



# THE REVIEW 1993–2009



# OFSTED

Four Ofsteds later ...

## November 1995

'... a good school with a positive environment for learning ... outstanding in its quality of care and concern.'

## February 2000

'The school achieves very high standards in most aspects of its work ... it has made significant improvements since the last inspection.'

## December 2005

'St Angela's is an outstanding school. Standards have risen significantly. Students are very proud of their school and its achievements.'

## March 2009

'Students' achievement in every sense of the word is outstanding. All groups, including those with learning difficulties, share in this success. When compared to the progress of similar students nationally, students at St Angela's make progress comparable to the top 2% in the country.'



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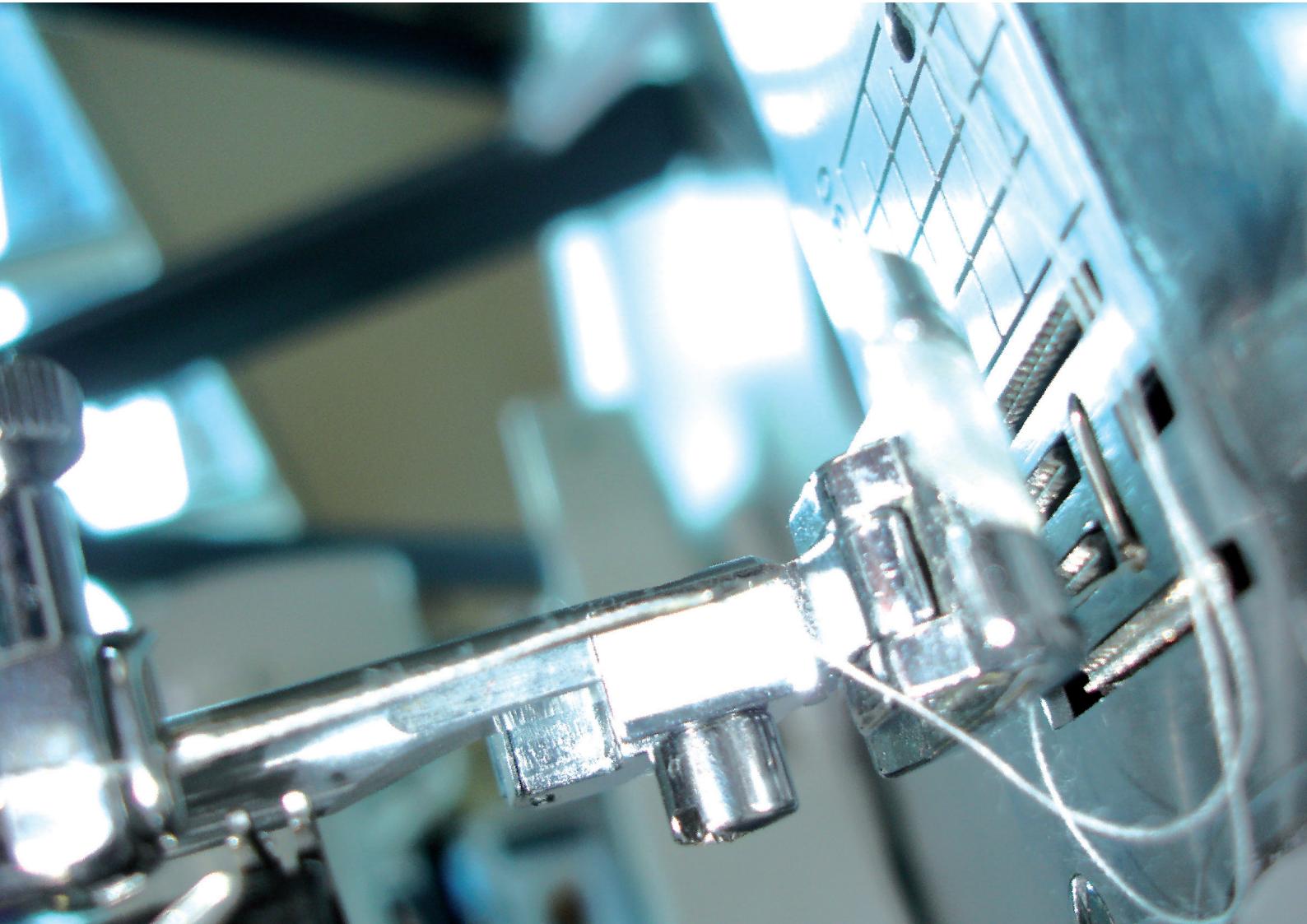
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## SPECIALIST STATUS

In 1995 we were awarded Technology College Status, sponsored by Pura Foods, which 'kickstarted' a new chapter in St Angela's.

