



# The 1912



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## A note from the Headmaster's Desk

I am delighted to be welcoming you to this edition of 1912, the magazine for the Hill House Association.

As you will know, Hill House is very special community; although the school has developed and grown in recent years, it still retains that priceless family feel where its pupils are known and cherished as individuals.

The school is well known on the regional and national stage, thanks to excellent academic performances, success in the sporting and performing arenas, and even being recognised with national awards. Recent years have seen exciting developments including the building of the Sixth Form Centre and Music School, the new Dining Hall, the Paver Hockey Pitch and the Blaxton Sports' Grounds, all of which have added to the provision for our children.

A critical part of this community is you, the past pupils, and further development of the network of the old boys and girls is going to be a very important focus for us over the coming years. Please do keep in touch with us and encourage old school friends to do likewise. There will be a growth of events and communications which we hope all generations of past pupils will enjoy.

Fundamentally, of course, Hill House is about the pupils, who continue to work hard, contribute fully and hugely enjoy the same experiences and opportunities which I trust you will remember with fondness. They are, of course, served by excellent staff, whose tremendous qualities have been shown recently by their ability to provide full continuity of education for the children via remote teaching during the recent lockdown.

I do hope you will enjoy this magazine, and I very much hope to hear from you, and indeed see you, in the not too distant future!

*David Holland*







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## Head of Boys' PE, Chris Keyworth, reflects.....

Is it really 27 years ago? Surely not! Arriving for the post of Head of PE and Games the other candidates and I were shown around the school. By 11am only two were left ! I remember thinking " you've got a chance here, Chris !"

It was not however the lack of facilities that took my attention, it was the friendliness of the children and their exemplary behaviour. I was sold on the school from day one, and now nearly 10000 days later my opinions of the children are exactly the same.

Those first children, will agree that changing and sport were not easy in those early days. With a changing room with running water (and I don't mean from a tap ) and fields constantly invaded by Hall Cross boys and people carrying their shopping home, often through the middle of the pitch, it was always going to be a challenge, but a challenge I would relish.

It may seem strange, but back in those early days when we had to play cricket with a soft ball on the yard I actually got annoyed if anyone hit a six..... as it meant we had inevitably lost the ball, or someone had to brave the back lane to retrieve it!

However, work at it we did and the fixture list grew and grew as our reputation became known. I secured fixtures with the likes of Pocklington and the emphasis back then was enjoyment (and being the competitive person that I am . . . winning !) though several heavy defeats occurred in those early years.



I was always helped by a very supportive staff, firstly Mrs Picking and then Mrs Naylor, when we merged with St. Marys. We coped with the lack of facilities by hiring out places such as plant (if you are 1994-2000, will you ever forget the sausage hotpot . . . every week); it seemed like we spent as much time on a minibus back then as we did on a field.

Having said all that, what brilliant times (again down to the pupils ) or maybe it is my rose tinted glasses and fading memory.....

Having moved to the new site we got some grass of our own, and warm changing rooms and with the increased numbers that followed our decision to go up to GCSE and then A level the department continued to thrive and excel. It has a reputation today of which I am rightly proud, and to which I hope many people will say I have made a major contribution. After 27 years I am still here, and I take that as a compliment to my teaching skills as many have come and gone not passing the rigorous test required for teaching status at Hill House.



As I approach my final years at the school, I have every confidence that the school will continue to grow and thrive, without me at the sporting helm. I still teach PE and Games, though my days as Under 13 sprint champion are long behind me, and enjoy the classroom where I hope I bring History alive.

For me , it has been a privilege to be a part of the Hill House story and its numerous successes. I have enjoyed every single moment . . .and still do !

How will I be Remembered ? For me I only want it to say two things when I finally move on to another world; "This was Chris Keyworth a good father, and a good teacher" that would be my reward. Though if you were to name any new sports hall after me I would return from my new home in Greece (HOPEFULLY) to cut the ribbon !

Please raise your glasses to Hill House School, a wonderful place of mystery, challenges and excellence. Long may it continue!

