1963 Newbold Verdon School Staff and Dinner Ladies



Can you help us identify these faces from the past?
This photograph, kindly loaned to our group by the Brearley family (who are conducting research for another project), shows the staff and dinner ladies of Newbold Verdon School in 1963.
We're hoping someone may recognise the man on the far left of the back row, and the woman who is third from the left in the same row.
Here's what we know so far:
Back Row (L–R): ?, Joy Brearley, ?, Alice Ramsell, Vera Deakin, Mrs. Mendham, Mrs. Pluman, Mr. Emmerson
Front Row (L–R): Mrs. Vernon, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Clinton, Rev. H. E. Cadle, Mrs. Richardson, Miss Bruin, Miss Wright

Hi Melita,

After putting the photograph onto our group page and sharing it to the Newbold Verdon Neighbourhood Facebook page, we had lots of very positive replies. I have copied and pasted the conversation from the Newbold Verdon Neighbourhood, where there was the original misunderstanding regarding the photograph:

Peter Boulter The other dinner lady is Mrs. Vera Deacon

Gary Neville Year I was born

Pauline Deacon Top left I think it's Mr. Hill?

Annette Ward yes, it is

Yvonne Hogan Ah Mr. Clinton always looked like Mr. Clinton!!

Rachael Brown Gosh Rachel and Yvonne I was born in '62 how are you recognizing them

Rachel Heard years of my parents talking about earlier times at school! xx

Yvonne Hogan, I didn't know anyone else- I just couldn't believe Mr. Clinton looked like he did when he was our teacher! & the photo was taken the year we were born!

Rachel Heard Just a small point, unless I'm mistaken, think it was Mr. Cadle and not Rev, don't think he was ever ordained, was he?

Roger Saunt I'm sure he left to become vicar of stoney Stanton

Rachel Heard That may be right. I just didn't think he was ordained whilst being at school hope you're well Roger xx

Julie Weston Steve Cawrey. Any leads?

Steve Cawrey the photo and all the details are what I kindly had from Neil Brierly. It's simply taken from my website Julie without thanking Neil or asking myself if I minded.



Newbold Verdon Parish Archive the photograph is from Melita Brearley, Neil's wife that is doing the research project for us. It is his mother that is one of the dinner ladies on the back row and it is Joy Brearley that gave Melita and Neil all the names she knew. We asked her if she would like us to put the photograph up so the two missing names may be recalled. Sorry for the misunderstanding.

Steve Cawrey many thanks for clarifying. When posting any photos that have been supplied to my website, I have always acknowledged whoever has kindly donated them for everyone else to enjoy. Maybe that's something to consider for the future as I have always found you will receive more archive material if people are thanked and acknowledged.
Newbold Verdon Parish Archive much appreciated. We do tend to acknowledge the owners of the photographs we publish (if we have that information!) In this case however, I think the heat got the better of us and the first publishing of the post was quite rushed, admittedly. We have now edited the post accordingly. Thank you.
Steve Cawrey good to see someone has recognized Mr. Hill too
Newbold Verdon Parish Archive Thank you for this, Steve. When we've let the post run for a little longer, I will submit all the comments and photos to Melita and Neil to see if they can clarify some of the names. Thank you for your help. Much appreciated
Steve Cawrey it's possible. This is a staff photo from 1972 and she does resemble the same appearance as Mrs. Wain - back row, third from left.



Newbold Verdon Parish Archive yes. It is very helpful information. Although there does seem to be some question marks over the lady Mrs. Richardson, who a lot of responses, in our own post, seem to name as Mrs. Wain??
Pam Jordan both the same lady, Miss Richardson, became Mrs. Wain I believe
And these are the replies we had back from our own Facebook Page:
Joy Ward Kent Vera Statham, Joy Hill, was it Mrs. Mendham the head cook?
Karen Hollings Benny Clinton 3rd bottom row
Joyce Fox Top Row: Mr. Freeman or Frearson? 2 x cooks in white hats?
Bottom Row: Mrs. Vernon, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Clinton, Mr. Cadle (Headmaster), Mrs. Richardson?
Peter Boulter Back row next to Mrs. Ramsell is Vera (Statham) Deacon.
Bronco Lane Not on this photo but can anyone remember Mrs. or Miss Lowther and Mrs. Chapman? circa 1953/54
Bronco Lane Back row far left Mr. Hill
Kaye Johnson Front row Mrs. Vernon, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Clinton, Back row far right Mr. Emerson. Is the head in the middle Mr. Cadle?
Kaye Johnson In that photo on the front row next to the head it was Miss Richardson who became Mrs. wain.
Newbold Verdon Parish Archive Kaye Johnson, lovely. Thank you for the clarification

Tracy Corrall Statham Mrs. Wain she was a lovely teacher, I can remember seeing her years after I'd left school and she still remembered pupils' names fantastic teacher
Karen Hollings Mrs. wain was lovely n Mrs. Cawson Mr. Greaves head teacher.
Jane Edwards Man far left Mr. hill
Sue Wetherby Mrs. Wain bottom row 3rd from right
Ronald Mottram Happy days
Stephen Hextall Happy days
Peter Saunt Proper teachers, no messing

And this was a comment we had to hide from the public page as it was very derogatory and not appropriate for what we were asking!!:

Meirion Hunt Mr. Cable, centre, Head Master, most horrid man I've ever experienced in my life, probably a pervert as he was not happy unless he was surrounding by very young girls but was vicious when dealing out punishment to 5-year-olds. Apparently was a priest or something but hopefully now getting his just resorts.
Mrs. Vernon also on photo, lovely lady.
Brings back worst memories of child abused I've experienced in a lifetime. Now aged 76.

No more comments since as its usually the first few days that it is commented on, but we do have some clarification of names from the photo. Hope it all helps?
Karen