



THE ABBEY WAY

ABBAY CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL • NEWRY



Staff and pupils basking in the splendour of the magnificent Victoria Falls

EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

To celebrate the Bicentenary since Blessed Edmund Rice founded the first Christian Brothers' School, seven students and three teachers from the Abbey Grammar C.B.S, Newry, embarked on a two-week mission to Livingstone, Zambia.

We were greeted in Lusaka by John McCourt, a Christian Brother doing excellent and benevolent work at an orphanage there. Brother Mick Doyle was our chief contact in Livingstone. We divided into groups and were based in three locations – Linda and Libuyu Community Schools, and Maramba Youth Training College. The community schools were extremely deprived, with all six classes being squashed into a small hall which often didn't have any desks or chairs for most students. Yet, it struck me on my first visit how happy the children seemed. Throughout the two weeks as we taught the children we were all given full attention. The enthusiasm for education was phenomenal considering their situation.

The home medical visits and hospital visit were in sharp contrast. We found the hospital in excellent condition with plenty of space and beds, but very few medical resources to help the patients. The medical system seemed to be a two-tiered system – fee-paying and free. But most people in Livingstone could not even afford the taxi fare to the hospital.

But it wasn't all doom and gloom – our experiences at Maramba Centre were often more joyous. On our first day we were heartily received and the students performed some drama for us, along with some beautiful rhythmic songs. We spent a day in Maramba helping with the construction of one of the school buildings. It was exhausting in the stifling heat, but the cheerful community aura of working with the students and their parents was an amazing experience. The day after

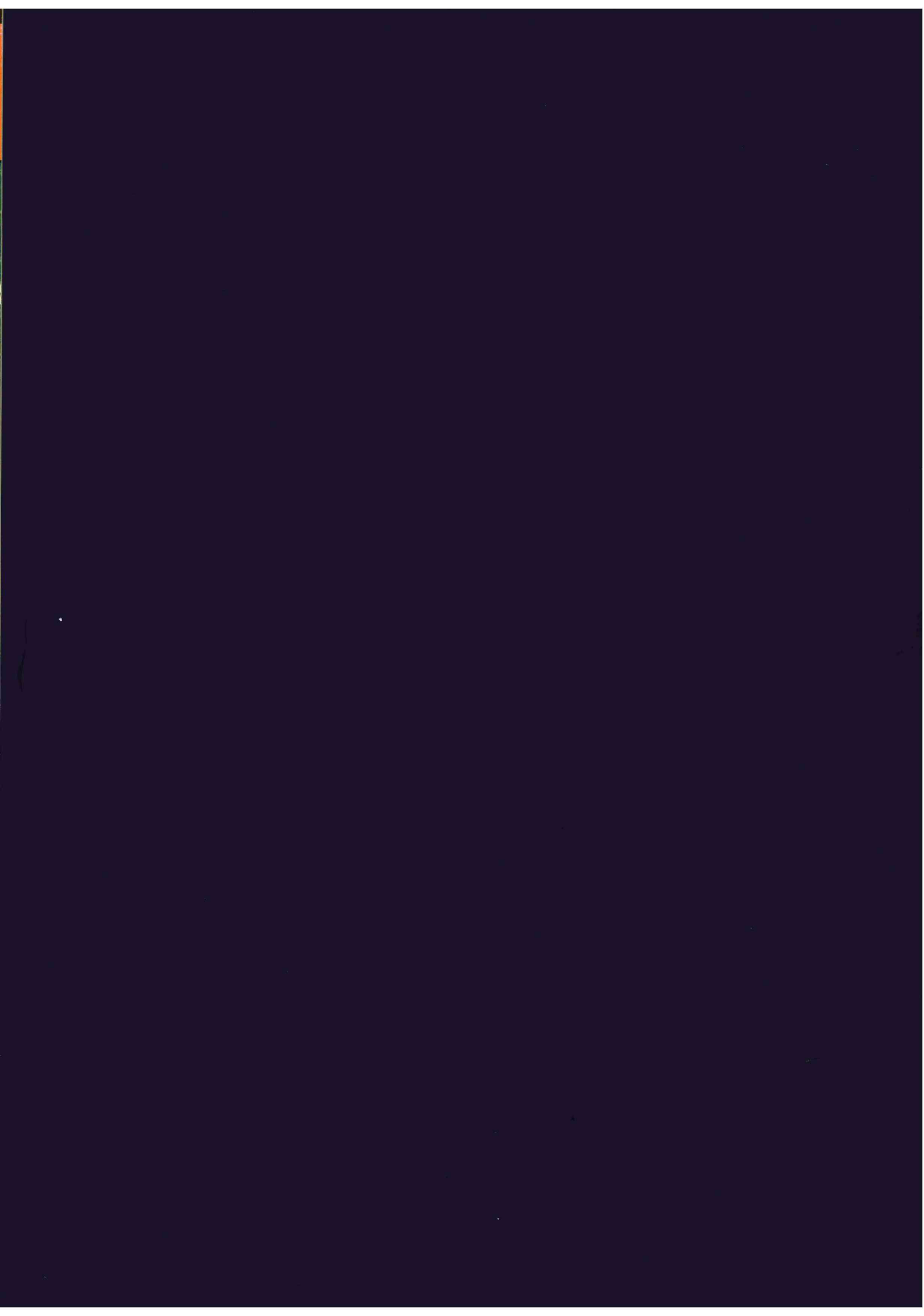
there was an organised sports day at Maramba, and finally, after a thrilling penalty shoot-out, the Abbey C.B.S, Newry can boast that we won an International Soccer Tournament!