C M Keyworth  
Still Head of boys PE





# 70 years of the De Mulder family at Hill House

Last Summer, we said farewell to the third generation of the De Mulder family, as Head Boy Joseph followed his sister Rebecca to Sheffield University. Here, the different generations look back on their time at Hill House:



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## Anthony (1950s)

I started in 1952 in Form 4 under Miss Cox, an austere lady who really improved my reading and writing abilities. Then into Form 3 under Mrs Mills who I vividly remember had red hair and where I had my first brush with the headmaster Hamilton (Hammy) Haigh for drawing a rude picture under the lid of my desk for which he was going to expel me. My Father had to plead with him to allow me to stay.

I felt more at home as I began to realise that I liked all the sports in which we participated. We played yard soccer with a tennis ball at every opportunity. We had a hard surface cricket net in the annex playground and every Tuesday were taught to box by Malcom Woodcock, the brother of Bruce who I believe was the GB champion. I ended my time at the school as School soccer captain, winning the Victor Ludorum cup. I was always quite proud that during my four years at Hill House I was never absent for a single day.

I have been very proud of my son Richard for his service of 16 years as a governor and grandson Joe, who have both excelled during their time at the school especially Joe being Head Boy last year. I think that Hammy would have been most surprised to see a "De Mulder" in those roles!!

## Richard (1980s)

My earliest memories from Rutland Street were things like the small corridors and wooden floors, cutting grass from Town Fields in order to feed the locusts in the biology lab. Chocolate concrete, polo neck tops (not shirts!), discovering The Hobbit due to its distinctive cover. I wasn't the greatest academic but I loved reading. I enjoyed English, History and sciences but my real passion was Geography which continues to this day with a love of maps and mountains. I generally got on with all the teachers but it was Jack Cusworth (Maths) who I got on with very well. Ironically I was terrible at maths but it was his love of walking and mountains that inspired my lifetime passion for the great outdoors. It was Jack who visited me in hospital after my accident with the first paperback edition of the complete Lord of the Rings which sealed my lifelong obsession with Tolkien. My overriding memory is of walking at the weekends with school and the Highland expeditions to Loch Morlich.



*Richard in 1976 whole school photo*



*Richard in 1979 at old Hill House old site*



# 70 Years of the De Mulder Family

## Rebecca (2010s)

I attended Hill House from the age of four to 17 and was lucky enough to benefit from a lot of change including merging the two sites and new sixth form facilities. I loved all the sports, except when it was freezing and we were playing hockey in the rain, but it was all good "character building". I regularly tried to swindle an extra large portion of school crumble, which had a 50/50 success rate. As for the arts, it was abundantly clear that I would never be a hit in the drama studio as I choked on the one line I had in Blood Brothers so I focused my sights on academia and trying to get all A\*s on my school report.

My most memorable experience was breaking a shiny new window not long after the school moved to the new site. I was a shy Year 7 and decided that playing with a bouncy ball over my lunch was an excellent way to pass the time. Of course, it wasn't and I broke a second floor window. I was immediately whisked off to the Headmaster's office and all I could think was how disappointed my parents would be once I was expelled. Once I entered the office, Mr Holland's first words to me were "Good shot!", and I knew I was off the hook.

Attending Hill House provided the foundation for my work ethic and gave me the necessary tools to succeed in whatever endeavors I put my mind to. I cannot thank my teachers and parents enough for the time and effort they put into my education. Without it, I would not be entering into such an exciting industry.



## Joe (2010s)

Over the time I've been at Hill House I've seen a lot of changes, from moving from the old site, building the sixth form, opening the Blaxton pitches, creating the new Hockey pitch, the list can go on for a long time. Even through all this evolution and change throughout the school, I had an amazing education, which gave me a solid base for striving to learn in the future. It also gave me a love for science which I'm really grateful for now that I can actually go out explore this field in even greater detail now that I've finished school and I'm about to start a new chapter in my life.

I really enjoyed the experience in sixth form. It felt great being treated more like an adult by the teachers and being given the responsibility of keeping my own learning in check even more so than GCSEs. Being given the role of Head Boy boosted this responsibility and made my 'almost' 2 years a learning curve for sure, but a maturing experience that I really appreciated. The sixth form tuck shop was also legendary and I'll miss the bagels for as long as I live.

I used to take part in drama productions before academics took priority in my school life, but I really enjoyed my time on the stage, with my best effort being 'West Side Story'. I'm a huge fan of doing accents and impressions as my friends would agree, and so putting on an American attempt was really good fun, even though it was as generic as it could be. Looking back on the school YouTube and seeing the show 4 years ago brings back a lot of memories, and even though I cringe when I see it, I miss the days when I got to be a part of that performance.