- 1996** Ian Hutchenson (Chairman of Pura Foods) opened the Ian Hutchenson Technology Suite
- 1996** 1st Technology College fortnight
- 1997** Dr Martens Awards were introduced for students' progress & achievement in science, maths, DT & ICT
- 2000** Recognised as one of the 50 most improved specialist schools
- 2003** First students awarded prestigious Arkwright Scholarship, set up to encourage students to follow engineering
- 2006** St Angela's was designated as a 'High Performing Specialist School', gaining specialisms in NFL & Training School status
- 2008** 'Success in Adding Value' – St Angela's accredited one of the top 15 specialist schools for value-added.

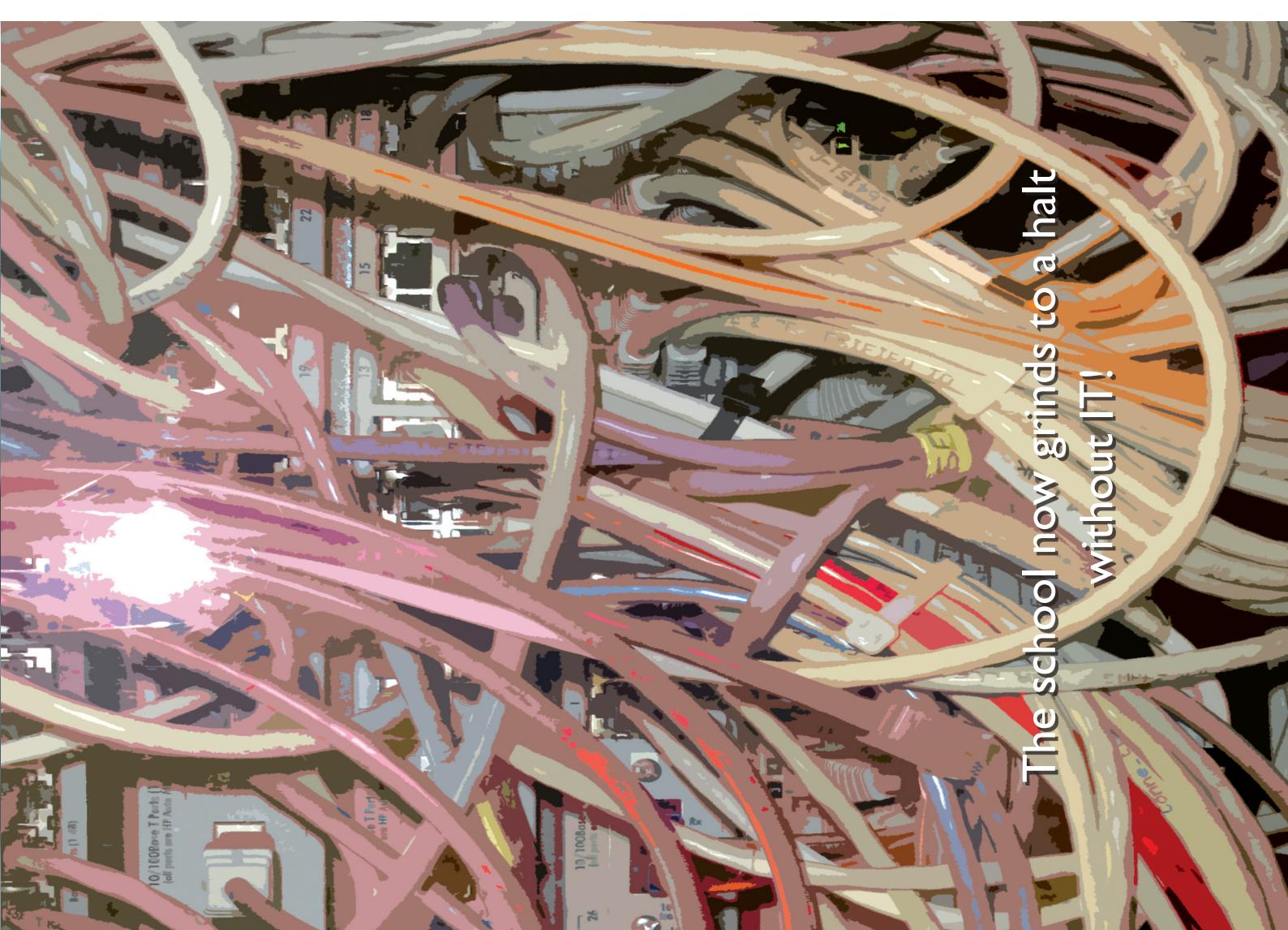


# TECHNOLOGY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

Remember a time without mobile phones and the internet, and when computers were heavy square boxed beasts and rare – I do (the 1990s)!

In 1993 St Angela's had one room of 'BBCB' computers and one room of electric typewriters and one of manual typewriters – what are they?

- 1996** First Technology College fortnight
- 1997** At the second TC fortnight students produced presentations using sound & pictures! Photos were downloaded from a digital camera onto a computer!
- 1998** 1st fibre optic network installed (only between Brescia IT rooms). 25 new PCs arrived in Merici IT.
- 1999** Brescia and Merici IT were connected on a network
- The first 3 electronic whiteboards were installed.
- In music 7 computers were linked to keyboards
- The network changes to Broadband
- All teaching staff have laptops
- 2005** First set of 'loanable' laptops in sixth form; the school goes wireless
- 2006** Launch of VLE and the student laptop scheme
- 2009** 14 banks of laptops around the school, over 350 PCs and electronic whiteboards in every room



The school now grinds to a halt  
without IT!

## AWARDS/RECOGNITION

Over the years many different bodies have recognised our efforts and encouraged us.

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| <b>1998</b> | Education Xtra award – commitment to study support   |
| <b>1999</b> | 1st Investor in People status  |
| <b>1999</b> | DFEE acknowledges St Angela's as one of the most improving schools in the country              |
| <b>2000</b> | Beacon School status   |
| <b>2003</b> | 'Leading edge' school  |
