Thou shall not use your knowledge to make the world bad.....	Remil Ramdeo
Thou shall not have more than one partner.....	Remil Ramdeo
Thou shall not marry for money or for virtues other than love.....	Jodel Lutchman
Thou shall not ban cellular phones.....	Kristian Murray
Thou shall return anything borrowed.....	Kevin Lee A Ping
Thou shall not use a gun.....	Nicholas Tin-Han Li
Thou shall not abort children.....	Andres Navarro
Thou shall not create weapons of war and mass destruction.....	Brandon Lee
Thou shall not show prejudice.....	Stefan Lue Chin
Thou shall not kidnap.....	Christopher Mahabir
Thou shall not suck up to teachers.....	K. Murray
Thou shall have an education.....	Brandon Lewis
Thou shall not watch pornographic material.....	Ryan Lawrence
Thou shall not get drunk.....	Mikhail Mohammed
Thou shall not fight or cuss.....	Brandon Marquez
Thou shall not change one's appearance.....	Stuart Rajkumarsingh
Thou shall not rape.....	Alex O' Brian
Thou shall not kill (unless it is for a good reason!).....	Kristian Murray
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## Archbishop Anthony Pantin (Rest in Peace)

Archbishop Anthony Pantin holds a very special place in the heart of the Fatima family. Apart from teaching at the College for approximately five years, he composed the College song which describes the spirit of a Fatima boy as “answering to the call” and being “fearless”, “true” and “loyal”.

On Friday 11th March, 2005 the principal, staff and student body gathered on the quadrangle to commemorate the fifth anniversary of his death (12th March, 2000).

Present also at this Special Assembly were Frs. Michel de Verteuil and Knolly Knox, Mr. Mervyn Moore and all close friends of Archbishop Anthony Pantin.

Fr. Knolly Knox shared his thoughts and reflections on the Archbishop whom he fondly referred to as Tony. He recalled his keen sense of humour and the laughter and lightheartedness that he communicated to others. He highlighted the fact that even when he became Archbishop, simplicity and service remained his hallmarks.

When he needed a break, he would visit him at the presbytery and unwind from the pressures and demands of life. He enjoyed those opportunities of relaxation and always made himself at home.

Fr. Knolly stated that he was honoured when approached by the Archbishop’s sister, Sr. Rosa Pantin S.J.C. to accompany her to the funeral home to clothe his body in his priestly garments. It was a gesture of profound gratitude and reverence for a man who always reminded us of the centrality of God in our lives, attributing everything, his gifts, talents, strengths, indeed his life, to his Creator, “It is all God’s work!”

Fatima College remembers Archbishop Pantin.

## John Paul II (Rest in Peace)

The Fatima College community gathered at St. Theresa’s Roman Catholic Church on Friday 15th April, 2005 at 9:30 am to offer a Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of John Paul II.