Everyone says you become part of this 'Hill House family' when you join the school but I felt it to an even greater degree. Every day when I came to school, I had a place there: from being with my friends, having a great relationship with teachers, and knowing the place inside and out. I'll miss the connection I've had for most of my life, since I was nearly four years old, and I'll be glad to visit and help out when I can in the future.







## Lent 2020

### Sporting Successes

Although the Lent Term was a little cut short by COVID, a lot of good sport was played. Highlights included the annual boys' fixtures; the U13A fixture was a thrilling affair, with Hill House going ahead from a penalty corner, before Worksop fought back to lead 2-1 at half time. A superb goal by Scott Frisby levelled the score, only for Worksop to go ahead again. With the clock counting down, a fine strike by Scott Jackson brought the score to 3-3. There was still time for a tense conclusion, as first the Worksop goalkeeper sacrificed himself by stopping a Hill House breakaway outside his area, before Rahul Thomas saved on the goal line and Dax Millington tipped the final shot of the match over his crossbar, to secure a draw in a hugely competitive match. On the adjacent pitch, Hill House enjoyed a fantastic 9-0 victory by the U12A team. Meanwhile, the 1st XI boys played superbly to lead Worksop 3-0 at half time, until a late fightback by Worksop earned them a 3-3- draw.



### England Hockey

We were delighted by the selection of 2 pupils from Year 11, **James Burley** and **Daisy Bennett**, to represent England at Hockey. Both pupils learned their hockey at Hill House, starting in the days before the Paver Hockey Pitch, and hope to gain more caps in the coming years.

### Parents' Donation

We were grateful to have been presented with a defibrillator by two of our very generous parents, Mr Karl and Kathryn Batey Batey, for our Blaxton Sports Ground. Their daughter, Isla, is a pupil in Year 2, and they were keen to put something back into the local community, saying 'Hopefully the defibrillator will never need to be used, but we hope it gives peace of mind to the school'

### Performing Arts

The Senior School's Lent production was the musical, 'Legally Blonde', which was performed over 3 nights in the Main Hall to sell out audiences; the lead role of Elle was taken by Eve Osborne. COVID allowing, the next productions, which are current in rehearsal, will be 'Pirates of Penzance' and 'the Lion King'.





# School News

## Summer 2020

### Lockdown!

The Summer Term was dramatically curtailed by COVID, which saw only Year 10 and the Lower Sixth on site in the Senior School. Happily, all juniors had the second half of term in school. During the initial lockdown, the school had up to 70 children of key workers attending the site each day.

The bulk of the Summer's work was done online, with the school very well prepared to teach live lessons through Google Classroom. These were done according to the normal timetable, and included sporting challenges and pastoral support, as well as assemblies and form periods. Parents, staff and pupils alike were appreciative that school was as normal as possible in unusual times.

The pupils were overwhelmingly engaged with their online studies and produced some excellent work - not just in the classroom, but on video and through photographs, showing us the excellent work they had done.

### Public Exams

The process of public examination results was very different this year, with the use of Centre Assessed Grades instead of examinations. In years which were already expected to do very well, we were delighted with the results.

In a record-breaking set of GCSE exam results. 34% of the year group achieved full sets of grades 7s, 8s and 9s, with over 99% of exams were passed this year at grade 4 or above, with a superb 35% at grades 8 & 9, with 58% at grade 7 and above. Sam Honeybone and Martha Warren-Barrett led the way with a full house of 10 grade 9s each. At A Level, the pass rate was a record 100%. The highest grades also saw a new record, with 48% of exams at A\* or A grades. Another record 75% of exams were graded at A\* to B, and 94% at grade C and above.



### Hayfield Latin Project

This summer saw us celebrating the first results of our Latin GCSE programme for external pupils.

In September 2018 our Head of Classics, Ms Lindsay, introduced an initiative which enabled fifteen pupils from Hayfield School the opportunity to attend Latin lessons twice a week at Hill House and ultimately sit their GCSEs in this subject too.

"The results achieved by these students were very pleasing" said Ms Lindsay, "it is not easy to complete a whole GCSE course with just two lessons a week, but they all displayed incredible determination and are a credit to both schools. I am also delighted to see that seven of these pupils are now studying for their A Levels at Hill House Sixth".