| <b>2005</b> | Healthy school award   |
| <b>2007</b> | St Angela's designated a National Support school, with the Head a National Leader in Education |
| <b>2007</b> | <i>Evening Standard's Outstanding School of the Year</i>                                       |
| <b>2008</b> | <i>Leading Edge Partnership</i> bestows first 'Impact & Innovation' award                      |
| <b>2009</b> | Teaching School status   |

Praise is definitely a self fulfilling prophecy!

## SIXTH FORM CENTRE

'What I love most about the sixth form is the real sense of community. The teachers do more than required to help you achieve your personal goals.'

*Student quote, Ofsted 2009*

Student numbers have risen significantly!

- 289 students in 1994
- 460 students in 1999
- 800 students in 2008

The first sixth form leavers' dance was held in 1996, with the first year book produced in the same year.

Progress to Higher Education has risen from 74% in 1999 to 95% in 2008. In the same period 29 students have gone to Oxbridge and 44 students have been accepted to study Medicine and Dentistry.

'St Angela's is more than a school; it's almost a second home to me.'

*Gladys Garcia, Head Girl 2002/3*

*in siTme  
together*



# WONDERFUL BUILDINGS

A labour of love, some blood, sweat and definitely tears; not forgetting new boilers, kilometres of wiring, cabling, and networking, litres of paint, security installations and fire alarms!

- 1994** Art rooms refurbished
- 1995** Science labs increased from 4 to 6
- 1996** External repair of Brescia Hall Block
- 1997** External repair of 6th form block
- 1998** Science labs increased from 6 to 7
- External repair of West Wing
- 1999** External repair of East Wing
- 2001** DT refurbishment – when we discovered we had asbestos!
- 2003/4** Science refurbishment – new prep room, 8 labs and 3 additional classrooms for 6th form
- 2005** New Sports Hall and dining hall
- 2005** Curriculum Support centre opened – no more dungeon!
- 2007** Library refurbished (now named the TLC)
- 2008** Learning Support Unit (LSU) refurbished
- 2009** Yet more to come, and we await BSF with anticipation ...

Some projects went more smoothly than others. 2003/4 receives the award for the worst building project ever.



## SPORTING MOMENTS

The school was awarded the Sportsmark in 1997, becoming Gold in 2000.