St. Raphael's C.B.S. was another key visit on our travels since it was the reason we were situated in Livingstone. The standard of education there was more comparable to our own rather than the community schools. We toured the classrooms and talked to students, and every single one of them seemed exuberantly happy and privileged to be there. They welcomed us heartily and were inquisitive about Ireland: they particularly seemed puzzled about our descriptions of the 'lovely' weather we have here!

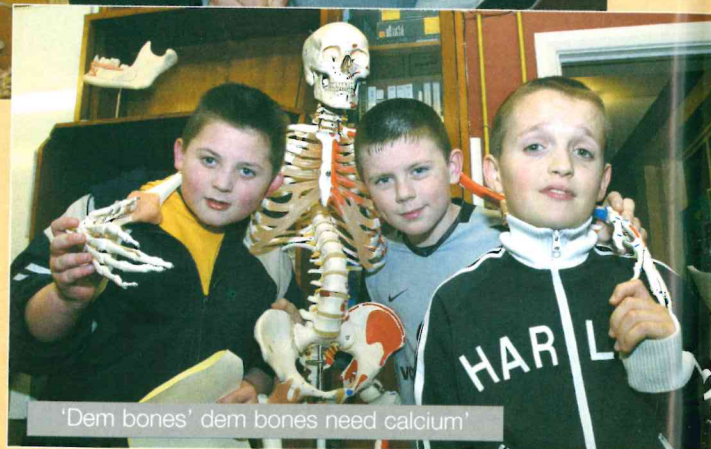
You can't travel for 3,000 miles to the tourist capital of Zambia and not visit one of the natural wonders of the world: the Victoria Falls, or 'Mosi-ao-Tunya' ('The Smoke That Thunders') as it is locally known. It was a breathtaking sight, but with great irony: there was so much water there but only a few miles away from a city where water was a scarce commodity.

All too soon our time was up, we allocated our donation funds mainly to the community schools to help pay for teacher salaries, teacher training and student scholarships. We also gave money to the hospital, specifying that it be used for the purchase of medicines.

Perhaps the most beneficial lesson we learned from our trip was an appreciation of how complex life in Zambia is. Hard work, time, effort, money and most important of all, a spirit of generosity would help towards solving problems in Zambia. The best advice I could offer anyone is to go out and experience it yourself. Seeing it in reality is very different from watching it on television.



It's a dirty business:
Primary 7 pupils feeling a bit squeamish at rat dissection



'Dem bones' dem bones need calcium



Mr Savage in attendance on Open Night



Mr Mooney, Head of Technology, explains the "Water for Life" project to visiting P7 pupils Christopher McParland designed this for his A-Level coursework.

CHARITY



Christmas Charity: Abbey pupils demonstrate their charitable work at that special time of Christmas. Mr L. O'Donnell represents the receiving organisation, St. Vincent de Paul.



As a result of four Non-Uniform days, students of the Abbey Grammar Christian Brothers' Grammar School were able to present cheques to the value of over £6,000 to various local charities. Some of the beneficiaries of these No-Uniform days are: Mrs Rosemary Waterson (Voluntary Services Co-ordinator for Newry Hospice), Mr Gervase McCartan (Cancer Research), Fr Mark Nolan OSB (Benedictine Monks), David Heatley (PAPA Resource Centre), John Carr (St. Vincent De Paul). Other cheques were presented to Action Cancer, Lourdes Invalid Fund, The Samaritans and the Tanzania Environment Programme. Pictured presenting the cheques are Emmett Fearon, Vincent O'Rourke, Kieran Jennings, Cailim Quinn, and Darren O'Hare together with Dr Sean Fee (Head of Science) who co-ordinated the fundraising. The Abbey would like to acknowledge The Corn Dolly, Friar Tucks (Sugar Island), The Shelbourne, Sainsbury's, O'Reilly's The Sweet People and the Celtic Corner Shop for the help given throughout the year.