"Latin at Hill House School was an amazing experience especially in such a positive environment," shared Molly Tomlinson.

Liberty Elliott, who plans to study medicine after her A Levels, was pleased with her decision to take Latin as a subject. "It was definitely a challenge completing Latin in two years but I am glad I stuck with it," said Liberty.



## Michaelmas 2020

### Heads of School

September saw a full return to school, albeit with restricted sport and performing arts. One of the great traditions of the school is the appointments of new Prefects, and we were delighted to announce the appointment of Fiona Bruce and Matthew Fulton as Heads of School, both of whom are the youngest of 3 siblings to attend Hill House.

### Historic MP Visit

Nick Fletcher MP, the Member of Parliament for Doncaster Don Valley, as a wider part of "Parliament Week" and the Youth Parliament's initiative "Make your Mark".

Nick had previously been at the school for our Any Questions event in the run up to the December 2019 election - Nick became the first ever Conservative Member to represent the constituency which incorporates the school. Nick spoke firstly in an assembly to Senior School pupils from Year 10 to Upper Sixth where, after a warm reception from the pupils and the Head Boy and Girl, he fielded pupils' questions covering topics such as lockdown, free school meals and the current challenges to the government.

Nick then gave up more of his precious time to speak to the A Level Politics students and our senior school leaders, talking passionately about his role and time as an MP in Westminster, opportunities for young people and his vision for the country post COVID.



### Duke of Edinburgh Award

Despite COVID restrictions, the Duke of Edinburgh team were determined to allow the Silver and Gold D of E groups to complete their expeditions, which had been postponed from the Summer Term. Although the expeditions had to be brought closer to home, Mrs Frisby, our Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator, made sure that the pupils still had an authentic experience, setting up camps on the school sports field for 4 consecutive weekends. The pupils trekked the local areas, making the most of the incredible countryside that we have on our doorstep, including Hatfield, the Isle of Axholme, Misson, Gringley on the Hill and Auckley.





# Hill House and the Cusworths

*A half century (almost!) of our family's  
relationship with Hill House, by Mrs Val  
Cusworth*



### Arrival

Our introduction to Hill House came in January 1973 when a young Jack Cusworth was appointed to the School as a Maths teacher and sports coordinator. Even then Hill House was on an upward trajectory having recently moved from the original building on South Parade to what had been the Convent School on Rutland Street. There were 2 female pupils, and the Head and his family lived in a flat in the School. The boys' changing rooms were in what was the old air raid shelter in the playground. The School had permission to use Town Fields but had to provide their own goal posts each season. Fortunately we had access across Town Fields to cricket, hockey and squash, and buses took boys to the rugby club.

### Deputy Head

In 1975 Jack became Joint Second Master, then Deputy Head. More girls joined the school, and our own children both attended in the 1980s and 90s and, in addition to appreciating that they had an excellent foundation in academic learning, they have very happy memories of hill walks, skiing holidays, playing in sports teams, and taking part in concerts, productions, and art exhibitions. They comment even now on the School's very happy family atmosphere.

Together with Chris Simons, Jack established regular hill walks which became increasingly popular with parents (and grandparents!) joining in. Some of those parents still join us for an annual Christmas walk through the Chatsworth estate. The highlight of many Old Boys' final year in School was the expedition to the Cairngorms.

This began as a camping expedition and a 24 hour hike with through the Lairig Ghru. Showers took the form of swimming in Loch Morlich! Staff referred to the expedition as "character building"!

In the late 1970s the expedition became based in a variety of Youth Hostels and activity centres, with orienteering, climbing, kayaking, canoeing, and pony trekking. In the 1990s the School continued to expand and the Junior School moved into Edenfield, also situated on Rutland Street, which was acquired when the NCB offices moved out. In the meantime, it was decided that the School would offer Nursery education and this was housed in the newly acquired 1 Town Field Villas.



### Headmaster

In 2002, Jack became Head of the School and shortly after was approached about a merger with St Mary's School, which had been established many years earlier for the sisters of Hill House boys. The merger went ahead and Jack became Head of the 'new' school. St Mary's was already delivering GCSE courses and the merger resulted in the School offering education to the age of 16 - a popular development with parents. The downside of the merger was that Hill House St Mary's, as it was briefly known, operated across the Bawtry Road site and the existing sites on Rutland Street. This was in the nightmare days of the Cantley Crawl! Part of the solution was for parents of children in different sections of the School to drop them off at one of the sites and school buses would do transfers to the opposite site at the start and finish of the school day.