- 2003** U16 English Schools basketball champions  
**2003** Y7 & 8 football team won the U13 Essex Cup  
**2003** U16 basketball team win the All England championships
- 2003** A great year – a clean sweep at the Borough Athletics championships, with every year group winning their competition
- 2004** Gold medal Team Biathlon
- 2005** It's London! Amber Charles (Y10) was the chief youth Ambassador to the Olympic bid and was there in Singapore – we were so proud
- 2006** 6 girls were selected for Newham Sports Academy (from 500 applicants) in the build up to 2012. More girls have been selected since then.
- 2007** Rochelle Jones was selected for the GB Jump Team, and travelled to Hungary to compete against the world's best triple jumpers
- 2007** U16 Essex football champions
- 2004–9** Y11 have been Borough Athletics Champions every year since Y7!
- 2009** Yrs 8, 9, 10 & 11 are all Borough Athletics Champions  
Yr 7 & 8 Indoor Athletics cup



*The opening of the sports hall in June 2006.  
From left: Tessa Sanderson, Clarence Calender,  
Lloyd Cowan, Yvette Jarvis and Delia Smith*

# THE SOUND OF MUSIC

We say:  
'Join the choir and travel the world!'

<b>2001</b>	South Africa
<b>2003</b>	Barcelona
<b>2003</b>	Lake Garda
<b>2005</b>	Czech Republic
<b>2006</b>	Beijing
<b>2008</b>	Black Forest & Strasbourg
<b>2009</b>	Amsterdam

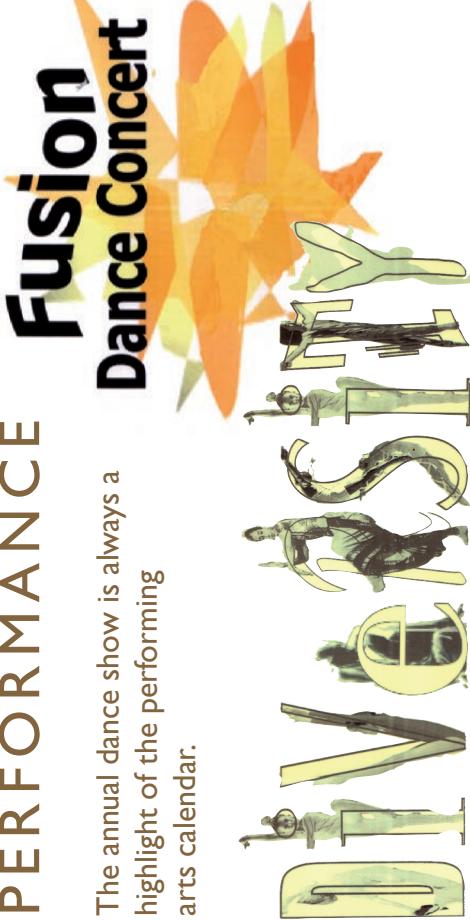
We won the Choral Competition at the Stratford & East London Festival in 2007.

Our choirs and musicians have taken part in many concerts and events, including:

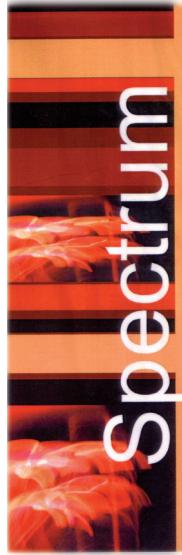
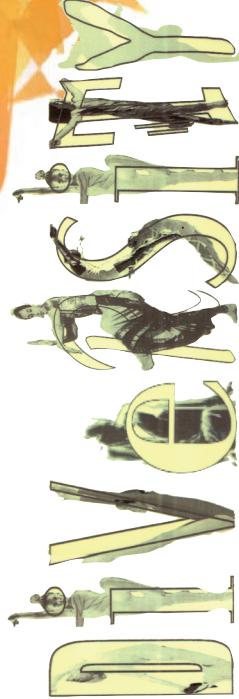
- School carol concerts from 2006 onwards
- Carol concerts at:
  - Newham General Hospital (2007 & 2008)
  - Housing Justice Carol Service at St John's Waterloo (2007)
  - Exhibition performance at Tate & Lyle's Christmas lunch (2008)
- On Liberation Street at the Hackney Empire
- A concert of Beatles songs at the O2