DRAMA



First year pupils from Breffni 1 perform heroically on Open Night

MUSIC



Head of Music, Mr Wadsworth, conducts the school choir in the foyer of the Canal Court Hotel at a special night last Christmas in aid of local charity organisations.



Steven Campbell who performed at the Waterfront Hall having received the highest mark in GCSE performance.



Abbey pupils presenting their large cheque to Fiona Stevens and Edel Rogan from Southern Area Hospice Services. Dr Sean Fee, who looks after the school charity functions and application of funds, looks on with pride.

SAM MAGUIRE VISITS THE ABBEY



A frenzy develops as Abbey pupils try to get their hands on the Holy Grail.

PAST PUPILS



As promised, Armagh manager Joe Kernan returned to his school to proudly show the Sam Maguire trophy. From left to right: Mr H. Markey, Mr M. Grogan, Joe Kernan, Mr. A O'Rourke, Mr M. McKeivitt.



Mr D. McGovern, Headmaster presents a specially commissioned poster to each of the nine Armagh players and manager Joe Kernan - all past pupils at the Abbey. Included are players (L-R) Barry Duffy, Cathel O'Rouke and Aidan O'Rouke.



Former Education Minister, Mr Martin McGuinness, shares a joke with AS pupils on his visit to the Abbey.



All-Ireland winning Abbey golf team from 1972 receiving their award in recognition of their achievements for the Abbey.

Back row: (L-R) Ruairi McCormack, Tom Gilsenan, Michael McLoughlin and Michael Gilsenan. Front row: Peter O'Hagan, Mr Pat Mooney and Colin Bell



Past-Pupil Prizes

Mr McGovern and guest speaker Mr Tom Kelly with last year's AS pupils at December's Annual Prizegiving.

QUIZ TEAM



Miss Armstrong with members of the highly successful senior quiz team.

From left: Colm O'Grady, Mark Hughes, Miss Armstrong, David McEnteggart and Peadar Coyle.

A ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE

Abbey pupils have returned home from their incredible journey to Africa telling The Abbey Way that life would never be the same again. Judging by these wonderful images you begin to understand just a little of how they might be feeling. The school trip, organised by Sister Anne, had both a practical and a spiritual dimension and each Abbey student believes that everyone should at some time in their life have the opportunity to be nourished by such a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

Abbey staff and pupils arrive in Zambia for a 'once in a life time experience'.



EDUCATION FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

"Education for a better tomorrow." The chorus of a song Zambian children in Livingstone sang for us. The lyrics effectively summarise the foundation of the Zambian Immersion Project, 2003.

Edmund Rice founded the first Christian Brothers school in Waterford, in 1802. To celebrate the bicentenary anniversary, eight schools from all over Ireland travelled out to Zambia to immerse with the locals and to learn about a different culture. The Abbey was chosen to visit Livingstone, a city in Southern Zambia, situated near the Victoria Falls.

An average day consisted of leaving the hostel at 7.00am to travel to our schools. We were divided into three groups and taught in two community schools, Linda and Libuyu, and Maramba Youth Training Centre. At 8.00am we began teaching. We taught English and Maths until 12.30pm. We then

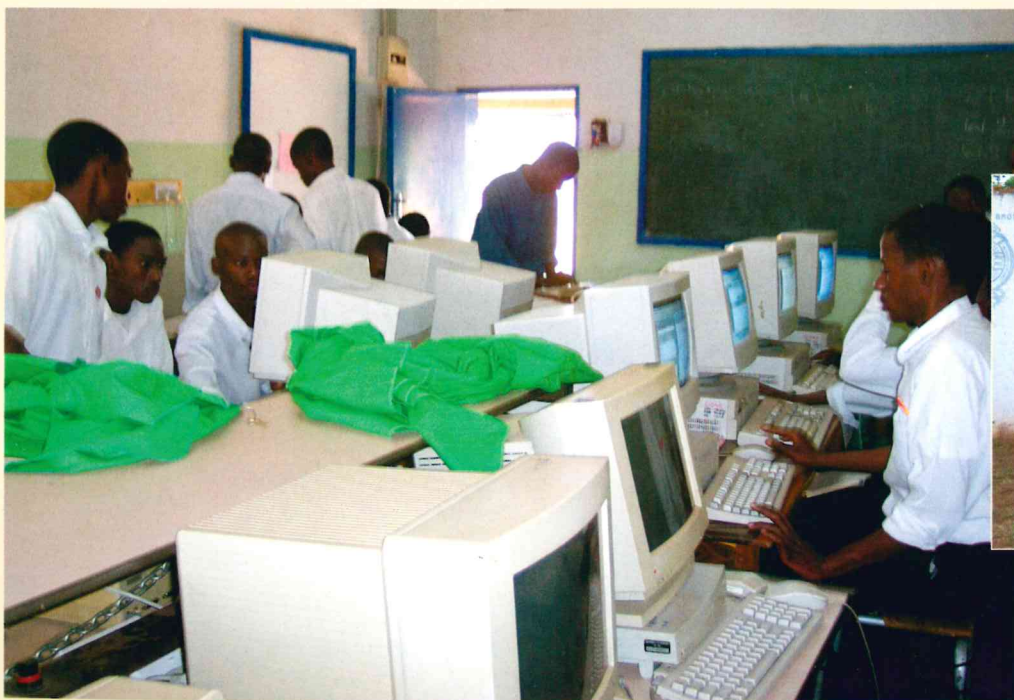
went back to our hostel to get lunch and some days we got an hour to relax or catch up on some sleep. In the afternoon we visited various places, such as Lubasi Orphanage, the hospital and St. Raphael's Christian Brothers School.