# Hill House and the Cusworths

## Relocation

By 2006 the School was bursting at the seams with 450 pupils and it became a priority to find a new site - with its own sports grounds! Various options were explored, until one evening in November Jack came home from a Governors' meeting and said that he thought the perfect site had been found. Furthermore, he'd like to go and have a look there and then - at 10pm! We went to Finningley, and the rest, as they say, is history!

The conversion of the building took place over the next year and as Jack prepared to retire in 2008, David Holland was appointed as his successor to take over as the School moved to the new (single!) site in September of that year.

## Governor

My own role in the history of the School came in 2011 when I was invited to join the Governing Body and bring to it my experience of running a large Sixth Form. This was in response to the next planned development of the School - to establish a Sixth Form. The next few years saw not only the School cater for pupils aged 3-18, but it also saw the establishment of superb sports facilities, both on site and through the acquisition of the Blaxton Sports Ground, and enhanced dining provision in response to pupil numbers increasing to 700. The School confirmed its reputation not only as a strong school academically, but also one which has made its mark both locally and nationally on the sports field.

In September 2017 I succeeded Mrs Elizabeth Paver as Chair of Governors and handed this role over to Mrs Joan Fearn in September 2020, which draws to a close our family's long formal association with the School.

Few people in their working lives have the privilege of witnessing the growth and development of an institution as Jack and I have. We feel very fortunate and hope in our dotage to continue to see the School continue to prosper.







# Where are they now?

## Alicia Calladine

I left Hill House School in 2015. After leaving school, I studied Psychology at the University of Hull. I used my experiences of being a school council representative to become elected as the representative for my Psychology course. This role allowed me to drive change at University and secure deadline extensions for my cohort. After enjoying mentoring a friend at sixth form, I looked into mentoring opportunities at University. I ran study sessions for first year students and trained students to run study sessions for students studying other courses. Hill House has always promoted the importance of helping others and such ethos was instilled into me through the many charity days. Thus, I chose to volunteer in a Psychiatric Hospital in Sri Lanka over the summer holidays. This experience was very rewarding and equipped me with experiences essential for a career in Clinical Psychology. The highlight of my time at Hill House School was completing Duke of Edinburgh expeditions. Since leaving school, I have continued to be involved with the charity and regularly host presenters at Gold Award presentation days. I am currently studying a Masters in Clinical Applications of Psychology at the University of Hull. The course has enabled me to work with an Educational Psychologist to deliver emotional literacy training to teaching assistants and partner with charities such as Barnardo's to conduct research to support young carers. On completion of my course, I hope to secure a role as an Assistant Clinical Psychologist or a Trainee Psychological Well-being Practitioner and study a Doctorate qualification to become a Clinical Psychologist. Although my life has inevitably changed since leaving school, the friendships formed at Hill House have endured such changes and I am grateful for the support my Hill House friends have provided to enable me to be in the position I am today.



## Grace Trem

I left Hill House sixth in 2013, having been at the school since nursery when St Mary's and Hill House were separate. My year was the first sixth form cohort at the school. Both myself and my two older brothers went to HH.

I'll always have very happy memories at the school and have the staff to thank for giving me a good start in life.

Since leaving I have completed a degree in midwifery, starting at Kingston University, living in London and then transferring and graduating from the University of Nottingham.

I now live in Nottinghamshire. I work as a midwife at Derby Hospital and have done since I qualified nearly 3 years ago. I'm very proud to be working for the NHS and adapting to these strange times we're currently living through. Day to day I'm based in the hospital supporting women throughout pregnancy/birth/postnatal periods. I think midwifery is definitely a field that isn't talked about enough, especially as a career option. I certainly fell into it almost on a whim! So anyway I can get the occupation into young people's minds as a potential path to go down is a good opportunity! It can be overwhelming at times but very rewarding.





## Where are they now?

### 1960s

**John Allwood** joined Hill House in 1956 and left in December 1965 to attend Oundle School. He then attended Exeter University, where he studied Economics and Statistics. In 1977, he qualified as a Chartered Accountant in Leeds and went to work for the local newspaper group in Huddersfield.

