

Christmas 2014

Dear Alumni of Canon Slade School

Thank you for registering your details on the school's "Alumni" page. In the short time the page has been running there has been a splendid response - about 150 of you have registered, ranging from one who started as a pupil in 1938 right through to others who have only left recently.

As we said the idea is to stay in touch with as many former pupils and staff as possible and to share news about the school with you.

In this our first communication to you using the data base we would like to make you aware that Canon Slade School is anticipating having a brand new website after February 2015. Just a reminder that the current site's link is [www.canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk/](http://www.canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk/)

While saying 'Goodbye' to our Head of eight years Canon Philip Williamson, the school was very pleased to welcome Mr Alan Mottershead as his replacement in September, or rather to welcome him back as he was here in the early 1980s teaching English and Drama. We would also like to notify you of some staff changes namely that Mr Stuart Blackburn (Head of Religious Studies), Tracey Cropper and Gill Burns will be moving on to pastures new at the end of this term.

If you are wondering how your old school has been doing in your absence, a couple of items on the school's Home Page are worth looking at. Ofsted's assessment can be found through one link and there's a very recent article 'Canon Slade Impress At National Swimming Championships' at another. We hope you'll agree that the school has plenty of varied achievements to enjoy.

Please do spread the word amongst any Alumni (family or friends) that you are still in touch with and encourage them to register their details through the form on the website. The link to use at the moment is <http://www.canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk/alumni>

If you are looking for somewhere to have your own reunion, Carbon Bars in Bolton is run by two of our alumni, Paul and Phil Clavering who would make you very welcome. Just google to find out their contact details. We in the voluntary Alumni Team would be very happy to help with some arrangements, such as group visits to the school. Our contact is [alumni@canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk](mailto:alumni@canon-slade.bolton.sch.uk).

Finally we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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