## PERFORMANCE



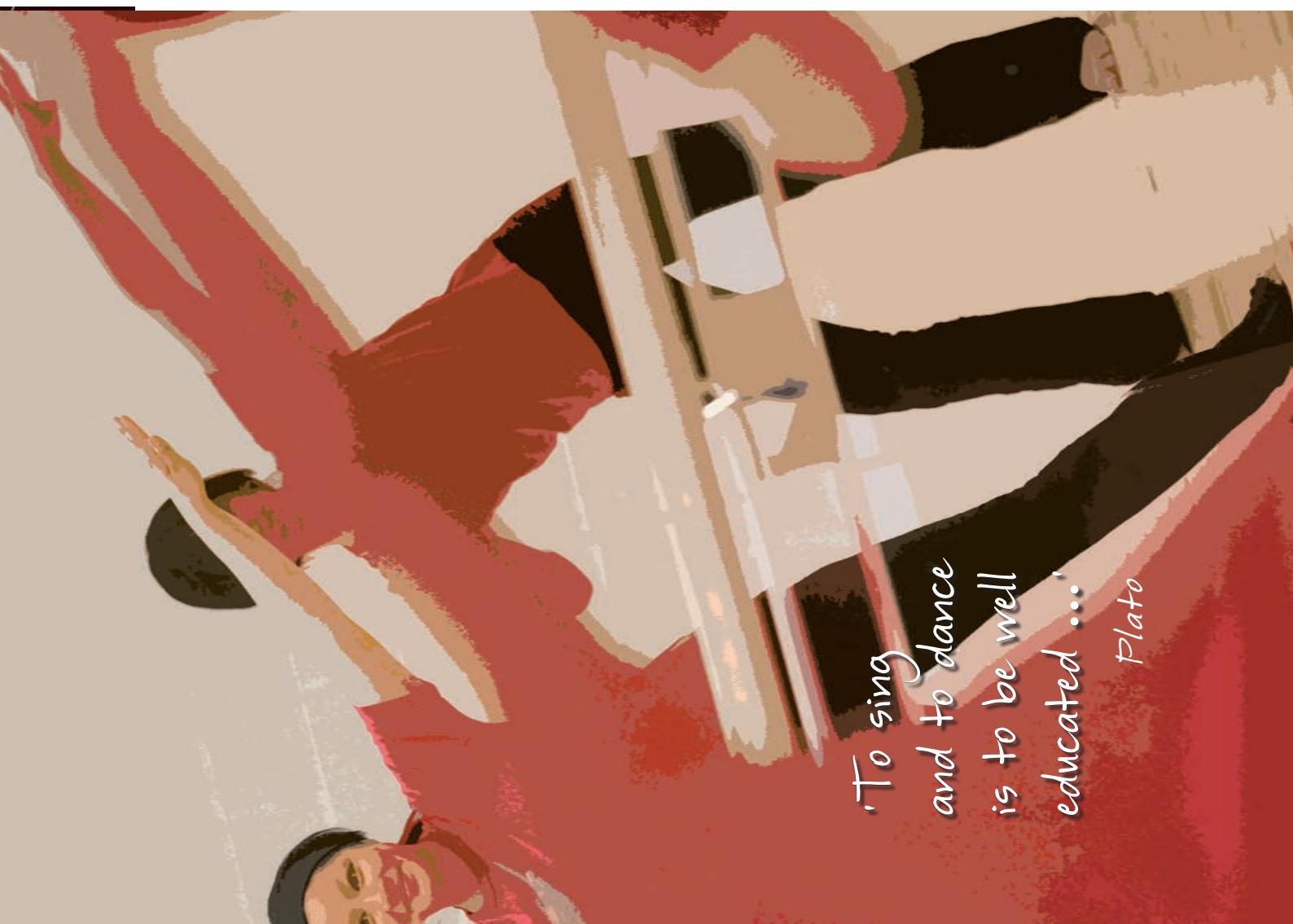
The annual dance show is always a highlight of the performing arts calendar.



## OSMOYSIS

## REFLECTIONS

'To sing  
and to dance  
is to be well  
educated...'  
Plato



# COMMUNITY SPIRIT

St Angela's students, parents and staff are fabulous at giving, from individual marathons for a special cause, to Ursuline appeals, and worldwide issues. Here is just a sample ...