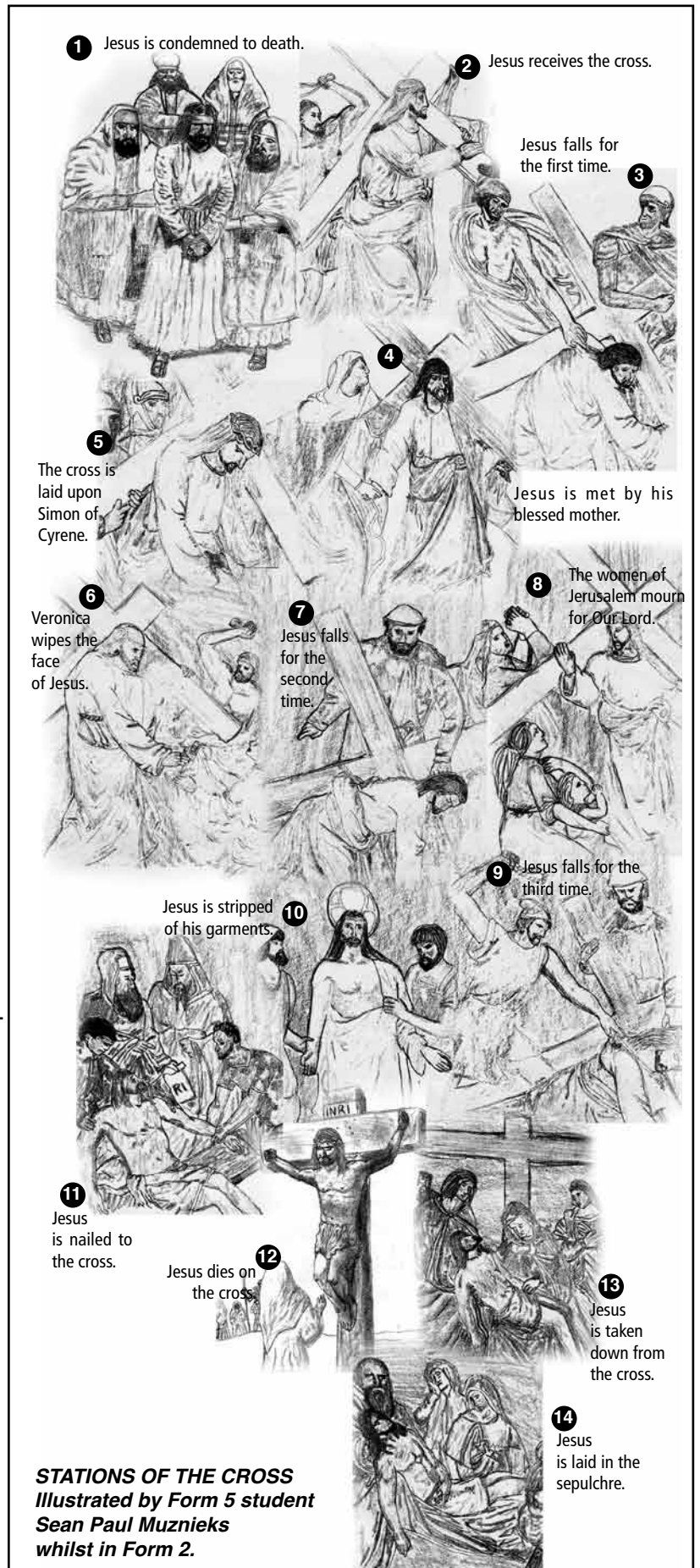
Fr. Michael de Verteuil was the homilist and reminded us of that special love, devotion and dedication that John Paul II demonstrated towards the youth during his papacy.

He remarked how often the Holy Father felt renewed, strengthened and invigorated when he was in the presence of young people.

John Paul II believed in our young people and challenged them to play their part in forging the future of our Church, our society and our world.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace. Amen.

We give prayerful support to Pope Benedict XVI as he leads the Catholic Church in these challenging times.



## Mr. Stafford Yorke

### President Fatima Old Boys Association

The Fatima Old Boys Association (F.O.B.A.) wish to take the opportunity to congratulate our Alma Mater on its 60th Jubilee Anniversary. In comparison to other established Colleges, Fatima is still quite young but in the past six decades it has proven equal and in many instances, better than most.

F.O.B.A., over the past two years has continued to work very closely with the administration of the College in its aim at improving all aspects of life here. We have successfully staged two All Inclusive Carnival Fetes as well as our Annual Salt and Pepper Cookout. Funds from these ventures have been used in many ways to assist the College especially in the recent refurbishment or in the Computer Labs. There is also in the planning stages for later this year a dinner to celebrate our Jubilee Year.

As past students of Fatima, we believe it to be an obligation and honour to assist the institution that has molded us and will continue to mold the lives of many young men to come.

F.O.B.A. recently held elections with the following results:

- President - Stafford Yorke
- Vice President - James Camacho
- Secretary - Malcolm Holdip
- Treasurer - Mitchell De Silva
- Ordinary Members - Noel Aming; Hayden Alexander; Ian L. Benjamin; Barry Davis; Roger d'Abadie; Derek de Gannes; Newman George; Jeffrey Gosein; Colin James; Joel Latiff; George Lee Shee; Wendell Mc Collin; Gene Sealey; Ruthven Thompson; Kenny Young
- Historian/Archivist - Keith Simpson • Auditor - Christian Anderson



## Parents Support Group

by Mrs. Serena Joseph-Harris

The 2004-2005 Executive Committee of the Parents Support Group was elected in September 2004.

The committee consisted of the following members:

Serena Joseph-Harris; Andrew Bernard; Paula Coward Paul; Lalla Bachew; Gerry Ayoung; Kirt De Freitas; Roger Chedu; Dawn Solomon; Charmaine Kelly; Shida Bolai; John Edwards

Our priorities for the year were to encourage parental participation in school projects aimed at improving our sons' spiritual growth and development, academic performance and social skills. We determined very early as a committee that it would be advantageous for us to work in closer collaboration with the Old Boys Association, which already enjoyed a strong networking capability among past students and the present parent body. The Committee's representation at monthly stakeholder meetings chaired by the school management proved very productive. We were able to communicate parental concerns to the decision making process relative to the introduction of revised school

curriculum with the onset of CAPE as well as related plans to upgrade the school's physical facilities over the medium and long term in response to CAPE requirements. In this regard, the Parents Support Group participated in consultations between the school administration and officials of the Ministry of Education as well as other partnerships formed for curriculum development and physical refurbishing.