Lubasi Home had nineteen orphans, and there was a noticeable difference between these children and those we taught in the community schools. They were well cared for by Sister Emmanuella and other workers. Their confidence was inspiring – they all sang for us immediately when we arrived, taught us how to play drums, and even demonstrated that they were far better gymnasts than us by somersaulting off walls and bricks. We left them with a few tunes of our own. Sr. Anne and Mr. Maguire sang an excellent rendition of 'The Boys from the Country Armagh.'

The hospital was combined with some

home health care visits, and these were definitely the low point of the experience. While we each aided an average of 40 patients within a few hours, most suffering from AIDS, we found that most of the beds in the hospitals weren't even being used. The premises were attractive and well-kept, and the staff were well-trained, but beds in the fee-paying wards were seldom used due to the poverty. Even those in the non fee-paying section were quite empty since most Zambians can't afford one dollar for a taxi to the hospital. The medicine we distributed from the home visits seemed to have little effect since AIDS is such a complex and horrific virus, demanding constant and precise medical attention. Nevertheless, the work the Sisters were doing was very inspirational.

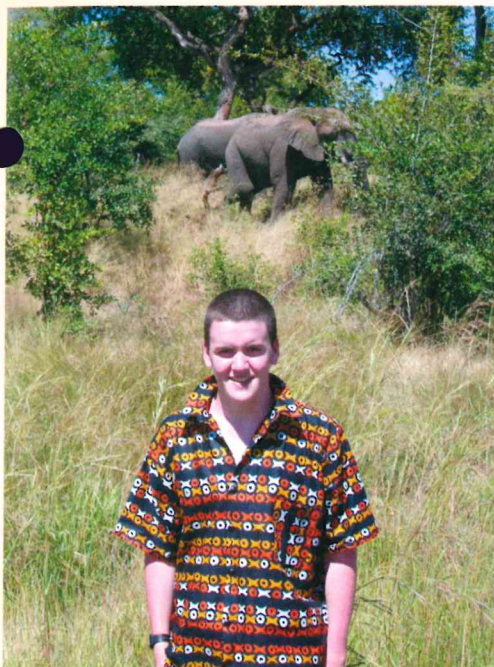
St. Raphael's Christian Brothers' School was the reason we were visiting Livingstone. Brother Mick Doyle, who has been working



"Pedal Power"
Pupils of St. Raphael's Secondary School arrive on time for first lesson



Even 'Darkest Africa' needs access to sophisticated technology to cope with the demands of the modern world.



A Beast in Africa and some elephants!
Christopher Cull looking decidedly cool
despite the close attention of some
menacing locals.



A Flying visit to the Orphanage

there now for 21 years, helped co-ordinate most of our daily visits and activities. The school itself was very privileged in comparison to the other institutions we observed. We were welcomed warmly by all students as we toured the classrooms and chatted with them about their work and they eagerly asked us questions about Ireland. Their enthusiasm for education is far greater than our own. We found this very provocative considering how materially deprived they are in comparison, and to a certain extent this has aided our own appreciation of the extremely high standard of education we are blessed with here.

Fortunately, the trip wasn't all doom-and-gloom. The tourist dimension was fully explored, particularly since Livingstone is considered the tourist capital of Zambia since it is a mere few miles from the Victoria Falls. This wonder of the world attracted many backpackers, and we met quite a few in our hostel. The hostel itself was relatively pleasant. Then again, we would probably find any place with a swimming pool, a bar and a pool table to be pleasant.