Three years later, he went to London to work for Rupert Murdoch's News International, initially as the Chief Accountant at The Sun. Over eleven years, John covered several roles and worked on the move out of Fleet Street to Docklands as well as the launch of Sky TV.

During the 1990s, John moved to become the Finance Director of the Mirror Group and was instrumental in helping to rebuild it after the trials and tribulations of the Maxwell years, eventually becoming the CEO and selling the company to another Group.

After leaving the Mirror Group, John became the CEO of mobile phone company Orange in the UK, which he continued for several years. Following a couple of positions back in the newspaper industry, later retiring but keeping active as a non-executive director for a number of quoted companies.

John's trips from Somerset to Doncaster are limited to the occasional visit, usually to take in a Doncaster Knights rugby match.

John's brother, Richard Allwood also attended Hill House, and has recently retired from a local solicitor's practice in Doncaster.



### 1970s

**Craig Lawrence**, whom we were delighted to welcome as our Speech Day guest in 2018, got in touch to let us know about the publication of his new book, 'GURKHA; 25 Years of The Royal Gurkha Rifles.' Craig is retired Major-General, CBE, author, military historian and lecturer in strategy and strategic leadership. Having been commissioned into the 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles, he commanded his Gurkha battalion on operations in the Balkans and the Ivory Coast and Afghanistan. On retirement he took up a post in London at the Royal College of Defence Studies (RCDS), where he is the Course Director.



### 1980s

**Michael Hills** completed his spell as Captain of Doncaster Knights this summer, and we wish him well for the future. His illustrious career has included premiership rugby for Sale and London Welsh, and for England at 7s. Cousin Emily Hills has followed in the family tradition, playing rugby for Yorkshire, and after some excellent results moved this summer to continue her career at Hartbury College.





## 1990s

**Emma Fearn** left Hill House and went on to Nottingham University to study a Fine Arts Degree. Since then, she has successfully completed a Teaching Degree at Bishop Grosseteste University and is now Assistant Head at Harworth Church of England School.

**Gordon Fearn** went on to Nottingham University and gained a Degree in Business. He has previously worked for Nationwide and is about to start up as a self-employed mortgage consultant. He is finding this very stressful but trusts it will work out. In the past, Gordon has played cricket for South Yorkshire Teams and he played rugby twice in the Daily Mail Cup at Twickenham!

## 2000s

**Marcus Anderson** qualified with a Degree in Sport at Leeds Beckett University, earning a full scholarship to play Rugby Union for Leeds Beckett at the same time, shortly before moving to London for a year. He taught English over in Suratthani, Thailand for a few months before attaining his Teaching Degree at Bishop Grosseteste University. He is now a teacher in the Junior school at Hill House and he works extensively with the junior teams out on the field.



**Holly Carey** first found her love for hockey at Town Fields and shortly after joined Doncaster Hockey Club. Interestingly, she was coached by our very own Mr James Ross at Rotherham for the South Yorkshire Team. Soon after, she was picked for the Midlands Team and joined England's U15. She went from strength to strength and joined Loughborough University's Ladies 1st Team. She continued on to join the U18 and U21 England Hockey Squad. Holly then retired from international hockey but played on for Wakeforest University on a full hockey scholarship. Holly now lives over in Baltimore, USA, and is happily married.

**Aysha Bennett** (nee Chaudhary) went on to Cass Business School to study Actuarial Science, then onto Sheffield University to study Financial Mathematics. Soon after she gained her PGCE in teaching at Sheffield Hallam University and is now back at Hill House teaching in the Senior School. Her little boy, Reuben, is a member of the Reception class here at Hill House School too!





## Where are they now?



**Julie Orme** let us know about the progress of her 3 sons; **Daniel Orme**, who was the first Head Boy at the new school site, has now completed his Royal Marine Officer Training and is looking forward to changing to a new role in January, as an Officer in the Royal Navy **Thomas Orme** now trades options on the New York stock market and is happily married, while youngest brother **Joseph Orme** is thoroughly enjoying his time at the Royal College of Music in London. Julie is very proud of her three son's achievements since leaving Hill House and is thrilled that they have taken 3 very different paths in life.

**Paige Miller** now lives in London and is thoroughly enjoying Musical Theatre at the West End. She has enjoyed being a part of the 'Book of Mormon', a religious record of 3 groups of people who migrated from the Old World to the American Continents. She returns annually to Hill House to lead music theatre masterclasses.