Our regular meetings as a Support Group continued to provide a useful forum for speakers of various professions to dialogue with parents on our boys' needs, concerns and interests and for developing projects aimed at satisfying these areas. The Career Day, hosted jointly by the college administration and the Parent Support Group was one such project. We were privileged on that occasion Thursday 21st April 2005 to have presentations made by community leaders and professionals of the highest caliber who it is envisaged would have touched the lives of our boys' in some meaningful way.

The Annual School Mayfair was a fitting culmination to a school year of achievement and fulfillment all in the name of service. Members of the parent body provided logistical support for the tea stall, the profits of which would no doubt be appropriated to some aspect of our boys' well-being and advancement. The committee is pleased to take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation to the college management and teaching staff for the opportunity of making a meaningful contribution to the Fatima community.



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Graduation! Undoubtedly one of the most memorable and exciting times in one's lifetime. A mix of emotions abound – elation, triumph, anticipation, optimism, apprehension, and maybe even a little sadness too – as one segment of life's journey ends, and you sit at what seems to be a cross-road, thinking about what's next?

The future presents a range of choices. Among them, continuing



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# Scholarship winner creates computer version of "All Fours"

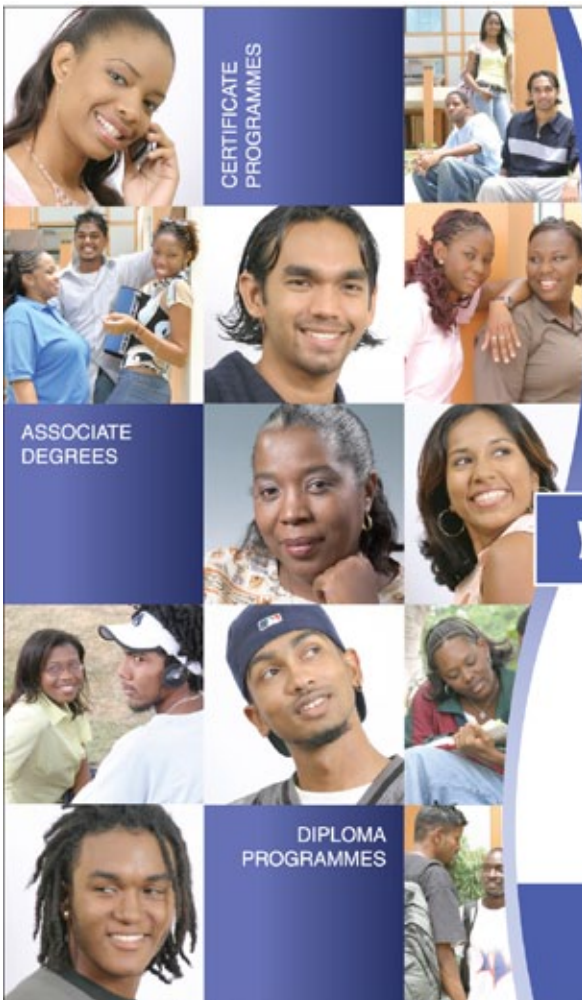
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**P**ORT OF SPAIN - Trinidad and Tobago's 2003 National open scholarship winner based on the GCE A'Level results, and former Fatima College student, **Alexander Paddington**, created the first electronic version of the card game, "All Fours", as a computer science project at Harvard University where he has taken up his scholarship.



The card game that originated in England, in the 17th century, has become very popular in Trinidad and Tobago. "All Fours" became very popular in North America in the 19th century and continues to be played in England.

Paddington's project was programmed last year after he found no online evidence of the game. He is hoping to work with developers to perfect the game and is currently aiming to develop a commercial version, making it more professional and as easily available worldwide as the popular computer game Solitaire.



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Loyal to you  
O Alma Mater firmly one  
Strive on  
Fatima Boys  
Strive on.

*Composed by His Grace the Archbishop Most Reverend Anthony Pantin (deceased) during his tenure at Fatima.*



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