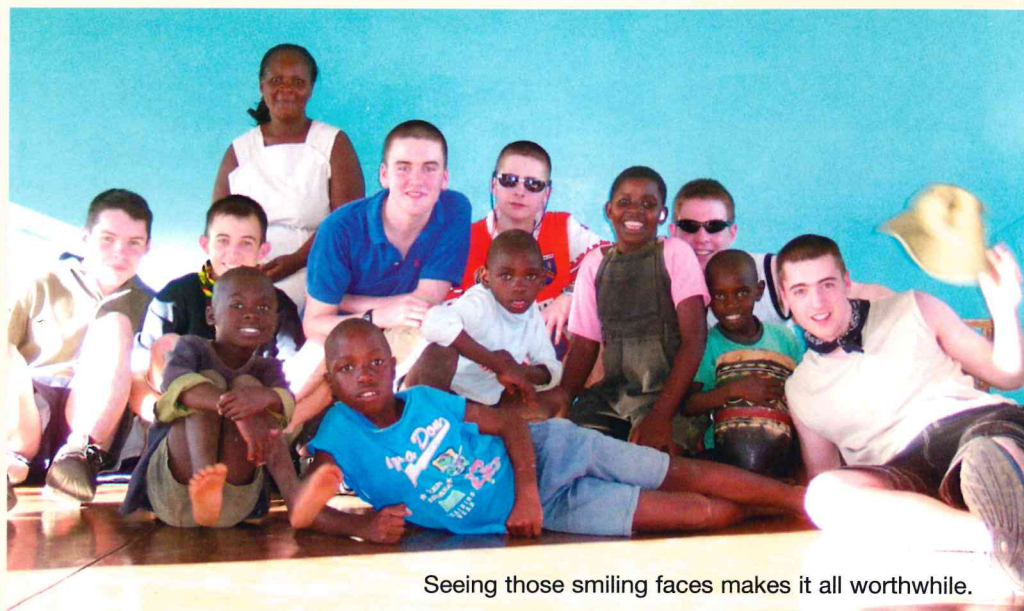
The Victoria Falls, known to the locals as Mosi-ao-Tunya, 'The Smoke That Thunders,' was the height of our experience as tourists. Who couldn't be impressed by a waterfall one mile in width and two hundred metres high which discharges two million gallons of water per second? The walk around the Falls exposed many wondrous views to us, certainly none which were captured by any pictures we'd seen.

We visited Zimbabwe on the Sunday, officially our 'tourist day.' We ate lunch in

the luxurious Victoria Falls Hotel and haggled with Zimbabweans in a local market for an hour, stocking up on drums and little wooden animals. After our stomachs were full and our arms weighted down with wooden drums and bags of curios, we went on a cruise down the Zambezi, 'a booze cruise,' without the booze. This was very relaxing and luckily enough we spotted a few hippos in the water and other wildlife along the banks.

We had decided beforehand that two weeks was too brief a time for us to make any significant difference to problems faced in Zambia. The central focus of the trip was 'experience,' an event that would change our perspective and appreciation of the lives we lead, and a desire to help others who aren't quite so fortunate. £10,000 is a high price to pay for changing ten people's

perspective, so is this money lost? Out of the seven students that went, six of us are now researching information on gap years to third world countries from the Internet. We are planning on going out to work in various locations for a year either before or after university. Two Italian engineers, both called Giovanni, came out to Zambia to work temporarily. Over the past three years, they have built and co-ordinated the entire Centre of Maramba. They work on the biblical principle that if you give a man a fish, you will feed him for one day. But teach a man to fish, and you will feed him for life. The Zambians need long-term solutions, so the Giovannis have trained local administrators to take their place when they leave over the next few months. If these schemes aren't worth the price of a few plane tickets, then I don't know what is.



Seeing those smiling faces makes it all worthwhile.

GUYS & DOLLS

CAST OF GUYS & DOLLS ANNOUNCED

SKY MASTERSON:

BARRY SANDS

NATHAN DETROIT:

DAVID Mc ENTEGGART

NICELY-NICELY JOHNSTON:

MARK HUGHES

BENNY SOUTHWEST:

MATTHEW JOHNSTON

RUSTY CHARLIE:

MARTIN HEARTY

LT. BRANNIGAN:

RUAIRI MURPHY

ARVIDE ABERNATHY:

CHRISTOPHER CULL

BIG JULIE:

TURLOUGH TRAINOR

HARRY THE HORSE:

EAMONN DONNELLY

JOEY BILTMOE:

CONOR RODGERS

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

JOSEPH MURPHY



After prolonged and intense auditions the principal line-up for GUYS AND DOLLS has been announced. Director MR. SMYTH thought long and hard about the eventual cast for next year's school show. He had to agonise for many days due to the exceptionally high standard of talent and ability offered

to him in the auditions. However, this ultimately proved to be a blessing in disguise as we now have a superb chorus to compliment and drive the show along. The full cast list will be announced at a later date but here are the main players for what promises to be a quite magnificent and memorable production.

SENIOR DEBATING FINAL

The Senior Debating Final for the Brother McFarland Cup was held on Thursday 27th March in the Abbey Grammar CBS.

The motion for the debate was:

This house believes that U.S. and British policy on Iraq is morally and politically unjust.