## 2010s



**Will Holling** continues to progress his professional rugby career at Doncaster Knights, making his 1st XV debut at Hooker against Newcastle Falcons. He also is currently the highly successful captain of the Hill House Association Cricket Team!



**Hannah Cain**, double international footballer, continues to forge her professional career, having secured a transfer this season from Everton to Leicester City WFC.

**Ella Hudspeth** continues to thrive in her music; she originally left Hill House after A Levels in 2018, but has now joined the Music Department and shares her talents during singing lessons with pupils from Year 1 to Year 11. She is a loyal member of the choir at Rainbow Connection and teaches musical theatre at The Dance Space in Bawtry. Ella enjoys performing as a solo artist, but is also a proud member of the band 'Duchess', who perform classic, rock and pop music at local venues. Ella's beauty business 'The Beauty Hud' is blossoming, transforming lashes and brows and creating gorgeous makeup looks!



**Safia Khan** achieved her BA in Medical Sciences, specialising in neuroscience, at Balliol College, Oxford last summer, and is now completing her studies at Green Templeton College, where she particularly enjoys the Big Band. She tells us that father, longstanding Governor Perviz, is back in the UK after a period working in Saudi Arabia, older brother Usman has recently qualified as a doctor, and younger sister Alina is now enjoying law at SOAS.



**Adam Wallace** has continued to succeed in his music, now performing on cruise ships with the likes of 'P&O' and 'Fred. Olsen', cruising around South Africa, Cape Town and the Seychelles. He said this period of time for him was "very exotic" and he felt "very lucky".



**Kallum O'Hara** went on to study Avionics at Liverpool University, gaining a Degree of Master with Engineering of Honors in Avionic Systems (First Class). **Conor O'Hara** studied a one year foundation course in Musical Theatre at Guildford (GSA), he believes this was the best thing he ever did as it fully prepared him for his future experiences at Mountview Academy

in London where he successfully graduated with a First BA Honors in Performance/Music Theatre.

**Marcus Hooper** has recently announced his engagement to **Rebecca De Mulder**; they are the proud owners of a very mischievous dachshund called Mabel. Rebecca has recently completed her Master's degree in Aerospace Engineering, which enabled her to secure a graduate role in the nuclear and power sector.

**Beth Haley** qualified with a Degree in Business at Leicester University. Shortly after realising that this wasn't for her, she went on to train to be a primary school teacher. Brother, **Ross Haley** went onto Loughborough University to fulfil a Masters in Psychology. He is now a health mentor and visits many different local schools to talk with their pupils. Father and Old Boy, Peter Haley, continues to be sub-post master at Epworth Post Office, while proud mother Stephanie still works in the Catering Department at school

**Henry Parkinson** has joined the RAF and has been accepted onto the pilot training program, and starts the Initial Officer Training in June 2021. Henry has maintained a role with cadet, he is now CI at Bawtry Squadron whilst working at The Olde Bell and for family menswear business. Henry has also completed the Coast to Coast walk in the autumn, raising £500 for the RAF Benevolent Fund.

**Angus Botting**, our Head Boy from 2010 to 2013, left Hill House and has since achieved a degree in Geophysics at Southampton University. He went on to secure a job in Scotland, following his successful degree. Angus has since moved out to Vancouver, Canada to continue his work. Since living in Vancouver, he has bought a 40 year old sailing boat which sleeps six - and has spent his free time refurbishing it with his girlfriend. He enjoys spending time out on his sailing boat throughout the summer and skiing in the winter months.



**Grace Stott** got in touch to tell us that she has completed her degree at UEA and is now qualified as a Doctor of Medicine. We believe this makes Grace Hill House Sixth's first qualified medic!

**Caroline Keane**, our Head Girl from 2010 to 2013 (the first Head Girl of our Sixth Form!), went on into Pharmaceutical Sales. She continues to lead the Hill House Association Old Girls Hockey Team. She is now fulfilling a Masters at Sheffield University as a Physician Associate. Caroline and William Dewey married back in 2017, both former pupils. William is now in Orthopedic Sales.

We would like to hear from more of our students to feature in future issues, please send your stories and photographs to [developmentoffice@hillhouse.doncaster.sch.uk](mailto:developmentoffice@hillhouse.doncaster.sch.uk)



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