<b>1996</b>	Ursuline 'Payatas Dump' Appeal (Philippines)	£4,388
<b>2003</b>	Advent and Lent	£2,200
<b>2006</b>	Tsumani Appeal	£1,000
<b>2006</b>	Ursuline 'Well Appeal', Ethiopia	£5,000
<b>2007</b>	Justice and Peace raised money for 2 schools in Sri Lanka and South Africa	£2,000
<b>2007</b>	18 students raised £3,000 each to take part in World Challenge in Sri Lanka	
<b>2007</b>	Three students kayak from Devizes to London Bridge for St Joseph's Hospice	£2,250
<b>2007/8</b>	Advent & Lent	£9,500
<b>2008/9</b>	Advent & Lent	£10,000
<b>2008</b>	Year 11 Pj Day in aid of Cancer Research	£850
<b>2009</b>	Staff 'Stress Down Day' in aid of The Samaritans	£900

Since 2004, our generosity has contributed £35,500 to charity.

## SERVIA M AT WORK

In St Angela's we hope to demonstrate action. Students give generously of both time and effort.

### The East London Community Organisation (**TELCO**)

St Angela's joined in 1997, and we won the London Citizens Campaign of the Year in 2008 for CitySafe.

*'I'm privileged to be in an organisation where the voice of the people of East London can be heard.'*

TELCO sixth form student

**Justice and Peace** group leads the school in the *Make Poverty History* and *Drop the Debt* campaigns.

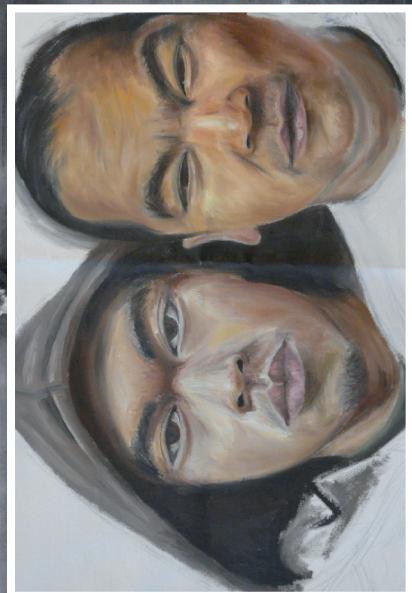
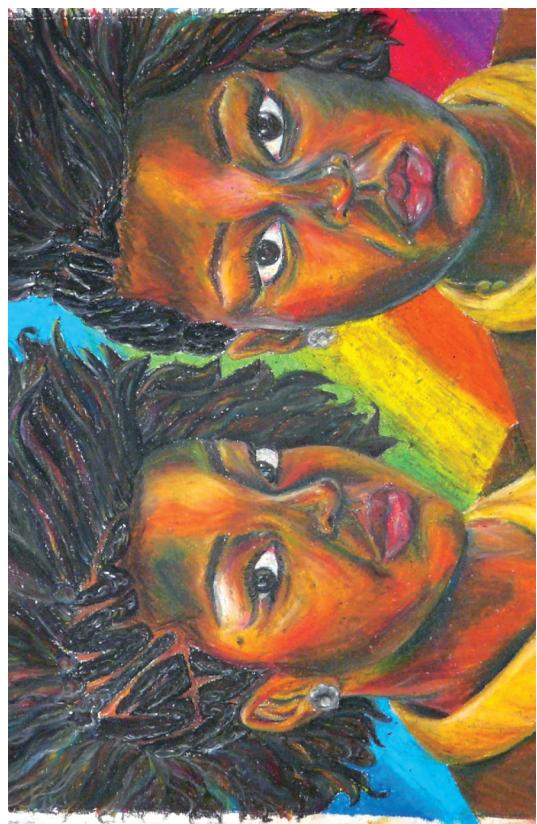
Justice and Peace supported St Angela's becoming a **Fairtrade** school, which supports our 'We Are What We Do' (WAWWD) actions. This lead to our **first ECO Week** in 2007. We now have **Eco Warriors** in every year group.

Peer Mentors.

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# ART *Stunning*



# TEACHING & LEARNING

Let's not forget Teaching and Learning

- We are an Accelerated Learning School
- In St Angela's everyone's a learner
- In St Angela's everyone's a teacher



# LET US REMEMBER ...

*'Remain in harmony, united together all of one heart  
and one will'*

St Angela Merici

- St Patricia Cummins OSU  
Head of Merici 1956–74
- St Benedict Davies OSU  
Head of St Angela's 1951–62
- Barbara Hart  
Senior Finance Officer 1990–2007

*in si me  
together*