Proposing the motion were Christopher Rodgers (Captain), Joseph Murphy, Colm O'Grady and Sean McClory. The opposition team comprised of Gareth Chambers (Captain), Daniel-Patrick Heatley, Eamonn Donnelly and James Rea.

The debate was chaired by Dr. A Lennon and adjudicated by Mr. G Morgan, Mr. Rory McShane (Competition Sponsor) and guest speaker, Mr. Malachi O'Doherty.

At times the debate was both passionate and emotive and it was apparent that each student had researched, prepared and delivered their material superbly well.

Before the final adjudication good-humoured entertainment was provided in the form of Ex Tempore motions when each student was given one minute to prepare a brief speech on a totally random motion. The motions ranged from 'This House Believes that 'Homer Simpson is God' to 'This house would prefer Kylie to Jennifer Lopez.'

In the end the motion was defeated.

The adjudication of the debate in terms of who won was difficult enough but trying to agree the top three speakers was almost impossible. Each student gave a very good account of themselves but in the end it was agreed that, for the second consecutive year, Daniel - Patrick Heatley was the winner with the debutant James Rea second and Colm O'Grady third.

The guest speaker, Mr. Malachi O'Doherty, commended the students on their fine performances and made the point that in order to understand their own opinions and ideas, students must first learn to articulate and debate them. Only then will they come to a clearer understanding of what they believe.

ALL-IRELAND WINNERS

Ever since the local festival, Féile an Iúir, was established by Br. Quinlan in 1977, the Abbey has had a strong tradition of success with their entries to Scoildramaíocht. Over the intervening years several members of the staff in school have collaborated to produce plays in Irish of an excellent standard. Br. Beausang, Aodh Ó Murchú, Ray Spallen, Pat Mooney, Dominic McCartan, Jean McDonald, Sinead McDonnell, Denise Hagan, Roisin Malone, Oonagh Byrne and Fiona Armstrong all exercised their skills and talents and the present staff have sustained and enhanced this proud tradition in 2003 with a clean-up of a total of nine awards between the local, provincial, and national féilí. This year's entry was scripted and co-produced by Mr. Maurice McKevitt, Mr. Desmond Tennyson, Mr. Sean Gallagher and Mr. Sean McClory. Entitled "An Scrúdú Béil", it is a humorous review of the whole experience of an oral examination by a visiting examiner. There are

anxieties in the staff room and common room alike, and there's a lot of comedy generated by the grammatical blunders of the Head of Department's dishonest attempts to gain good results and keep the school high in the local league tables. Best actor award was won by John Dougan, best moment of theatre went to Ruairí Murphy and Chris Rodgers. The Ursula Kearns trophy for best Irish senior school was won collectively by the cast, whilst they also won best entry in their section and overall premier awards at both Féile an Iúir and Féile Uladh. However, the most important success was the nomination to compete in the All-Ireland finals in St. Patrick's Teacher Training College Drumcondra in early April. There they gave their best performance of the season, and competing in a large and strong field of forty entries from all over the country, completed their successful run by winning their section outright. This is the third national victory for the Abbey in seven years.

James Ashe
Niall McCoy
Macdara O'Graham
Chris Rodgers
Cathal Cully
John Dougan
Connor O'Neill
Damien Brady
Steven Devlin
Raymond Morgan
Aidan Deery
Sean Carroll

Lighting and Sound:
Mark MacLennan

ABBEE AT THE "EIFFEL" - PARIS TRIP A GREAT SUCCESS

LE MERCREDI 26 MARS

Nous avons quitté The Abbey très tôt le matin (à trois heures!). Nous avons voyagé à l'aéroport de Dublin en bus. Tout le monde était fatigué et on a dormi ! Nous avons mangé le petit déjeuner dans un café à l'aéroport. Le vol à Paris a duré 1 heure. Nous sommes arrivés à Paris vers 11 heures. Nous sommes allés directement au quartier de Seine Saint Denis dans le nord de Paris. Nous avons fait un peu de shopping dans un magasin de sport et nous avons mangé dans un fast-food qui s'appelle Quick. L'après-midi nous sommes allés au Stade de France. Nous avons fait un tour du stade et nous avons acheté des souvenirs. Après, nous sommes allés au quartier de Montmartre et nous avons visité la Basilique du Sacre Cœur et la Place du Tertre où on a vu tous les artistes.

Le soir, nous sommes allés manger dans un restaurant qui s'appelle Flunch. C'était génial, parce qu'il y avait beaucoup de choix. Tout le monde a goûté les crêpes ! Après, nous avons fait les Bateaux Mouches sur la Seine. Il faisait assez froid ! On s'est bien amusé. Nous sommes rentrés à l'hôtel vers 22 heures.

