

FROM ONE HEAD OF CHOIR TO ANOTHER

We were absolutely delighted to welcome Mrs Elizabeth Channon (nee Holgreaves) and her family to College last week. Mrs Channon, now 91 years of age, started College in May 1934 and left in July 1942 from Swinton Castle, which is where HLC girls were evacuated to during the war years. During her time at College, Mrs Channon was a keen Lacrosse team player, achieved Grade 8 on the piano, was Vice Captain of the Cricket team, was Head Prefect of Armaclare, was a School Prefect and was also Head of Choir. It was therefore with real pleasure that Katy Huntley, the current Head of Choir, and Emily Hobson, Deputy Head of Choir, sang two beautiful pieces for Mrs Channon, accompanied by Director of Music, Mrs Morgan. Mrs Channon and her daughter, son-in-law and grandson were very touched by this special performance and we have received a lovely letter from Mrs Channon:

“It was so interesting to see so many changes that have taken place over the past 70 years. The visit to the Chapel, to hear the two girls singing so beautifully, is something I shall never forget, and it brought tears to my eyes. It is wonderful to have such a very talented Music Director. She certainly has a splendid Choir.

Thank you to all of you for giving us all such a happy morning – so many people to thank, but this little note comes from a very grateful Old Girl.”

It was indeed our privilege, Mrs Channon.

Thank you to Mrs Brady for finding these archive photographs of Mrs Channon.