LE JEUDI 27 MARS

Nous nous sommes levés très tôt, et on a mangé un petit déjeuner français (les croissants et les baguettes avec du beurre et de la confiture) et on a bu du jus d'orange. Le matin, nous avons fait un tour de Paris en bus. Nous avons vu toutes les attractions touristiques, le Louvre, le Notre Dame, la Tour Eiffel, l'Arc de Triomphe et les Champs Elysées. J'ai bien aimé le Jardin de Tuileries (près du Louvre).

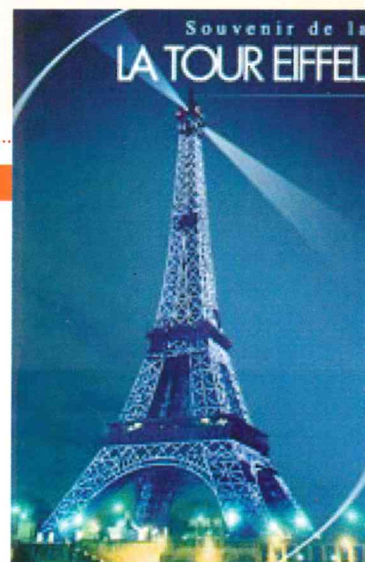
L'après-midi, nous sommes allés au Cité des Sciences et nous avons regardé un film en français sur Ernest Shackleton. Le soir, nous sommes allés à Aqua Boulevard, une grande piscine et nous avons nagé pendant 2 heures. C'était génial !

LE VENDREDI 28 MARS

Nous avons passé toute la journée à Disneyland. Nous avons passé la plupart du temps sur les montagnes russes comme Big Thunder Mountain, Indiana Jones et Space Mountain. Nous sommes allés au spectacle Honey I shrunk the audience aussi. C'était très amusant ! Le soir, nous avons fait un tour de Paris par nuit. Nous avons visité aussi la Tour Eiffel. C'était fantastique ! Il y avait de très belles vues sur Paris.

LE SAMEDI 29 MARS

On a fait les bagages et on a quitté l'hôtel pour la dernière fois. On a fait un peu de shopping dans un grand centre commercial. Nous avons acheté beaucoup de cadeaux pour nos familles et nos amis en Irlande. Nous sommes allés à l'aéroport de Charles de Gaulle et nous sommes rentrés en Irlande. Nous sommes arrivés à Newry vers 18 heures. Tout le monde s'est très bien amusé à Paris et l'excursion était absolument super !



POETRY

TRIBUTO

The ring is silent
And the sand is still.
But the crowd, they wait,
They savour the kill.

And the sands rise,
In clouds of dust,
The beasts, they race on,
With raging lust.

But a shroud of scarlet,
Envelops the sword,
As the fighter emerges,
Unscathed by the horde.

And one by one,
They fall to the sand,
All driven to dust,
By the matador's hand.

The ring is silent,
And the sand is still,
But the crowd, in glory,
Have witnessed the kill.

And the fighter, in triumph,
Beholds the sun.
For the beasts are dead,
And his work is done.

Mark McNulty (13)
Abbey Grammar School

AUTUMN AND WINTER

The mornings are dark,
The conkers are brown,
All the leaves fall down to the ground.

Christmas is coming,
The trees are bare,
The flowers are dead,
'Cause o' the frost in the air.

These white flakes that fall on the ground,
These white flakes that are glowing,
What is this white stuff that falls around?
O yeah! It must be snowing!

Scott Rafferty (13)
Abbey Grammar School

POETRY NOW

As well as trying to harness pupils' writing talent through a writing club within the school the Abbey English Department tries to promote creative work through a variety of competitions during the academic year. This year over twenty pupils from the school had their work published in the Poetry Now, Co. Down anthology, a book bursting with imagination, adventure and fun.

P.S. If you would like to enter creative writing competitions or would like to be part of the school writing club ask your English teacher for more details.

Mr M McMahon.

WORLD WAR II

It was all part of a secret ploy,
Hitler was being a very bad boy.
He disobeyed the treaty of peace
And caused his army to increase.

This forced other people to start the war,
It was going to be worse than ever before.
All over Europe Hitler caused trouble,
Turning cities into rubble.

The allies started to fight back
And beat the Germans without slack.
For six long years the war was fought
And finally the Germans were caught.

The war, it ended in 1945,
More than 16 million no more alive.
The streets were like rivers of red
And many people lay there dead.

Stephen Hankin (13)
Abbey Grammar School

NOT SO SHORTLY

There was a young man not so tall,
Who just lived to kick a football.
Along the Bridge Road a ball was the
stones,
He cheered and he roared to hide all the
moans.
His mum fed him spuds to make him more
sporty,
He was small for his age, so they nicknamed
him Shorty.
From parish to county, from parks to pitches
He scored with the best and earned medals
as riches.
As captain he led with a spirit to inspire,
But his skill was unmatched as his team
caught fire.
A giant of the sport,
Why call him Shorty?

Conaill McGovern (14)
Abbey Grammar School

SWIMMING

GOLDEN COW YOUTH GAMES

James Lannon, David Burns and myself (Cormac Boyle) were chosen to go to the swimming trials in Portadown and having come through these we became members of the SELB swimming team. After two full days training in Dungannon, over Halloween, we continued our vigorous training for a further ten weeks, with the added pressure of having to sacrifice our Sundays. The Golden Cow Youth Games were being held at the Malone Road playing fields attached to Queen's University, Belfast, on Saturday, May 10th. We had to be there for the opening ceremony at 9.30 am. There were many personalities from the entertainment and sporting world, including David Humphries from Ulster rugby and Tim McCann from Irish football.

After the awards ceremony each participant was presented with a fabulous gold medal. The whole day and indeed the pre-event preparation proved to be a tremendous experience and has whetted our appetite for next year.

Cormac Boyle Breffni 3

Below: David Burns, Cormac Boyle and James Lannon proudly display their medals having successfully participated in the Golden Cow Youth Games on May 14th 2003.



CHESS



Abbey Chess Club checks out the opposition

Pupils from the Abbey Chess Club, Stephen Begley, Philip McClory, Kevin Holsgrove, Christy Carr, Joseph Begley, and Darren Dullaghan who recently qualified for the British Land Chess Megafinals in Belfast, (not included in the picture Rory O'Rourke). Philip McClory (centre) won the under 14 section of the N. Ireland finals and qualified for the National Gigafinals is seen playing the teacher in charge of the Chess Club Mr Gamble. Also included is Paul Cable a parent and an accomplished chess player who coaches the pupils.

The Chess Club has had a very good year, and now meets twice a week. The numbers playing have increased and the members have played in both internal school and regional competitions.

ABBNEY V CARRICK MACROSS



Michael O'Rourke wins the ball in front of his marker.

Next year the club has been invited to play in a school league in the Greater Belfast Area, and will take part in more regional tournaments. As a number of staff play chess a staff/pupil challenge has been planned for the beginning of next term.



The CHESS CLUB received a tremendous boost when it was announced that young PHILIP MCCLORY had won through to the finals of the U.K. CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS with the finals taking place in July.

CURADH CHUIGE ULADH

Macdara O'Graham is the Ulster champion in Gael Linn's public speaking competition for 2003. He competed in the SELB area heat (hosted in St. Colman's College) and qualified for the Ulster Final, which was held in the Cardinal O'Faich Memorial Library in Armagh. Altogether over 70 candidates at GCSE took part in the area heats and the Ulster Final and Macdara was judged to be the best. Not only did the three adjudicators think so, but so too did the capacity audience of students and teachers on the day. Macdara's speech was original and very humorous and clearly enjoyed by all who heard it.

Opposite right: Mr S. McClory and Mr D. McGovern with Ulster Champion Macdara O'Graham.



GOLF

The Abbey Golf teams have been involved in a number of competitions throughout the year with some success.

In February a senior and junior team participated in the North – Eastern Schools' Championship at Baltray Golf Club, a superb links situated just outside Drogheda. Senior members Ross Campbell and Kieran Murphy won best individual score.

Senior Team	Junior:
Ross Campbell;	Kevin McKernan;
Thomas Moan;	Ruairi Gillen;
Kieran Murphy;	Ros Carvill;
Niall O'Hare.	David Barron

In March the same group of players were involved in The British Heart Foundation Championship at Ringdufferin Golf Club. Through their participation the students raised a sum of money for the charity in question.

The junior team, years 8 – 10, have qualified for the final of the Newry and Mourne School's Golf League, where they will play St. Patrick's Armagh at Warrenpoint Golf Club.

Junior Team
 Ryan Gribben (Captain);
 Ian McKeown;
 Niall Mulvanney;
 John Kerr;
 Kevin Markey;
 Gary McLoughlin
 Declan McConville.

ABBHEY GOLF CLASSIC COMPETITION

Warrenpoint Golf Club hosted The Abbey Grammar Past Pupils Sports Association's second Golf Classic competition on Bank Holiday Monday 5th May. It was a very enjoyable day for all concerned and it provided an ideal opportunity for former school friends to meet up. A large sum of money was raised and will be used for purchasing sports equipment for the new school.

The Abbey Past Pupils Sports Association greatly appreciates all the sponsorship that they received for this event. The winning team, Clanrye, was victorious with a score of 101 points.

The main organisers were Dr A Lennon, Mr G. Morgan, Mr A O'Rourke, Mr J. McKeown and Dr A Mulvaney.

MACRORY PANEL



This year's MacRory panel who competed gallantly but failed at the quarter-final stages.



Teacher in charge of Golf Mr G. Morgan with his highly successful junior golf team.

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